**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE THE 108TH ANNIVERSARY OF GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO HONOR GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN SOUTH CAROLINA, GIRL SCOUTS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MOUNTAINS TO MIDLANDS, AND THE GIRL SCOUT MOVEMENT FOR PROVIDING GIRLS WITH A SAFE, INCLUSIVE, ALL‑GIRL SPACE TO ENHANCE THEIR SKILLS AND DEVELOP LEADERSHIP ABILITIES BY DECLARING THE WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2020, TO BE “GIRL SCOUTS’ WEEK”.

Whereas, the year 2020 marks the 108th anniversary of Girl Scouts of the United States of America, the largest and most successful leadership program for girls in the world; and

Whereas, 2020 also marks the centennial of the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, a seminal moment for girls and women in our nation’s history; and

Whereas, Girl Scouts unleash the G.I.R.L. (Go‑getter, Innovator, Risk‑taker, Leader) in every girl, preparing her for a lifetime of leadership; and

Whereas, serving as the world’s premier leadership development organization for girls, Girl Scouts have emphasized public service, civic engagement, and fostering a sense of community in girls for over a century; and

Whereas, Girl Scouts combine time‑tested, research‑backed methods with exciting, modern programming that speaks to today’s girls and is designed to cater to the strengths of girls’ leadership development; and

Whereas, Girl Scouts offer girls twenty‑first century programming in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), the outdoors, entrepreneurship, and beyond, helping girls develop invaluable life skills and take the lead early and often; and

Whereas, the Girl Scouts welcome girls of all backgrounds and interest who want to develop the courage, confidence, and character to make the world a better place; and

Whereas, the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest and most prestigious award in Girl Scouting, calls on Girls Scouts in grades nine through twelve to take on projects that have a measurable and sustainable impact on a community by first assessing a need, designing a solution, completing a project, and inspiring others to sustain it; and

Whereas, with more than one hundred years of experience, Girl Scouts bring a wealth of knowledge to programs that deliver girls’ cornerstone experiences with benefits that last a lifetime; and

Whereas, today, more than fifty million women are Girl Scout alums and 2.6 million girls and adults are current members. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize and celebrate the 108th anniversary of Girl Scouts of the United States of America and honor Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina, Girl Scouts of South Carolina, Mountains to Midlands, and the Girl Scout Movement for providing girls with a safe, inclusive, all‑girl space to enhance their skills and develop leadership abilities by declaring the week of March 10, 2020, to be “Girl Scouts’ Week”.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Girl Scouts of South Carolina, Mountains to Midlands, and Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina.

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