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To: District Governor Larry Calabrese Rotary District 7150

Our Rotary eClub NY1 Officers have been working closely with the other 13 Rotary eClubs worldwide, and with our Rotary International eClub liasons, to draft a proposed enactment to be presented at the 2010 Council on Legislation.

The proposed enactment is asking for amendment of the constitutional documents of Rotary, changing the status of Rotary eClubs from a pilot project to a permanent category of Rotary clubs.

While the same language is used, each of the 14 Rotary International eClubs have been asked to propose their Club's enactment.

By way of this letter, signed as required by both our Rotary eClub President and our Rotary eClub Secretary, we are certifying that the attached proposed enactment has been endorsed and adopted by the membership of Rotary eClub NY1 of District 7150.

We are requesting support and formal endorsement of the proposed enactment from our Rotary District 7150 at the business meeting at our District Conference on September 12th, 2008.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

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PROPOSED ENACTMENT

To amend the constitutional documents of Rotary, changing the status of Rotary e-clubs from a pilot project to a permanent category of Rotary clubs.

> Proposed by Rotary eClub NY1 Endorsed by the Conference of District 7150

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby is amended as follows (page 177 MOP)

Article 1 Definitions

As used in the constitution and bylaws of Rotary International, unless the context otherwise clearly requires, the words in this article shall have the following meanings:

- 1. Board: The Board of Directors of Rotary International.
- 2. Club: A Rotary club or a Rotary e-club.
- 3. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of a Rotary club.
- 4. Year: The twelve-month period which begins on the first day of July.
- 5. RI: Rotary International.
- 6. Governor: A governor of a Rotary district.

IT IS FURTHER ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 185 MOP)

Article 1 Definitions

As used in the bylaws, unless context otherwise clearly requires, the words in this article shall have the following meanings:

- 1. Board: The Board of Directors of Rotary International.
- 2. Club: A Rotary club or a Rotary e-club
- 3. Constitutional documents: The Rotary International constitution and bylaws and standard Rotary club constitution.
- 4. Governor: The governor of a Rotary district.
- 5. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of a Rotary club.
- 6. RI: Rotary International.
- 7. RIBI: The administrative territorial unit of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland.
- 8. Year: The twelve-month period that begins on 1 July.

IT IS FURTHER ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 251 MOP)

Article 1 Definitions

As used in this constitution, unless context otherwise clearly requires, words in this article shall have following meanings:

- 1. Board: The Board of Directors of this club.
- 2. Bylaws: The bylaws of this club.
- 3. Director: A member of this club's Board of Directors.
- 4. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of this club.
- 5. RI: Rotary International.
- 6. Year: The twelve-month period which begins on 1 July.
- 7. Club: A Rotary club or a Rotary e-club.

IT IS FURTHER ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 254 MOP)

Article 9 Attendance

Section 1 General Provisions. Each member should attend this club's regular meetings. A member shall be counted as attending a regular meeting if the member is present for at least 60 percent of the meeting, or is present and is called away unexpectedly and subsequently produces evidence to the satisfaction of the board that such action was reasonable. An e-club member shall be counted as attending a regular meeting of the e-club if the member signs on to the e-club's website and completes all the requirements of e-club attendance. or makes up for An absence

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

This enactment would amend the three constitutional documents of Rotary, changing the status of Rotary e-clubs from a pilot project to permanent Rotary clubs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

This enactment would have a substantial positive financial impact on RI. Rotary e-clubs have demonstrable success in attracting and retaining active Rotarians who would otherwise leave Rotary to seek alternative ways of giving service to others. Beyond the direct retention benefits of membership in Rotary e-clubs, other Rotarians who visit Rotary e-clubs online have stated that makeup opportunie-clubs allow them to maintain their membership in their own Rotary club.

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(Signature of District 7150 Governor)

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