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3 RULES COMMITTEE Substitute for HJR57
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8 HJR _____ ESTABLISHING THE HONORING OF BOY SCOUTS OF ALABAMA
9 AND CHARTERED ORGANIZATIONS THAT HOST SCOUTING UNITS WITH THE
10 ALABAMA LEGISLATURE MERITORIOUS SCOUTING AWARD AND CERTIFICATE
11 OF APPRECIATION.
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13 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Boy Scouts of America,
14 incorporated on February 8, 1910, is to provide an educational
15 program for boys and young adults to build character, to train
16 in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and to
17 develop personal fitness; and

18 WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America is one of the
19 nation's largest and most prominent values-based youth
20 development organizations; and

21 WHEREAS, along with the Boy Scouts of America, the
22 Alabama Sports Festival Foundation has helped build future
23 leaders by combining educational activities and lifelong
24 values with fun, fitness, and sports; and

25 WHEREAS, the Alabama Sports Festival Foundation was
26 established in 1982 at the request of the United States
27 Olympic Committee to use the State Games to expose athletes,

1 volunteers, and spectators of all ages, especially our youth,
2 to Olympic sports and the overall Olympic experience with all
3 of its tradition and ceremony; and

4 WHEREAS, Alabama Sports Festival Foundation has, for
5 31 consecutive years, encouraged the youth of Alabama to
6 participate in sports and fitness programs for personal health
7 enrichment and emphasized the importance of academic
8 excellence and the values of good citizenship; and

9 WHEREAS, the Governor of Alabama, the Alabama
10 Legislature, and the Alabama Governor's Commission on Physical
11 Fitness have consistently partnered with the Alabama Sports
12 Festival Foundation programs allowing the youth in Alabama an
13 opportunity to participate in activities contributing to the
14 overall well-being and strength of Alabama; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Alabama Legislature
17 Meritorious Scouting Award shall be established and presented
18 by the Alabama Sports Festival Foundation to honor Boy Scouts
19 of Alabama.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Alabama Legislature
21 Certificate of Appreciation shall be established and presented
22 to Chartered Organizations That Host Scout Units in Alabama.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Alabama Legislature
24 designates June 21, 2013, Day of Appreciation for Boy Scouts
25 of Alabama.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Honoring Boy Scouts
27 of Alabama shall take place at 7:00 P.M., June 21, 2013,

1 during the State Games XXXI Opening Ceremony with intent to
2 honor Girl Scouts of Alabama the following year. June 21,
3 2013, is designated as Olympic Day in Alabama by the United
4 States Olympic Committee and the event will include patriotic
5 music, entertainment, fireworks, and the honorees will be
6 introduced and recognized for their achievements.