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Senate Resolution No. 4081

BY: Senator O'MARA

CONGRATULATING Calen Holmes upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on December 11, 2017

WHEREAS, Calen Holmes, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony will be held later in the year to recognize his latest accomplishment; and

WHEREAS, Calen Holmes is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 59, Bath, 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; and WHEREAS, The highest achievement of leadership in Scouting, earned by only four 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, Calen Holmes' projected involved three weeks of collecting used clothing, furniture and kitchen supplies that are all still in good condition; he and his fellow scouts went to several homes to pick-up furniture and many citizens delivered loads of clothing items to the collection point; an estimate of over 4,000 pounds of goods were collected to benefit the Campbell-Savona Support Group; the many items are available to people whose homes may have burned, veterans looking for goods to settle a home, primarily anyone in need; and

WHEREAS, Calen Holmes'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 Calen Holmes on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Calen Holmes.