**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA UPON THE OCCASION OF ITS ONE HUNDRED TENTH ANNIVERSARY, TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 12, 2022 AS “GIRL SCOUT DAY,” AND TO COMMEND THE GIRL SCOUTS ORGANIZATION FOR ITS MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE AND THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to recognize the Girl Scouts of the United States of America as it celebrates this important milestone; and

Whereas, March 12, 2022, marks the one hundred tenth anniversary of Girl Scouts of the United States of America, the largest and most impactful leadership program for girls in the world; and

Whereas, since the organization’s founding, the Girl Scouts has emphasized public service and civic engagement and has fostered a sense of community in girls; and

Whereas, the Girl Scouts works to champion the ambitions, cultivate the talents, and develop the skills of girls to confidently pursue their passions and make the world a better place; and

Whereas, during a time when girls are experiencing increased levels of anxiety, stress, loneliness, and depression, Girl Scouts provides community, consistency, and connection for girls and is a safe haven amidst all the uncertainty; and

Whereas, especially during the time of COVID-19, Girl Scouts plays an indispensable role in engaging girls in after-school and out of school programming that expands their world and allows them to tap into their inner innovator, change maker, and leader; and

Whereas, at a time when civics education is missing from many schools, Girl Scouts engages girls of all grade levels in civics programming that deepens their understanding of government, prepares them for a lifetime of civic engagement, and motivates them to take action on issues that are important to them; and

Whereas, Girl Scouts offers girls twenty-first century programming in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM); the outdoors; entrepreneurship; and beyond, helping girls develop invaluable life skills; and

Whereas, Gold Award Girl Scouts take on projects that have a sustainable community impact by assessing a need, designing a solution, completing a project, and inspiring others to sustain it; and

Whereas, more than 50 million women are Girl Scout alums. Girl Scouts of South Carolina—Mountains to Midlands and Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina serve more than eight thousand girls across South Carolina; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate greatly appreciate the dedication and commitment of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America to serving the people and the State of South Carolina. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate the Girl Scouts of the United States of America upon the occasion of its one hundred tenth anniversary, recognize March 12, 2022 as “Girl Scout Day,” and commend the organization for its many years of dedicated service to the people and the State of South Carolina.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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