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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Peter B. Williams upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on March 20, 2016

WHEREAS, Peter B. Williams, 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, March 20, 2016, at the Elks Lodge in Middletown, New York; and WHEREAS, Peter B. Williams is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop

62 in Goshen, New York; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, Peter B. Williams joined Troop 62, and during the next seven years, he advanced through the ranks from Scout to Eagle Scout; he earned 32 Merit Badges and sharpened his leadership skills as Patrol Leader, Troop Guide and Instructor; and

WHEREAS, In addition, some of Peter B. Williams' scouting activities and honors included being the recipient of the Orange County Sheriff's Explorers Post 5110 Public Service Award, the Orange County Community Service Award and the National Technical Honor Society Community Service Award and being named to the Goshen High School Honor Roll and BOCES CTEC Honor Roll, as well as attending summer camp at Ten Mile River Camp Ranachqua and participating in the Memorial Day Parade in Goshen and Hamptonburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Peter B. Williams serves as a member of the Campbell Hall Fire Department, the Goshen Ambulance Corp, the United States Army National Guard, the United States Air Force Auxiliary: Civil Air Patrol and the 15th Cavalry Civil War Reenacting Unit; 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, Peter B. Williams repaired and repainted existing planters, and distributed new mulch at the garden behind Inspire Kids Preschool in Goshen, New York; and

WHEREAS, Prior to Peter B. Williams' renewal project, the planters had been damaged by the weather and the mulch had started to decay which produced an unsuitable outdoor environment for children to play in and enjoy while at school; and

WHEREAS, Peter B. Williams' 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 Peter B. Williams on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Peter B. Williams.