Senate Resolution No. 1970

BY: Senator RANZENHOFER

**COMMEMORATING** the 30th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations of high purpose and worthy accomplishment whose endeavors have faithfully served the welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead to be celebrated at its Annual Installation Dinner on Thursday, June 27, 2019; and

WHEREAS, The world's first service club, Rotary International was founded on February 23, 1905, when Paul Harris, a native of Vermont, found himself a stranger in the city of Chicago; he conceived the idea of inviting three men of different vocations to join him weekly for fellowship and to discuss each other's problems and business; and

WHEREAS, Today, Rotary International has grown into an organization including over 1.2 million members in approximately 29,000 clubs across 163 countries; each club is made up of business and professional leaders who are dedicated to humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help to build peace and goodwill throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead held its first meeting on March 9, 1989, and received its official charter in April of that same year; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead has been an integral part of the local community; the Club has made countless meaningful contributions to make Erie County a better place to live, work and play; and

WHEREAS, Each day, members of the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead pour their passion, integrity, and intelligence into completing projects which have an enduring impact on the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, After three decades, the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead remains a place where neighbors, friends, and problem-solvers share ideas, join leaders, and take action to create lasting change; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated members, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proudly moved to honor and commend the members of the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead, past and present, who

have labored so conscientiously to secure and improve the quality of life for the community it serves by perpetuating its motto of Service Above Self; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead.