

RESOLUTIONS  
CELEBRATING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

**WHEREAS**, SINCE ITS INCORPORATION ON FEBRUARY 8, 1910, SCOUTING HAS HELPED MOLD THE FUTURE LEADERS OF THIS COUNTRY BY COMBINING EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND LIFELONG VALUES WITH FUN, AND

**WHEREAS**, THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA BELIEVES AND, THROUGH A CENTURY OF EXPERIENCE, UNDERSTAND THAT HELPING YOUTH PUTS AMERICA ON A PATH TOWARD A MORE CONSCIENTIOUS, RESPONSIBLE, AND PRODUCTIVE SOCIETY, AND

**WHEREAS**, SCOUTING, WITH PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN, HELPS MEET SIX ESSENTIAL NEEDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE GROWING UP IN AMERICAN SOCIETY: MENTORING, LIFELONG LEARNING, FAITH TRADITIONS, SERVING OTHERS, HEALTHY LIVING, AND BUILDING CHARACTER, AND

**WHEREAS**, HAVING SERVED MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED MILLION MEMBERS SINCE ITS FOUND, THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA HAS MADE A LASTING AND POSITIVE IMPRINT ON THE FABRIC OF THIS NATION AND THIS COMMONWEALTH; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE MISSION OF SCOUTING IS “TO PREPARE YOUNG PEOPLE TO MAKE ETHICAL AND MORAL CHOICES OVER THEIR LIFETIMES BY INSTILLING IN THEM THE VALUES OF THE SCOUT OATH AND LAW,” ENABLING SCOUTING TO ADDRESS MANY ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES, INCLUDING HEALTH, CIVILITY, EDUCATION, LEADERSHIP, DIVERSITY, AND SERVICE TO OTHERS, AND

**WHEREAS**, THOUGH FIRMLY ROOTED IN THIS UNCHANGED SET OF CORE VALUES, THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA IS COMMITTED TO REMAINING CURRENT AND RELEVANT TO THE YOUTH OF TODAY BY ADAPTING HOW IT DELIVERS PROGRAMS AND REACHES ITS AUDIENCES BY GOING “GREEN,” EMPLOYING MULTICULTURAL OUTREACH, ADOPTING SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, AND UPDATING UNIFORMS, AND

**WHEREAS**, DURING 2010, THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA WILL CELEBRATE THEIR CENTENNIAL YEAR LOOKING EVER FORWARD TO CONTINUING THE TRADITIONS AND VALUES THAT HAVE HELP MAKE AMERICA THE GREAT NATION THAT IT CONTINUES TO BE, THEREFORE BE IT

**RESOLVED**, THAT THE MASSACHUSETTS SENATE HEREBY CONGRATULATES THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ON THEIR CENTENNIAL OF LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE, COMMENDS THE BSA FOR ITS SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO A STRONGER NATION, AND EXPRESSES THE HOPE FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS IN ITS SECOND CENTURY, AND BE IT FURTHER

**RESOLVED**, THAT A COPY OF THESE RESOLUTION BE PRESENTED BY THE CLERK OF THE SENATE TO THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.

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