

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

27 WHEREAS, radon is a naturally occurring, colorless, tasteless gas that is caused by the
28 decay of uranium in soil;

29 WHEREAS, radon can seep into homes, schools, and office buildings through cracks
30 and other openings in the foundation;

31 WHEREAS, the United States Surgeon General warns that radon is the second leading
32 cause of lung cancer, next to smoking;

33 WHEREAS, even extremely high levels of radon in a structure can be reduced to safe
34 levels through proper methods of mitigation;

35 WHEREAS, the state of Utah bears a substantial portion of the health care costs related
36 to radon;

37 WHEREAS, the residents of Utah, including children, women, men, and the elderly are
38 all potentially at risk;

39 WHEREAS, it is estimated that as high as 30% of homes in Utah could have unsafe
40 levels of radon exposure;

41 WHEREAS, testing for radon gas is relatively simple and inexpensive; and

42 WHEREAS, the increased education and awareness of the harmful effects of radon
43 exposure will help save and preserve the lives of Utah residents:

44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
45 Governor concurring therein, call upon all Utah property owners to have their structures tested
46 for radon exposure.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor call upon
48 businesses owners and managers to have their properties tested for radon exposure.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor call upon all
50 landlords to have their rental properties tested for radon exposure and to remediate any affected
51 properties.

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor call upon real
53 estate licensees to use their access to buyers and sellers of real estate to inform them, by use of
54 a radon-specific Buyers Disclosure and Acknowledgment form ~~§~~ → [approved by the Utah Division
55 of Real Estate] ← ~~§~~ , of the dangers and risks of radon exposure, encourage testing and remediation,
56 and educate the public about the dangers of radon.