ROTARY CLUB TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING

ENGAGEMENT / ATTENDANCE POLICY

15 August 2022

Engagement / Attendance Philosophy:

Membership in a Rotary club is a privilege. We become members of a Rotary club to join with other like minded persons who wish to improve their community by the practice of "Service Above Self". In order to work effectively and efficiently together and build a common sense of purpose, we participate in club service, and attend club meetings whenever possible, attend make-up meetings at other clubs, service-oriented social events, and we participate together in-service related projects focused on the betterment of our communities.

It is the policy of Rotary Club Ending Human Trafficking that every member be engaged in at least one committee or club sanctioned activity. As of this writing they include:

- a. RCEHT Board
- b. Recognized RCEHT Committees:
 - 1) Foundation
 - 2) Fundraising
 - 3) Meeting Speakers
 - 4) Membership
 - 5) Publicity, Public Relations
 - 6) Programs & Projects

Rotarians are expected to have at least a 50% attendance record or the service equivalent. Committee engagement and club volunteer service count as service equivalents.

Consecutive Absences

Unless otherwise excused by the Board for good and sufficient reason, members who fail to attend or make up six consecutive regular meetings or report service equivalents for 3 consecutive months may face termination of club membership.

Excused Absences

A club member may be excused for prolonged illness or travel, with written notification to the club Secretary. In no instance may a member be granted a leave of absence longer than one calendar year. A member may be excused when the club meeting conflicts with a member's religious holiday, with written notification to the club Secretary.

Meeting Alternatives and Activity Credits

Absence from any meeting may be made up by attendance at a regular meeting of another Rotary club on any day in the current Rotary Year as the home club's meeting, provided notice of such attendance is given to the club Secretary; <u>secretary@endhtrotaryclub.org</u>. Participating in an approved service project or social event can also be counted as make-ups, when proper notification is given to the club Secretary. Typically, make-up credit may be granted for attendance at:

- a. A regular meeting of another Rotary club.
- b. An E-Rotary Club meeting.
- c. A Board meeting of Rotary Club Ending Human Trafficking (RCEHT).
- d. Any RCEHT Committee, task force, or working meeting.
- e. Any Secretary-approved RCEHT service or social activity.
- f. Any RAGAS board or committee meeting.
- g. A Rotary International, Rotary Zone or District Rotary event.
- h. A Regular Meeting of a RCEHT sponsored Interact Club or Rotaract Club.
- i. District 5950 meeting intended for RCEHT members

Activity Credits: Members who are unable to maintain at least a 50% attendance record may remain eligible for membership by participating in at least 18 hours of service activities in each period of July – December and January – June.

RCEHT Regular Active Members are responsible for their attendance. All makeups and activities should be reported in writing to the club Secretary, <u>secretary@endhtrotaryclub.org</u> The secretary may choose to send reminders to the membership on a quarterly basis.

Rotary International rules dictate that meeting makeup credits may only be applied in the current Rotary Year.