

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Saturday, March 12, 2011 will mark the 99th anniversary of the first assembly of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, which was founded by Juliet Gordon Low in Savannah Georgia; and

WHEREAS, throughout its long and distinguished history, Girl Scouting has inspired millions of girls and women to work for the betterment of community and country, and to strive for the highest ideals of character, conduct and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, through Girl Scouting, girls build courage, confidence and character and make the world a better place through philanthropic programs and activities; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting takes an active role in increasing girls' awareness of the opportunities available to them in math, leadership, sports, technology and other fields; and

WHEREAS, among the many festivities planned for the 100th anniversary celebration in 2010, the President of the United States has signed the *Girl Scouts of the USA Commemorative Coin Act*, authorizing the minting of silver dollar coins in honor of the achievements of the Girls Scouts of the USA;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim March 6-12, A.D. 2011 as

GIRL SCOUT WEEK

in Vermont, and applaud the commitment the Girl Scout Councils have made to Vermont's girls.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this ____ day of March, A.D. 2011

Peter Shumlin
Governor

By the Governor:

Alexandra MacLean
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs