Senate Resolution No. 2154

BY: Senator RHOADS

CONGRATULATING Shannon Williams upon the occasion of earning the distinguished Gold Award, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Shannon Williams, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious honor, the Gold Award; the ceremony will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Bethpage, New York, Shannon Williams is a member of Girl Scouts of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, America has achieved its 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 its glory; and

WHEREAS, The Girl Scouts of the United States 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, Shannon Williams's project was entitled, "Making Memories, Building Families"; 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, Shannon Williams is a credit to her family, school, community, State, and her Nation, and her future will undoubtedly 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 Shannon Williams upon the occasion of earning the Gold Award; and be it further

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

transmitted to Shannon Williams.