

Senate Resolution No. 1696

BY: Senator MARTINS

CONGRATULATING Nicholas Katsoulis upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on March 22, 2026

WHEREAS, Nicholas Katsoulis, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony will be held on Sunday, March 22, 2026, at the Manhasset Lakeville Fire Department, Company No. 2 in Manhasset, New York; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Katsoulis is a member of Scouts BSA Troop 71, Plandome, New York; and

WHEREAS, Scouts BSA 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 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 the necessary achievements, including completion of a community service project, which was successfully planned, developed, and executed; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Katsoulis began his Scouting journey in the first grade as a Tiger Cub in Pack 3 where he earned the Arrow of Light honor; after joining Troop 71, he continuously grew as a Scout, achieving the rank of Senior Patrol Leader; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Nicholas Katsoulis distinguished himself through his commitment to selfless service through the Order of the Arrow, completing both the Ordeal and Brotherhood; and

WHEREAS, For his project, Nicholas Katsoulis planned and led efforts to clear and create hiking paths along Udall's Cove Preserve perimeter, improving safety and accessibility for the community; through a fundraising partnership, he raised the resources necessary to clear 100 yards of existing trail, constructed steps and retaining walls, and established additional pathways for residents of Great Neck to enjoy for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Katsoulis, currently a junior at Manhasset High School, has spent five years competing on the Varsity Track and Cross-Country teams; his dedication and perseverance have earned him numerous honors, including All Long Island, All State, and All American recognitions; and

WHEREAS, A well-rounded student, Nicholas Katsoulis is involved in

Theater, American Sign Language Club, and Broadcast Journalism, where his work has been recognized by the Student Television Network; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Katsoulis's dedication to the safety and well-being of the citizens of New York is represented through his project and demonstrates his devotion to both community and commitment to others; and

WHEREAS, As he goes forward, Nicholas Katsoulis plans to remain active in Troop 71 and the Order of the Arrow, continuing to uphold the ideals and principles of Scouting America; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Katsoulis'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 may now stand with pride as he assess his achievements, experiences the satisfaction of his labors, and the joy of his accomplishments, eager to face the new experiences of a challenging world; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Nicholas Katsoulis upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on March 22, 2026; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Eagle Scout Charles Jettner.