

# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

## 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS: The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) was founded on February 8, 1910 and has since become the foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training; and

WHEREAS: Each council commits every Scout to perform at least 12 hours of annual community service, totaling more than 30 million service hours each year. There have now been more than 111 million members of the BSA, which presented the two millionth Eagle Scout award in 2009. Also, more than one million adult volunteer leaders serve young people in their communities through organizations chartered by the BSA; and

WHEREAS: Scouting directs youthful energy in positive directions by providing experiences that teach young people respect for God, nature and their communities, as well as important lessons of self-confidence and self-respect; and

WHEREAS: The Boy Scouts help our next generation of leaders and citizens to, in the words of the Scouting Motto, "Be Prepared," for the challenges life will bring their way. Scouts are prepared, not just in the skills they learn and the memories they will cherish, but in the strong foundation of moral values that Scouting helps instill; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the state of Georgia, do hereby recognize and commend the BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA on the occasion of its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary year.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand ten.