1   House Resolution
2   A resolution recognizing Brian Shimer, United
3   States Olympic Bronze Medalist.
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5   WHEREAS, few achievements, if any, deserve greater
6   praise and admiration than bringing home an Olympic medal, and
7   WHEREAS, Florida is home to many great athletes and
8   Olympic heroes of summer competition, and of those we are very
9   proud, and
10   WHEREAS, Florida's subtropical climate and year-round
11 sporting opportunities have yielded few Olympic heroes of the
12 winter games, and
13   WHEREAS, Naples' own Brian Shimer chose winter sports
14 and devoted the past 15 years of his life to the quest for a
15 Winter Olympic medal, and
16   WHEREAS, those years of training and dedication bore
17 fruit February 24, 2002, at the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt
18 Lake City when Brian Shimer was awarded an Olympic Bronze
19 Medal for piloting the USA-2 four-man bobsled, and
20   WHEREAS, through his dedication, integrity, discipline,
21 and perseverance, Brian Shimer embodies the true Olympic
22 Spirit, and
23   WHEREAS, he was bestowed by his United States Olympic
24 teammates the honor of carrying the American flag at the
25 closing ceremonies of the 2002 Winter Games, and
26   WHEREAS, Brian Shimer has become a true sporting hero
27 to all Naples and Collier County residents, to all Floridians,
28 and to all Americans, NOW, THEREFORE,
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30 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
31 Florida:

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 1   That the Florida House of Representatives recognizes

 2   the outstanding achievement of Naples' Brian Shimer and

 3   congratulates him for representing Naples, Florida, and the

 4   United States of America as one of the world's great

 5   champions.

 6   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution

 7   be presented to Brian Shimer as a tangible token of the

 8   sentiments expressed herein.

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