South Dakota Legislature

House Commemoration 8008

Introduced by: **Representatives** Soye, Baxter, Healy, Ismay, Kull, Lems, Moore, Muckey, Novstrup, Reisch, and Sjaarda and **Senators** Peterson (Sue), Duhamel, Foster, Larson, Perry, Reed, Smith, and Wheeler

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Recognizing Scouting America Day at the Capitol and celebrating Scouting America on the occasion of its one hundred fifteenth anniversary.

WHEREAS, Scouting America, formerly known as the Boy Scouts of America, was founded on February 8, 1910, by Lord Baden-Powell, with a mission to prepare young people for life through character development, citizenship, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Scouting America teaches young boys, girls, and their families to make ethical and moral choices by instilling timeless values through the Scout Oath and Scout Law; and

WHEREAS, for one hundred fifteen years, Scouting America has impacted the lives of millions of youths and fostered personal growth, responsibility, and service to others through its programs, activities, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, Scouting America remains dedicated to empowering the boys, girls, and families of South Dakota, helping them achieve their full potential and become responsible, engaged citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the One Hundredth Legislature of the State 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.