

Senate Resolution No. 886

BY: Senator KAPLAN

CONGRATULATING Luis Goncalves upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 12, 2021

WHEREAS, Through his diligence and rigorous efforts, Luis Goncalves has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Luis Goncalves is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 45, Mineola, New York; and

WHEREAS, Luis Goncalves began his illustrious career in Scouting in 2013, during which time he has served in numerous leadership positions, including Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, Chaplain Aide and Bugler; and

WHEREAS, Since graduating from Mineola High School in 2020, where he was a member of the wrestling team and marching band, Luis Goncalves has finished one semester at Nassau Community College; 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, Luis Goncalves constructed a partition which was installed at the Mineola Middle School; this partition is located at the annex and was used to separate one large room into two separate classrooms to enable social distancing; and

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

WHEREAS, As he goes forward in his life and academic career, Luis Goncalves will continue the ideals and principles of the Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Luis Goncalves' 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 Luis Goncalves on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Luis Goncalves.