

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**Simple
Resolution
Adopted**

SENATE RESOLUTION 232
Adopted 3/11/15

Sponsors: Senators Barringer (Primary Sponsor); Bingham, Brock, Clark, D. Davis, Harrington, Lowe, Newton, Pate, Rabin, Robinson, Sanderson, Smith-Ingram, and Waddell.

Referred to:

March 11, 2015

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA.

2 Whereas, the first Girl Scout troop was organized by Juliette Gordon Low on March
3 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia, and chartered by the U.S. Congress on March 16, 1950; and

4 Whereas, the mission of Girl Scouts of the USA is to "build girls of courage,
5 confidence, and character, who make the world a better place"; and

6 Whereas, Girl Scouting is open to girls of all ethnic, racial, and economic
7 backgrounds from kindergarten through the 12th grade; and

8 Whereas, Girl Scouting provides girls with a variety of enriching experiences,
9 including community service projects, cultural exchanges, environmental stewardships, field
10 trips, and sports skill-building clinics; and

11 Whereas, Girl Scouts also provides opportunities for girls to gather together to have
12 fun and develop friendships, and to recognize what they can accomplish as a group; and

13 Whereas, through Girl Scouting experiences and activities, girls learn to develop
14 their individual potential, relate to others around them, develop personal values to help them
15 make decisions throughout their lifetime, and contribute to society through their abilities and
16 skills; and

17 Whereas, Girl Scouts of the USA can count more than 59 million women in the U.S.
18 who enjoyed participating in Girl Scouts during their childhood, including 53% of all women
19 business owners, 60% of the female members of the U.S. House of Representatives, and 59%
20 of the female members of the U.S. Senate; and

21 Whereas, Girl Scouts of the USA has 112 chartered councils nationwide; and

22 Whereas, today, Girl Scouts of the USA has 2.8 million members, including two
23 million girl members and 800,000 adult members working primarily as volunteers; and

24 Whereas, in partnership with tens of thousands of adult volunteers, Girl Scouts of
25 North Carolina serves at least 60,000 girl members in all 100 North Carolina counties; and

26 Whereas, Girl Scouts of the USA is an American institution that has, for over 100
27 years, empowered girls to develop their skills and abilities in ways that enrich their lives and
28 their communities; Now, therefore,

29 Be it resolved by the Senate:

30 **SECTION 1.** The Senate honors the memory of Juliette Gordon Low for her role in
31 founding Girl Scouts of the USA and expresses its appreciation to the organization and its
32 members for their commitment to building girls of courage, confidence, and character who
33 make the world a better place.



- 1 **SECTION 2.** The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution
2 to the Girl Scouts of the USA national headquarters.
3 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.