



TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS

Land Where Flight Began

MEMORANDUM

February 12, 2020

TO: Mayor and Board of Commissioners

FROM: Debora P. Díaz, Town Manager

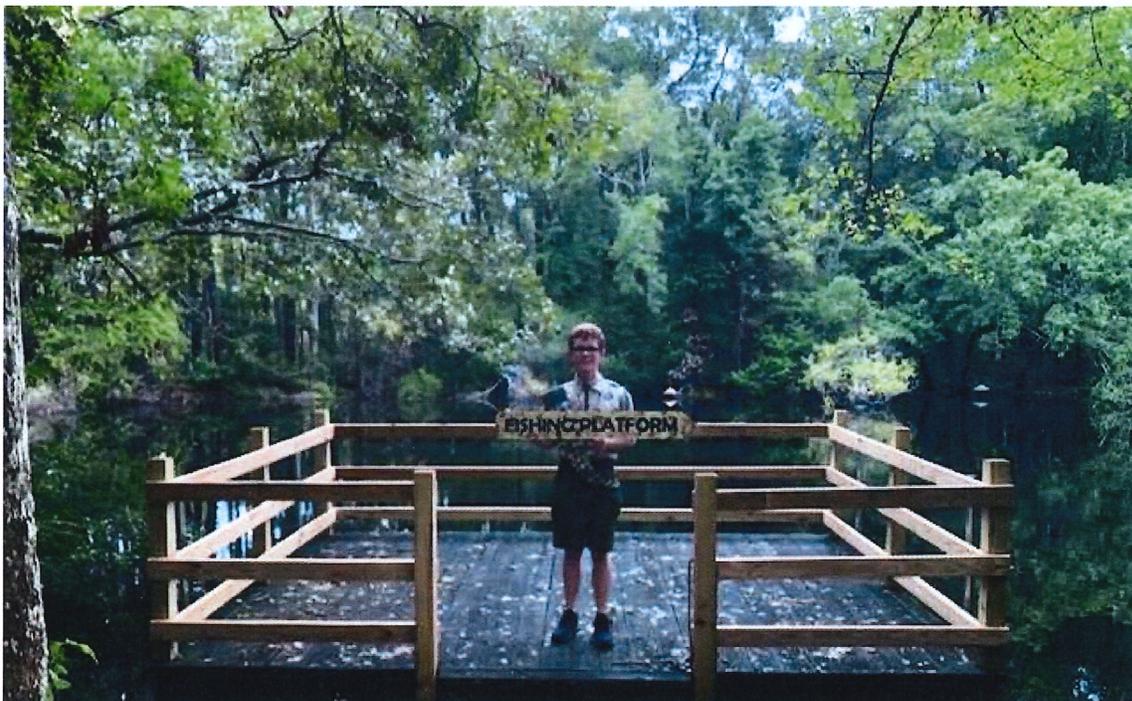
REF: Introductions and Presentations

2. Joseph Lewis – Recognition of Eagle Scout achievement (Attached IP-2)

Joseph Lewis, a senior at First Flight High School, was presented the Eagle Scout Award, the highest achievement from the Boy Scouts of America on February 10, 2020. Mr. Lewis is also a member of the Order of the Arrow, an honor society in scouting whose members exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives.

Mr. Lewis' Eagle Scout project was a refurbishment of a floating fishing platform at Nags Head Woods Ecological Preserve. He utilized the components of a derelict platform to refurbish one in disrepair and also made it handicap accessible. He then cut a new trail to the refurbished platform.

Mayor Sproul, a third generation Eagle Scout, has invited Mr. Lewis to tonight's meeting, to honor his achievement and present him with a certificate from the Town.





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Joseph C. Lewis
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Dear Joseph:

It gives me great pleasure to write this letter of congratulations to you on your achievement of the rank of Eagle Scout. I know that to achieve such an honor from the Boy Scouts of America it took many hours of training in the area of citizenship, character development and personal fitness.

You have earned a spot in scouting that distinguishes you along with some of our Nation's most famous Eagle Scouts, such as the likes of Willie Banks, former Olympian and World Record holder in the triple jump and long jump; Sam Nunn, former United States Senator from Georgia; Michael Kahn, stage director and academy award winning film editor; H. Ross Perot, founder of Electronic Data Systems Corporation and the Perot Group; Dr. Robert M. Gates, former Director of the CIA and President of Texas A&M University; Donald H. Rumsfeld, former Secretary of Defense; and, Gerald Ford, the first Eagle Scout to become President of the United States.

These men are representative of a diverse group of professional and community leaders that made scouting an integral and important part of their lives. I, too, am an Eagle Scout, following in the footsteps of my father and his father, who are also Eagles. Joseph, you will no doubt be one of the great future leaders of our Society. Your character, honesty, skills and the ethical and moral choices you have made over the years through your involvement in Scouting have made you a well-respected young man among your peers. These are assets you can rely on for all of your life to help you break free of the physical limitations of your person and stretch yourself to the limits of your capabilities and desires.

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Mr. Joseph C. Lewis

In 1910, Theodore Roosevelt, 26th President of the United States, prepared and gave a speech at the Sorbonne in Paris, entitled "Citizenship in a Republic." I am pleased to provide you with a copy of the text of this speech that anchored Roosevelt's beliefs in the importance of leadership, citizenship, and the people's role in their government. I find his words inspiring and hope you will, too.

I am also aware of your admission into the Order of the Arrow, and welcome you as I earned Brotherhood, and my father, the Vigil Honor. I encourage you to continue your strong belief in the values of Scouting. May you always do your best to honor your duty to God and Country; to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep yourself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Well done, Joseph! My very best to you in your future endeavors, and sincerest praise for your outstanding accomplishment in obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Sproul". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "B" and "S".

Ben Sproul
Mayor
Town of Kill Devil Hills



MAYOR'S ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Presented to

JOSEPH C. LEWIS

in recognition of achieving the rank of Eagle Scout
on Monday, February 10, 2020

Awarded on this 12th day of February, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Benjamin A. Sproul".

Benjamin A. Sproul
Mayor

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