

1 **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION HONORING UTAH OLYMPIANS**
2 **AND PARALYMPIANS**

3 2022 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Andrew Stoddard**

6 Senate Sponsor: Michael K. McKell

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This concurrent resolution recognizes Utah's athletes that participated in the 2020
11 Tokyo Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games and emphasizes support for Utah's
12 athletes participating in the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games.

13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14 This resolution:

- 15 ▶ recognizes Utah's ongoing commitment to the ideals and values of the Olympic
16 Games;
- 17 ▶ recognizes the athletes and coaches from Utah that participated in the 2020 Tokyo
18 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games;
- 19 ▶ emphasizes support for Utah's athletes participating in the 2022 Beijing Winter
20 Olympic and Paralympic Games; and
- 21 ▶ supports future generations of Utahns aspiring to be Olympians.

22 **Special Clauses:**

23 None

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

26 WHEREAS, for over 100 years, the Olympic movement has built a better and more
27 peaceful world by educating young people through athletics, bringing together athletes from



28 many countries in friendly competition, and forging new relationships bound by friendship,
 29 solidarity, sportsmanship, and fair play;

30 WHEREAS, the nation takes pride in the commitment to excellence, grace under
 31 pressure, and good will toward other competitors exhibited by the athletes of the United States
 32 Olympic Team;

33 WHEREAS, Utah's Olympic legacy is globally regarded with the 2002 Salt Lake City
 34 Winter Olympic ~~Games~~ and Paralympic ~~Winter~~ Games widely recognized as
 34a a tremendous
 35 success;

36 WHEREAS, Utah welcomed 2,500 athletes representing 77 nations and proudly
 37 watched the United States win 34 medals at the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Games;

38 WHEREAS, Utah remains a global cultivator of champions in sport with three
 39 designated official United States Olympic Training Sites: Soldier Hollow Nordic Center, Utah
 40 Olympic Oval, and Utah Olympic Park;

41 WHEREAS, Utah continued the Olympic tradition of celebrating athletes and sports by
 42 sending 41 athletes and coaches to the 2020 Tokyo Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games
 43 who are Utah natives or have Utah ties to compete for Team U.S.A. or another country;

44 WHEREAS, Utah's delegation to the United States Olympic Team at the 2020 Tokyo
 45 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games included athletes competing in long-held sports,
 46 including gymnastics, volleyball, basketball, and triathlon, as well as sports making an
 47 Olympic debut, including sport climbing;

48 WHEREAS, Utah currently has a delegation of athletes competing in the 2022 Beijing
 49 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games, representing the state of Utah in a wide array of
 50 sports, including speed skating, ~~figure skating~~ alpine skiing, ~~bobsled~~
 50a bobsleigh, and ~~banked slalom~~ snowboard :

51 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
 52 Governor concurring therein, supports and recognizes the profound contribution to the ideals
 53 and values of the Olympic movement made by the athletes who are from Utah or have Utah
 54 ties and competed at the 2020 Tokyo Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games.

55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and Governor emphasize support
 56 for the Olympic athletes who are from Utah or have Utah ties and are currently competing in
 57 the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games.

58 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and Governor strongly support each

59 former and current Utah Olympic athlete and the athlete's contribution to the ideals and values
60 of the Olympic games and impact on Utah's young athletes aspiring to one day represent Utah
61 and the United States Olympic Team.

62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Utah's 2020
63 Tokyo Summer ~~Ô~~→ Olympic ←~~Ô~~ and Paralympic Games Olympians and Utah's 2022 Beijing
63a Winter Olympic
64 and Paralympic Games Olympians.