

## House Resolution No. 3923

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in acknowledging milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State young women who have admirably dedicated themselves to exceptional participation in the Girl Scouts of America program with its emphasis on maturation and growth as a person, citizen, and leader; and

**Whereas**, Blythe A. Richardson of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, has earned the highest achievement award in Girl Scouting, the Gold Award; and

**Whereas**, Blythe Richardson fulfilled all of the diverse requirements for her Gold Award, including devoting herself to the many hours necessary to garner more than twenty Merit Badges, the Career Exploration Pin, and a Girl Scout Leadership Award, in addition to earning the Bronze Award, Silver Award, Senior Leadership Award, and being selected as a National Convention Delegate and selected for Wider Opportunity travel to New York, San Francisco, and the Galapagos Islands; and

**Whereas**, a Counselor-in-Training, Blythe Richardson has completed Survival Training, is a Red Cross Certified Lifeguard and a Top Cookie Seller, and has been inducted into the Osage Society, an honor camping group; and

**Whereas**, Blythe Richardson spent a minimum of fifty hours planning and implementing a Girl Scout Gold Award Project that had a positive and lasting impact on the community, by planning and producing a musical theater program for elementary-school students; and

**Whereas**, officially designated in 1980 as the highest award in Girl Scouting, the Gold Award is attained by only five thousand Girl Scouts annually; and

**Whereas**, Blythe Richardson also deserves mention of non-Girl Scout activities that have led to her achievement, including being a drum major in the Show-Me Marching Band, a member of the Beta Club, the Student Council, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Smokebusters, Literary Club, French Club, Drama Club, First Christian Church Youth Group & Praise Team, Show-Me Clowns for Jesus, Link Crew, and State Company:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Girl Scout Blythe Richardson and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon completing the stringent requirements for a Girl Scout Gold Award and our best wishes for continued success and achievement in life for many, many more years to come; 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 in honor of Girl Scout Gold Award recipient Blythe A. Richardson, daughter of Matthew and Valerie Richardson of Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Gayle Kingery  
 District No. 154

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3923, adopted August 18, 2008.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker