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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring the 100th anniversary of Girl
3 Scouts of the United States of America and recognizing
4 2012 as "The Year of the Girl" in the State of
5 Florida.

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7 WHEREAS, on March 12, 1912, Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low
8 gathered 18 local girls together in Savannah, Georgia, for a
9 Girl Scouts meeting to provide them the opportunity to develop
10 physically, mentally, and spiritually, and

11 WHEREAS, on June 10, 1915, the organization was
12 incorporated as Girl Scouts, Inc., under the laws of the
13 District of Columbia, and on March 16, 1950, Girl Scouts of the
14 United States of America was chartered by the United States
15 Congress, and

16 WHEREAS, over the last 100 years, the Girl Scouts have
17 helped millions of girls and women develop courage, confidence,
18 and character, equipping them with the skills to make the world
19 a better place, and

20 WHEREAS, presently, there are more than 50 million Girl
21 Scouts alumnae and 3.2 million active members in the United
22 States, with additional troops and groups in more than 145
23 countries worldwide, and

24 WHEREAS, the award winning Girl Scout Leadership Program
25 helps girls discover themselves and their values, connect with
26 others, and take action, and

27 WHEREAS, this leadership model helps girls develop skills
28 such as critical thinking, problem solving, cooperation and team

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29 building, conflict resolution, advocacy, and other important
30 life skills, and

31 WHEREAS, core programs around science, technology,
32 engineering, and math (STEM), environmental stewardship, healthy
33 living, financial literacy, and global citizenship help girls
34 develop a solid foundation in leadership, and

35 WHEREAS, since its founding in 2000, the Girl Scout
36 Research Institute has become an internationally recognized
37 center for original research, research reviews, and surveys that
38 provide significant insights into the lives of girls, and

39 WHEREAS, through the dedication, time, and talent of
40 volunteers of different backgrounds, abilities, and areas of
41 expertise, the Girl Scouts Program has been delivered to over
42 100,000 girls in grades K-12 across the State of Florida, NOW,
43 THEREFORE,

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45 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
46 Florida:

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48 That Girl Scouts of the United States of America is
49 recognized and commended on the occasion of its 100th
50 anniversary and that 2012 is recognized as "The Year of the
51 Girl" in the State of Florida.