

# RESOLUTION 19R-04

To request the RI Board to consider encouraging clubs to participate in an annual Act of Kindness Day

**Proposer(s):** Rotary Club of Burnaby, District 5040, Canada

**Endorsed by:** District 5440 through a ballot-by-mail, 24 May-25 June 2019

1 WHEREAS, Rotary's first area of focus is peace and conflict prevention, and

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3 WHEREAS, advancing peace is part of Rotary's mission, and

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5 WHEREAS, The Rotary Foundation motto, Doing Good in the World, can be  
6 enhanced by recognizing Rotarians who perform acts of kindness in their local  
7 communities, and

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9 WHEREAS, such actions could be included as part of Rotary's positive peace  
10 initiatives

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12 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary  
13 International consider encouraging clubs to participate in an annual Act of  
14 Kindness Day, to be held on or around 19 April, the anniversary of Paul Harris's  
15 birthday.

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## PURPOSE AND EFFECT

16 It is recognized that many of our clubs throughout the world are organizing local  
17 Act of Kindness Days, and it is felt that RI should encourage this activity for all  
18 clubs on a special day each year.

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20 It is further suggested that the annual event be held on or around the anniversary  
21 of Paul Harris's birthday, 19 April.

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23 This action would help to enhance the image of positive peace and understanding  
24 as practiced in our communities by Rotarians.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

