

# PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY RECOGNITION REMARKS

## A NOTE TO PRESENTERS

*The Rotary Foundation encourages the club president or a district leader to make brief but meaningful remarks when acknowledging the generous financial support of Paul Harris Society (PHS) members. Besides thanking them, this public recognition inspires others to support the Foundation. **Please check with honorees first to ensure they are comfortable with a public presentation.***

*Wearable recognition may be presented to Paul Harris Society members when they are honored. The chevron-style lapel insignias (usually worn with Paul Harris Fellow, Major Donor or Bequest Society pins) are available from The Rotary Foundation at no cost upon request by district leaders. Districts can produce commemorative certificates for PHS members and templates for optional certificates are also provided to district PHS coordinators for optional use with the presentation and insignia.*

## SUGGESTED REMARKS

Paul Harris once said, “Perhaps dreaming is not so bad if one dreams good dreams and makes them come true.” In Rotary, we make dreams a reality through extraordinary projects and activities here at home and around the world. These projects would not be possible without the generous support of Rotarians and friends of our Foundation. The Rotary Foundation recognizes those individuals who contribute US\$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or approved Foundation grants by inducting them into the Paul Harris Society. Today we honor a dedicated friend of our Rotary Foundation whose annual generosity distinguishes <<him or her>> as a member of the Paul Harris Society.

Paul Harris Society gifts enable Rotary’s worldwide network of dedicated humanitarians to implement projects that address pressing needs in communities around the world. Because of these contributions:

- Children are vaccinated against polio and other diseases
- Adults and children alike can learn to read and write
- Women are given microloans and vocational training that enable them to support themselves and their families in a healthy and dignified way
- Teachers and schoolchildren have access to toilet facilities and clean drinking water
- Scholars are able to study ways to prevent maternal and child mortality
- Professionals from around the world convene to discuss strategies for resolving conflict and fostering peace

Today we recognize <<donor name>>, our newest Paul Harris Society member, for enabling Rotary to make an impact on individuals, families, and entire communities. On their behalf, I offer our sincere appreciation for your ongoing generosity.

Now I invite you to come forward and receive your Paul Harris Society pin <<and certificate>>. Ladies and gentlemen, please join me in a round of applause for our newest Paul Harris Society member.