

**BY:** Senator THOMAS

**CONGRATULATING** Sean Keane upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

**WHEREAS**, Sean Keane, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; and

**WHEREAS**, A resident of Garden City, New York, Sean Keane is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 134; 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**, 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, Sean Keane gave back to his grammar school's music program, the St. Anne's School Band Program, purchasing new snare drums, harnesses, cymbals and a custom bass drum which displays the school's name; he also lead a group of scouts through the renovation of a storage room and the construction of shelves to properly store the new instruments and equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, His dedication to the safety and well-being of the citizens of his community is represented through his project and demonstrates his devotion to both community and commitment to others; and

**WHEREAS**, As he goes forward in his academic career, Sean Keane will continue the ideals and principles of the Boy Scouts; and

**WHEREAS**, Sean Keane'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 Sean Keane on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sean Keane.