SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 76

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Rotarians of District 5730, on the occasion of their celebration of the 100th anniversary of Rotary International; and

WHEREAS, District 5730 has 54 Rotary clubs in Amarillo, Lubbock, Plainview, Odessa, Midland, Big Spring, and several smaller cities; district members will celebrate the Rotary International centennial on February 23, 2005, in the Amarillo Civic Center; and

WHEREAS, Since the first Rotary Club was founded 100 years ago by a young attorney in Chicago, Paul Harris, the mission of Rotarians has expanded far beyond serving the professional and social interests of its members; today, more than one million men and women belong to 31,936 clubs in 166 countries around the globe, and they have made significant contributions to creating a better world; and

WHEREAS, The Rotary International motto is "Service Above Self," and its members are encouraged to participate in projects that promote health, literacy, peace, and understanding; and

WHEREAS, Rotarians in District 5730 have embraced the spirit, enthusiasm, and principles of Rotary International and are currently working on numerous projects that include sponsoring a Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp and a Rotary Diabetic Camp for boys and girls, clubs for high school and college students, scholarships, and literacy projects; their

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international projects include providing food, medicines, and school supplies to Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Rotary International is an exemplary organization, and it is indeed appropriate that the clubs of District 5730 be recognized on this momentous occasion; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the Rotarians of District 5730 for their many good works and extend to Rotarians around the world best wishes for an enjoyable centennial celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for District 5730 as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate. Seliger

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 1, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate