ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 505

Introduced by Murante, 49.

WHEREAS, Simon Thor Gissler, a member of Troop 405 of the Mid-America Council, Soaring Eagle District, has completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Throughout his scouting experience, Simon has learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn 21 merit badges, 13 of which are in required areas, and complete a community service project approved by the troop and the scout council. Simon has gone above and beyond, earning 38 merit badges. For his community service project, Simon led several other Scouts in the construction of 20 platform birdfeeders for the Gretna Community Living Center, and researched and produced a birdwatcher's guide about local birds for the Center's residents; and

WHEREAS, Simon has participated in the Cub and then Boy Scouts since he was in first grade, and continues in Scouting as a freshman at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln by participating in the Venturing program. As a Boy Scout, Simon traveled to the 2010 National Scout Jamboree in Virginia, to Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in northern Minnesota, to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, and to several summer camps in Nebraska, Colorado, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Simon also served as Youth Staff at the National Youth Leadership Training program at Little Sioux Scout Ranch in Iowa, including as Senior Patrol Leader; and

WHEREAS, Simon, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, such as astronauts, leaders of government

and industry, artists, scientists, and athletes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates Simon Thor Gissler on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
 - 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Simon Thor Gissler.