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Senate Resolution No. 521

BY: Senator HELMING

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th
Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Geneseo, New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and celebrate significant milestones of organizations that contribute to the well-being of their communities and make a lasting impact on society; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Geneseo, New York; and

WHEREAS, The world's first service club, Rotary International, was founded on February 23, 1905, when Paul Harris, a native of Vermont, found himself a stranger in Chicago; he conceived of the idea of inviting three men of different vocations to join him weekly for fellowship and to discuss each other's problems and business; and

WHEREAS, Today, Rotary International has grown into an organization including over 1.2 million members in approximately 29,000 clubs across the 163 countries; each club is made up of professionals and business leaders who are dedicated to humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and to help build peace and goodwill throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Geneseo, New York was founded on April 2, 2025, and has been a driving force in fostering civic responsibility, promoting humanitarian service, and enhancing the quality of life in the community; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, members of the Rotary Club of Geneseo have worked tirelessly to support various charitable projects, service initiatives, and community development efforts in Livingston County and beyond, embodying the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self"; and

WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Geneseo has provided educational scholarships, organized local food drives, assisted in public health initiatives, supported youth programs, and improved public infrastructure in ways that have had a positive and far-reaching impact on local residents; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Rotary Club of Geneseo have exemplified the true spirit of volunteerism and community service, providing a model of dedication and leadership for others to follow; and

WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Geneseo is an integral part of the global Rotary organization whose efforts in fighting diseases, supporting education, and promoting peace and goodwill throughout the world continue to inspire individuals and groups to engage in acts of kindness and compassion; and

WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Geneseo has made invaluable contributions to local communities through service projects, fundraising events, and countless volunteer hours, benefiting all members of the community, particularly those in need; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body acknowledges the Rotary Club of the

Town of Geneseo for its remarkable contributions to the quality of life in the region and expresses its appreciation for steadfast commitment to the people it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to recognize and commend the Rotary Club of the Town of Geneseo for its ongoing legacy of service, its contributions to the betterment of society, and the remarkable 100 years of accomplishments it has achieved to date; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Geneseo, New York, and to commend its members for their remarkable service to the community and the greater good; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Rotary Club of Geneseo, New York.