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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Silka Jacobson-Evans upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished Girl Scout Gold Award, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Silka Jacobson-Evans, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious honor, the Girl Scout Gold Award; the ceremony will be held at a Young Women of Distinction event, hosted by Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways, Inc. to be held in Spring of 2015; and

WHEREAS, Silka Jacobson-Evans is a resident of Beaver Dams, New York, and a member of Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways, Inc.; 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 Girl Scouts of America and its members are dedicated to the development of character and leadership in the youth of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, Since 1980, Senior Girl Scouts have capped their years of achievement in Girl Scouting with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and WHEREAS, In order to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award, a girl must fulfill five requirements; chief among them is the design and completion of a Gold Award Project; this project must build upon the interests of the girl, provide a service to the community, and be of lasting benefit; and

WHEREAS, For her project, Silka Jacobson-Evans addressed the issues of poverty and hunger in her local community by giving each individual who participated three plants, soil, and pots to plant their plants of

choice; she also provided the participants with proper instructions on the plants' specific care, and educated 15 families on how to take care of harvesting their own food; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding young woman has been involved in Scouting for years, has lived up to Scouting's ideals and has attained all of the necessary achievements; and

WHEREAS, Silka Jacobson-Evans is a credit to her family, her school, her community, her State and her Nation, and no doubt her 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 Silka Jacobson-Evans upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Girl Scout Gold Award; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Silka Jacobson-Evans.