

1                                   **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AFFORDABLE**  
2                                   **HOUSING FROM OLYMPIC HOUSING**

3   1998 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5   **Sponsor: Pete Suazo**

6 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATURE SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO DEVELOP  
7 OLYMPIC HOUSING THAT CAN BECOME PERMANENT, AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
8 FOR UTAHNS.

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

10               WHEREAS Utah is experiencing an acute shortage of affordable housing;

11               WHEREAS the 2002 Winter Olympic Games present the state with a tremendous  
12 opportunity to assist the broader community in creating a legacy of benefits, including permanent,  
13 affordable, and accessible housing;

14               WHEREAS an Olympic village for athletes' housing will be constructed for the 2002  
15 Winter Olympic Games using Olympic revenues and bonding authority of the University of Utah;

16               WHEREAS the Salt Lake Organizing Committee for the 2002 Winter Olympic Games has  
17 assured that athletes' housing for the Games will be available after the games as student housing  
18 for University of Utah students;

19               WHEREAS the Salt Lake Organizing Committee has recognized the opportunity to  
20 develop housing for media personnel and has issued a Request for Proposals to construct up to  
21 3,000 rooms proximate to downtown Salt Lake City to house media personnel; and

22               WHEREAS the per diem allocations given media personnel for their housing expenses  
23 during the 2002 Winter Olympic Games represent an important potential source of revenue that  
24 the Salt Lake Organizing Committee could target to help provide housing for media personnel to  
25 use during the Olympics but which could, after the Olympics, be used as permanent, affordable  
26 housing for low and moderate income Utahns:

27               NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the legislature urges the Salt Lake

- 1 Organizing Committee to assure that media housing constructed in conjunction with the 2002
- 2 Winter Olympic Games include an appropriate and substantial mix of units along the Wasatch
- 3 front, with special consideration for proximity to Olympic venues, that, after the Games, will be
- 4 available as affordable housing accessible to low or moderate income Utahns or people with
- 5 disabilities, for the long term benefit of the citizens of the state.

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

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

**Committee Note**

The Business, Labor, and Economic Development Interim Committee recommended this bill.