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Senate Resolution No. 1055

BY: Senator MONTGOMERY

CONGRATULATING Jonathan Patrick upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on April 13, 2019

WHEREAS, Jonathan Patrick, 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, April 13, 2019, at Brown Memorial Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Patrick, Jonathan is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 199; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Nelson Mandela High School, Jonathan Patrick began his career in Scouting as a Bear Cub in 2008; throughout the years, he served as Patrol Leader and then Senior Patrol Leader, and attended Scout camp every year; later, he spent two summers working as a counselor for Aquehonga Ten Mile River Boy Scout Camp; and

WHEREAS, Through Scouting, Jonathan Patrick has learned how to swim and cook and developed wilderness survival skills; he also gained a better understanding of both government and public service; 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 approximately 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, Jonathan Patrick partnered with the Library of Congress and fellow Scouts to interview several African American female veterans; the women discussed their upbringing, careers in the military, challenges they have faced, and the life they lead today; the detailed interviews then were sent to the Library of Congress where they are stored for future generations to view and learn about some of the brave women who have served our country; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to the well-being of the citizens of Brooklyn, the State of New York and the entire United States is represented through his project and demonstrates his devotion to both community and commitment to others; and

WHEREAS, As he goes forward in his academic career, Jonathan Patrick plans to attend trade school to study construction, while continuing the ideals and principles of the Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Patrick'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 Jonathan Patrick on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jonathan Patrick.