

# RESOLUTION 21R-08

To request the RI Board to consider proposing legislation waiving the annual fee and per capita dues of any Rotaractor who transfers to the sponsor Rotary club

**Proposer(s):** Rotary Club of Osaka North, District 2660, Japan

1 WHEREAS, RI Bylaws section 4.060. states: “A Rotaract club shall be composed  
2 of young adults, as determined by the board.” and

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4 WHEREAS, it would be ideal to have a system that allows Rotaractors to  
5 smoothly transfer to their sponsor Rotary clubs, thus helping not only to preserve  
6 the relatively youthful character of Rotaract clubs but also to support the  
7 continued development of Rotary clubs, and

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9 WHEREAS, the RI Bylaws provide for the separate payment of Rotary and  
10 Rotaract club per capita dues (in subsections 18.030.1. and 18.030.2.,  
11 respectively), but contain no information regarding dual dues payments for a  
12 Rotaractor who is transferring his or her membership from a Rotaract club to a  
13 Rotary club, and

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15 WHEREAS, Standard Rotary Club Constitution Article 12, Dues, provides that  
16 “Every member shall pay annual dues as prescribed in the bylaws,” while  
17 Standard Rotaract Club Constitution Article 9, Fees and Dues, provides for the  
18 payment of a certification fee, other club fees, and per capita dues. Similar to the  
19 RI Bylaws, these documents are silent about the payment of dual per capita dues  
20 for Rotaractors transferring to a Rotary club

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22 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary  
23 International consider proposing legislation to a future Council on Legislation  
24 waiving the annual fee and per capita dues of any Rotaractor who, having  
25 previously submitted these payments to his or her Rotaract club, then transfers to  
26 the sponsor Rotary club within the same Rotary year of submitting such  
27 payments.

(End of Text)

## PURPOSE AND EFFECT

28 As provided in RI Bylaws 4.060., a Rotaract club must be composed of young  
29 adults. This is the primary difference between Rotaract clubs and Rotary clubs  
30 and it is our conviction that such a distinction should be maintained in order to  
31 support the development of Rotaract clubs.

1 Of course, there must also be a parallel expansion in the membership of Rotary  
2 clubs if they are to remain on a similar course of development.

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4 Therefore, by establishing a system for Rotaractors to smoothly and easily  
5 transfer their membership to their sponsor Rotary clubs, we feel Rotary will  
6 effectively be supporting the development of both club types, while also helping  
7 to maintain the distinctive character and culture of each.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

8 If implemented, this resolution would have no substantial financial impact on RI.  
9 Asking the RI Board to consider proposing legislation to a future Council on  
10 Legislation does not have a cost.

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12 If this proposal were submitted to a future Council on Legislation, it would be  
13 necessary to determine its financial impact on RI at that time.