

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Colin McDaniels upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Colin McDaniels through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony was held on December 29, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Colin McDaniels is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 37 in Hornell, New York; he has been involved in scouting since the first grade as a Tiger Cub, and continues to assist and be a role model to the scouts in his troop; and

WHEREAS, As a senior at Hornell Senior High School, Colin McDaniels has participated in Varsity Football, YMCA Sunday School Basketball and the Varsity Golf team; he plans to attend college and major in Criminal Justice to serve his community; and

WHEREAS, Colin McDaniels dedicates much of his time to volunteerism; he shovels snow for veterans, shut-ins, widows and neighbors, provides wheelchair escorts for veterans and assists at football and basketball games; and

WHEREAS, For 10 years, Colin McDaniels has been a member of the Arthur H. Cunningham Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron 440 in Hornell, New York; he is an active member in SAL at the local, county, district and detachment (state) levels, and has held the appointed office of Detachment of New York Assistant Sergeant at Arms for the past three years; and

WHEREAS, In 2014, Colin McDaniels was recognized as the 7th District SAL Member of the Year, and during the summer of 2015, he attended the American Legion Boy's State at the State University of New York at Morrisville; and

WHEREAS, In addition to belonging to the SAL, Colin McDaniels is a member of the Sons of AMVETS and is a life member of the VFW Auxiliary 2250; and

WHEREAS, America has achieved her greatest heights of glory through the dedication, determination and tireless efforts of the outstanding citizens of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, It is only with the continued diligence and devotion of our youth, tomorrow's leaders, that America will maintain her glory; and

WHEREAS, The Boy Scouts of America and its members are dedicated to the development of character and leadership in the youth of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, The highest achievement of leadership in Scouting, earned by only five percent of all Boy Scouts, is the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding young man has been involved in Scouting for many years, has lived up to Scouting's ideals and has attained all of the necessary achievements, including completion of a community service project, which was successfully planned, developed and executed; and

WHEREAS, For his project, Colin McDaniels painted 51 fire hydrants in the City of Hornell's Business District; the fresh paint added protection from all types of weather conditions as well as provided a color guide to the gallons per minute which the hydrants could pump; and

WHEREAS, Colin McDaniels' perseverance in rising through the ranks to Eagle Scout is a strong indication of his ability to master difficult tasks; his accomplishment will enable him to emerge as a leader, fully equipped to meet the challenges of today's complex society; and

WHEREAS, This new Eagle Scout is a credit to his family, his school, his community, his State and his Nation, and no doubt his future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations, in recognition of the significance of this meritorious achievement, to congratulate and honor Colin McDaniels on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Colin McDaniels.