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LOCAL GIRL SCOUT RECEIVES SILVER AWARD

ENTERPRISE- Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama is pleased to announce that Faith Stadler of Coppinville Jr. High School has earned the Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn.

To earn this award, a Cadette Girl Scout, ages 11-14, works to complete a series of leadership challenges and an extensive service project in her community. It takes a minimum of 50 hours of preparation, planning, and work to accomplish the Silver Award goals a girl sets for herself.

Faith's Silver Award project involved creating travel bags for pediatric cancer patients that were filled with items that allowed kids to have a better experience inside and outside of the hospital. The bags consisted of fleece blankets, fuzzy socks, stuffed animals, crayons, hats, scarves, snacks, and hygiene items.

"My project educated the community about the needs of children and their families while they are receiving chemotherapy and radiation," Faith said. "Not only did this project help others, it helped me, as well. It improved my public speaking and leadership abilities tremendously."

The Girl Scout Silver Award is one of countless other awards and programs in Girl Scouting where developing and displaying leadership takes center stage. Service is built into all aspects of Girl Scouting with the hope that girls like Faith will carry a commitment to serving others into their adult lives.

"We are very proud to honor Faith's accomplishments in earning the Silver Award," Karlyn Edmonds, CEO of Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama, said. "This award requires tremendous effort at a young age, and it represents a girl's commitment to herself and to her community, as she focuses on leadership, personal challenges, and completing a lasting project that will help benefit her community."

For information on Girl Scout leadership programs, please visit girlscoutssa.org.

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About Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama

Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama serves more than 7,000 girls, ages 5-17 and 2,700 volunteers across 30 counties. Programs focused on financial literacy, science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and leadership development help girls contribute to their families, communities and the nation's workforce and leadership today and in the future. Diversity is a core value of Girl Scouts, and in addition to ongoing troops, we are committed to serving girls who face overwhelming obstacles through our outreach programs. For more information on becoming a member, volunteering or other ways you can help, call 800-239-6636 or visit www.girlscoutssa.org.