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

WHEREAS, Marissa Accordino, through her diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Girl Scouting's highest and most prestigious honor, the Girl Scout Gold Award; she will be honored by the Massapequa Association of Girl Scouts at the association's 17th Annual Awards Ceremony, to be held on Friday, May 18, 2012, at the McKenna Elementary School in Massapequa Park, 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, 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 complete five requirements; all of which demand efficient organizational, time management, and leadership skills; chief among these requirements is the design and completion of a Gold Award Service Project which must build upon the interests of the girl, provide a service to the community, and be of lasting benefit; and

WHEREAS, For her Girl Scout Gold project, entitled "Teen Ambassador: Be Your Own Voice," Marissa Accordino collaborated with the National Organization for Women's Safety Awareness to address personal safety, perceived or actual, and to educate and advocate for teen safety on Long

Island; and

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

WHEREAS, Marissa Accordino 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 Marissa Accordino upon the occasion of her designation as the recipient of a Girl Scout Gold Award on May 18, 2012; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marissa Accordino.