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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Ryan Rikje on the occasion of attaining the coveted rank of Eagle Scout; and

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WHEREAS, Ryan Rikje began his scouting career in 2000 at the age of 7 with Cub Scout Pack 190; he steadily climbed the ranks of the Cub Scouts, eventually reaching the rank of Webelos; he then crossed over to Boy Scout Troop 303 chartered out of Lord of Glory Lutheran Church in 2003; once again showing great initiative, he continued his rise through the Boy Scout ranks by actively participating in camp outs, service projects, and earning 23 Merit Badges until he reached the pinnacle of achievement within the organization, the rank of Eagle Scout, on June 24, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, To achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, Ryan Rikje led the effort to build a concrete pad for the Lord of Glory Church Trailer as a new permanent parking space next to the church garage; the project has made snow plowing easier, created more room for additional church parking, and made the church very appreciative; and

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WHEREAS, Ryan Rikje has served in many positions of responsibility within the Boy Scouts, including Troop

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1 Librarian, Assistant Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol
2 Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader; and

3 WHEREAS, Ryan Rikje was inducted into Scouting's National
4 Honor Society, the Order of the Arrow (OA), in 2008 and
5 received his OA Brotherhood Honor in 2010; he is also an active
6 member of Venture Crew 607, a high-adventure scouting group;
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8 WHEREAS, Ryan Rikje was recognized at a Court of Honor on
9 September 19, 2010 for his work in Scouting and his
10 contributions to his community; and

11 WHEREAS, Ryan Rikje's family, friends, and fellow Scouts,
12 along with the members of this body, are proud of his hard work
13 and dedication in gaining this prestigious rank; therefore, be
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15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 congratulate Ryan Rikje on the occasion of attaining the
18 coveted rank of Eagle Scout and wish him continued success and
19 happiness in the future; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to Ryan Rikje as a symbol of our esteem and respect.