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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Alan B. Rodriguez III upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on May 28, 2016

WHEREAS, Alan B. Rodriguez III, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony was celebrated on Saturday, May 28, 2016, at the Hampton Bays Knights of Columbus, Hampton Bays, New York; and

WHEREAS, Alan B. Rodriguez III is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 483, Hampton Bays, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since joining Troop 483, Alan B. Rodriguez III's achievements have included becoming a Certified Trainer for the Leave No Trace Program, graduating from National Youth Leadership Training, being named an Order of the Arrow representative, recipient of the World Conservation Award as well as earning 63 Merit Badges; and

WHEREAS, An honor student at Bishop McGann Mercy High School, Riverhead, New York, Alan B. Rodriguez III also earned several religious emblems including Parvuli Dei, Ad Altare Dei, Pope Pius XII, and International Catholic Awareness; 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, Alan B. Rodriguez III created OLH Meditation Garden, a peaceful, pleasant place for students, faculty, parents and parishioners at Our Lady of Poland Parish in Southhampton, New York; and

WHEREAS, Alan B. Rodriguez III's project required much planning and numerous tasks including dropping and leveling topsoil, edging the area with landscape timbers, installing sod, constructing a fence, installing solar lighting, repairing and refinishing a damaged statue of the Blessed Mother, obtaining a pedestal and refinishing it to match the statue, creating a brick ring filled with marble chips, installing the statue and solar spotlights, and constructing and installing benches around the statue; and

WHEREAS, Alan B. Rodriguez III'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 Alan B. Rodriguez III on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alan B. Rodriguez III.