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## 1                   SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 297

2                   Offered January 21, 2025

3                   *Commending the Rotary Club of Woodstock.*

4                   Patrons—French; Delegate: Gilbert

5                   WHEREAS, for 100 years, the Rotary Club of Woodstock has enhanced the quality of life for  
6                   communities in the Commonwealth and around the world through a wide range of service initiatives; and7                   WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Woodstock received its charter from Rotary International on February 20,  
8                   1925; and9                   WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Woodstock has been a longtime advocate of higher education, providing  
10                   more than \$270,000 in scholarships to help students further their educational and career goals after  
11                   graduation from high school; and12                   WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Woodstock sponsors a Rotary Interact Club at Central High School,  
13                   which teaches upcoming young leaders the principles behind Rotary International's motto of "Service above  
14                   Self"; and15                   WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Woodstock has supported recreational amenities through generous  
16                   funding projects and hundreds of volunteer hours at Woodstock's original town park, Woodstock  
17                   Recreational Park, now named for former Woodstock mayor and longtime Rotarian W.O. Riley; and18                   WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Woodstock's major community charitable event, Santa Express, delivers  
19                   clothing, food, and toys to hundreds of children, families, and elderly residents in need on Christmas Eve  
20                   every year; and21                   WHEREAS, over the course of its long and storied history, the Rotary Club of Woodstock has supported  
22                   numerous educational and athletic programs in local schools, the establishment of the Shenandoah Memorial  
23                   Hospital in Woodstock, and dozens of local charities; and24                   WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Woodstock has worked with a global network of fellow Rotarians to  
25                   participate in programs aimed at eradicating polio from the face of the earth; now, therefore, be it26                   RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby  
27                   commend the Rotary Club of Woodstock on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it28                   RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to  
29                   the Rotary Club of Woodstock as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its legacy of  
30                   contributions to the Woodstock community.

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