



28 WHEREAS, there are at least 108 different formulations of the Golden Rule taken from  
29 different cultures, philosophies, and teachings;

30 WHEREAS, members of these faiths and traditions in Utah practice the Golden Rule in  
31 their daily experiences;

32 WHEREAS, the Golden Rule Project of the Manners/Golden Rule Foundation was  
33 begun in November 2003 with the goal of placing the Golden Rule in middle schools and high  
34 schools in the local community in a manner that would attract the attention of students and  
35 encourage consideration of the Golden Rule;

36 WHEREAS, these representations consist of 16 Golden Rule formulations taken from  
37 different cultures, philosophies, and teachings, placed on a two-page, framed diptych;

38 WHEREAS, currently, Golden Rule diptychs have been placed in the Utah Museum of  
39 Fine Art, West Jordan Middle School, West Jordan High School, Waterford School, Rowland  
40 Hall St. Marks, Sorenson Multi-Cultural Center, Pingree School for Autistic Children, Odyssey  
41 House Kearns High School, Judge Memorial High School, Crescent View Middle School,  
42 Central High School, Butler Middle School, and Albion Middle School;

43 WHEREAS, various local artists contributed their time and talents to create unique  
44 representations of the Golden Rule for each recipient school;

45 WHEREAS, currently, work is progressing on a Spanish-language translation of the  
46 Golden Rule document to acknowledge the largest minority group in Utah, and the design of a  
47 Golden Rule document intended for placement in elementary schools;

48 WHEREAS, groups who have contributed their time and resources during the initial  
49 phase of the Golden Rule Project are the Utah Arts Council, the Utah Humanities Council, the  
50 Midvale Boys and Girls Club, and the University of Utah Book Arts Program;

51 WHEREAS, the practice of the Golden Rule is especially important in relationships  
52 with those who are less fortunate;

53 WHEREAS, the less fortunate include those who suffer from hunger; lack safe, decent,  
54 accessible, and affordable housing; have no basic, quality health care; or are poor and  
55 economically insecure;

56 WHEREAS, in the spirit of the Golden Rule it is incumbent upon all Utahns, including  
57 public and private groups and churches and government entities, to ensure that the less  
58 fortunate are treated justly and with compassion; and

59 WHEREAS, a growing number of faith based groups, community organizations, and  
60 individuals in Utah are pledging their duty, support, and practice of the Golden Rule:

61 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the  
62 Governor concurring therein, applaud the practice and promotion of the Golden Rule as a  
63 commitment for the common good.

64 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor express a shared  
65 sense of duty to support and practice the Golden Rule and urge all Utahns to live by it.

66 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Golden Rule  
67 Project of the Manners/Golden Rule Foundation, the Utah Poverty Partnership, the Midvale  
68 Boys and Girls Club, the University of Utah Book Arts Program, the Utah Arts Council, and  
69 the Utah Humanitarian Council.

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**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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**Fiscal Note**  
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**Resolution Supporting the Golden Rule Project**

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**State Impact**

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

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**Individual and Business Impact**

No fiscal impact.

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**Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst**