

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

No. 100

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

Senator NILSA I. CRUZ-PEREZ

District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)

SYNOPSIS

Designates October 31st of each year as “Juliette Gordon Low Day.”

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 **A JOINT RESOLUTION** designating October 31st of each year as
2 “Juliette Gordon Low Day.”

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4 **WHEREAS**, Juliette Gordon Low was born on October 31, 1860, and in
5 1912 founded Girl Scouts of the USA, whose mission is to build girls
6 of courage, confidence, and character, enabling them to make the
7 world a better place; and

8 **WHEREAS**, In founding the Girl Scouts, Juliette Gordon Low helped
9 spark a movement that inspired girls to embrace their individuality
10 and fostered development of self-sufficiency and leadership skills;
11 and

12 **WHEREAS**, The Girl Scouts continue to help girls reach their potential
13 in science, civic engagement, entrepreneurship, and the outdoors,
14 develop values to guide personal action, relate to others with
15 understanding, skill, and respect, and contribute to the improvement
16 of society through their abilities and cooperation with others; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Through enriching experiences such as cultural exchanges,
18 field trips, skill-building sports clinics, environmental stewardships,
19 and community service projects, members of the Girl Scouts grow
20 courageous and strong; and

21 **WHEREAS**, As of 2015, the many leaders of the public service and
22 business communities who were Girls Scout members include all
23 three women who were United States Secretaries of State, almost all
24 of the 40 American women who have flown in space, and three-
25 quarters of women in the United States Senate; and

26 **WHEREAS**, Since its founding, the Girl Scouts has reached across
27 cultural and ethnic boundaries to ensure all girls have a place where
28 they can develop life skills; and

29 **WHEREAS**, In the United States today, there are 2.6 million members of
30 the Girl Scouts from all cultural and ethnic backgrounds, consisting
31 of 1.8 million girl members and close to 800,000 adult members
32 working primarily as volunteers, and more than 118,000 total
33 members in New Jersey; and

34 **WHEREAS**, Girl Scout members annually celebrate “Founder’s Day” on
35 Juliette Gordon Low’s birthday; and

36 **WHEREAS**, It is fitting and proper for the State of New Jersey to honor
37 Juliette Gordon Low’s birthday by designating October 31st of each
38 year as “Juliette Gordon Low Day”; now, therefore,

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40 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
41 of New Jersey:

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43 1. October 31st of each year is designated as “Juliette Gordon
44 Low Day” in the State of New Jersey.

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46 2. The Governor is requested to annually issue a proclamation
47 calling upon public officials and citizens of this State to observe
48 “Juliette Gordon Low Day” with appropriate activities and programs.

1 3. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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6 This joint resolution designates October 31st of each year as
7 “Juliette Gordon Low Day.” On October 31st of every year, Girl
8 Scouts across the United States celebrate Founder’s Day, marking the
9 birth of Juliette Gordon Low. Through this resolution, the New
10 Jersey Legislature designates her birthday as “Juliette Gordon Low
11 Day” in New Jersey. The Girl Scouts sparked a movement that
12 encouraged girls to become leaders and make the world a better
13 place. Through programs that develop a Girl Scout’s potential in
14 sciences, entrepreneurship, the outdoors, and other life skills, Girl
15 Scouts learn to be go-getters, risk-takers, innovators, and leaders.
16 Today, there are more than 2.6 million Girl Scout members including
17 118,000 in New Jersey.