

## 2013-K217

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Benjamin T. Vasquez upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Benjamin T. Vasquez, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; he will be honored at an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony on April 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin T. Vasquez, the son of Anthony and Sandra Vasquez, is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 4 in Geneva, New York; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin T. Vasquez graduated from DeSales High School, Class of 2012, with an Advanced Regents Diploma; and

WHEREAS, Currently, he is a student at Finger Lakes Community College, majoring in Business Administration; he also serves as a Senator in the Student Government; and

WHEREAS, Since 2010, Benjamin T. Vasquez has been a member of Son's of The American Legion Post 435, Waterloo, New York; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated member of his community, Benjamin T. Vasquez conducted two separate and distinct book drives to benefit veterans both domestically and abroad; and completed approximately 2,500 hours of community service through The American Legion, Boy Scouts, DeSales High School, Community Lunch Programs, and Veteran Book 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, For his Eagle project, Benjamin T. Vasquez, with the help of others, stripped down the DeSales High School gymnasium bleachers, made the necessary repairs and applied three coats of fresh paint, after which they, cleaned the floors to ensure that no paint was left on the floor; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin T. Vasquez'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 Benjamin T. Vasquez on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Benjamin T. Vasquez.