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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Joseph William Stewart upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on June 8, 2014

WHEREAS, Joseph William Stewart, 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 Sunday, June 8, 2014, at The Elk's Club, Mechanicville, New York; and WHEREAS, Joseph W. Stewart, the son of Jeff and Vicky Stewart, is a member of Twin Rivers Council, Boy Scouts of America Troop 4035, chartered by American Legion Post 490 Earl J. Manning, Stillwater, New York; 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 four 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 project, Joseph W. Stewart created an extension of a brick walkway, allowing for the proper display of a cannon and gathering

area for functions held at the historic Blockhouse Park located in Stillwater, New York; the Blockhouse is situated along the Hudson River and is used as a visitor's center and museum; and WHEREAS, Joseph W. Stewart'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 William Stewart on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

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