House Resolution 2

Sponsored by Representative HUNT; Representatives BARNHART, BERGER, BEYER, GILMAN, KENNEMER, RICHARDSON, RILEY, STIEGLER, WHISNANT

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Commemorates Rotary International on occasion of 104th anniversary of organization's founding.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 Whereas Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905, in Chicago, Illinois, was the first 3 nonprofit service organization in the world, and remains one of the world's largest such organiza-4 tions; and

5 Whereas there are over 1.2 million professional and business leaders participating as Rotary 6 club members in over 32,000 clubs in 200 regions and countries; and

7 Whereas the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide humanitarian ser-8 vice, encourage high ethical standards and promote goodwill and peace in the world; and

9 Whereas Rotary International funds the projects of individual clubs and sponsors volunteers who 10 have community expertise to provide medical supplies, health care, clean water, food production, job 11 training and education to millions who are in need, particularly in developing countries; and

12 Whereas in 1985, Rotary launched PolioPlus and spearheaded efforts with the World Health 13 Organization, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and UNICEF to 14 immunize the children of the world against polio; and

15 Whereas polio cases have dropped by 99 percent since 1988, and the world stands on the 16 threshold of eradicating the disease; and

Whereas Rotary is the world's largest privately-funded source of scholarships for international study and promotes international understanding through scholarships, exchange programs and humanitarian grants; and

20 Whereas since 1947, more than 47,000 students from 110 countries have studied abroad as Ro-21 tary Ambassadorial Scholars; and

22 Whereas Rotary's Group Study Exchange program has helped more than 57,000 young profes-23 sionals explore their career fields in other countries; and

Whereas 7,000 secondary school students each year experience life in another country through
Rotary's Youth Exchange Program; and

Whereas there are 131 Rotary clubs throughout Oregon that sponsor service projects to address such critical issues as poverty, health, hunger, illiteracy and the environment in their local communities and abroad; now, therefore,

29 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, on the occasion of the 104th anniversary of the founding of Rotary International, extend our grati1 tude and best wishes to all Oregon Rotarians who so dutifully serve their fellow citizens.

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