

## **Resolution to Rotary International Council on Legislation**

### **Regarding Club Extension Charters**

**Submitted by:** Rotary Club of Nanaimo, District 5020

**Endorsed by:** District 5020 by email ballot

#### **Purpose and Effect**

The proposed resolution is intended to support the expansion of Rotary through the foundation of well founded and newly chartered Rotary clubs.

**Whereas** membership development is an on-going feature of Rotary International and Rotary districts;

**Whereas** experience has shown that many individuals are lost through a lack of membership preparation and on-going mentoring.

**Whereas** conditions of introduction and mentoring are as applicable to newly formed clubs as to the on-going retention of regular members;

**Whereas** membership growth is achieved by the chartering of new clubs and the introduction of new members;

**Whereas** newly chartered clubs are required to have a minimum number of members;

**Whereas** retention of members is as important a membership goal as the induction of new members;

**Whereas** historically, newly chartered members frequently lose members in the first years of operation and fall below the minimum of a newly chartered club's requirements.

#### **Be it resolved that:**

The Rotary International Board of Directors is requested to:

1. implement an interim club charter
2. an interim charter would be for a period of two years
3. an interim charter would be automatically exchanged for a regular Rotary International charter on the following conditions:
  - a) that the newly chartered club has retained or grown its membership during the two year interim charter period;
  - b) the sponsoring club endorses the on-going development of the new Rotary International club;
  - c) the District Governor endorses the exchange of the charter from Interim Charter to Permanent Charter.

**Financial Impact:** There would be no financial impact on RI