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CONGRATULATING Eugene Cummings upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on March 7, 2026

WHEREAS, Eugene Cummings, 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 Saturday, March 7, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Cummings is a member of Scouts BSA Troop 45 in Warwick, New York; and

WHEREAS, America has achieved its 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 its glory; 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, For his project, Eugene Cummings built a kayak and canoe storage rack at Mountain Lake Park in Warwick, New York; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Cummings visited Mountain Lake Park during a fishing trip and he learned that the biggest fish are often found in the middle of the lake, requiring visitors to the lake to use boats to access the best catches; and

WHEREAS, With a desire to improve accessibility and ease of access for visitors looking to enjoy the lake and fish, Eugene Cummings led the design and organization of building the kayak and canoe storage rack at Mountain Lake Park; the project took 150 service hours and involved fundraising, leading volunteers, and coordinating local donations; and

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

WHEREAS, As he goes forward in life, Eugene Cummings plans to continue to uphold the ideals and principals of Scouting America; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Cummings' 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 Eugene Cummings on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Eugene Cummings.