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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Introduced By: Representatives Cimini, Hearn, Tanzi, Walsh, and Serpa

Date Introduced: March 13, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, The Girls Scouts organization was originally founded by Juliette Gordon 1 Low on March 12th, 1912, under the belief "that all girls should be given the opportunity to 2 3 develop physically, mentally, and spiritually"; and 4 WHEREAS, From an initial membership of eighteen young girls, the organization now consists of 3.4 million members throughout the United States, including the United States 5 6 territories, and in more than 90 countries through USA Girl Scouts Overseas; and 7 WHEREAS, In 1950, the United States chartered the Congress Girl Scouts of the USA 8 (GSUSA) as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. Through membership in the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), GSUSA is part of a worldwide family of 10 million 9 10 girls and adults in 145 countries; and 11 WHEREAS, Girl Scouts of the USA is the preeminent leadership development 12 organization for girls and young women, encouraging them to discover their strengths, foster their 13 entrepreneurial skills, connect with others, treat their peers with respect, and take action by 14 serving their communities, their country, and the world; and 15 WHEREAS, In Rhode Island, the Girl Scouts of Rhode Island, Inc. includes 11,900 girls 16 in grades K-12 and 3,400 adults from across the state; and 17 WHEREAS, As the Girl Scouts organization celebrates its centennial anniversary, it

continues to uphold its mission to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who strive to

make the world a better place; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
Providence Plantations hereby congratulates the Girl Scouts of America on the occasion of its

100th Anniversary Year celebration. We furthermore recognize the entire membership for their

dedicated service to our state and to our country; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to

transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Nicole Kelly, Girl Scouts of Rhode Island.

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