



Certificate

BETWEEN

Special Olympics, Inc.

AND

The International Ski Federation



**Special
Olympics**

WHEREAS, FIS, the International Ski Federation, is a global organization whose main mission is to promote the sport skiing and snowboarding and to supervise and direct the development of all activities; and

WHEREAS, the FIS is an committed to promoting the cooperation and mutual understanding between athletes from all countries, and to offer inspiration to all citizens as symbols of excellence and achievement; and

WHEREAS, the FIS objective is to generally promote the sport of skiing and snowboarding as recreational and leisure sport in the interest of all skiers and snowboarders, especially as a healthy activity for children and youth, and encourage the development of the sport of skiing and snowboarding in all possible manifestations to all interested people; and

WHEREAS, when Skiers and Snowboarders from different cultures and nationalities compete together, any differences of opinion, belief and territory are set aside in favour of a common pursuit and appreciation of sport.

NOW, therefore, FIS hereby proclaims its unanimous support and affinity for Special Olympics and all its Skiers and Snowboarders whose extraordinary courage represent the true spirit of sportsmanship.

WHEREAS, the mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and competition across 170 countries throughout the world for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, throughout the world Special Olympics athletes offer inspiration to all citizens through their accomplishments and dedication; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of Special Olympics – skills, courage, acceptance and joy - transcends boundaries of geography, nationality, political philosophy, gender, age, race or religion.

NOW, therefore, Special Olympics accepts the unanimous support of FIS and conveys this to all its athletes and supporters with the purpose of enhancing the sports of Ski and Snowboard.

**“LET ME WIN. BUT IF I CAN NOT WIN, LET ME BE BRAVE IN THE ATTEMPT”
SPECIAL OLYMPICS OATH**

International Ski Federation

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