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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

SENATE RESOLUTION

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

Introduced By: Senators Maher, Shibley, Kettle, Hodgson, and Ottiano

Date Introduced: February 07, 2012

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

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

4 WHEREAS, Matthew David Pereira is a remarkable young man worthy of this
5 prestigious achievement and his accomplishments are truly deserving of our recognition; and

6 WHEREAS, Learning important lifelong skills and values, Matthew earned twenty-three
7 merit badges and served in leadership positions within Troop 1, Richmond, Rhode Island, as well
8 as exhibited the highest scout spirit; and

9 WHEREAS, As the highlight of his scouting years and to complete the final step toward
10 obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout, Matthew David Pereira planned and carried out an extensive
11 Eagle Scout service project. Matthew organized and supervised his fellow scouts in the clean up
12 of two historical cemeteries, one of which is the resting place of a Colonel of the Revolutionary
13 War. Matthew and fellow scouts devoted countless hours and an amazing amount of energy
14 carrying out his project for the benefit of the community and visitors; and

15 WHEREAS, Matthew is currently attending the University of Vermont, pursuing a
16 degree in microbiology; and

17 WHEREAS, It is essential and fitting to recognize the triumphs of our youth and to
18 celebrate the accomplishments of our future leaders. Matthew David Pereira exemplifies
19 everything an Eagle Scout should be and all that we hope our children will grow to be; now,

1 therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
3 hereby honors Matthew David Pereira for all he has done to attain the rank of Eagle within the
4 Boy Scouts of America. We would also like to commend Matthew's family and friends for
5 giving him a background and values that will stay with him for a lifetime; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island extends our deepest
7 appreciation to Matthew David Pereira for his untiring service to the community and for setting a
8 high standard of commitment and dedication by which youth of this great state may follow. We
9 proffer our very best wishes for good health and happiness in the months and years ahead; and be
10 it further

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

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