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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 09-032

101 CONCERNING THE HONORING OF ROTARIANS AND THE ROTARY CLUBS
102 OF COLORADO.

1 WHEREAS, The first Rotary Club was formed in 1905 by Chicago
2 attorney Paul P. Harris, and the National Association of Rotary Clubs was
3 formed in 1910; and

4 WHEREAS, Colorado is fortunate to have over 60 Rotary Clubs
5 serving the communities of this state; and

6 WHEREAS, In 2011, the Denver Rotary Club, the 31st club in all
7 of Rotary and the first in Colorado with its charter issued on December
8 1, 1911, will be celebrating its centennial year; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1922, because Rotary branches had by then been
10 formed on six continents, the name was changed to Rotary International;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Rotary International is a worldwide organization of
13 more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders; and

14 WHEREAS, Members of Rotary Clubs, known as Rotarians,
15 provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all
16 vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world; and

17 WHEREAS, There are 33,000 Rotary Clubs in more than 200
18 countries and geographical areas, and the clubs are nonpolitical,

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1 nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds; and

2 WHEREAS, The Rotary International's main objective is service
3 in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world, as
4 signified by their motto, "Service Above Self"; and

5 WHEREAS, One of the most important objectives of Rotary is the
6 promotion of ethical behavior in all they do, and the Four-Way Test,
7 developed in 1932 by future Rotary International president Herbert J.
8 Taylor, is the cornerstone of all action taken by Rotary; and

9 WHEREAS, The Four-Way Test consists of the following four
10 questions:

- 11 ● Is it the truth?
- 12 ● Is it fair to all concerned?
- 13 ● Will it build good will and better friendships?
- 14 ● Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

15 WHEREAS, These four questions are not based on culture or
16 religion, but are a simple checklist for ethical behavior that transcend
17 generations and national borders; and

18 WHEREAS, Rotarians provide hands-on and financial help to their
19 local communities and also join other Rotary Clubs around the world for
20 service projects; and

21 WHEREAS, In 1985, the Rotary International launched its
22 PolioPlus program with the goal of immunizing all the world's children
23 against polio; and

24 WHEREAS, Since launching the PolioPlus program, Rotarians
25 have contributed over \$600 million and tens of thousands of volunteer
26 hours, leading to the inoculation of more than two billion children; and

27 WHEREAS, In the last two years, the Bill and Melinda Gates
28 Foundation has entrusted Rotary with a total of \$355,000,000 in matching
29 funds for Polio eradication; and

30 WHEREAS, Rotary International has several programs in addition
31 to PolioPlus, including Interact, a service club for young people ages 14
32 to 18, and Rotaract, a service club for young men and women ages 18 to
33 30; and

34 WHEREAS, Beginning in 2002, Rotary International partnered
35 with universities around the world to create the Rotary Centers for
36 International Studies in peace and conflict resolution; and

37 WHEREAS, Some of the Rotary International's most visible
38 programs include Rotary Youth Exchange, a student exchange program
39 for students in secondary education, and the Ambassadorial Scholarships
40 program, which has allowed more than 38,000 men and women from 100
41 nations to study abroad; and

1 WHEREAS, Over the years, several Colorado Rotary Clubs have
2 won the Outstanding Service Organization Award for National
3 Philanthropy Day in Colorado, including the Denver Rotary Club in 2008;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The Rotary Clubs in Colorado work on a diverse
6 array of projects such as creating schools in Afghanistan, mentoring
7 at-risk children and providing youth scholarships and exchange programs,
8 constructing clean water projects in Africa, developing playgrounds and
9 picnic areas in Colorado, and providing medical equipment to
10 communities in need in Colorado and all over the world; and

11 WHEREAS, Rotary International and the Rotary Clubs of
12 Colorado have a spirit of service that has positively affected Colorado and
13 the world in many ways with their numerous projects and commitment to
14 community; now, therefore,

15 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly*
16 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

17 That the General Assembly hereby congratulates the Rotarians of
18 Colorado for their many years of selfless service to their communities and
19 to the world, their commitment to those in need, and the many volunteer
20 hours and monetary donations that have been made by Rotarians to
21 further their goals of peace, service, and high ethical business standards
22 around the world.

23 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
24 to Sue Fox, President of the Rotary Club of Denver, Steve Cantrell,
25 District Governor of Rotary International District 5450, and D.K. Lee,
26 Rotary International President.

*This Colorado State Flag
was Flown at the
Colorado State Capitol*

In honor of:

*The 100 year celebration of the Denver
Rotary Club No. 31 of Rotary
International*

*at the request of
Senator Mike Kopp*

*Adopted June 5, 1911, the State Flag embodies the colors of the National Flag,
the blue of Colorado skies, the gold of her metal,
the white of mountain snows and the red of her soil.*

This flag was officially flown

Ed Penilla

Colorado State Trooper

