

House Resolution 489

By: Representative Werkheiser of the 157th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Rotary Club of Claxton on its 80th anniversary and for its continued
2 service in the community, the State of Georgia, and around the world; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Rotary International is a worldwide organization of business and professional
4 leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations,
5 and helps build goodwill and peace in the world; and

6 WHEREAS, the object of the Rotary Club is to develop friendship and community, promote
7 high ethical standards in business and professions, and nurture the dedication to service in
8 each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life; and

9 WHEREAS, the Rotarian's primary motto is "Service Above Self," its secondary motto is
10 "One profits most who serves best"; and

11 WHEREAS, approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 34,000 clubs in more
12 than 200 countries and geographical areas; and

13 WHEREAS, Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today's
14 most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy,
15 the eradication of polio, and the provision of safe drinking water; and

16 WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Claxton was founded in 1938 by a group of 15 young men
17 dedicated to fostering Rotary's philosophical cornerstone expressed through club service,
18 vocational service, community service, and international service; and

19 WHEREAS, the Claxton Rotary Club has been honored by Rotary International as an
20 outstanding affiliate and as one of the district's most successful Rotary Clubs; and

21 WHEREAS, with more than 60 members, the Rotary Club of Claxton is one of the largest
22 chapters in District 6920; and

23 WHEREAS, the Claxton Rotary Club has made a difference in their community over the
24 decades by undertaking youth programs, advancing economic development, sponsoring
25 events that focus on the importance of agriculture in Evans County, advocating for the Evans
26 County Hospital, promoting tourism, and supporting efforts to see that local citizens were
27 immunized against polio; and

28 WHEREAS, club members continue to raise funds through various projects, including the
29 annual Claxton Rotary/Chamber of Commerce Auction, to help fund scholarship awards for
30 local high school students; to promote the Interact Clubs, bringing together young people to
31 develop leadership skills while discovering the power of service; and to sponsor an annual
32 Feed the Hungry program; and

33 WHEREAS, the vision of a few Evans County leaders, with the support of hundreds of
34 members over the past 80 years, has created a legacy that will long be part of our
35 community's history and a positive, guiding light in its future.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
37 the members of this body commend the Rotary Club of Claxton and its members for 80 years
38 of service to Claxton, the State of Georgia, and citizens around the world.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
41 Rotary Club of Claxton.