

## PROCLAMATION

In the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen

## Proclamation in Recognition of the Capitol Ski & Outing Club

- *WHEREAS*, the Capitol Ski & Outing Club is a non-profit organization formed to promote outdoor activities in Concord and their mission is to promote and support cross country skiing and other outdoor activities in the Concord area; and
- *WHEREAS*, the annual Ski and Skate Sale has a long standing tradition since the mid 1950's and has over 250 members volunteer their time to help run the sale every year; and
- *WHEREAS*, the primary fundraising activity for the Capitol Ski & Outing Club is the annual Ski and Skate Sale; it is the largest one day ski sale north of Boston, with over 1,000 people purchasing equipment each year; and
- *WHEREAS*, funds raised from the sale are used to support Concord High School cross country skiing and provides funding for three cross country grooming machines, grooming equipment and one Lite Trax machine; and
- *WHEREAS*, trails are maintained and groomed at Memorial Field, White Farm and Carter Hill Orchard by volunteers and, while donations are graciously accepted, there are no charges for use of these trails. The Capitol Ski & Outing Club provides free cross country ski equipment to ski at Carter Hill Orchard; and
- *WHEREAS*, proceeds from the sale also help to fund the Concord High School crew team; subsidizes transportation for children during winter vacations; subsidizes the Recreation Department's winter activities brochure; provides funding for the hockey team, band and many other groups and teams; provides funding for many other city activities; and
- *WHEREAS*, for 37 years William Mitchell has participated in the Ski and Skate sale and for the past 31 years has directed the sale; and
- *WHEREAS*, his wife Carol, son Chris and daughter Jill and her three children have worked alongside Bill at the sale to make this a true family affair. Bill, his family, and volunteers have donated countless hours to support winter and other outdoor recreation programs in Concord; and
- *NOW, THEREFORE,* I, Jim Bouley, Mayor of the City of Concord, New Hampshire do hereby recognize the Capitol Ski and Outing Club. I further recognize William Mitchell, his family and all the volunteers for all the work and effort they put forth to help promote and support cross country skiing within the city.