

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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Action: Be Adopted  
Vote: 6 - 0 - 2  
Yeas: Bailey, Bentz, Galizio, Gilliam, Holvey, Read  
Nays: 0  
Exc.: Thatcher, Witt  
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Meeting Dates: 2/17

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Commemorates the 104<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rotary International. Delineates the size and scope of the organization internationally as well as within the state. Extends gratitude to Oregon's 131 Rotarian Clubs for their service projects throughout Oregon and beyond.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The general areas of club programming including youth, literacy, health, hunger, water and the environment
- The importance of honoring the good work of all Rotarians

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The first Rotary Club was founded in Chicago in February, 1905, as the world's first service club for professionals. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices. In 1922 the group changed its name to Rotary International to reflect its clubs on six continents.

As Rotary grew, its mission expanded beyond serving club members' professional and social interests by working to meet society's changing needs and expanding its service efforts to address such pressing issues as environmental degradation, illiteracy, world hunger, and children at risk.

There are currently 1.2 million Rotarians belonging to over 32,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.