

## 2014 SESSION

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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 379

*Commending the Rotary Club of Roanoke.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 3, 2014  
Agreed to by the Senate, March 5, 2014

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Roanoke celebrates 100 years of placing "service above self" in the Roanoke community on April 25, 2014; and

WHEREAS, founded on April 14, 1914, the Rotary Club of Roanoke is one of the oldest Rotary clubs in the world; over the years, the members of the club have contributed to the health and well-being of communities around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Roanoke has worked to spread its message throughout the Commonwealth, guiding the establishment of 11 other Rotary clubs; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Roanoke has bettered the local community in a variety of ways; the club supported students by establishing a student loan fund and contributing \$7,500 to the 4-H Camp at Smith Mountain Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Roanoke played an active role in the Renew Roanoke project by donating \$27,000; members of the club have volunteered for the Salvation Army, the Bradley Free Clinic, and the Rescue Mission; and

WHEREAS, in cooperation with other Rotary clubs in the Roanoke Valley, the Rotary Club of Roanoke leads the Military Families Organization Project, which has raised over \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the Rotary Club of Roanoke has contributed almost \$590,000 to the Rotary Foundation; \$62,000 of the club's contributions have gone to Polio Plus, a campaign working to eradicate polio and other diseases through immunizations; and

WHEREAS, at the international level, the Rotary Club of Roanoke has helped raise money to build a school and a clinic in Kenya and build wells in Haiti, India, and Ghana; the club also supports the Avoidable Blindness Project, which trains ophthalmologists in other countries; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Rotary Club of Roanoke on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Rotary Club of Roanoke as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the club's commitment to helping those in need in the community, the Commonwealth, and the world.

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