

Representative David Ure proposes to substitute the following bill:

1 **RESOLUTION URGING UTAHNS TO HOST PARENTS OF**
2 **OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC ATHLETES IN 2002 OLYMPIC**
3 **WINTER GAMES AND 2002 PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES**

4 2000 GENERAL SESSION

5 STATE OF UTAH

6 **Sponsor: David Ure**

7 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR URGING
8 THE CITIZENS OF UTAH TO HOST THE PARENTS OF ATHLETES COMPETING IN THE
9 2002 OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES AND 2002 PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES.

10 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

11 WHEREAS, the state of Utah looks forward eagerly to welcoming the many athletes from
12 around the world who will compete in the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and the VIII Paralympic
13 Winter Games;

14 WHEREAS, many athletes are at this moment engaged in intense training and preparation
15 for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and the VIII Paralympic Winter Games;

16 WHEREAS, the parents of these aspiring Olympians and Paralympians have supported and
17 encouraged their daughters and sons to pursue their Olympic dreams;

18 WHEREAS, for many years these parents have sacrificed greatly to help their children
19 prepare for their quest for victory;

20 WHEREAS, this sacrifice may prevent those parents from attending the 2002 Olympic
21 Winter Games and the VIII Paralympic Winter Games and supporting their loved ones for financial
22 reasons;

23 WHEREAS, elected leaders of the state of Utah want to open their homes to these parents
24 so that one more financial barrier to their attendance at these Games may be lifted; and

25 WHEREAS, Utahns can play a vital role in making the Olympic dream not only a memory

26 but a personal experience for many parents of Olympic competitors:

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
28 Governor concurring therein, pledge to open our homes to the parents of the athletes who will
29 compete in the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and the VIII Paralympic Winter Games.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor encourage all Utahns
31 to offer a warm welcome and a place to stay so that parents of competing athletes may join us in
32 celebrating the achievements and triumphs of the world's Olympians and Paralympians.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the International
34 Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, the United States Olympic
35 Committee, the National Paralympic Committee, and the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing
36 Committee.