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2 Goepper on winning the silver medal in men's freeski slopestyle
3 at the 2018 Winter Olympics in PyeongChang, South Korea.

4 *Whereas, Nick Goepper was born in Fort Wayne,*
5 *Indiana, in 1994 and moved with his parents and three*
6 *siblings to Lawrenceburg, Indiana, at a young age;*

7 *Whereas, At the age of five, Nick was introduced to the*
8 *sport of skiing by taking lessons in a "Ski-Doodles" program*
9 *at Perfect North Slopes, the local ski resort, and soon started*
10 *selling candy bars, mowing lawns, and performing odd jobs*
11 *in order to pay for additional ski passes;*

12 *Whereas, Nick began competing in big air skiing at the*
13 *age of eleven and his family built a backyard training area*
14 *with PVC pipes and AstroTurf for year-round practice before*
15 *eventually sending Nick to Oregon at fifteen to attend the*
16 *action sports school Windells Academy on a full-ride athletic*
17 *and academic scholarship, which included year-round access*
18 *to training and coaching;*

19 *Whereas, Nick obtained multiple podium results,*
20 *including silver and gold at X Games Aspen, first at Dew*
21 *Tour Snowbasin, third at Dew Tour Breckenridge, third at*
22 *the FIS World Championship, and winning his first AFP*
23 *slopestyle title, all while maintaining a 3.7 GPA at Windells*
24 *Academy and earning an academic scholarship to*
25 *Westminster University in Salt Lake City, Utah;*



1 *Whereas, Following his graduation from Windells*
2 *Academy in 2013, Nick continued to land on the podium at*
3 *nearly every event he entered, including multiple World Cup*
4 *podiums, a win at the Dew Tour, and a second-straight X*
5 *Games gold medal to set him up for the 2014 Winter*
6 *Olympics;*

7 *Whereas, Nick represented the United States in Sochi at*
8 *the 2014 Olympic Winter Games and made history by taking*
9 *home the first-ever bronze medal in freeski slopestyle and*
10 *sweeping the podium with fellow Americans Joss Christensen*
11 *and Gus Kenworthy;*

12 *Whereas, After continued success in early 2015, Nick*
13 *took a pause from skiing to have surgery on his shoulder*
14 *before returning to the snow in January of 2016;*

15 *Whereas, Nick placed tenth overall in the 2017 FIS*
16 *World Cup Standings and received silver at the 2017 X*
17 *Games Norway and Dew Tour before being named as one of*
18 *four men's slopestyle freeskiers to represent the United States*
19 *in the 2018 Olympic Winter Games;*

20 *Whereas, Nick obtained a best score of 92.8 over two*
21 *qualification runs to be ranked fifth out of twelve athletes to*
22 *compete in the men's freeski slopestyle finals;*

23 *Whereas, After receiving scores outside of medal*
24 *contention in his first two runs, Nick completed an extremely*
25 *technical final run, including a left 270 pretzel 450 out,*
26 *switch left 270 backside 270 out on down flat down, 270 on*
27 *pretzel 270 out, and nose butter 720 in the rails sections,*
28 *followed by a left double cork 1260 with a tail grab, switch*
29 *rightside double misty 1260 with a mute grab, and triple cork*
30 *1440 with a mute grab to late Japan grab in the jumps to*
31 *solidify a score of 93.6 and the silver medal; and*

32 *Whereas, Nick has been an exemplary representative of*
33 *southeastern Indiana on the national and international stage*



1 *and his hard work and dedication to the sport are exhibited*
2 *through his many achievements and continued success:*
3 *Therefore,*

4 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
5 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

6 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly
7 congratulates Nick Goepper on winning the silver medal in
8 men's freeski slopestyle at the 2018 Olympic Winter Games in
9 PyeongChang, South Korea and wishes him well on his path to
10 the 2022 Olympic Winter Games in Beijing, China.

11 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
12 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Nick Goepper.

