



March 12, 2007

**H.Res. 136 - Commending the Girl Scouts of the United States of America on the occasion of their 95th anniversary, for providing quality age-appropriate experiences that prepare girls to become the leaders of tomorrow and for raising issues important to girls**

**Floor Situation**

H.Res. 136 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Carolyn McCarthy (D-NY) on February 7, 2007. The bill was ordered to be reported from the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, by unanimous consent, on March 8, 2007.

H.Res. 136 is expected to be considered on March 12, 2007.

**Summary**

H.Res. 136 resolves that the House of Representatives:

- Commends the Girl Scouts of the United States of America for its efforts to launch a national dialogue on the issue of obesity among young girls;
- Recognizes the Girl Scouts of the United States of America for its leadership and expertise in knowing the needs of girls through the work of the Girl Scout Research Institute; and
- Commends the Girl Scouts of the United States of America for continuing to actively promote issues important to girls.

**Background**

The Girl Scouts are celebrating their 95th anniversary on March 12, 2007. Juliette “Daisy” Gordon Low gathered together 18 girls from Savannah, GA, for the first local Girl Scouts meeting. Daisy’s goal was to bring isolated girls out of their homes and provide them with opportunities to experience new adventures.

The Girl Scout program is girl-driven, reflecting the ever-changing needs and interests of participating girls, and provides a wide variety of opportunities through its new mission statement, “Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make

the world a better place.' The Girl Scouts encourage increased skill-building and responsibility, and also promotes the development of strong leadership and decision-making skills, through program activities that are age-appropriate and based on the `Girl Scout Promise and Law.'

**Cost**

H.Res. 136 has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

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