

House Resolution 1613

By: Representatives Carson of the 46th, Teasley of the 37th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Duncan of the 26th, and Efstrotation of the 104th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending Trail Life USA, Trail Life in Georgia, and American Heritage
2 Girls; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Trail Life USA partners with churches to provide a Christ-centered outdoor
4 adventure with an emphasis on character development and leadership to boys and young men
5 in 49 states and connects boys with friends, dads, and godly mentors in a safe,
6 unapologetically Christian environment; and

7 WHEREAS, the organization's mission is to guide generations of courageous young men to
8 honor God, lead with integrity, serve others, and experience outdoor adventure; and

9 WHEREAS, its motto is to walk worthy and is inspired by Colossians 1:10; its oath states,
10 "On my honor, I will do my best to serve God and my country; to respect authority; to be
11 a good steward of creation; and to treat others as I want to be treated"; and

12 WHEREAS, Trail Life USA's robust awards program culminates with the esteemed Freedom
13 Award, which is already gaining recognition with Christian colleges and universities as a
14 symbol of high character, leadership experience, and skills; and

15 WHEREAS, there are more than 22,000 trailmen and 650 troops in the United States,
16 including 1,050 trailmen and 31 troops, with nine troops in the process of chartering, in
17 Georgia; and

18 WHEREAS, on June 25, 2015, American Heritage Girls and Trail Life USA signed a
19 Memorandum of Ministry Alliance, the highest form of relationship for each organization,
20 and it was approved by both boards; and

21 WHEREAS, the two organizations are using the parallel components of their programs and
22 missions to pursue positive character development in our nation's youth, and by sharing

23 skills, talents, knowledge, and common goals, both groups will be able to empower and
24 support their respective memberships to accomplish great things in our communities while
25 growing God's loving citizens; and

26 WHEREAS, American Heritage Girls and Trail Life USA actively support one another in
27 their shared missions for spiritual and character development of youth through
28 Christ-centered programming.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body honor and commend Trail Life USA, Trail Life in Georgia, and
31 American Heritage Girls for their tireless efforts in shaping the youth in Georgia and the
32 United States and wish them continued success.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Trail
35 Life USA, Trail Life in Georgia, and American Heritage Girls.