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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Neha Gupta upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished Girl Scout Gold Award, the most prestigious of Girl Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Neha Gupta is a member of a Chappaqua Neighborhood Girl Scouts Troop affiliated with the Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson council; and WHEREAS, Through her diligence and rigorous efforts, Neha Gupta has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious honor, the Girl Scout Gold Award; she will be honored at a Gold Award Ceremony to be held at the New Castle Town Hall in Chappaqua, New York, on Saturday, April 28, 2012; 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, Girl Scouts of America and its members are dedicated to the development of character and leadership in the youth of this Nation; and WHEREAS, Since 1980, Senior Girl Scouts have capped their years of achievement in Girl Scouting with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and WHEREAS, In order to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award, a girl must fulfill five requirements; chief among them is the design and completion of a Gold Award Project; this project must build upon the interests of the girl, provide a service to the community, and be of lasting benefit; and

WHEREAS, For her Gold Award project entitled "Making A Kid-Friendlier Hospital," Neha Gupta wanted to improve the waiting room experience for children at Putnam Hospital Center by addressing how hospital waiting rooms can be somewhat frightening and boring for children; and WHEREAS, With generous support from the community, Neha Gupta supplied DVDs, books and magazines for both the Emergency Room and Birthing Center waiting rooms; she was also able to provide a DVD player for the Emergency Room waiting area and, with the help of local volunteers, she made activity bags with crayons and coloring sheets to be distributed at the hospital; her work as a Junior Volunteer at the hospital enabled her to see the impact her project had on the families visiting the waiting rooms; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding young woman has been involved in Scouting for many years, has lived up to Scouting's ideals and has attained all of the necessary achievements; and

WHEREAS, Neha Gupta is a credit to her family, her school, her community, her State and her Nation, and no doubt her 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 Neha Gupta upon the occasion of her designation as the recipient of a Girl Scout Gold Award; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Neha Gupta.