

RESOLUTION 17R-03

To request the RI Board to consider requiring a minimum of 20 members in each club

Proposer(s): District 3860, Philippines

Endorsed by: District 3860 through a district legislation meeting, Cebu, Cebu, Philippines, 28 June 2017

1 WHEREAS, a minimum of 20 charter members is required for a new club, and
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3 WHEREAS, after registration with RI, most clubs devote less attention to
4 maintaining the aforesaid number of members as the mandatory minimum no
5 longer applies
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7 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary
8 International consider requiring that each club maintain at least 20 members as a
9 continuing condition for RI registration and membership.

(End of Text)

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

10 It is the purpose of this resolution to encourage, with compelling notion, the
11 maintenance of sufficient membership in each club. The adoption of such a policy
12 would ensure the continued existence of individual clubs and would enable them
13 to contribute to the overall achievement of the goals of RI.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

14 If implemented, this resolution would result in a significant net decrease in per
15 capita dues revenues for RI. Requiring clubs to maintain at least 20 members
16 would mandate that clubs with 19 or fewer members dissolve, merge with an
17 existing Rotary club, or recruit additional members.
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19 As of August 2017, there are 10,500 clubs with a total of 142,000 members that
20 could potentially be terminated. Based on these membership levels and fiscal
21 year 2020 approved RI annual per capita dues of US\$68, the estimated decrease
22 in revenues is US\$10 million beginning in fiscal year 2020.
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24 The RI Bylaws require a balanced budget; therefore, a significant reduction in
25 revenues would have an impact on RI's operations and services.