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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Joseph A. Ferriso upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Boy Scouting honors, on March 21, 2014

WHEREAS, Joseph A. Ferriso, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; he will be honored at an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony to be held on Friday, March 21, 2014, at Copiague Middle School in Copiague, New York; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Kellenberg High School, Joseph A. Ferriso is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 284 of Copiague; 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, 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; 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, Joseph A. Ferriso planned, developed and constructed a 19 foot by 5 foot wooden deck, with railing and stairs, at the Youth Council building in Copiague, New York; and WHEREAS, The project, which took 314 working hours, included the demo-

lition of the building's existing unsafe steps and railings and the cleanup of the front of the building, including the removal of overgrown bushes; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Ferriso's completed project provides safe ingress and egress for all who utilize the building; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Ferriso'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 Joseph Ferriso on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joseph Ferriso.