

RESOLUTION 24R-35

To request the Trustees to consider waiving the district grant report requirement if the district has experienced a major natural disaster, social disruption, or disease epidemic

Proposer(s): Rotary Club of Chiba, District 2790, Japan

1 WHEREAS, currently, a district grant for the coming Rotary year will not be
2 awarded until the current year's district grant report has been approved by The
3 Rotary Foundation, and

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5 WHEREAS, in a year when there is a major disaster, the project sponsor clubs and
6 the districts that submit applications to TRF may be adversely affected in their
7 functioning, which may, in turn, significantly delay the submission of the report,
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10 WHEREAS, the amount of a district grant is calculated primarily according to the
11 district designated funds, which are based on the contributions made to the Annual
12 Fund three years prior, and is most likely already finalized in the year of use. In
13 addition, the maximum amount of the district grant would be determined
14 regardless of the remaining amount from the previous year since district grant
15 funds remaining from a previous year cannot currently be carried forward and/or
16 added to those of the current year's district grant, and

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18 WHEREAS, therefore, a rough calculation of the maximum amount of the district
19 grant is relatively easy to produce

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21 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary
22 International consider requesting the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation to
23 consider waiving the requirement that a district grant report must be approved
24 for the previous year before a district may apply for the current year's district
25 grant if the district has experienced a major natural disaster, social disruption, or
26 disease epidemic as recognized by RI, the national government, or local
27 governments.

(End of Text)

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

28 This proposal will help to increase the perception among Rotarians that district
29 grants can be used when needed. It will also raise interest in district grants, thus
30 leading to an increase in contributions to the World Fund and the Annual Fund.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

- 1 If implemented, this resolution would have a financial impact on The Rotary
- 2 Foundation which cannot be determined at this time. Cost would be dependent
- 3 on the cost to update the online grant management system.