SENATE RESOLUTION 8758

By Senators Fraser, Haugen, Sheldon, B., Franklin, Winsley, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Fairley, Kohl-Welles, Gardner, Keiser, Kline, Prentince, Long, Thibaudeau, McCaslin, Sheahan, Sheldon, T., Carlson, Jacobsen, West, Shin, Regala, Hargrove, Horn, Stevens, Deccio, McDonald, Johnson, Hale, Costa, Kastama, Roach and Eide

WHEREAS, On March 12, 1912, Juliette Gordon Low founded the first Girl Scouts troop in Savannah, Georgia.; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its long and distinguished history, Girl Scouts has promoted the highest ideals of character, conduct and patriotism in millions of girls between the ages of five and seventeen; and

WHEREAS, Through its membership in the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, the Girls Scouts of the United States of America is part of a worldwide family of ten million girls and adults in one hundred and forty countries; and

WHEREAS, Community service is at the heart of Girl Scouts: By serving others, every girl gains a social conscience, develops self-confidence in her leadership abilities, and shares her skills in her home, community, nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, On March 12, 2002, the Girls Scouts of the United States of America will celebrate its ninetieth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, To commemorate the group's anniversary, girls will participate in a broad-based national service project called Girls' Voices, in which every girl learns to use her own voice to address an issue of concern and to promote making change for the better in her community; and

WHEREAS, Serving more than 36,000 young women, the Girl Scout Councils of Washington include Inland Empire, Mid-Columbia, Columbia River, Pacific Peaks and Totem; and

WHEREAS, In promoting self-reliance and resourcefulness for ninety years, the Girl Scouts of the United States of American has empowered young women from all walks of life by creating strong female leaders for our nation's communities;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate acknowledge the five Washington regional councils of the Girl Scouts and their commitment to establish positive programs for young women; and

BÉ IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Kathleen M. Houston, executive director of the Girl Scouts, Pacific Peaks Council.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8758, adopted by the Senate March 12, 2002.

TONY M. COOK Secretary of the Senate