LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating five Girl Scouts upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished Girl Scout Silver Award, Cadette Scouting's highest award and Girl Scouting's second highest achievement on June 22, 2015

WHEREAS, Five Girl Scouts will be honored with the Girl Scout Silver Award, Cadette Scouting's highest award and Girl Scouting's second highest achievement, at the 2015 Girl Scouts Silver and Bronze Award Ceremony on Monday, June 22, 2015, at the Elks Lodge, New Hyde Park, New York; and

WHEREAS, Sixth graders Hailey Mikowski, Jillaan Gaudio, Isabella Bigeni, Nina Cessario, and Madeline Sepcaru are members of Girl Scouts of America Troop 1535 of the Park Association; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting has cultivated in our Nation's young people the goals of building solid values of sisterhood and the importance of working with others, stimulating both mind and body, instilling pride, and encouraging community service and success; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting has expanded the horizons of the countless hundreds of thousands who have participated in Scouting programs which have made Scouting an American and international institution; and

WHEREAS, For their Silver Award Cadette Journey Project, entitled "Coloring Connection", Hailey Mikowski, Jillaan Gaudio, and Isabella Bigeni helped younger kids to learn to make good decisions and help sick children feel better while they were patients in the hospital; and

WHEREAS, Hailey Mikowski, Jillaan Gaudio, and Isabella Bigeni's Take Action Project was called "Coloring for a Cause"; the three Scouts collected supplies for sick children in Cohen's Children's Hospital, and created coloring books for the kids to decorate; and

WHEREAS, For their Silver Award Cadette Journey Project, entitled "Teddy Bear Tea Party", Nina Cessario and Madeline Sepcaru taught girls in Pre-Kindergarten leadership skills and the importance of being a good role model, in hopes of inspiring them to become good citizens and future Girl Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Nina Cessario's Take Action Project was called "One Toy at a Time/Community Concerns"; she raised awareness of health issues which affect families and children in the community, as well as those who reside at Ronald McDonald House; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Sepcaru's Take Action Project was entitled "One Kid Helping Many Kids"; she helped children to feel special about themselves by building up their self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, The Silver Award is earned over a two-year period; it is tangible evidence of these remarkable young women's high character and commitment, and is a harbinger of their future service to their community, New York State and our Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize their achievements in earning the Girl Scout Silver Award and wishing them success, health and happiness; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the aforementioned honorees.