BY: Senator KAPLAN

CONGRATULATING Daren Hok-Jun Chan upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on March 2, 2019

WHEREAS, Daren Hok-Jun Chan, 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 2, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Daren Hok-Jun Chan is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 10 in Great Neck, New York; throughout his Scouting career, he held numerous leadership positions including Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, Scribe, Order of the Arrow Representative and Senior Patrol Leader; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Great Neck South High School, Daren Hok-Jun Chan attended Boys State during the summer of 2018; after graduation, he plans to study medicine at college; 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 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, Daren Hok-Jun Chan refurbished three metal boxes into flag deposit containers; the old boxes were sanded down, painted, decorated with American flag designs, and mounted in the Village Green Park, the Bayview Library and the Great Neck Village Hall; the flags will be collected regularly and properly retired at a ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Daren Hok-Jun Chan'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 Daren Hok-Jun Chan on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Daren Hok-Jun Chan.