MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between Jain Association In North America and Boy Scouts of America

WHEREAS, Jain Association In North America (JAINA) on behalf of boys, young adults, adults and their families of the member organizations of Jain community and Boy Scouts of America (BSA) enters into this agreement for the purpose of confirming a framework of valuable and productive cooperative relationship with an understanding of assisting each other in areas of mutual objectives.

WHEREAS, "It is the mission of the JAINA to equip its members following the Jain Way of Life with such skills and allow them to use their divinely given gifts to the glory of *Tirthankars* (Ford Founders of the Faith), the enhancement of human services and enjoyment of a creative life. It is the goal of the JAINA to extend itself to all those who love God without reference to any other matters of human concerns."

WHEREAS, "It is the mission of the BSA to prepare young people to make ethical choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law."

WHEREAS, the BSA is desirous of lending its assistance and support to the citizenship training, character development and personal fitness of boys and youth through community outreach amongst its members as well as non-members Jain institutions.

RESOLVED, that the **JAINA** and the **BSA** will work co-operatively with each other, within the policies and regulations of each organization. This is to establish and nurture Scouts units or individuals as an expression of the Jain community's outreach program of the **JAINA**, so that boys, young adults and adults may grow in Jain Way of Life with character, citizenship responsibility and with the personal fitness necessary to achieve their greatest potential.

Signed, and delivered on dates and places as under with their signatures

Place & Date: Toronto, Canada 15-12-2010

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Jain Association In North America

Robert Mazzuca Chief Scout Executive Boy Scouts of America