

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.