

## PROPOSED ENACTMENT

### TO REVISE THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

### THE RESTATED OBJECT OF ROTARY

Proposed by the Rotary Club of La Crosse, WI, USA

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL & THE STANDARD CLUB CONSITITUTION be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 123 and 198 MOP)

#### ARTICLE 4 Object

The object of Rotary is to foster through fellowship the ideal of service;

To encourage high ethical standards in all that we think, say and do, to recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations and to understand that each Rotarians occupation provides an opportunity to serve society;

To encourage Rotarians to apply the ideal of service in all aspects of their lives;

To encourage the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of people and organizations united in the ideal of service.

#### PURPOSE AND EFFECT STATEMENT

The Object of Rotary is one of the foundational documents of Rotary International. It merits the understand of all Rotarians as it bears directly upon the Rotary motto, **Service Above Self**, the **Four Way Test** of the things we think, say and do and the five core values of Rotary, **Fellowship, Leadership, Integrity, Diversity and Service**.

Composed in an earlier time, the language and word structure of the current version of the Object of Rotary makes it difficult to master. The restated Object of Rotary will lend itself to a broader understanding of what is essential in our purpose as Rotarians

## **THE OBJECT OF ROTARY**

### **CURRENT RENDITION**

#### **ARTICLE 4 Object**

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis for worthy enterprise and in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST: The development acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying of each Rotarians occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarians personal, business and community life.

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service