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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Javier E. Perez upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on April 2, 2014

WHEREAS, Javier E. Perez, 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 Wednesday, April 2, 2014, at St. Joseph's Church, Penfield, New York; and WHEREAS, The son of Porfino and Edith Perez, Javier E. Perez is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 260; 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; 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, Javier E. Perez organized the Run of Gratitude 5K Race/Walk 2013 to benefit St. Joseph's School in Penfield; this committed Scout oversaw all aspects of the event which drew 170 participants, and raised enough funds for the school to purchase a Smart

Board for its first grade classrooms; and

WHEREAS, Javier E. Perez'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, A student at McQuaid Jesuit High School in Rochester, New York, Javier E. Perez is very engaged in his school and community; he is Captain of the varsity cross-country team, vice-president of the school Habitat for Humanity chapter, and co-director of school retreats for Campus Ministry; in addition, he is editor-in-chief of THE LANCE student newspaper, and is active on the school Speech and Debate Team; 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 Javier E. Perez on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Javier E. Perez.