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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Andrew Jay Vallance upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors on May 14, 2016

WHEREAS, Andrew Jay Vallance, 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 14, 2016, at St. Anthony Church in Watertown, New York; and
WHEREAS, Andrew Jay Vallance is a member of Boy Scouts of America
Troop 33 in Watertown, 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;

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, 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, Andrew Jay Vallance reconstructed an overgrown and abandoned bird trail at Thompson Park Zoo in Watertown, by clearing brush, installing bird houses and a bench, and laying rock for a walkway; and WHEREAS, The perseverance of Andrew Jay Vallance 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 Andrew Jay Vallance on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Andrew Jay Vallance.