Senate Resolution No. 4285

BY: Senator KENNEDY

CONGRATULATING Ramon Winfrey Jr. upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Ramon Winfrey Jr., through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, Ramon Winfrey Jr., a member of St. Martin de Porres' Troop 139, Buffalo, New York, is the son of Tiffany Lambert-Winfrey and Ramon Winfrey Sr. and the brother of Cemone, Samira and Roman Winfrey; and

WHEREAS, An active and engaged scout, Ramon Winfrey Jr. held the esteemed title of Senior Patrol Leader in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Outside of the troop, Ramon Winfrey Jr. is a senior at Hutchinson Central Technical High School, where he is a member of the football, track and field, and swim teams; 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 and in conjunction with the Buffalo Parks Department and local community, Ramon Winfrey Jr. organized park clean-up efforts which included painting structures and fixing damaged signs; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to the safety and well-being of the citizens of Buffalo is represented through his project and demonstrates his devotion to both community and commitment to others; and

WHEREAS, As he goes forward in his academic career, Ramon Winfrey Jr. plans on pursuing a degree in computer science, while continuing the ideals and principles of the Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Ramon Winfrey Jr.'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 Ramon Winfrey Jr. on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ramon Winfrey Jr.