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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING MATTHEW MELO UPON ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S MOST DISTINGUISHED HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

Introduced By: Representatives Edwards, Loughlin, M Rice, Pollard, and Menard

Date Introduced: January 05, 2010

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Earning an Eagle Scout Badge, the pinnacle of achievement with the Boy 2 Scouts of America, is an exceptional distinction achieved by fewer than five percent of all the 3 young men who enter scouting; and WHEREAS, Matthew Melo is a remarkable young man worthy of this prestigious 4 achievement and his accomplishments are truly deserving of our recognition; and 5 6 WHEREAS, Graduating from Bishop Connolly High School this past year, Matthew is 7 continuing his education by pursuing a Business degree at Saint Leo University in Florida; and 8 WHEREAS, Learning important lifelong skills and values, Matthew earned numerous 9 Merit Badges and, as the highlight of his scouting years, he completed the final step toward 10 obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout by planning and carrying out an extensive Eagle service 11 project; and 12 WHEREAS, Matthew's Eagle Project was to take on the challenge of raising awareness 13 of Recycling Day for the Town of Tiverton. He acquired and distributed blue and green recycling 14 bins and informational packets to area residents. Matthew organized a team of volunteers that 15 made this event informative and successful. They devoted countless hours and an amazing amount of energy carrying out his project for the benefit of the entire community and state; and 16 17 WHEREAS, It is essential and fitting to recognize the triumphs of our youth and to celebrate the accomplishments of our future leaders. Matthew exemplifies everything an Eagle 18

Scout should be and all that we hope our children will grow to be; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby honors Matthew Melo on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. Convinced that Matthew's distinguished career in Scouting will prepare him for a life replete with accomplishments and success, we are certain that he will continue to dedicate a large part of that life to the service of others. We encourage him to grow, mature and continue to be the kind of determined and dedicated young man America needs; and be it further

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

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