



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America has long been respected as an organization that helps mold young people into responsible, conscientious adults; and

WHEREAS, the rank of Eagle Scout is considered to be the pinnacle of achievement within the organization, with the first class of Eagles being recognized in 1912; and

WHEREAS, in order to attain the rank of Eagle Scout, a Scout must be actively involved in the troop's leadership; demonstrate that he or she lives by the principles of trust, loyalty, duty, obedience, helpfulness and morality as stated in the Scout Oath and Scout Law; earn at least 21 merit badges; plan, develop and lead others in completing a service project; and successfully complete a review by an Eagle Scout board; and

WHEREAS, more than 2.5 million young men have been awarded the rank; and

WHEREAS, the organization began admitting girls and young women in the year 2018; and

WHEREAS, BSA Troop 219G was started in conjunction with Troop 600, which has been well established in the Town of Oak Ridge for many years; and

WHEREAS, the Troop has produced four candidates in the inaugural class of female Eagle Scout, the first and only local troop to have done so; and

WHEREAS, these young women were recently honored by the national organization at the Be The Change event, a celebration of service, leadership, and groundbreaking accomplishments of the first female Eagle Scouts;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Oak Ridge, North Carolina, I do hereby deem it an honor and privilege to extend to these young women, as members of the inaugural class of Eagle Scouts, sincerest congratulations and best wishes for the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Oak Ridge to be affixed this 4th day of March, 2021.

Ann K. Schneider, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra B. Smith, CMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk