



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, March 12, 2012, marks the 100th anniversary of Girl Scouts of the USA, which began in 1912 when Juliette Gordon Low gathered 18 girls in Savannah, Georgia, to provide them the opportunity to develop physically, mentally, and spiritually;

WHEREAS, for 100 years, Girl Scouting has helped build millions of girls and women of courage, confidence, and character who act to make the world a better place;

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Leadership Program helps girls discover themselves and their values, connect with others, and take action to make the world a better place;

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest honor in Girl Scouting, requires girls to make a measurable and sustainable difference in their community and honors leadership in the Girl Scout tradition;

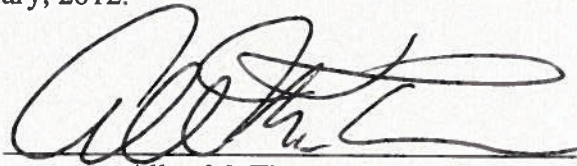
WHEREAS, core programs around Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM), environmental stewardship, healthy living, financial literacy, and global citizenship help girls develop a solid foundation in leadership;

WHEREAS, through the dedication, time, and talent of thousands of volunteers of different backgrounds, abilities, and areas of expertise, the Girl Scout Program is brought to more than 70,000 girls in grades K-12 across the state of North Carolina; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Allen M. Thomas by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Greenville, NC do hereby applaud the Girl Scouts for their 100 years of leadership and expertise as the voice for and of girls, and salute them as they celebrate 100 years of Girl Scouting and proudly proclaim 2012 as

YEAR OF THE GIRL

This 17th day of February, 2012.



Allen M. Thomas, Mayor