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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Thomas Rozea upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors, on January 12, 2013

WHEREAS, Thomas Rozea, 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 January 12, 2013, at the Presbyterian Community Church, Massapequa, New York; and WHEREAS, Thomas Rozea, the son of Russell and Gracemarie Rozea, is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 776; 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 project, Thomas Rozea built a prayer garden behind the Outreach Center at his church in honor of a beloved priest, Father Dan, who had recently passed; the garden has three benches, flowers, and a stepping stone path along with a plaque in his memory; and WHEREAS, The project took approximately six months between planning, clearing the area, getting supplies and actually building the garden; after completing the building, Thomas Rozea had a dedication ceremony after Mass one Sunday, where a large part of the church community came to remember Father Dan and enjoy the garden; and WHEREAS, Thomas Rozea'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 Rozea on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

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