

House Resolution 65EX

By: Representative Evans of the 57<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending scouts of Scouts BSA Troop 29, to wit Benjamin Ackerman, Blythe Kidwell,  
2 and Amelia Sharp; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Benjamin Ackerman rehabilitated an old entrance to an old trail in an Atlanta  
4 neighborhood park, which trail had fallen into disuse, but now offers a crucial route to  
5 alternative parking; and

6 WHEREAS, as part of this project, Benjamin Ackerman cleaned up old steps on the upper  
7 side of the trail; added new steps on the trail's lower half, thus rendering the trail safer and  
8 more visible; installed a soil retention grid to protect the trail from erosion, which had  
9 previously made the trail impassible; and then rebuilt a bench that had become rotten and  
10 unsafe at the end of the trail; and

11 WHEREAS, Blythe Kidwell transformed a dead spot in the playground area at a  
12 neighborhood church into a sensory garden for the church's preschool and after-school  
13 programs to enjoy; and

14 WHEREAS, in preparing to plant the sensory garden Blythe Kidwell researched ways to  
15 include all of the senses, created a colorful outdoor xylophone, and installed plants with  
16 different smells, colors, and textures; and

17 WHEREAS, Amelia Sharp, who loves animals and has previously helped with kitten rescue  
18 and fostering, created refillable dog treat dispensers for the Humane Society, which  
19 dispensers have toys that the dogs must play with to get the food out, thus keeping them  
20 happy and active while they await adoption; and

21 WHEREAS, these three scouts personify the mission of Scouts BSA.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body commend the helpful, kind, and cheerful dedication exhibited by  
24 Benjamin Ackerman, Blythe Kidwell, and Amelia Sharp of Scouts BSA Troop 29 in their  
25 efforts in and commitment to improving their 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  
28 Benjamin Ackerman, Blythe Kidwell, and Amelia Sharp.