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Title:	Congratulations extended to Girl Scouts and declaration of March 12th, 2012 as "Century of Girl Scouts Day" in Chicago
Committee(s) Assignment:	

SALUTE TO A CENTURY OF GIRL SCOUTS

WHEREAS, On March 12, 1912, the first Girl Scout meeting was held in Savannah, Georgia led by Juliette Gordon Low, founder of Girl Scouts of the USA, after visiting the founders of both Boy Scouts and Girl Guides in England; and

WHEREAS, Since that initial meeting, more than 50 million girls have participated in the Girl Scout movement. The numbers continue to multiply as the Girl Scouts USA continues to inspire, challenge and empower girls everywhere; and

WHEREAS, There are close to 87,000 girls and 24,000 adults who are involved with the Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana Council and 3.2 million members nationwide. Through its membership in the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), Girl Scouts of the USA is part of a worldwide family of 10 million girls and adults in 145 countries making Girl Scouts the largest, longest-running and most effective leadership program for girls everywhere; and

WHEREAS, 69 percent of current women US Senators and 65 percent of women in the House of Representatives were Girl Scouts as young girls. 55 percent of all women astronauts are former Girl Scouts, and these former Girl Scouts have flown in more than one-third of all space shuttle missions; and

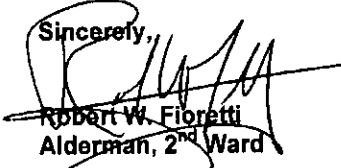
WHEREAS, Approximately 80 percent of women business executives and business owners were once Girl Scouts. Countless women educators, scientists, and women in the media and performing arts discovered their passions and talents as Girl Scouts. 64 percent of today's female leaders listed in Who's Who of American Women in the United States were once Girl Scouts; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts in the 1900s developed the same core values learning and earning *housekeeping and forestry badges as girls today learn while earning badges for computer technology and financial literacy*; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert W. Fioretti, Alderman of the 2nd Ward, has apprised this august body that Girl Scouts develop young women of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place in accordance with its mission; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council gathered together this 15th Day of February, 2012 AD, do hereby salute a century of Girl Scouts USA as well as the Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana for the praiseworthy work they do and declare March 12, 2012 "Century of Girl Scouts Day" throughout Chicago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and given to the Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Fioretti
Alderman, 2nd Ward