

BY: Senator BONACIC

CONGRATULATING John-Paul T. Mauer upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, John-Paul T. Mauer, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, The son of Lawrence and Nancy Mauer, John-Paul Thomas is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 101 in Rock Hill, New York; and

WHEREAS, An exceptional student, John-Paul T. Mauer is a member of his school's National Honor Society; after graduating, he plans on attending college; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his school years, John-Paul T. Mauer has been actively involved in gymnastics, baseball, soccer, skiing, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts; in the second grade, he and his peer co-inventor won second place in the national Toshiba Exploravision Inventor's Competition; and

WHEREAS, John-Paul T. Mauer is an industrious young man who works two jobs during the school year, and serves as a YMCA Camp Counselor during the summer; 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, John-Paul T. Mauer built a specialized shingled and stilted shed for Holiday Mountain Ski Area in Monticello, New York; the shed will house medical supplies and the emergency toboggan used by the National Ski Patrol to transport injured skiers off

the ski slopes; and

WHEREAS, John-Paul T. Mauer's 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 John-Paul T. Mauer on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John-Paul T. Mauer.