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Offered January 30, 2015

Commending Sean Thomas Grapin.

Patrons—Kory and Keam

WHEREAS, Sean Thomas Grapin of Vienna, a diligent and hardworking member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 345, attains the rank of Eagle Scout in 2015 after becoming one of the few Scouts to earn all 135 merit badges; and

WHEREAS, only a limited number of Scouts meet the standards of excellence necessary to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout by earning at least 21 merit badges and demonstrating Scout Spirit and troop leadership; and

WHEREAS, at 11 years old, Sean Grapin is the youngest Scout to have earned all 135 merit badges and one of the youngest Scouts to attain the rank of Eagle Scout; he and his brother, Eric, are the first Scouts from Northern Virginia to have earned all 135 merit badges; and

WHEREAS, Sean Grapin and his brother conducted extensive research to determine the best order in which to earn their merit badges; the brothers traveled to 17 states to achieve the feat, joining fewer than 240 Scouts who have previously earned all possible merit badges; and

WHEREAS, for his Eagle Scout Project, Sean Grapin helped build a bridge over a muddy area at a nearby nature preserve; and

WHEREAS, a student at Vienna Adventist Academy, Sean Grapin hopes to continue his involvement with Scouting and pursue a career as a zoologist; and

WHEREAS, Sean Grapin exemplifies the noble ideals of the Boy Scouts of America and donated his time and talents to provide a valuable service to the community through his Eagle Scout Project; and

WHEREAS, Sean Grapin's Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony will take place on February 1, 2015, in Fairfax; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Sean Thomas Grapin hereby be commended for earning all 135 Boy Scouts of America merit badges and attaining the rank of Eagle Scout in 2015; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Sean Thomas Grapin as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his exceptional accomplishments and best wishes for the future.