

## House Resolution No. 4082

**Whereas**, founder Juliette Gordon Low organized the first Girl Scout troop on March 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia, and Girl Scouts of the USA was chartered by the United States Congress on March 16, 1950; and

**Whereas**, Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council, Inc. was chartered in its present jurisdiction in 25 southwest and south central Missouri counties in 1954 by Girl Scouts of the United States of America; and

**Whereas**, Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council believes every girl deserves to live a happy, healthy life in which she feels comfortable in her own skin, confident in her choices, and capable of fulfilling her dreams, while encouraging girls from diverse communities and walks of life to explore, study and appreciate their environment including the water, land and air; and

**Whereas**, Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council broadens girls' appreciation of their streets and backyards as well as the global community we all share and welcomes a future in which Girl Scouting is agile, innovative and aligned to be increasingly girl-centric; and

**Whereas**, Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council has almost 2,700 adult volunteers offering their leadership in areas including long-range planning, team building, conflict resolution, emergency preparedness, safety, arts and crafts and a variety of outdoor skills; and

**Whereas**, in 2006 Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council served almost 8,174 girls through a variety of membership and program activities; and

**Whereas**, Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council enables girls to discover the fun, friendship and power of girls together through a variety of enriching experiences such as extraordinary field trips, sports skill building clinics, community service projects, and environmental stewardship; and

**Whereas**, Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council helps girls develop their full individual potential; relate to others with increasing understanding, skill and respect; develop values to guide their actions; provide the foundation for sound decision making; and contribute to the improvement of society through their abilities, leadership skills and cooperation with others; and

**Whereas**, Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council helps girls learn the importance of personal responsibility, the value of goal setting, the spirit of teamwork, and the thrill of accomplishment:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to salute Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council for offering a Girl Scout program that is girl-driven, reflects the ever-changing needs and interests of today's girls, and helps girls discover the fun and friendship of girls together; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Girl Scouts of Dogwood Trails Council, Inc.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Bob Dixon  
District No. 140

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4082, adopted June 19, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker