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## SIX GIRL SCOUTS CELEBRATED FOR TOP COOKIE SALES

Baltimore, October 30—Six area Girl Scouts are recognized for their top-notch cookie sales skills at Girl Scouts of Central Maryland’s (GSCM) Green Carpet Event, Thursday, November 13 at the Renaissance Harborplace Hotel. The event awards the top pre-order cookie sellers from Baltimore City and the five surrounding counties for their efforts during the first phase of the 3-month Cookie Sale program. Winners are: Alexandra Coclough, Anne Arundel County Troop 782--757 boxes; Denitria Simon, Baltimore City, Troop 1486—856 boxes sold; Christina Spliedt, Baltimore County Troop 496—794 boxes; Julie Roman, Carroll County Troop 121, 450 boxes; Tori Vasquez, Harford County Troop 839—618 boxes and Elizabeth Stewart, Howard County Troop 1383—817 boxes. This year, the Girl Scout who sold the most cookies during the pre-order phase will be crowned the 2008-2009 Cookie Diva; Denitria Simon, who sold 856 boxes, is this year’s winner. The evening also includes special performances and spectacular food accented with Girl Scout Cookies. Local chefs—Bryan Montz, Avanti Restaurant; Adam Bowman, Wegman’s Food Market; Rev. Edward Robinson, Agape House and our celebrity chefs: Nancy Longo, Pierpoint Restaurant; Rodney Henry, Dangerously Delicious Pies, and the ACE of Cakes--Duff Goldman, Charm City Cakes, will be among those making delectable dishes for all to enjoy. Also joining the celebrity list this year was Mrs. Maryland, Adrienne Watson Carver, who assisted with crowning the 2008-2009 Cookie Diva.

The evening focused on girl entrepreneurship and ingenuity. The Cookie Sale program activity provides girls with business basics—goal setting, team building, money management and customer service. “We are pleased to have the opportunity to recognize girls who may very well be tomorrow’s women business leaders,” commented Girl Scouts of Central Maryland CEO Traci A. Barnett.

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*Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. Girl Scouts of Central Maryland serves nearly 30,000 girls in Baltimore City, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard Counties and provides opportunities for girls to Discover who they are and the world around them; Connect with people and issues that inspire and Take Action to make a difference.*

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