Senate Resolution No. 342

BY: Senator MARTINS

CONGRATULATING Jessica Shaw upon the occasion of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award, Cadette Scouting's highest award and Girl Scouting's second highest achievement

WHEREAS, Jessica Shaw, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Cadette Scouting's highest and Girl Scouting's second highest achievement, the Silver Award; the Willistons, Albertson, Roslyn, Mineola (W.A.R.M.) Girl Scout Association Award Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at Chaminade High School's Activity Athletic Center in Mineola, New York; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Shaw is a member of the Girl Scouts of America Troop 1825; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting has cultivated in our Nation's young people the goals of building solid values of sisterhood and the importance of working with others, stimulating both mind and body, instilling pride, and encouraging community service and success; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting has expanded the horizons of the countless hundreds of thousands who have participated in Scouting programs which have made Scouting an American and international institution; and

WHEREAS, In 2020, Jessica Shaw completed a Silver Award community service project which she planned, developed and executed along with one of her fellow Scouts; they collaborated with the From Here to Haiti (FHTH) organization to form a girls softball team in Haiti and organized a three-month program that culminated in a tournament; and

WHEREAS, To achieve this goal, Jessica Shaw and her friend explained the game and presented their proposal to the diocesan youth director in Jeremie, who gladly accepted the challenge; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Shaw and her friend then shipped a barrel filled with softball equipment for two teams, Team Jessica and Team Brianna, and raised funds to pay the coaches during the three-month period; the girls also sent self-made instructional videos on different aspects of the game; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Shaw is a credit to her family, her school, her community, her State and her Nation, and no doubt her future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Jessica Shaw, recognizing her achievement in earning the Girl Scout Silver Award, and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Jessica Shaw.