

1 Introduced by Council Member Boylan and Co-Sponsor Council Members
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6 **RESOLUTION 2021-268-A**

7 A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMEMORATING THE 100TH
8 ANNIVERSARY OF BOY SCOUTING IN NORTHEAST
9 FLORIDA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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11 **WHEREAS**, Boy Scouts of America was incorporated on February 8,
12 1910, under the laws of the District of Columbia by William D. Boyce,
13 after he learned of the Scouting movement during a visit to London,
14 and on June 21, 1910, thirty-four national representatives of various
15 boys' work agencies met to establish the organization; and

16 **WHEREAS**, on February 17, 1911, 14 local boys founded the first
17 Boy Scout troop in Jacksonville, which would grow over the course of
18 a decade to 10 troops, 200 participants, and a local governing body
19 - the Jacksonville Council - later renamed the North Florida Council;
20 and

21 **WHEREAS**, Boy Scouts of America has grown into one of the largest
22 youth organizations in America, with about 110 million participants
23 over the course of its first century, and prior to the COVID pandemic
24 the North Florida Council had 13,000 active members in its 17-county
25 region; and

26 **WHEREAS**, since its inception, Boy Scouts of America has
27 endeavored to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices
28 over their lifetimes by instilling in them the important values of
29 the Scout Oath, including duty to God and country, helping others at
30 all times, and keeping physically strong, mentally awake, and morally
31 straight, and the Scout Law is that a Scout is trustworthy, loyal,

1 helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty,
2 brave, clean, and reverent; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the North Florida Council eagerly anticipates a return
4 to normalcy in the post-COVID era, nurturing strong values of service,
5 independence, honesty, and teamwork for another century; now
6 therefore

7 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

8 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby honors and commemorates
9 the 100th anniversary of Boy Scouting in Northeast Florida, and extends
10 its congratulations and best wishes to the North Florida Council of
11 the Boy Scouts of America for this outstanding accomplishment. The
12 Council congratulates the scouts, their leaders, and the Chapter on
13 the good work they do every day in living up to the ideals of Scouting.

14 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
15 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
16 without the Mayor's signature.

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18 Form Approved:

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20 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

21 Office of General Counsel

22 Legislation Prepared By: Jeff Clements, City Council Research

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