## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

# TO PROVIDE PROPER SEQUENCE TO EXPRESSED VALUES OF ROTARY

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

WHEREAS, The membership of Rotary International should be aware of

the five core values of the organization,

WHEREAS, The membership should be conversant in the proper

expression and understanding of the five core values of the

organization,

WHEREAS. The proper expression of the five core values of Rotary

International should be congruent with the other foundational

documents,

WHEREAS, The Object of Rotary, one of the foundational documents of

Rotary International, clearly enunciates that Rotary

involvement begins with Fellowship that creates opportunities

in each of Rotary's Five Avenues of Service,

IT IS RESOLVED: The proper sequence for the expression of the five core

values of Rotary International is:

Fellowship, Leadership, Integrity, Diversity and Service

and they shall be expressed as such in all forms of

communication.

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND EFFECT

Rotary International and our members can look to four foundational documents that provide guidance and support to our aspirations in advancing the ideals of Rotary. Those documents include the mission statement, the Four Way Test, the Object of Rotary and the Five Core Values of the organization. There should be congruency in the full expression and understanding of those documents by the members of Rotary International. The stated Object of Rotary begins with the development of acquaintance, achieved through fellowship, with the singular purpose of creating service opportunities that improve the quality of life in our respective communities and throughout the world. Integrity is central and lends itself to the moral authority of Rotary. This resolution, if adopted will bring the expression of the Five Core Values into congruency with the Object of Rotary and lend itself to a more complete understanding of what it is that provides guidance and support to the organization and our members.

#### PROPOSED ENACTMENT

## TO RESTATE THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

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

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

# ARTICLE 4 Object

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

First. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

Second. To expect high ethical standards in all that we think, say, and do; business and professions; the to recognize recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying of to understand that each Rotarian's the occupation of each Rotarian as provides an opportunity to service society;

Third. To encourage Rotarians to apply The application of the ideal of service in each all all Rotarian's personal, business and community life; aspects of their lives;

Fourth. To advance The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons people and organizations united in the ideal of service.

## THE RESTATED OBJECT OF ROTARY

# ARTICLE 4 Object

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

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

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

To advance 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. All Rotarians should understand and be conversant in the Object of Rotary as 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.

The restatement of the Object of Rotary creates congruency with recent actions of the Council on Legislation relating to the qualifications for membership as is evidenced in Section 2 (a)(3)(4)(5)(6) of the Constitution of Rotary International.

Composed in an earlier time the language and word structure of the current version of the Object of Rotary is difficult to master. The restated Object of Rotary, in its simplicity, will lend itself to a broader understanding of how it supports and directs our aspirations in advancing the ideals of Rotary.