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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

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SENATE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN UPON ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S MOST  
DISTINGUISHED HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

Introduced By: Senators Kettle, Gallo, Cool Rumsey, Raptakis, and Archambault

Date Introduced: May 21, 2014

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, Earning an Eagle Scout Badge is the pinnacle of achievement with the Boy  
2 Scouts of America. It is an exceptional distinction achieved by fewer than five percent of all the  
3 young men who enter scouting; and

4           WHEREAS, John William Sherman is a remarkable young man worthy of this  
5 prestigious achievement. He began his distinguished scouting career when he joined the Cub  
6 Scouts in 2002. He became a member of the Boy Scouts in 2007, when he joined Troop 66  
7 Garden City; and

8           WHEREAS, John has been awarded numerous awards and honors from the Cub Scouts  
9 and the Boy Scouts. As a Cub Scout, he earned the Webelos Award and the Arrow of Light  
10 Award. As a Boy Scout, he served as Patrol Leader for two years, as a Guide for one year, and as  
11 an assistant Patrol Leader for one year. Additionally, he earned numerous merit badges as a Boy  
12 Scout in a variety of categories including Art, Camping, Carpentry (2010 Historical), Citizenship  
13 in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communications,  
14 Environmental Science, Family Life, Finger Painting, First Aid, Fishing, Forestry, Hiking,  
15 Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Pathfinding (2010 Historical), Personal Fitness, Personal Management,  
16 Public Speaking, Railroad, Swimming, and Tracking (2010 Historical), and

17           WHEREAS, As the highlight of his scouting years, and to complete the final step toward  
18 obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout, John collected E-Waste for Goodwill Industries. He sent out  
19 fliers to members of the scouting family, friends, and people in the neighborhood warning of the

1 danger to the environment of unwanted electronics not being properly disposed. He also had a  
2 drop-off container placed in the community to allow people to conveniently and safely get rid of  
3 unwanted electronics. Amongst the many items that were collected were computers, laptops,  
4 keyboards, servers, cables, wires, printers, cell phones, television monitors and much more; and

5 WHEREAS, John is also an outstanding high school student and athlete. He currently  
6 maintains an impressive 4.08 grade point average. He has earned 1st Team honors in soccer and  
7 volleyball and was chosen to be Team Captain in both sports. His club soccer team won the 2013  
8 Rhode Island State Club Championship. In addition, John was awarded the Ad Altare Dei Award  
9 and the Pope Pius Award in 2010; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
11 hereby honors and congratulates John William Sherman for all he has done to attain the rank of  
12 Eagle Scout. We furthermore extend our deepest appreciation for his service to the community  
13 and for setting a high standard of commitment, dedication and excellence by which the youth of  
14 this state may follow; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
16 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to John William Sherman.

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