

**BY:** Senator O'MARA

**CONGRATULATING** Kaylana Rekczis upon the occasion of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award, Cadette Scouting's highest award and Girl Scouting's second highest achievement

**WHEREAS,** Kaylana Rekczis of Troop 40170, Watkins Glen, New York, was honored with the Girl Scout Silver Award, Cadette Scouting's highest award and Girl Scouting's second highest achievement; and

**WHEREAS,** When earning a Silver Award, it involves completion of a Girl Scout journey and a minimum of 50 hours of community service; and

**WHEREAS,** The name of Kaylana Rekczis's project was Comfort Covers which benefitted UPMC Susquehanna; she made "chemo bags" after being given a list of what would be most useful after a chat with the cancer care nurses; and

**WHEREAS,** Kaylana Rekczis filled the bags, made pillows, hats, decorated the bags, and added little cards and notes of encouragement; she also made handmade blankets which were all knitted, crocheted or sewn, and are fully washable; 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 hundreds of thousands who have participated in Scouting programs which have made Scouting an American and international institution; and

**WHEREAS,** The Silver Award is earned over a two-year period; it is tangible evidence of Kaylana Rekczis' high character and commitment, and are harbingers of her future service to her community, New York State and our Nation; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Kaylana Rekczis, recognizing her achievements in earning the Girl Scout Silver Award, and wishing her much success, health and happiness; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kaylana Rekczis.