SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 568

WHEREAS, For more than a century, the Boy Scouts of America has helped young men build character, become responsible citizens, and develop their abilities in a wide range of pursuits, and those scouts who advance through the program to its highest rank are rewarded with the Eagle Scout insignia; and

WHEREAS, Only about five percent of all Boy Scouts earn the title of Eagle Scout, and Lucas Hiney of Boy Scouts of America Troop 159 in Bryan may now count himself in that select group; in order to obtain that notable honor, specific requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills must be met; Eagle Scouts need to earn at least 21 merit badges, including those in first aid, camping, personal fitness, environmental science, and citizenship; an Eagle Scout must also serve as a leader both in his troop and in the completion of a project that is beneficial to a school, religious institution, or community; and

WHEREAS, Many Eagle Scouts go on to further distinguish themselves in such fields as business, science, politics, and the arts; among those accomplished individuals who have achieved Eagle Scout status are astronaut Neil Armstrong, President Gerald Ford, former secretary of defense Robert Gates, jazz musician Wynton Marsalis, film director Steven Spielberg, and entrepreneur Sam Walton; and

WHEREAS, The Eagle Scout program fosters self-reliance, initiative, and resourcefulness, and those same qualities that enable a scout to attain this prestigious rank will be invaluable assets to him on the road ahead; now, therefore, be it

assets to him on the road ahead; now, therefore, be it **RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby congratulate Lucas Hiney on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Eagle Scout Hiney as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

Schwertner

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 2, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate