

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 24

4 By: Sweeden, Adelson,
5 Aldridge, Anderson,
6 Ballenger, Barrington,
7 Bass, Bingman, Branan,
8 Brogdon, Brown, Burrage,
9 Coates, Coffee, Corn,
10 Crain, Crutchfield,
11 Easley, Eason McIntyre,
12 Ellis, Ford, Garrison,
13 Gumm, Halligan, Ivester,
14 Johnson (Constance),
15 Johnson (Mike), Jolley,
16 Justice, Lamb, Laster,
17 Leftwich, Lerblance,
18 Marlatt, Mazzei, Myers,
19 Newberry, Nichols,
20 Paddack, Reynolds, Rice,
21 Russell, Schulz, Sparks,
22 Stanislowski, Sykes,
23 Wilson and Wyrick of the
24 Senate

and

Fields of the House

17 A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the 1909 Pawhuska
18 Boy Scout Troop as the first troop organized in
19 America; congratulating them on their 100th
20 anniversary; and directing distribution.

21 WHEREAS, the first Boy Scout troop organized in America was
22 formed in Pawhuska in Osage County, Oklahoma, in May 1909 by
23 Reverend John F. Mitchell, a missionary priest from England sent to
24 Saint Thomas Episcopal Church by the Church of England; and

1 WHEREAS, Reverend Mitchell, who had been associated in scouting
2 as Chaplain to Lord Baden-Powell in England, organized the troop of
3 Boy Scouts under English charter and equipped them with English
4 uniforms and manuals; and

5 WHEREAS, Pawhuska's troop had the honor of becoming the first
6 troop of Boy Scouts in America. Their certificate is on exhibit in
7 the Scout Room of the Osage County Historical Society Museum.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
9 OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10 CONCURRING THEREIN:

11 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes the 1909 Pawhuska
12 Boy Scout Troop as the first troop organized in America.

13 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature congratulates the Pawhuska
14 Boy Scouts upon the 100th anniversary of their founding as the first
15 Boy Scout troop organized in America and wishes them well as they
16 celebrate at their Historic Trails Camporee to be held in Pawhuska,
17 Oklahoma, July 3, 4, and 5, 2009.

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