Assembly Resolution No. 482

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CONGRATULATING Kit Panna upon the occasion of earning the distinguished Gold Award, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Kit Panna, through their diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious honor, the Gold Award; the ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Tonawanda, New York, Kit Panna is a member of Girl Scouts of the United States of America, Troop 30875; 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 Scouts have sought to cap their years in Girl Scouting with the prized Gold Award, which challenges Scouts to change the world; and

WHEREAS, To earn the Gold Award, a Scout 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 Scout and their community, employ team-based solutions, and educate and inspire others; and

WHEREAS, Kit Panna's project was entitled, "You are Gonna be OK!"; their project created luggage bags with stuffed animals inside for children experiencing emergency pickups by Child Protective Services; and

WHEREAS, These luggage bags created by Kit Panna reduce the possibility of children having to use garbage bags to collect and pack their things; these prepared bags include necessities and items to invoke a sense of safety and comfort for children during their time in foster care; and

WHEREAS, With the help of the Hillside Children's Center, Erie County Child Protective Services, Trinity United Methodist Church, and Church of Nativity UCC, Kit Panna was able to create 350 bags for children, far exceeding their initial goal of 200; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding young individual has been involved in

Scouting for years, has lived up to Scouting's ideals, and has attained all the necessary achievements; and

WHEREAS, Kit Panna is a credit to their family, their school, their community, their State, and their Nation, and there is no doubt that their 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 Kit Panna upon the occasion of earning the Gold Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kit Panna.