

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING  
THE SALT LAKE OLYMPIC ORGANIZING  
COMMITTEE, MITT ROMNEY, OLYMPIC  
VOLUNTEERS, AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

2002 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Sponsor: Beverly Ann Evans**

**This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor expresses deep gratitude to the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee, its President, Mitt Romney, Olympic volunteers and public safety personnel for their invaluable contribution to the overwhelming success of the 2002 Olympic Winter Games.**

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

WHEREAS, the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City have been hailed as an overwhelming success beyond the most optimistic predictions;

WHEREAS, the dedication and drive of the athletes was matched by the tireless efforts of volunteers, public safety, and many others whose efforts were far from the limelight but who brought to the Games the intangible character of friendship;

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee overcame many difficult challenges in its quest to provide a first class Olympic experience;

WHEREAS, as President of the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee, Mitt Romney, has demonstrated extraordinary leadership skills in coordinating the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee's efforts to prepare for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games;

WHEREAS, Mitt Romney has exhibited a consuming drive to succeed at tough challenges, turning the 2002 Olympic Winter Games into an unparalleled event, evidencing his talent for managing and motivating those who serve with him;

WHEREAS, Fraser Bullock, the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee's Chief Operating Officer, worked tirelessly to ensure that the 2002 Olympic Winter Games were financially successful and managed the many intricate and complex operations of the Games;

WHEREAS, through the efforts of the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee, the

budget for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games was characterized by a commitment to fiscal responsibility with the Committee repaying the taxpayers of Utah for their investment ahead of schedule and also providing funding to establish and promote an ongoing winter sports legacy in the state;

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee kept the focus of the Olympic experience on the athletes as a tribute to their skill and dedication to sport;

WHEREAS, the enormous success of the 2002 Olympic Winter Games provides an economic springboard that will yield long-term benefits in attracting business to the state;

WHEREAS, visitors to the state consistently praised the beauty of the state and the friendliness of its people, giving the world an extraordinarily positive view of Utah; and

WHEREAS, the state of Utah is deeply grateful for the expert leadership of the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee and the key role Mitt Romney has played in making the 2002 Olympic Winter Games an incredible achievement that will be etched forever in our memories:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, express heartfelt gratitude to the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee and its employees, its President, Mitt Romney, and all of the volunteer and public safety personnel for their immeasurable contribution to the success of the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City, and for their drive and dedication to make the slogan of the Games, "Light the Fire Within," a reality for the citizens of Utah, the United States, and the world.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee, Mitt Romney, and Fraser Bullock.