

## 2009-J1419

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Daniel J. Franke upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on May 14, 2009

WHEREAS, Daniel J. Franke, 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 Thursday, May 14, 2009, at Poquatuck Hall in Orient, New York; and

WHEREAS, Daniel J. Franke is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 51 in Greenport, Suffolk County; his Scouting career included many camp outs, High Adventure trips, and service projects with other scouts; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Orient, Daniel J. Franke attended Oysterponds Elementary School and Greenport High School; he graduated in 2008 with a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation with Honors and was a member of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Daniel J. Franke is completing his freshmen year at Florida Institute of Technology, where he is majoring in Space Science/Astrobiology and was recently inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society; 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 Boy Scouts of America 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 only five percent of all Boy Scouts, is the distinguished rank of Eagle

Scout; Daniel J. Franke successfully completed his Eagle Board of Review in January 2009; 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 of the necessary achievements, including completion of a community service project, which was successfully planned, developed and executed; and

WHEREAS, For his Eagle project, which benefited the Oysterponds Historical Society in Orient, David J. Franke replaced broken and rotted parts of a 460 foot section of split rail fence which borders Poquatuck Park, a large open space overlooking Orient Harbor where the Historical Society holds many public events, greatly improving the appearance of the fence and, in turn, the entire park area; and

WHEREAS, Daniel J. Franke'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 Daniel J. Franke on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Daniel J. Franke.