

**BY:** Senator GAUGHRAN

**CONGRATULATING** Riley James Tucker upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 10, 2021

**WHEREAS,** Riley James Tucker, 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 Thursday, June 10, 2021, at St. Patrick's Church in Huntington, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** A 2020 graduate of Huntington High School, Riley James Tucker is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 78; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout his Scouting career, Riley James Tucker earned 29 Merit Badges and held the leadership positions of Troop Guide, Scribe and Patrol Leader; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to his work with the Boy Scouts, Riley James Tucker was a member of the Huntington Youth Court and volunteered for the Food Drive for Trocaire Pantry; 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, Riley James Tucker created and donated feral cat shelters for Cat Wrangler Rescue Inc.'s raffle fundraiser; and

**WHEREAS,** Riley James Tucker'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 Riley James Tucker on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Riley James Tucker.