

RESOLUTION 25R-32

To request the Trustees to consider membership in the Paul Harris Society for those who donate to the Endowment Fund

Proposer(s): Rotary Club of Wonju, District 3730, Korea

1 WHEREAS, the Paul Harris Society is composed of Rotary members and supporters
2 of The Rotary Foundation who contribute US\$1,000 or more annually to the
3 following funds:

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- 5 • Annual Fund - SHARE
- 6 • Annual Fund - World Fund
- 7 • Annual Fund - Areas of Focus
- 8 • PolioPlus Fund
- 9 • Disaster Response Fund
- 10 • Special Response Fund
- 11 • Approved Global Grant
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13 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary
14 International consider requesting the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation to
15 consider membership in the Paul Harris Society for those who donate to the
16 Endowment Fund, as a way to show appreciation and recognition for the continued
17 support of The Rotary Foundation and also to encourage continued giving. Many
18 Rotary districts give special recognition to new Paul Harris Society Members by
19 awarding them a certificate and badge at district or club events.

(End of Text)

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

20 In addition to those who contribute to the funds listed above, including those
21 who donate to the Endowment Fund as members of the Paul Harris Society will
22 further incentivize their donations to that fund. This would also increase the
23 confidence of clubs that they can provide increased support for the Foundation
24 by securing stable funding for their service projects.

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26 While the title of Benefactor is rightly given to Endowment Fund donors, we
27 believe it is appropriate to introduce an additional title for those who contribute
28 over US\$1,000 annually. With growing interest in Paul Harris Society
29 membership, this is an ideal moment to recognize and encourage our generous
30 members.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

1 If implemented, this resolution could have a financial impact on The Rotary
2 Foundation which cannot be determined at this time. Cost would be dependent
3 on the scope and extent of support provided by The Rotary Foundation Board to
4 accomplish this goal.

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6 The Paul Harris Society was created to help promote giving to current Rotary
7 projects. To become a member of the Paul Harris Society, Rotarians must enroll
8 in the program and pledge to give US\$1,000 or more every year to the Annual
9 Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or approved global grants. Endowment contributions are
10 used to support The Rotary Foundation's long-term stability.