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Senate Resolution No. 437

BY: Senator LAVALLE

CONGRATULATING Kevin G. Thompson upon the occasion
of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout,
the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on
Saturday, March 16, 2019

WHEREAS, Kevin Gerard Thompson, 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 Saturday,
March 16, 2019, at Miller Place High School, Miller Place, 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, The son of Kent and Merrill Thompson, Kevin is a member of
Boy Scouts of America Troop 204; throughout his Scouting career, he
earned many accolades such as the Order of the Arrow, the Fireman's Chit
and Totin' Chip Awards, and the Snorkeling, Whitewater Rafting and Mile
Swim Awards; and

WHEREAS, A student at Miller Place High School, Kevin G. Thompson is
a member of both the National and Foreign Language Honor Society; the
Varsity Boys' Soccer, Winter Track and Lacrosse Teams; and wrestled for
the JV Wrestling Team; he was the recipient of the Varsity Scholar

Athlete Award; 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 project, Kevin Gerard Thompson raised the necessary funds to construct and install two double sided planters with lattice for the trail head staging area at the Center for Environmental Education and Discovery in the Hamlet of Brookhaven, New York; one side of the planter is handicap accessible; and this land has been leased to create and develop a center for education which includes hiking trails to be used as a staging area for hikers and students on class trips; and

WHEREAS, As he goes forward, Kevin G. Thompson will continue with the ideals and principles of the Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Gerard Thompson'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 G. Thompson on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kevin G. Thompson.