

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 188

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOWARD

A RESOLUTION

To commend Colin Troha of Many upon achieving the rank of Eagle Scout and earning twenty-two merit badges.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend and celebrate the accomplishments of Colin Troha of Boy Scouts of America Troop 80 on the memorable and historic occasion of his attainment of the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Boy Scouts of America, incorporated on February 8, 1910, and chartered by the United States Congress in 1916, is to provide an educational program for boys and young adults to build character, to train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and to develop personal fitness; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in Scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill all requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills, and the Eagle Scout must earn twenty-one merit badges which signify the mastery of Scoutcraft skills, including Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, and Citizenship in the World; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the twenty-two merit badges Colin Troha has earned, Colin lettered on the track team this past season and is now a senior at Many High School; and

WHEREAS, Colin Troha is traveling this summer to Cimarron, New Mexico, to Philmont Scout Ranch for two weeks; and

WHEREAS, only a small percentage of Boy Scouts earn the Eagle Scout rank, illustrating that it takes a uniquely motivated young man like Colin Troha to strive to embody the five integral responsibilities of an Eagle Scout, which are honor, loyalty, courage, cheer, and service; and

WHEREAS, presented with his Eagle Scout badge, Colin Troha joins the ranks of such esteemed and respected Eagle Scouts as the Honorable Gerald R. Ford, the thirty-eighth President of the United States, Captain James Lovell, the commander of the Apollo 13 space flight, and acclaimed film-maker Steven Spielberg; and

WHEREAS, the legacy of the Boy Scouts of America is rich indeed, for it not only includes a history of service and proud citizenship which spans nearly a century, but it includes the momentous and singular accomplishments of Colin Troha, who is recognized and commended for his deep human values, the genuine spirit of good fellowship he inspires, and his service as a fine example of hard work and integrity in the eyes of future Eagle Scouts and his entire community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on the celebrated and historic occasion of his attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and honor Colin Troha of Many because he walks an honorable path, the Eagle Scout trail, does hereby express utmost gratitude and respect for the exemplary strides he has taken as a Scout and as a citizen, does hereby congratulate Colin Troha and the members and leaders of Troop 80 as they commemorate this most significant and unforgettable event when Colin pledges his eternal loyalty to the code of the Eagle Scout, and does wish Colin and his entire family full measures of happiness and success in all of their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Colin Troha.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES