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

WHEREAS, Brandon Durham, 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 Mineola High School, Garden City Park, New York; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Durham is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 45, Mineola, New York; and

WHEREAS, While serving as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Brandon Durham was instrumental in leading the Troop to two consecutive Klondike wins, including a sweep of the younger boy division; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Durham is currently attending John Jay College where he is majoring in Criminal Justice with the hopes of someday becoming a Law Enforcement Agent; 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, Brandon Durham built and installed planter boxes on the side of the First Presbyterian Church of Mineola; he also cleaned and removed old construction equipment; and WHEREAS, Brandon Durham'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 Brandon Durham on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brandon Durham.