

# **PROCLAMATION**

## **“ROTARY INTERNATIONAL WORLD PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING WEEK”**

**February 23 – 29, 2020**

**WHEREAS:** Rotary International is defined as an organization of business and professional people united worldwide, who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world. It has 1.2 million members in 166 countries.

**WHEREAS:** Rotary International is celebrating its 115<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; and

**WHEREAS:** The City of Windsor was declared a “Rotary International Peace City” on February 26, 2001 to pledge to each other to promote “Peace, Understanding and Goodwill” between people residing here and in communities around the world; and

**WHEREAS:** The Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland successfully hosted the “Rotary World Peace Summit,” April 25-27, 2008 in Windsor which brought delegates from across the globe to our city; and

**WHEREAS:** The Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland successfully hosted “International Rotary Peace Walk” on September 21, 2012 which coincided with The United Nations World Day of Peace; and

**WHEREAS:** The object of the declaration is to promote international understanding, goodwill and to encourage and foster:  
Respect for the life and dignity of every person without discrimination or prejudice;  
The rejection of violence towards people, in all forms: physical, sexual, psychological, economic and social;  
The harmonious solution to conflict among all people within local and world communities;  
Freedom of expression and cultural diversity.

**THEREFORE:** I, Drew Delkins, Mayor of the City of Windsor, hereby declare that the WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23 TO 29, 2020 be observed as

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in Windsor and I urge all citizens to promote the object of the declaration and celebrate Rotary International’s 115<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

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Mayor