Senate Resolution No. 849

BY: Senator MARTINS

CONGRATULATING Ava Schmidt upon the occasion of earning the distinguished Gold Award, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Ava Schmidt, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious honor, the Gold Award; the ceremony will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Ava Schmidt is a member of Girl Scouts of the United States of America in Nassau County, New York; 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 Girl Scouts of America and its members are dedicated to the development of character and leadership in the youth of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, Since 1916, Senior Girl Scouts have sought to cap their years in Girl Scouting with the prized Gold Award, which challenges girls to change the world; and

WHEREAS, In order to earn the Gold Award, a girl must complete a rigorous set of service, leadership development, and skill-building tasks leading up to the final and most challenging requirement, the design and completion of a Take Action Project; this project must be an issue of interest to the girl and her community, employ team-based solutions, and educate and inspire others; and

WHEREAS, For her project entitled "Fast Fashion Forward," Ava Schmidt addressed the issue of fast fashion caused by the overflow of micro-trend clothing which ends up in landfills and contributes to 10% of the carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding young woman has been involved in Scouting for years, has lived up to Scouting's ideals and has attained all of the necessary achievements; and

WHEREAS, Ava Schmidt 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, in recognition of the significance of this meritorious achievement, to congratulate and honor Ava Schmidt upon the occasion of earning the Gold Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ava Schmidt.