

**BY:** Senator LAVALLE

**CONGRATULATING** Tristan S. Remkus upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 9, 2019

**WHEREAS,** Tristan S. Remkus, 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, June 9, 2019, at Sag Harbor Fire Department, Sag Harbor, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** This extraordinary young man made persistent and steady progress through the ranks to achieve this prestigious award and has demonstrated his determination to prepare himself for a meaningful, productive role in society; and

**WHEREAS,** Tristan S. Remkus is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 455 of Sag Harbor; he has been a scout for 12 years, beginning as a Cub Scout in first grade; it is only with the continued diligence and devotion of our youth, tomorrow's leaders, that America will maintain her glory; and

**WHEREAS,** Tristan S. Remkus has always gone out of his way to include others and make them feel welcome; he is the leader that new Scouts emulate and seek when needing assistance; and

**WHEREAS,** His troop appreciates and admires his willingness to be the first to try something new; he is the first to scale the rock wall, ski the slope, or get in front of an audience; and

**WHEREAS,** Currently, Tristan S. Remkus is in high school; upon graduation he will be attending Clarkson University in Potsdam, New York, to pursue a degree in Environmental Engineering; 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,** The 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, which took 138 hours to complete, Tristan S. Remkus focused on repairing a damaged trail, adding a kiosk and GPS map; Hurricane Sandy destroyed the trail at Suffolk County Cedar Point Park leading to the Cedar Island Lighthouse and Tristan organized volunteers to help replace the trail markers and make GPS coordinates for each marker; in addition, he built an informational kiosk that was placed at the beginning of the trail; and

**WHEREAS,** Tristan S. Remkus'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 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 Tristan S. Remkus on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tristan S. Remkus.