

House Resolution 1319

By: Representative Morris of the 156th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Boy Scout Troop 933 for 100 years of scouting in Vidalia,
2 Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Troop 933 was founded on February 12, 1919, as the first Boy Scout troop in
4 Vidalia, Georgia, and its first scoutmaster was Walter Lee Downs; and

5 WHEREAS, currently, Troop 933 has 16 boy scouts, five leaders, and five committee
6 members. The current leaders include Scoutmaster Lee Stephens and Assistant Scoutmasters
7 Brett Copeland, Casey O'Connor, and Randy Holcomb as well as Assistant Scoutmaster and
8 Advancement & Committee Chair Ken Whitson; and

9 WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout rank is the highest distinction one can earn through Scouts
10 BSA, and Troop 933 has produced 60 Eagle Scouts since its creation; and

11 WHEREAS, the requirements to become an Eagle Scout include earning at least 21 merit
12 badges and demonstrating scout spirit and leadership along with planning and executing an
13 Eagle Scout service project; and

14 WHEREAS, in 2019, Troop 933 participated with Wreaths Across America and conducted
15 the Vidalia Christmas Parade, which it leads annually; and

16 WHEREAS, in 1919, the Vidalia Public School System, supported by the actual sponsor,
17 Kiwanis Club of Vidalia, organized a group known as Pioneer Scouts as part of the scouting
18 movement all across America and the world; and

19 WHEREAS, the mission of Boys Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make the
20 ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout
21 Oath and Law, which, among other things, states the pledge to do duty to God and our
22 country and to help other people at all times.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body recognize and commend Boy Scout Troop 933 for 100 years of
25 scouting in Vidalia, Georgia, and for its many contributions to the community.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Troop
28 933.