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for consideration by the Apex Town Council

Item Type: Choose an item.

Meeting Date: Month DD, 202X

Item Details

Presenter(s): Mayor Jacques K. Gilbert, sponsor
Kimberly Pressley, Girl Scout Troop 619 Leader

Department(s): Governing Body
Girl Scout Troop 619

Requested Motion

Recognize members of Girl Scout Troop No. 619 for being awarded the Silver Award, which is the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette (grades 6-8) can earn, for their work in beautifying Scott's Ridge Elementary School.

Approval Recommended?

N/A

Item Details

The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette (grades 6-8) can earn. It signifies a girl's dedication to leadership and commitment to making a lasting impact on her community. To achieve the award, Cadettes must identify an issue they care about, develop a sustainable project to address it, and then implement that project.

For the cadette's to pursue the Silver Award, they must complete several prerequisites, including a Girl Scout Journey, a take-action project, and complete a highest-award seminar. This is a huge time commitment, and it takes a scout a couple of years to prepare for their project and to complete it.

The project that the girls completed wasn't the one they initially chose to do. In a testament to showing their perseverance and deep commitment to giving back to the community, when their original project fell apart due to a change in direction from the school they were working with, the girls pivoted, regrouped, and changed focus. They decided that completing a service project was too important to just abandon, so they chose a new recipient and created a new project. They decided to give back to Scott's Ridge Elementary School and complete a beautification project on the school's playground. They planned, researched, raised funds, met with school staff, and consulted with painting experts on how to paint a mural. Then, over an intensely hot three-day NC summer weekend, the girls weeded, scoured the concrete,

and hand-painted a detailed mural of the United States. It was a wonderful way to give back to their former school. They hope the updated mural will bring joy to staff and students at Scott's Ridge Elementary, a school that many of their Girl Scout troop sisters currently attend.

The girls who earned their Silver Award for beautifying Scott's Ridge Elementary School are Olivia Pressley, Evelyn Coffos, Kamryn Walls, and Caroline Olender.

Attachments

- PR1-A1: PowerPoint Presentation - Girl Scout Troop 619 - Silver Award Recognition
- PR1-A2: Mayoral Prestigious Peak Award (to be presented at the meeting)

