

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, March 12, 2015, marks the 103rd anniversary of Girl Scouts of the USA, founded by Juliette Gordon Low in 1912 in Savannah, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, throughout its long and distinguished history, Girl Scouting has inspired millions of girls and women with the highest ideals of character, conduct, and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, through Girl Scouting, girls gain courage, confidence, and character, and learn to make the world a better place; and

WHEREAS, through the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, girls develop the skills and lessons that will serve them throughout their lives so that they may contribute to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting takes an active role in increasing girls' awareness of the opportunities in math, science, sports, technology, and many fields of interest that can expand their horizons; and

WHEREAS, nearly 3.5 million current Girl Scout members nationwide will be celebrating this American tradition, and welcome girls from every background to join;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby recognize the commitment Girl Scouting has made to support the leadership development of Vermont's girls and proclaim the week of March 8, 2015, as

GIRL SCOUT WEEK

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 9th day of March, A.D. 2015



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Peter Shumlin', written over a horizontal line.

Peter Shumlin
Governor