

Senate Resolution No. 2156

**BY:** Senator RHOADS

**CONGRATULATING** Emma Koelling upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished Girl Scout Gold Award, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on Wednesday, June 17, 2026

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

**WHEREAS,** Emma Koelling of North Bellmore, New York is a member of Girl Scouts of the United States of America, Nassau County; 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 1980, Senior Girl Scouts have capped their years of achievement in Girl Scouting with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and

**WHEREAS,** In order to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award, a girl must fulfill five requirements; chief among them is the design and completion of a Gold Award Project; this project must build upon the interests of the girl, provide a service to the community, and be of lasting benefit; and

**WHEREAS,** Emma Koelling 's project was entitled, "School Zone Safety"; 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,** Emma Koelling 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 Emma Koelling upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Girl Scout Gold Award; and be it further

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

transmitted to Emma Koelling.