

A Proclamation on the Importance of Girl Scouts to Today's Girls

WHEREAS, March 12, 2025, marks the 113th anniversary of Girl Scouts of the USA, the largest and most impactful leadership program for girls in the world; and

WHEREAS, today, more than 50 million women—trailblazers, visionaries, and leaders—are Girl Scout alums who have made the world a better place; and

WHEREAS, since its beginnings, Girl Scouts has emphasized public service and civic engagement, fostering a sense of community in girls; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts' longstanding commitment to getting girls outdoors, including exciting summer camp experiences, instills a lifelong appreciation for nature and the environment, which remains critical as society adapts to post-pandemic realities; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts engages girls of all grade levels in civics programming that deepens their understanding of democracy and government, prepares them for a lifetime of civic engagement, and motivates them to take action on issues that are important to them; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts offers girls 21st-century programming in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM); the outdoors; entrepreneurship; and beyond, helping girls develop invaluable life skills; and

WHEREAS, Gold Award Girl Scouts take on projects that have a measurable and sustainable impact on a community by assessing a need, designing a solution, completing a project, and inspiring others to sustain it; and

WHEREAS, as a member organization of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, Girl Scouts is part of an international sisterhood of 10 million girls and young women in 152 countries and is committed to offering girls more opportunities to engage with communities worldwide, make meaningful global connections, and explore global citizenship; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I _____, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of _____, do hereby applaud the Girl Scout Movement and Girl Scouts of Greater Mississippi for providing girls with a safe, inclusive, all-girl space where they can hone their skills and develop leadership abilities, and I declare the week of March 9-15 as GIRL SCOUT WEEK

On this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-five.

_____, Mayor
_____, Mississippi