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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Cody B. Cornelius upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Cody B. Cornelius, through his diligence and rigorous efforts, has achieved Scouting's highest and most prestigious rank, Eagle Scout; he will be honored at an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony on March 17, 2013 at the First United Methodist Church of Newark in Newark, New York; and WHEREAS, The son of Mark and Laura Cornelius, Cody Bennett Cornelius is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 122 in Newark and has served the Troop in many capacities; 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, Cody B. Cornelius designed a project focused on getting to know and increasing interaction between the members of Troop 122 and local senior citizens; he organized a book drive and donated the books to the senior assisted living center at The Terrace at Newark and, when he and his other Troop members delivered the books, they spent the afternoon with the residents, getting to know them and helping them to choose books; and

WHEREAS, Cody B. Cornelius'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 Cody B. Cornelius on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Cody B. Cornelius.