

INDUCTION OF A PRESIDENT OF A ROTARY CLUB

ROTARIAN _____, YOU HAVE THE HONOUR AND PRIVILEGE OF BEING ELECTED BY YOUR FELLOW ROTARIANS OF THE _____ ROTARY CLUB AS THEIR PRESIDENT FOR _____ YEAR. THEY FEEL THAT YOU POSSESS THOSE QUALITIES TO FURTHER THE IDEALS OF ROTARY AND TO LEAD THIS CLUB SUCCESSFULLY IN THE COMING YEAR.

YOUR SPECIFIC DUTIES AS PRESIDENT ARE SET OUT IN THE "MANUAL OF PROCEDURE" AND THE CLUB PRESIDENTS HANDBOOK. THESE BOOKS SHOULD BE YOUR CONSTANT REFERENCE THROUGHOUT YOUR YEAR. IN GENERAL YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DECORUM AND EFFICIENT MANAGEMENT OF THIS CLUB WITHIN THE GUIDELINES OF THE STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION AND YOUR CLUB BY-LAWS.

I GIVE INTO YOUR SAFE-KEEPING, THE CLUB CHARTER, WHICH YOU SHOULD DISPLAY AT ALL MEETINGS OF OUR CLUB AS YOUR AUTHORITY TO OPERATE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.

AS THE OUT-GOING PRESIDENT, I PLACE ON YOUR SHOULDERS, THE COLLAR OF OFFICE, INDICATING NOT ONLY THE RESPONSIBILITIES YOU HAVE UNDERTAKEN BUT ALSO THE AUTHORITY ENTRUSTED TO YOU BY YOUR FELLOW ROTARIANS. YOU NOW JOIN THE RANKS OF THOSE ILLUSTRIOUS LEADERS OF YOUR CLUB WHOSE NAMES APPEAR ON THE COLLAR.

AS AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE CRUCIAL SUPPORT YOUR PARTNER IS TO YOU AS PRESIDENT, I INVITE _____ TO PIN ON YOUR LAPEL THE PRESIDENT'S BADGE WHICH YOU SHOULD WEAR WITH PRIDE.

_____, I CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR ELEVATION TO PRESIDENT. PLEASE ACCEPT THE BEST WISHES OF EVERYONE HERE FOR A GREAT YEAR FOR THE _____ ROTARY CLUB. MAY YOU AND _____ HAVE AN ENJOYABLE AND VERY REWARDING YEAR. MAY I ALSO CONVEY TO YOU THE CONGRATULATIONS OF THE R.I. PRESIDENT _____ 200?-?, AND DISTRICT GOVERNOR 200?-? _____.

PRESIDENT _____, I HAND YOU THE GAVEL TO CONTROL YOUR MEETINGS AND I INVITE YOU TO ADDRESS THIS MEETING AND INTRODUCE TO US YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS.