

RESOLUTION 19R-13

To request the RI Board to consider forming committees to nominate regional leader candidates

Proposer(s): District 9210, Malawi, Mozambique, Zambia, and Zimbabwe
District 9350, Angola, Namibia, and South Africa
District 9370, Lesotho and South Africa

Endorsed by: District 9210 through an annual district conference, Mangochi, Malawi, 24-28 April 2019
District 9370 through a district legislation meeting, South Africa, 15-17 February 2019

1 WHEREAS, Section 29.020.3. of the Rotary Code of Policies (January 2019)
2 allows for candidate recommendations from current, immediate past, and
3 incoming directors and Trustees, along with the serving regional leaders, and
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5 WHEREAS, the district leadership has no say in recommendations of regional
6 leaders
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8 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary
9 International consider forming a subcommittee (or committees) consisting of the
10 current and immediate past governors of districts within a zone or section of a
11 zone, whose duty it shall be to publicize the upcoming positions within their
12 respective districts and to provide the director with a prioritized list of candidates
13 whom the committee has considered to have the required qualifications for the
14 position(s). The director shall consider these recommendations together with the
15 other recommended selections. The final decision rests with the director after
16 taking into consideration all such recommendations.

(End of Text)

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

17 During recent years there has been little transparency in the appointment and re-
18 appointment of regional leaders, with positions alternating between a select few
19 individuals. Districts have no say in the selection of suitable candidates for
20 regional leadership positions. This has resulted in many suitably qualified
21 Rotarians feeling that they have no further future and say in the running of
22 Rotary above district level. Many past governors have no desire to be considered,
23 but others feel that they have the qualifications and commitment to be
24 considered at a higher level.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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