

RESOLUTION 17R-06

To request the RI Board to consider researching the impact of club flexibility

Proposer(s): District 2840, Japan

Endorsed by: District 2840 through an annual district conference, Maebashi, Gunma, Japan, 16 April 2017

1 WHEREAS, the 2016 Council on Legislation adopted legislation introducing
2 great flexibility into the operation of clubs. It is important to research and
3 analyze what changes this flexibility has generated, and what effects it has
4 produced relative to RI's membership development and club revitalization
5 initiatives, which are the objectives of the increased flexibility
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7 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary
8 International consider conducting yearly research on the condition of those clubs
9 that have introduced flexibility and disclosing the results to all clubs.

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT

10 Under the current circumstances where Rotary's membership is stagnant
11 worldwide, the 2016 Council on Legislation adopted revolutionary changes to the
12 constitutional documents of RI that would allow for the introduction of
13 significant flexibility in club management. Many Rotary clubs, however, are
14 cautious about introducing such flexibility. Appropriate disclosure of the
15 effectiveness of those clubs that have introduced flexibility will encourage more
16 clubs to tackle club reforms.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

17 If implemented, this resolution could have a financial impact on RI which cannot
18 be determined at this time. Cost would be dependent on the scope and extent of
19 support provided by the RI Board to accomplish this goal.