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## **GIRL SCOUTS OF HAWAI'I ANNOUNCES NEW CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER**

HONOLULU (FINAL) – Girl Scouts of Hawai'i has named Kelly Ikeda Ellis as Chief Operating Officer. In her new position, she will oversee the daily operations of the council membership and program services staff island wide and will be a key team leader in implementing the strategic plan for the organization.

“We are so excited to announce the appointment of Kelly Ikeda Ellis as the new Chief Operating Officer of Girl Scouts of Hawai'i,” said chief executive officer Shari Chang. “She has contributed immensely to the Hawai'i community throughout her career, and we're proud to have her as a member of our team.”

Ellis most recently served as director of development and communications for Easter Seals Hawaii, where she oversaw the execution of all development projects and special events focused on increasing community awareness of the organization. She has also served as an associate for the Law Offices of Wesley Y. S. Chang and as a law clerk for the Honorable Karen S. S. Ahn. Ellis received her bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Washington. She also holds a law degree from University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law.

### **About Girl Scouts of Hawai'i**

Supporting almost 5,000 girl and adult members statewide, Girl Scouts of Hawai'i (GSH) builds girls of courage, confidence, and character to make the world a better place. GSH's headquarters is located on the island of O'ahu, with three neighbor island service centers on the islands of Hawai'i, Kaua'i and Maui. GSH is chartered by the national office, Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) and is responsible for the leadership, administration and supervision of Girl Scout programs in the state of Hawai'i. For more information about GSH, visit [www.gshawaii.org](http://www.gshawaii.org) or call (808) 595-8400.

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