BY: Senator KAPLAN

CONGRATULATING Jack Schneider upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 12, 2021

WHEREAS, Through his diligence and rigorous efforts, Jack Schneider has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Jack Schneider is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 45, Mineola, New York; and

WHEREAS, Coming from a scouting background, Jack's father Joseph Schneider attained the rank of Eagle Scout and served as a former Cubmaster of Pack 246 as well as current Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 45; and

WHEREAS, Jack Schneider began his illustrious scouting career in 2010 as a member of Pack 246, where he was Den Chief and earned his Arrow of Light; he joined Troop 45 in 2014, holding such leadership positions as Scribe, Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, and Order of the Arrow Representative; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he attained Brotherhood membership in Order of the Arrow on April 10, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Jack Schneider is currently a senior at Mineola High School where he was a member of its Chess Club; and

WHEREAS, When not involved in scouting activities, Jack Schneider enjoys playing chess, online video gaming, and his job as an "axepert" at Axe Kicking Entertainment here in Mineola; 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, Jack Schneider worked with Paws of War, an organization which helps rescue, train, and place shelter dogs to serve and provide independence to our United States military veterans and first responders; he raised money by selling reusable shopping bags to create supply totes of household and dog items, as well as dog beds and crates to those in need; 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 life and academic career, Jack Schneider will attend Nassau Community College in the fall while continuing the ideals and principles of the Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Jack Schneider'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 Jack Schneider on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jack Schneider.