

BY: Senator MAYER

CONGRATULATING Marco La Vecchia upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 11, 2022

WHEREAS, Through his diligence and rigorous efforts, Marco La Vecchia has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 11, 2022, at Bronxville Scout Cabin, Bronxville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Marco La Vecchia, a graduate of Salesian High School in New Rochelle, New York, was captain of the Varsity Soccer and Volleyball Teams, as well as president of the school's chapter of the National Honor Society; this extraordinary young man is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 5, Bronxville, New York; 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, 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 approximately 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, Marco La Vecchia benefited the Westchester County Parks Foundation; he led a team of Scouts and volunteers in designing and constructing 12 bat houses to be installed at various parks throughout the county; this will help prevent bats from living in public areas (such as the pavilions) and will also help control the mosquito population; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to the safety and well-being of the citizens of Westchester is represented through his project and demonstrates his devotion to both community and commitment to others; and

WHEREAS, As he goes forward in his academic career, Marco La Vecchia plans on pursuing a degree in Engineering, while attending Cornell University in Ithaca, New York; throughout his journey, this young man

will continue with the ideals and principles of the Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Marco La Vecchia'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 Marco La Vecchia on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marco La Vecchia.