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Senate Resolution No. 2916

BY: Senator KAPLAN

CONGRATULATING Matthew Dana Palmer posthumously upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Matthew Dana Palmer, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, The son of Terrance and Margaret Palmer, Matthew Dana Palmer was a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 482, Floral Park-Bellerose, New York; and

WHEREAS, Born on June 27, 2001, Matthew Dana Palmer was a freshman at The College of New Jersey where he studied Mechanical Engineering and was a member of Sigma Pi fraternity; and

WHEREAS, An avid outdoorsman, Matthew Dana Palmer enjoyed scouting, camping, fishing, hiking, snowmobiling and skiing; he loved working with his uncle and cousins in their family-owned business every chance he could; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he participated in the very first Lego Robotics Team in Floral Park, taking home international recognition for

the teams work; he was also a member of the Floral Park Indians Basketball Team and could often be found playing volleyball at Floral Park Memorial; 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, 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 was involved in Scouting for many years; he lived up to Scouting's ideals and attained all of the necessary achievements, including the completion of a community service project, which was successfully planned, developed and executed; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to the safety and well-being of the citizens of his community was represented through his project and demonstrated his devotion to both community and commitment to others; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Dana Palmer's perseverance in rising through the ranks to Eagle Scout is a strong indication of his ability to master difficult tasks; his accomplishment made him a leader amongst his peers; and

WHEREAS, Although Matthew Dana Palmer's life was cut short, his many contributions to his school, community, and all those around him has left an indelible legacy which will long endure the passage of time; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his parents, Matthew Dana Palmer will be missed every day by his sisters, Claire and Bridget, and an army of loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Dana Palmer, a young man of incredible spirit and enthusiasm, truly brought enduring honor to his family through his many achievements; his memory will remain in the hearts of all those who had the privilege of knowing him; 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 Matthew Dana Palmer posthumously on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Matthew Dana Palmer.