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# IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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# SENATE RESOLUTION

# CONGRATULATING CLIFF CARDI ON ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

<u>Introduced By:</u> Senators Shibley, Hodgson, and Maher <u>Date Introduced:</u> January 03, 2012 <u>Referred To:</u> Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, In a society that grows increasingly fragmented and too often tempts its 2 youth to make selfish and unwise decisions, it is a special young man who chooses to dedicate 3 himself to the service of others by practicing the noble ideals of the Scout Oath and Scout Law; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, In spite of peer pressure and other influences, there are those teenagers who 6 rise above the rest. Cliff Cardi is just such a first-rate youth, and his accomplishments are truly 7 deserving of our recognition; and

8 WHEREAS, Cliff began his journey towards the rank of Eagle shortly after joining Boy 9 Scout Troop 1, East Greenwich, Rhode Island. Using his skills and abilities for the common 10 good, he has earned the required merit badges and has excelled in leadership positions, including 11 Quartermaster and Patrol Leader. Cliff has also especially enjoyed his Allagash River Maine 12 High Adventure, one of the most challenging endeavors performed by any scout. Through 13 perseverance and determination, he has attained the highest rank in scouting, the Eagle, by 14 meeting all the extensive requirements; and

WHEREAS, Cliff's Eagle Project was to take on the challenge of organizing and leading fellow scouts in a campaign to collect children's used books to benefit the less fortunate in Rhode Island. This book drive consisted of delivering flyers, collecting books, and distributing them. The response was overwhelming, with more than 1,300 children's books collected. The books were donated to homeless shelters in Providence, including a community center in Oakland Beach, and to a deserving inner-city elementary school in South Providence. Eagle Scout Cliff Cardi and his fellow scouts devoted countless hours and an amazing amount of energy carrying
 out his project for the enjoyment and benefit of the children in the community; and

WHEREAS, Also excelling in his academics, Cliff graduated from Providence Country Day School in 2011. He was a member of the Cross Country Team and received the school's music and biology awards. Active in the music department, he studied the cello for ten years and earned a seat in the Rhode Island Philharmonic Youth Orchestra. Cliff is currently a freshman at Oxford College of Emory University, located in Georgia, where he is studying pre-med; and

8 WHEREAS, Attaining the rank of Eagle Scout requires considerable perseverance. This 9 significant achievement is a landmark very few men will ever reach in their lives. Cliff Cardi 10 upholds the dignity and virtue of a true Eagle and has proven himself to be worthy of this high 11 rank; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby honors Cliff Cardi with pride and deep appreciation for his many outstanding accomplishments. We encourage him to grow, mature, and continue to be the kind of determined and dedicated young man America needs; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
17 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Eagle Scout Cliff Cardi.

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