

Climate Restoration Resolution

Whereas; Humanity has an obligation to future generations to restore and

maintain a safe climate in which humans have survived long term;

Whereas; Rotary International in August 2022 adopted Protecting the

Environment as its newest Area of Focus;

Whereas; ESRAG (Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group) was

formed to empower members of the Rotary Family worldwide to take

actions to sustain our environment;

Whereas; ESRAG'S Vision Statement is: A world where people unite and take

action to protect the environment for a sustainable future;

Whereas; ESRAG'S Mission Statement is: To inspire and empower the Rotary

Family with extensive expertise, networks, education, and best practices to implement sustainable and impactful environmental

projects;

Whereas; Advocacy and Actions by Rotary and ESRAG are ongoing and essential

to halt carbon emissions in order to reach Net Zero;

Whereas; Current CO2 levels are already at 421 ppm and are expected to rise to

450 ppm or higher by 2050, based on current Paris Agreement estimates;

Whereas; The International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has stated that

temperatures corresponding to CO2 levels of 450 ppm or above will lead

to grave damage to the ecosystems;

Whereas: The human species has never before lived with sustained

atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO2) levels above 300 ppm;

Climate Restoration is the goal of reducing atmospheric CO2 levels to a Whereas:

> pre-industrial level (at 300 ppm or below) such that when Net Zero Emissions are reached humankind will have a sustainable planet to

inhabit and pass on to future generations;

Whereas: There is no climate justice without climate restoration because the poor

are the first and most impacted by climate change;

Whereas: Climate Restoration will benefit the people of the world by reducing loss

> and damage from floods, storms, droughts, and wildfires, while producing positive effects on human and ecosystem health;

Therefore; Rotary District 7150, hereby resolves – To have the goal of Climate

Restoration guide their environmental actions and advocacy for the

sequestration of atmospheric carbon and the reduction of carbon emissions

And Also; We call on Rotary International and their Network of Partners to adopt

"Restore and Stabilize Greenhouse Gas Levels" as our Common

Climate Goal.

This Resolution has been voted upon and unanimously passed by the Rotary District 7150 Executive Committee at its Meeting on Jan. 10, 2024.

Signed: Clise Hereth
Elise Hereth, District Governor Date: Jan 16, 2024