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Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America and proclaiming 2012 as the Year of the Girl.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS March 12, 2012, marks the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scout movement, which began on March 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia, when Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low organized a group of 18 girls and provided the girls with the opportunity to develop physically, mentally, and spiritually; and

WHEREAS, for 100 years, the Girl Scouts have helped millions of girls and women develop courage, confidence, and character, so that those girls and women could act to make the world a better place; and

WHEREAS the award-winning Girl Scout Leadership Experience helps girls discover themselves, establish values, connect with others, and take action to make the world a better place; and

WHEREAS the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest honor in the Girl Scouts, requires a girl to make a measurable and sustainable difference in the girl's community by assessing a need, designing a solution, finding the resources and support to achieve that solution,

completing the project, and inspiring others to sustain it; and

WHEREAS the Girl Scout Gold Award honors leadership in the Girl Scout tradition, and, as high school students, Girl Scout Gold Award recipients have already changed the world; and

WHEREAS the Girl Scout programs in science, technology, engineering, math, environmental awareness, healthy living, financial literacy, and global citizenship help girls develop a solid foundation in leadership; and

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

WHEREAS, through the dedication, time, and talent of volunteers of different backgrounds, abilities, and areas of expertise, the Girl Scouts of Alaska serves more than 6,000 girls in grades kindergarten through 12 across the state; and

WHEREAS more than 50,000,000 American women are Girl Scout alumnae, 3,200,000 girls and adult volunteers are active members of the Girl Scouts, and the Girl Scouts of the United States of America is the largest member of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, a global movement of more than 10,000,000 girls in 145 countries;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature celebrates the Girl Scouts of the United States of America for 100 years of leadership and expertise and proclaims 2012 the Year of the Girl.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to Marge Stoneking, Chief Executive Officer, Girl Scouts of Alaska; Jane Angvik, Chair and Lifetime Member, Girl Scouts of Alaska; Mary Siroky, First Vice Chair, Girl Scouts of Alaska; Lynda Zaugg, Second Vice Chair and Lifetime Member, Girl Scouts of Alaska; Mary Killorin, Secretary, Girl Scouts of Alaska; Linda Freed, Treasurer and Lifetime Member, Girl Scouts of Alaska; and the Honorable Lisa Murkowski and the Honorable Mark Begich, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.