

**JOINT RESOLUTION EMPHASIZING A DESIRE AND  
READINESS TO HOST A FUTURE OLYMPIC AND  
PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES**

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This joint resolution of the Legislature emphasizes Utah's and Salt Lake City's desire and readiness to host a future Salt Lake Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution:

► emphasizes Utah's and Salt Lake City's desire and readiness to host a future Salt Lake Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (Games).

**Special Clauses:**

None

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

WHEREAS, the state of Utah values the experience of Salt Lake City hosting the 2002 Games and the legacy that the historic event left on the state and people of Utah;

WHEREAS, the Olympic spirit remains in Utahns of all ages who benefitted from seeing athletes and fans from around the world come together in mutual appreciation of friendship, solidarity, and fair play;

WHEREAS, the state of Utah aims to be "Games Ready" by 2027;

WHEREAS, the infrastructure from the 2002 Games continues to be used and



28 improved upon, and has served as an ongoing asset with Utah being able to contribute to the  
29 development of current and future Olympic athletes;

30 WHEREAS, because of the maintenance and improvements made to Utah's and Salt  
31 Lake City's sports systems since the 2002 Games, national and international sporting events  
32 continue to choose Utah as host to a diverse range of sporting events;

33 WHEREAS, the institutional knowledge gained and retained from the 2002 Games  
34 places Utah and Salt Lake City in a favorable position to leverage the venues, transportation  
35 improvements, sustainability initiatives, and employment opportunities that the Games bring;

36 WHEREAS, Utah and Salt Lake City have a long history of embracing the values of  
37 inclusion, fairness, and sustainability, which were on display during the 2002 Games, and  
38 would be reinforced with a future hosting of the Games;

39 WHEREAS, a future hosting of the Games will benefit Utah greatly, and will set a new,  
40 positive standard for the world to see how a Games can be held in a way that fortifies the  
41 individuals, communities, and environment that the Games impacts; and

42 WHEREAS, by ensuring that public and private investments in new facilities, housing,  
43 and transportation systems will be designed to benefit residents, Utah will continue to set a  
44 standard for the dynamic use of facilities that will be used by the community and global  
45 athletes for many years to come, and will be affordable, sustainable, and accessible:

46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the state of Utah  
47 emphasizes Utah's and Salt Lake City's desire and readiness to host a future Salt Lake Olympic  
48 and Paralympic Winter Games.