

## House Resolution 525

By: Representative Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Rotary International on the 100th Anniversary of its founding and commending  
2 Rotary District Governor John H. Parkins III; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905, in Chicago, Illinois, is the  
4 world's first and one of the largest nonprofit service organizations; and
- 5 WHEREAS, there are over 1.2 million Rotary club members comprised of professional and  
6 business leaders in over 31,000 clubs in more than 165 countries; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide  
8 humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in  
9 the world; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Rotary funds club projects and sponsors volunteers with community expertise  
11 to provide medical supplies, health care, clean water, food production, job training, and  
12 education to millions in need, particularly in developing countries; and
- 13 WHEREAS, John H. Parkins III has provided outstanding leadership and service as the  
14 District Governor of Georgia Rotary District 6920; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he is a past president of the St. Simons Island Rotary Club and has served on  
16 several district committees; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he and his wife Mary Ellen have given generously to the Rotary Foundation and  
18 are Benefactors and Bequest Society Members; and
- 19 WHEREAS, under his excellent guidance, Rotarians in District 6920 are making valuable  
20 contributions to Rotary service projects which address such critical issues as poverty, health,  
21 hunger, illiteracy, and the environment in their local communities and abroad.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body recognize the 100th Anniversary of Rotary International and  
3 commend District Governor John H. Parkins III of Georgia Rotary District 6920 for his  
4 outstanding service to Georgia's citizens and communities worldwide.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
6 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to District Governor John H.  
7 Parkins III of Georgia Rotary District 6920.