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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, On May 20, 2004, the NeTseO Trails Council, Boy  
2 Scouts of America, is commemorating its 75th anniversary, and this  
3 special milestone provides a fitting opportunity to reflect on the  
4 many positive contributions the organization has made to the  
5 community over the years; and

6           WHEREAS, Originating from a scouting group in Paris formed  
7 under the leadership of Walter E. Boyd, which expanded to include  
8 nine Texas counties, the city of Commerce, and three Oklahoma  
9 counties, the Lone Star Council of the Boy Scouts of America was  
10 incorporated on May 20, 1929, and legally changed its name on  
11 December 21, 1955, to the NeTseO Trails Council, Inc.; and

12           WHEREAS, The history of this outstanding council is filled  
13 with myriad noteworthy achievements; on January 1, 1914, the first  
14 Eagle Board of Review was held for David Dean and Paul Dean, and a  
15 total of 38 Eagle Scout insignias were awarded to individuals  
16 before incorporation; the first Lone Star Eagle Scout badge was  
17 awarded to John Thomas Roberts of Troop No. 3 in Sulphur Springs on  
18 July 15, 1929, and overall an impressive 1,437 deserving scouts  
19 have earned the rank of Eagle Scout in the council; and

20           WHEREAS, The first Silver Beaver, an honor bestowed on a  
21 volunteer by the national council, was presented to W. C. Clark in  
22 1933; since that time, 167 dedicated volunteers in the NeTseO  
23 Trails Council have received this prestigious accolade; and

24           WHEREAS, By helping young men build character, understand the

1 responsibilities of citizenship, and develop physical and mental  
2 fitness, the NeTseO Trails Council has played an influential role  
3 in bettering the lives of many, and it truly deserves legislative  
4 commendation; now, therefore, be it

5         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
6 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby honor the NeTseO Trails  
7 Council of the Boy Scouts of America on the occasion of its 75th  
8 anniversary and extend to all those associated with this noteworthy  
9 organization sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for the NeTseO Trails Council as an expression of high  
12 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.