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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Thomas Andrew Forrester upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on May 25, 2016

WHEREAS, Thomas Andrew Forrester, 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 Wednesday, May 25, 2016 , at the Cuddebackville Reformed Church in Cuddebackville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Andrew Forrester is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 68, Hudson Valley Council; 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, Thomas Andrew Forrester assisted the Neversink Valley Museum of History and Innovation in the taking of an inventory and relocation of over 300 antiques to an outside storage

facility where they were cataloged into a binder for the convenience of the museum; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Thomas Andrew Forrester created an exhibit featuring three horse drawn buggies and one sleigh with furniture grade signs to inform visitors of their history; he also applied light restoration to the buggies, installed windows for natural lighting, and repaired the doors of the shed and other areas before finally, securing the storage facility; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Andrew Forrester'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 Thomas Andrew Forrester on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Thomas Andrew Forrester.