

**BY:** Senator O'MARA

**CONGRATULATING** Keileen D. Brown upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished Girl Scout Gold Award, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

**WHEREAS,** Keileen D. Brown, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious honor, the Girl Scout Gold Award; and

**WHEREAS,** Keileen D. Brown of Elmira, New York, is a member of Girl Scouts of America Troop 41358, of Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways, Inc.; 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,** The Girl Scouts of America and its members are dedicated to the development of character and leadership in the youth of this Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** Since 1980, Senior Girl Scouts have capped their years of achievement in Girl Scouting with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and

**WHEREAS,** In order to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award, a girl must fulfill five requirements; chief among them is the design and completion of a Gold Award Project; this project must build upon the interests of the girl, provide a service to the community, and be of lasting benefit; and

**WHEREAS,** For her project titled Broadway Elementary School Courtyard Renovation, Keileen D. Brown pulled weeds, placed ground cover and black mulch, and planted flowers in the courtyard of Broadway Elementary School which is within the Elmira City School District; furthermore, she organized bins for each grade level of activities to do in the courtyard as well as purchased chairs to be used by the students when playing in the yard; 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,** Keileen D. Brown 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 Keileen D. Brown upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Girl Scout Gold Award; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Keileen D. Brown.