

**BY:** Senator MARTINS

**CONGRATULATING** Abigail Bennett upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished Girl Scout Bronze Award, the most prestigious of Junior Scouting honors

**WHEREAS,** Abigail Bennett, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Girl Scout Junior's highest and most prestigious honor, the Girl Scout Bronze Award; the Williston's, Albertson, Roslyn, Mineola (W.A.R.M.) Girl Scout Association Award Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at Chaminade High School's Activity Athletic Center in Mineola, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Abigail Bennett is a member of Girl Scouts of America Troop 1859; 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,** 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 young women who have participated in the programs which have made Girl Scouting an American and international institution; and

**WHEREAS,** The Girl Scout Bronze Award requires the Girl Scout Junior to learn the leadership and planning skills necessary to follow through on a project that makes a positive impact on her community; working together toward this award demonstrates her commitment to helping others, improving her community and the world, and becoming the best she can be; and

**WHEREAS,** To earn the Bronze Award, Abigail Bennett and her troop members worked together to complete a Bronze Award community service project which they planned, developed and executed to focus on pets in the heat; and

**WHEREAS,** To achieve this goal, Abigail Bennett and her friends researched and created brochures and pamphlets, while holding a booth, to assure that samples of protective footwear for pets could be used to impress upon the public the dangers of asphalt on animal paws; and

**WHEREAS,** The Bronze Award symbolizes a Girl Scout Junior's accomplishments in Girl Scouting and community activities as she matures and works to better her life and the lives of others; it is tangible

evidence of Abigail Bennett's high character and commitment to her community, New York State, and our Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** This outstanding young woman has been involved in Scouting for years, has lived up to Scouting's ideals and has attained all of the necessary achievements; and

**WHEREAS,** Abigail Bennett is a credit to her family, her school, her community, her State and her Nation, and no doubt her 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 Abigail Bennett upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Girl Scout Bronze Award; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Abigail Bennett.