

2019 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17

BY SENATOR WARD

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Matthew Thomas Flynn upon achievement of the rank of Eagle Scout.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To congratulate Matthew Thomas Flynn of Erwinville upon his achievement of the rank of
3 Eagle Scout and to commend him for his outstanding community service.

4 WHEREAS, Matthew Flynn is a member of Troop 66, Sewell-Eagle District of
5 Istrouma Area Council of Boy Scouts of America; and

6 WHEREAS, his fervent dedication to scouting began in first grade, Matthew quickly
7 rose up the Cub Scouting ranks to obtain the rank of Arrow of Light and then joined Troop
8 66 of New Roads in March 2015; and

9 WHEREAS, the rank of Eagle Scout is a rare pinnacle in scouting with only four
10 percent of all scouts reaching the status of Eagle; to attain the Eagle Badge, a scout must
11 earn at least twenty-one merit badges, display leadership and outdoor skills, demonstrate by
12 example, the Scout Oath and Law, and complete a service project within his community; and

13 WHEREAS, merit badge requirements include the following: First Aid, Citizenship
14 in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, Communication,
15 Personal Fitness, Emergency Preparedness or Lifesaving, Environmental Science or
16 Sustainability, Personal Management, Swimming or Hiking or Cycling, Camping, Cooking,
17 and Family Life; and

18 WHEREAS, through diligence and hard work Matthew has completed several

1 community service projects that include devoting more than one hundred service hours to
2 structural improvements to the dance studio at the Centre for the Arts, providing support to
3 race course participants in local triathlons, and during the 2016 floods, transporting meals
4 to first responders in Pointe Coupee and West Baton Rouge parishes as well as volunteering
5 at the Scott Civic Center Shelter; and

6 WHEREAS, this summer Matthew shall interact with other scouts as an Ecology and
7 Conservation counselor at the Hood Scout Reservation in Hazlehurst, Mississippi; and

8 WHEREAS, Matthew has a wide variety of interests; he is passionate about cooking
9 and sharpens his culinary skills at every opportunity; he is an avid soccer player and assistant
10 coach; and in 4-H, he has twice competed in archery at the state level; and

11 WHEREAS, Matthew has also earned three Religious Emblems from the Catholic
12 Committee on Scouting, and he intends to complete five Ad Altere Dai Emblems which
13 reflect his growth in spiritual experience and his relationship to God and the Roman Catholic
14 Church; and

15 WHEREAS, on March 6, 2019, Matthew Flynn completed the Board of Review and
16 on April 28, 2019, he shall be awarded his Eagle Scout Badge at the Court of Honor to be
17 held at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Lakeland; and

18 WHEREAS, the Boy Scout Oath states, "*On my honor, I will do my best to do my*
19 *duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times;*
20 *To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight*", and Matthew Flynn
21 has upheld that promise in thought, word, and deed; and

22 WHEREAS, as an Eagle Scout candidate, Matthew Flynn is a worthy recipient who
23 has proved to be an exceptional young man; he has used his service-oriented skills to bring
24 about positive and meaningful changes in his community; and

25 WHEREAS, his parents, Mark Todd and Aundrea Flynn, are very proud of their son
26 and his remarkable accomplishments.

27 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
28 does hereby congratulate Matthew Flynn upon his achievement of the rank of Eagle Scout
29 and does hereby commend him for his outstanding service to the community.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does

1 hereby wish continued success for Matthew Flynn in all future endeavors.

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
3 Matthew Thomas Flynn.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Suzi Montague.

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