## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2002-4724, by Representatives Romero and Hunt

WHEREAS, March 12, 2002, will mark the 90th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, founded by Juliette Gordon Low in 1912 in Savannah, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, More than 50 million girls have enjoyed the benefits of Girl Scouting, which inspires the highest ideals of character, conduct, and patriotism and instills a sense of self-confidence and achievement; and

WHEREAS, Through Scouting, girls foster self-esteem, inner strength, compassion, and a sense of duty to herself and the world around her; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts helps to build the skills needed for success, as participants are encouraged to take active roles in math, science, and technology, thereby grooming young women to be leaders in business and in their communities, helping to fulfill our country's economic and social needs; and

WHEREAS, Through participation in Girls' Voices, a national community service project, every girl uses her own voice to address an issue of concern and sees the endless possibilities from community involvement and the willingness to make a difference; and

WHEREAS, Through self-determination, discipline, and hard work, girls involved in scouting gain benefits that follow them through to adulthood; and

WHEREAS, More than 36,000 Girl Scouts are in the State of Washington and served by Girl Scout councils, including Columbia River, Inland Empire, Mid-Columbia, Pacific Peaks, and Totem; and

WHEREAS, The people of Washington State value the contribution of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America and the positive impact on girls in the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the state of Washington honor the Girl Scouts for their many contributions to the citizens of Washington state.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of 4724 Resolution adopted by the House of Representatives March 12, 2002.

Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk