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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Thomas Gaines upon the occasion of receiving the Arrow of Light Award, the highest of Cub Scout honors, on February 1, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, in accord with its long-standing traditions, to honor the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and WHEREAS, Thomas Gaines, a member of Cub Scout Pack 246, in Mineola, New York, through his diligence and vigorous efforts, will receive the highest of Cub Scout honors, the Arrow of Light Award at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet, on Saturday, February 1, 2014, at the Irish American Center in Mineola; and

WHEREAS, To earn the Arrow of Light Award, Thomas Gaines demonstrated his outstanding commitment and strong character through meeting multiple activity, knowledge and skill requirements; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Gaines is encouraged to continue with Scouting, in recognition of the importance of building the personal resources necessary to emerge as a leader, equipped to meet the challenges of our complex 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, Thomas Gaines is a credit to his family, school, community,

and his State and Nation, and it is certain that his future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Thomas Gaines upon the occasion of receiving the Arrow of Light Award, the highest of Cub Scout honors; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Thomas Gaines.