Lobbyists, Girl Scouts partner for Thin Mint Challenge to help Anne Arundel Food Bank

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A group of Annapolis lobbyists has joined the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland in a creative campaign in response to the COVID-19 crisis. Their idea is to include a box of Girl Scout cookies – preferably Thin Mints – in each parcel provided to a family visiting a local food bank in Maryland.

The campaign began when Annapolis attorney and lobbyist Bryson Popham purchased 75 boxes of Girl Scout Thin Mint cookies to be donated to the Anne Arundel Food Bank. Understanding that such a donation is minuscule when compared to the need, Popham reached out to fellow Annapolis lawyer and lobbyist Steve Wise of Schwartz, Metz & Wise, P.A., and challenged him to match his contribution.

Both Popham and Wise extended the challenge to fellow lobbyists Marta Harting of Venable LLP, Hayley and Gerry Evans of Evans & Associates and Drew Cobbs of the Maryland Petroleum Council. All accepted the challenge, and the Thin Mint Challenge was born.

The Girl Scouts of Central Maryland have enthusiastically given their full support to the campaign, and together the parties launched the Thin Mint Challenge on Monday. The campaign’s goal is to donate as many boxes of Thin Mint cookies (and other Girl Scout cookies) as possible to food banks in Maryland while the campaign is underway. The campaign will continue until the 4th of July.

To take the Thin Mint Challenge yourself, simply visit thinnmintchallenge.org. There you will learn more about the challenge. For further information on the Thin Mint Challenge, contact Popham or Smith at bpopham@papalaw.com or 410-268-6871. For information on the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland, contact Danita Terry at dterry@gscm.org.

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Susan Thomas, left, of the Anne Arundel Food Bank, and Annapolis lobbyist Joan Smith are taking part in the Thin Mint Challenge in an effort to raise donations for the food bank.