

## 2015-J4303

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Matthew James Davison upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on May 21, 2016

WHEREAS, Matthew James Davison, 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, May 21, 2016, at the Seaford Firehouse, Seaford, New York; and

WHEREAS, Matthew James Davison, the son of William and Christine Davison, is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 239, Seaford, New York; and

WHEREAS, Matthew James Davison began his Scouting career in 2004; today, he is studying Communications Media at Nassau Community College; 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, Matthew James Davison restored the butterfly garden, partially destroyed by Superstorm Sandy, at the Theodore Roosevelt Nature Center at Jones Beach State Park; Matthew and a group of volunteers replaced the broken fence, planted butterfly friendly shrubs and plants, and added new shells to the walkway; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Matthew James Davison installed two plaques with quotes from Theodore Roosevelt, providing a positive message to all those who visit this lovely place; and

WHEREAS, Matthew James Davison'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 Matthew James Davison on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Matthew James Davison.