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## 2025 South Dakota Legislature

## **House Commemoration 8008**

Introduced by: **Representatives** Soye, Baxter, Healy, Moore, and Reisch and **Senators** Peterson (Sue), Larson, Perry, and Reed

1 A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Recognizing Scouting America Day at the Capitol and celebrating Scouting America on the occasion of its one hundred fifteenth 2 3 anniversary. 4 WHEREAS, Scouting America, formerly known as the Boy Scouts of America, was founded 5 on February 8, 1910, by Lord Baden-Powell, with a mission to prepare young people for life 6 through character development, citizenship, and leadership; and 7 WHEREAS, Scouting America teaches young boys, girls, and their families to make ethical 8 and moral choices by instilling timeless values through the Scout Oath and Scout Law; and 9 WHEREAS, for one hundred fifteen years, Scouting America has impacted the lives of 10 millions of youths and fostered personal growth, responsibility, and service to others through 11 its programs, activities, and community engagement; and 12 WHEREAS, Scouting America remains dedicated to empowering the boys, girls, and 13 families of South Dakota, helping them achieve their full potential and become responsible, 14 engaged citizens; 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the One Hundredth Legislature of the State 16 of South Dakota, that Scouting America is celebrated for its one hundred fifteen years of

existence, and its contributions to South Dakota and the United States.