

## 2013-J607

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Kevin M. Kruse upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on March 1, 2013

WHEREAS, Kevin M. Kruse, 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 Friday, March 1, 2013, at Infant Jesus Parish Center, Port Jefferson, New York; and

WHEREAS, Kevin M. Kruse is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 454, Terryville, New York; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being an accomplished Boy Scout, Kevin M. Kruse is active in his parish youth group, a first stand violinist in his school's orchestra, a member of the National Honor Society and a runner on the school's Cross Country Team; and

WHEREAS, Currently attending Rochester Institute of Technology, this remarkable young man is a member of the National Honor Society and was instrumental in organizing two blood drives; 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, Kevin M. Kruse's project was initiated to benefit Infant Jesus Roman Catholic Church, of which he is an active member; the area

around the statue of Jesus was overgrown and hardly visible; Kevin led the Scouts and volunteers in cutting down two evergreen trees and some hedges, as well as removing and trimming several bushes; and WHEREAS, In addition, two benches were placed in front of the statue, giving parishioners an area to pray, and a large shade tree was planted giving shade to the statue without blocking the view; and WHEREAS, Kevin M. Kruse'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 Kevin M. Kruse on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kevin M. Kruse.