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NEWPORT, R.I. -- Original owner and Olympic gold medal skipper Dr. Britton Chance (Penn '35) re-christened *Complex II*, the 1952 Olympic Gold Medal champion 5.5 metre sailboat, in a ceremony on July 25 in Newport, R.I. at the International Yacht Restoration School (IYRS) launching site.

Named after an elusive compound in an enzyme reaction, *Complex II* won three of its seven races to capture gold at the Games of the XV Olympiad in Helsinki. Chance skippered the winning boat with twin brothers Sumner and Edgar White (Harvard '52) and Michael Schoettle (Yale '58) as an alternate. Dr. Chance donated *Complex II* to the IYRS in 2000. In 2007, the 31-foot boat was purchased by Rex Howland to become the centerpiece of The Chance for Life Sailing Foundation.

Dr. Chance, Michael Schoettle and Edgar White were on hand for the re-christening, along with Ferdinand "Andy" Schoettle (Princeton A.B., Harvard LL.B, M.A, Ph.D), Michael's brother and a fourth-place finisher in 1956 Olympics in 5.5 metre sailing class.

The re-christening came one day after Dr. Chance's 96th birthday.

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