WHEREAS, Jan. 1 through Jan. 31 has been recognized as National Skating Month by U.S. Figure Skating, with its more than 181,000 skaters registered across the country;

WHEREAS, personal achievement, camaraderie and the spirit of competition embody the goals and philosophy of U.S. Figure Skating;

WHEREAS, the fun and enjoyment of skating enriches the lives of millions of Americans;

WHEREAS, the grassroots efforts of U.S. Figure Skating and Learn to Skate USA play a significant role in the continued growth and exposure of skating nationwide; Whereas, the fundamentals of ice skating taught by professionally trained instructors provide a safe and positive learning environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that U.S. Figure Skating does hereby proclaim January as National Skating Month throughout the country and calls upon its clubs, Learn to Skate USA programs and rinks to celebrate and promote the sport of skating by encouraging the greater participation by those of all ages, abilities and social means.