

1 **CLOG AMERICA RESOLUTION**

2 2004 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Sponsor: Brent H. Goodfellow**

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6 **LONG TITLE**

7 **General Description:**

8 This joint resolution of the Legislature recognizes the "Clog America" International
9 Festival Ensemble.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This resolution:

12 ▶ recognizes Utah's "Clog America" International Festival Ensemble as Ambassadors
13 of Peace and Friendship to the World.

14 **Special Clauses:**

15 None

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17 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

18 WHEREAS, Clog America is comprised of award-winning dancers and musicians from
19 Utah who have had the great honor of representing Utah and the United States of America in
20 over 40 major festivals and events throughout Europe, Canada, Mexico, Korea, and the United
21 States;

22 WHEREAS, the Clog America Ensemble includes 35 dancers plus the Clog America
23 Band featuring fiddles, guitar, banjo, bass, mandolin, percussion, and vocalists;

24 WHEREAS, the Clog America Dance Ensemble and Band have been invited by the
25 International Council of Organizations of Folklore Festivals (CIOFF) to represent the United
26 States at the 2004 World Folkloriada to be held in August in Budapest, Hungary, with more
27 than 2,000 performers representing over 70 countries;



28 WHEREAS, the CIOFF Folkloriada is the "Olympics" of the folk art world and is held
29 every four years in a different country;

30 WHEREAS, Clog America is the only performing group selected to represent the
31 United States at this prestigious international event;

32 WHEREAS, Clog America is a Utah cultural treasure, having performed at such
33 notable events as the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and the 2002 World Cup Folkfest in
34 Inchon, Korea;

35 WHEREAS, representing Utah and the United States at these world events fosters
36 friendship and good will with the people of other nations through the international languages of
37 music and dance, promoting positive international relations with those who may otherwise only
38 know Americans through movies and the news reports they watch on television; and

39 WHEREAS, Clog America participants conduct themselves as true professionals on
40 stage, are entirely self-funded, and work hard to prepare and travel at their own expense to
41 attend festivals across the country and the world:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
43 recognize the Clog America International Festival Ensemble as Ambassadors of Peace and
44 Friendship to the World as they prepare to participate in the 2004 World Folkloriada.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Clog
46 America International Festival Ensemble.

Legislative Review Note
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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel

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State Impact

Mailing requirements of this resolution can be handled within existing budgets.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst