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citizens of this Nation; and

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Justin Edward Gardner upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on August 23, 2015

WHEREAS, Justin Edward Gardner, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony was held on Sunday, August 23, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Justin Edward Gardner is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 825, and resides in New Haven, New York; and WHEREAS, America has achieved her greatest heights of glory through the dedication, determination and tireless efforts of the outstanding

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, joining Scouting at the age of eight, along with his twin brother, Joseph, and has lived up to Scouting's ideals, attaining all of the necessary achievements, including completion of a community service project, which was successfully planned, developed and executed; and WHEREAS, For his project, Justin Edward Gardner organized a 5K walk/run event in support of the Mexico Music Makers, a band and chorus program; and

WHEREAS, The perseverance of Justin Edward Gardner 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 Justin Edward Gardner on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Justin Edward Gardner.