

A Resolution on the Importance of Girl Scouts to Today's Girls

Recognizing Girl Scouts of the United States of America on its 114th birthday and celebrating the legacy of the Girl Scout Movement and its founder Juliette Gordon Low.

WHEREAS, March 12, 2026, marks the 114th anniversary of Girl Scouts of the United States of America, whose mission is to “build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place;”

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts offers girls 21st century programming in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM); the outdoors; entrepreneurship; life skills; and beyond, helping girls develop invaluable life skills through the Girl Scout Leadership Experience;

WHEREAS, today, more than 50 million women—trailblazers, visionaries, and leaders—are Girl Scout alums who embody the Girl Scout mission every day;

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Movement began on March 12, 1912, when Juliette “Daisy” Gordon Low, a native of Savannah, Georgia, held the first Girl Scout troop meeting for a group of 18 girls and provided them with the opportunity to develop physically, intellectually, socially, and spiritually;

WHEREAS, public service and civic engagement were a cornerstone of Juliette Gordon Low’s life and remain an important part of today’s Girl Scout experience, with programming designed to encourage girls to seek opportunities to learn about federal, state, and local government; research and engage with their elected officials; and inspire girls to become civically minded individuals equipped with the tools to make a positive change in the world;

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts’ commitment to getting girls outdoors, including exciting summer camp experiences, comes from Juliette Gordon Low’s lifelong appreciation for nature and the environment;

WHEREAS, Juliette Gordon Low utilized her extensive network of friends across the country and around the world to establish the foundation for the Girl Scout Movement, creating opportunities for girls to form lifelong friendships with fellow Girl Scouts;

WHEREAS, Juliette Gordon Low believed in the power of global connections and the ability of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts to positively impact their communities and the world, serving as the Movement’s worldwide ambassador and first Girl Scout Global Citizen;

WHEREAS, Juliette Gordon Low’s journey from trailblazing leader to a face on our nation’s currency is a testament to the power of girls and women everywhere; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts of Connecticut serves 15,000 girls across Connecticut.

Now, therefore, I, _____, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby applaud the Girl Scout Movement and Girl Scouts of Connecticut for 114 years of building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place, and I declare Thursday, March 12 of 2026 to be Girl Scout Day.