

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY LEG JAN 23 '14 14 3:20
BUFFALO, N.Y., FEBRUARY 6, 2014 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, THAT *at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 6th day of February 2014, A.D. a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

WHEREAS, Boy Scout James P. Oatman of Troop 524, Greater Niagara Frontier Council, Boy Scouts of America, has attained the coveted rank of Eagle Scout, Boy Scouting's highest honor, to be celebrated at his Court of Honor on January 26, 2014; and

WHEREAS, James earned 27 merit badges in his quest to become an Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, James' Eagle Scout project originated when he was approached by the Springville Kiwanis Club and asked that he replace deteriorating shelters at the rest area on Route 219 in Springville; and

WHEREAS, James, over the period of one year, planned, engineered and coordinated with the county to achieve his goal of restoring the rest stop to allow travelers to take a break along the highway and enjoy the scenery of our beautiful area; and

WHEREAS, James, by presenting his project to service clubs and volunteer organizations in Springville and with the generosity of his family and friends, raised over \$2,650; and

WHEREAS, James commandeered 60 adults and 15 youth who worked for a total of 650 hours on the two-day rest stop build; and

WHEREAS, James and his volunteers built a 20 x 12 shelter. In addition, three heavy duty picnic tables were constructed by his fellow scouts of Troop 524; and

WHEREAS, James attends Springville Griffith Institute where he has consistently achieved Merit Roll status. He received the Outstanding Academic Accomplishment Award for U.S. History February 15, 2013 and represented Springville American Legion Post 431 at Boys State of New York on June 13, 2013; and

WHEREAS, James plays varsity football and is on the indoor/outdoor track team. He received the U.S. Navy Outstanding Athlete Award on June 4, 2013; and

WHEREAS, James plans on studying Political Science and History. Law School is on the horizon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to acknowledge and commend the outstanding achievement of James P. Oatman in completing all requirements to attain the rank of Eagle Scout and wishes him well in all of his future ambitions.

John J. Mills
Chairman of the Legislature of Erie County
Legislator – District 11

Scott Kroll
Clerk of the Legislature of Erie County