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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 18

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Commending Boy Scout Troop 17.

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WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 17, located in the City of Franklin, proudly celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2013; and

WHEREAS, originally chartered in 1913 as Troop 1, Boy Scout Troop 17 has been sponsored by High Street United Methodist Church throughout the troop's entire existence; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 17 has enjoyed strong support from the local community over the years and meets in a building that was specifically built for it in 1947 by a group of men known as the Franklin Friends of Scouting; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 17 has had many outstanding leaders who have generously given of their time and talents and served as excellent role models to troop members; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 17 members have benefited from the half-century of service of Tom Jones, a troop Eagle Scout who went on to serve as Scoutmaster from 1977 until 2011, received the Silver Beaver Award in 1995, and continues to serve as assistant Scoutmaster and an Eagle mentor; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 17 has produced scores of Eagle Scouts, the highest attainable rank in the Scouting program, and served nearly a thousand Scouts during its century in existence; and

WHEREAS, members of Boy Scout Troop 17 have worked to develop strong character traits and good citizenship skills, become more physically fit, and help the Franklin community through service activities and projects; and

WHEREAS, today, Boy Scout Troop 17 continues to thrive with 72 registered Scouts and 32 registered adult leaders; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 17 marked its 100th anniversary on June 8 and 9, 2013, with a dedication ceremony for its new Scout Shack, a Scout skills show and campout, and attendance at Sunday morning worship at High Street United Methodist Church; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Boy Scout Troop 17 hereby be commended on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Bryan Fenters, Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 17, as an expression of the House of Delegates' congratulations and admiration for the troop's long history and contributions to the community.

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