By: Parker S.R. No. 284

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Scouts BSA Troop No. 7 in Grapevine is celebrating
- 2 the 110th anniversary of its founding on March 8, 2023; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In 1913, the mayor of Grapevine, Benjamin Richard
- 4 Wall, brought the No. 7 Boy Scout Unit Charter back from New York,
- 5 establishing it as one of the oldest scout groups in Texas and the
- 6 region west of the Mississippi; not even World War I could diminish
- 7 the enthusiasm of this group of young men, who continued to meet and
- 8 camp every Friday night even though most of their fathers were
- 9 fighting overseas; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mayor Wall remained involved with the troop until
- 11 1954, and through the years it has been supported by a number of
- 12 local organizations, including the Grapevine Business Men's
- 13 League, the Grapevine City Council, the Grapevine Lions Club, and
- 14 St. Laurence Episcopal Church; today, this scouting crew is
- 15 sponsored by Grapevine Friends of Scouting; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of scoutmaster Darren White,
- 17 Troop No. 7 counts approximately 40 scouts among its members; the
- 18 troop has produced 144 Eagle Scouts and has participated in myriad
- 19 service projects such as flag ceremonies on Memorial Day and
- 20 numerous activities performed in behalf of schools,
- 21 municipalities, and other organizations; and
- WHEREAS, For more than a century, Scouts BSA Troop No. 7 has
- 23 made a significant difference in the lives of countless young
- 24 Texans while contributing to the betterment of Grapevine, Tarrant

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- 1 County, and beyond, and it is indeed a pleasure to join in
- 2 recognizing this momentous milestone in the group's rich history;
- 3 now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature
- 5 hereby congratulate Scouts BSA Troop No. 7 of Grapevine on the
- 6 110th anniversary of its founding and commend its members and
- 7 leaders, past and present, and all those who have worked to support
- 8 the organization during its 11 decades of service to the community;
- 9 and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for the troop as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 12 Senate.