

BY: Senator MARTINS

CONGRATULATING Brian Keating upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on May 18, 2025

WHEREAS, Brian Keating, 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, May 18, 2025, at the Archangel Michael Greek Orthodox Church in Port Washington, New York; and

WHEREAS, Brian Keating is a member of Scouts BSA Troop 201; 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, Brian Keating tapped into his love for the outdoors and sought to improve upon John D. Caemmerer Park in Albertson, New York, which is a park he enjoyed throughout his childhood; and

WHEREAS, Brian Keating developed a picnic area and implemented a new recycling system at John D. Caemmerer Park, which would ultimately improve the park experience for community members utilizing this public space; and

WHEREAS, Brian Keating began his scouting journey as a Webelo with Pack 201 at Center Street, and since joining Troop 201 in 2017, he has been entrusted with various leadership roles, including Quartermaster, Patrol Leader of the Panther Patrol, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster; and

WHEREAS, Brian Keating joined fellow scouts on several High Adventure outings, including backpacking for two weeks at Philmont, New Mexico in 2021 and 2023, dog sledding at Northern Tier, Minnesota, in 2024, and serving as Crew Leader at Out Island at Sea Base, Florida, in

2022; and

WHEREAS, On his path to becoming an Eagle Scout, Brian Keating earned 32 merit badges, Kayaking BSA, Snorkeling BSA, the 50-Miler, and the Triple Crown Awards; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to the safety and well-being of the citizens of Nassau County is represented through his project and demonstrates his devotion to both community and commitment to others; and

WHEREAS, As he enters the next chapters of his life and is met with limitless opportunities, Brian Keating plans to continue to uphold the ideals and principals of Scouting America; and

WHEREAS, Brian Keating'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 Brian Keating on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brian Keating.