Senate Resolution No. 2190

BY: Senator MARTINS

CONGRATULATING James Griffith upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 21, 2026

WHEREAS, James Griffith, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony will be held on Sunday, June 21, 2026, at Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department, Manhasset, New York; and

WHEREAS, James Griffith is a member of Scouts BSA Troop 71, Plandome, New York; 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, Scouts BSA 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 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 the necessary achievements, including completion of a community service project, which was successfully planned, developed, and executed; and

WHEREAS, For his project, James Griffith partnered with the Udalls Cove Preservation Committee to refine and expand an existing trail in Little Neck, planning and leading a team to clear and extend the trail and line it with wood chips in order to improve its safety and accessibility for the community; and

WHEREAS, He demonstrated exceptional initiative and civic responsibility by raising the resources necessary for his Eagle Scout project through organizing a beach cleanup fundraiser and securing support from family and friends, thereby contributing to the beautification and betterment of the community; and

WHEREAS, James Griffith began his Scouting journey in elementary school as a Cub Scout in Pack 101, and after earning the Arrow of Light, the highest honor in Cub Scouting, joined Troop 71 where he demonstrated leadership, service, and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, Through his years in Scouting, James Griffith developed a

deep appreciation for the outdoors and built lasting memories through weekend campouts, summer camping at Onteora Scout Reservation, hikes, and evenings spent around the campfire with fellow Scouts; and

WHEREAS, James graduated from Manhasset High School in 2025, where he excelled academically through numerous Honors and Advanced Placement courses and participated in the Cross Country and Track and Field teams, as well as the Engineering Club; and

WHEREAS, James is currently a sophomore at Texas A&M University majoring in engineering, and continues to demonstrate leadership and service through his involvement in the Theta Chi fraternity, Aggies Promoting Literacy, and the Society of Technological Evolution and Engineering Leadership; and

WHEREAS, James Griffith'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 James Griffith on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James Griffith.