

WHEREAS, March 12, 2012, marks the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, which began in 1912 when Savannah, Ga. native Juliette “Daisy” Gordon Low gathered 18 girls to provide them the opportunity to develop physically, mentally and spiritually; and

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; and

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

WHEREAS, since its founding in 2000, the Girl Scout Research Institute has become an internationally recognized center for original research, reviews and surveys that provide significant insights into the lives of girls; and

WHEREAS, through the dedication, time and talent of volunteers of different backgrounds, abilities and areas of expertise, the Girl Scout Program allows more than 12,000 girls in grades K-12 to participate in the Kansas heartland; and

WHEREAS, today, more than 50 million American women are Girl Scout alumnae, and 3.3 million girls and adult volunteers are active members.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Tim Norton, chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim 2012 as the

“YEAR OF THE GIRL”

February 29, 2012