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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Darroch A. Coonradt upon the occasion of receiving the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, the most prestigious of Scouting honors

WHEREAS, Darroch A. Coonradt, of Wynantskill, New York, 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; and

WHEREAS, Darroch A. Coonradt, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff C. Coonradt, is a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 41 in East Greenbush, New York; he has served the troop in many capacities and has earned 52 merit badges; 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, Darroch Coonradt constructed a Veteran's Memorial in the local cemetery, honoring the veterans buried there and the many veterans living in the area and their families; and WHEREAS, He designed and planned the construction of the memorial; acquired all the necessary materials and erected a flagpole with a solar light and built a box around the base with an engraved memorial headstone; he also built a memory bench and a flowerbed filled with yellow

flowers in the shape of a large yellow ribbon; and WHEREAS, Darroch Coonradt has justly received many compliments and expressions of appreciation from people who have visited the cemetery and from local American Legion Post members; and WHEREAS, Darroch A. Coonradt'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 Darroch A. Coonradt on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Darroch A. Coonradt.