

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION  
CONGRATULATING THE GIRL SCOUTS OF  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
ON THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America is the largest organization for girls in the world. The aim of the Girl Scouts is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Through activities in science and technology, business and economic literacy, and outdoor and environmental awareness, Girl Scouting provides girls with opportunities for fun and friendship while fostering the development of leadership skills and self-esteem; and

**WHEREAS**, the Girl Scouts was founded on March 12, 1912, when Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low organized 18 girls from Savannah, Georgia, for a meeting of the Girl Guides of America and within months, the members were hiking through the woods, playing basketball, and going on camping trips; and

**WHEREAS**, Juliette Low envisioned an organization that would bring girls out of their sheltered home environments to serve their communities, experience the out-of-doors, and give them the opportunity to develop "self-reliance and resourcefulness"; and

**WHEREAS**, the organization's name was changed to the Girl Scouts of the United States in 1913 and was incorporated in 1915; its name was again changed to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America in 1947, and it was given a congressional charter on March 16, 1950; and

**WHEREAS**, the organization continued to grow, so that by 1920, there were nearly 70,000 members, and by 1930 over 200,000 members. Today there are over 3.2 million Girl Scouts in the United States, including 2.3 million girl members and 890,000 adult members working primarily as volunteers. More than 50 million American women have participated in the Girl Scouts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 28<sup>th</sup> Stamford Board of Representatives congratulates the Girl Scouts of the United States of America on the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its founding.

*Approved: By the 28<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives  
this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012*

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