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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Benjamin Coccia Schablin upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on April 30, 2016

WHEREAS, Benjamin Coccia Schablin, 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 Saturday, April 30, 2016, at the Wantagh Memorial Congregational Church, Wantagh, New York; and WHEREAS, In 2006, Benjamin Coccia Schablin joined Cub Scout Pack 191, Wantagh, New York; in 2011, he bridged over into Boy Scout Troop 96 where he has served in many leadership roles including Patrol Leader, Bugler, and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader; and WHEREAS, Currently, Benjamin Coccia Schablin holds the position of Senior Patrol Leader; in addition, he is an active member of the Order of the Arrow, and has served as a staff member at his council's summer camp, Onteora; and WHEREAS, A Sophomore at Wantagh High School, Benjamin Coccia Schablin is enrolled in both Honors and AP courses and is continually on the High Honor Roll; he participates in the Wantagh High School Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble and Marching Band; 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 project, Benjamin Coccia Schablin established gardens at the Hagedorn Little Village School: Jack Joel Center for Special Children, Seaford, New York; he turned two sections of grass into usable planter beds, enabling the students to plant both fruits and vegetables from seedlings, allowing them to see how various plants grow; and WHEREAS, Benjamin Coccia Schablin'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 Benjamin Coccia Schablin on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Benjamin Coccia Schablin.