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*Honoring the Boy Scouts of America
on its One Hundredth Anniversary.*

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the Boy Scouts of America on the auspicious occasion of its One Hundredth Anniversary, February 8, 1910; and

WHEREAS, In 1907, Lord Robert Baden-Powell founded the Boy Scouts in Great Britain to provide young males with an outdoor program. In 1909, a member of the Scouts guided Chicago newspaper publisher William D. Boyce through the London fog to his destination, and upon his return to the United States, he established the Boy Scouts of America with the assistance of Colin H. Livingstone, Ernest Thompson Seton, Daniel Carter Beard, and James E. West; and

WHEREAS, The Boy Scouts of America has certainly established itself as an exemplary service organization by instilling the principles of trustworthiness and good citizenship in its members. Today, there are more than 2.8 million youth and nearly 1.2 million adult volunteers involved in Scouting, and in 2008 alone, they contributed more than 35.1 million hours of service to the community. The Eagle rank, the highest rank in Scouting is earned by only five percent of Boy Scouts each year, and numerous Eagle Scouts have gone on to become astronauts, congressmen, and U.S. presidents; and

WHEREAS, Scouting combines the wisdom and leadership of adults with the enthusiasm and optimism of youth so that our young people will be better prepared to meet the challenges of the future. Since its founding, the Boy Scouts of America has enhanced the quality of life in our state and nation, and we are certain that the program will continue to follow in the tradition of excellence that has become its hallmark; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the Boy Scouts of America on its Centennial and extend best wishes for ongoing success; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Boy Scouts of America.

I, Vincent L. Keeran, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 149, adopted by the Ohio Senate,

*Vincent L. Keeran
Clerk of the Senate*

*Senator Bill Harris
President of the Senate*

Senator Jason H. Wilson

Senatorial District No. 30