

**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING 100TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF UTAH LEAGUE OF  
CITIES AND TOWNS**

2008 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This joint resolution of the Legislature recognizes the 100th anniversary of the Utah League of Cities and Towns.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution:

- ▶ recognizes the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Utah League of Cities and Towns and its efforts to promote civic responsibility and community interest during the past 100 years.

**Special Clauses:**

None

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

WHEREAS, the Utah League of Cities and Towns was created in 1907 as the Utah Municipal League to protect the interests of municipalities in Utah and to promote an active interest in municipal affairs;

WHEREAS, the Utah League of Cities and Towns was the ninth such state league created in the United States and was one of the earliest members of the National League of Cities;

WHEREAS, one of the primary functions of the Utah League of Cities and Towns during its early years was to organize and facilitate an annual convention, which remains a key

30 function of the Utah League of Cities and Towns;

31 WHEREAS, nearly 1,000 elected officials and staff from municipalities across the state  
32 of Utah attend the Utah League of Cities and Towns Convention each year;

33 WHEREAS, when the Utah League of Cities and Towns was formed, there were  
34 375,000 residents of Utah and 83 municipalities;

35 WHEREAS, nearly 2,700,000 people now call Utah home, with a large majority living  
36 in its 244 cities and towns across the state;

37 WHEREAS, in 1937, the Utah League of Cities and Towns reorganized, employed a  
38 full-time staff, expanded its legislative activity, and launched training and other service  
39 programs;

40 WHEREAS, the Utah League of Cities and Towns strives to maintain a strong unity and  
41 to promote common interests among all Utah municipalities while recognizing each city's and  
42 town's uniqueness;

43 WHEREAS, the Utah League of Cities and Towns helped to secure the bid, organize,  
44 and host the successful XIX Olympic Winter Games in 2002, and also helped to promote a  
45 vision of the Olympic Games throughout the region;

46 WHEREAS, as the Utah League of Cities and Towns enters its second century of  
47 service, it remains committed to representing the interests of municipal governments with a  
48 strong, unified voice at the state and federal levels; and

49 WHEREAS, the Utah League of Cities and Towns is also committed to providing  
50 information, training, and technical assistance to the leaders of the cities and towns of Utah as  
51 they strive to make life better for all Utahns:

52 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah  
53 recognizes the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Utah League of Cities and Towns.

54 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature recognizes the Utah League of  
55 Cities and Towns' efforts to promote civic responsibility and community interest during the past  
56 100 years.

57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Utah

58 League of Cities and Towns.