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## **RESOLUTION FOR BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 3, 2016**

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the Rotary Club of Naperville and Bharathi Theertha for conducting a vocational training workshop for sewage and effluent plant operators in the Telangana State of India

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Naperville and Bharathi Theertha conducted a vocational training workshop to train Sewage and Common Effluent Treatment Plant Operators in the Telangana State of India; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary District 3150, India provided the necessary help in collaborating and facilitating the workshop; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Rajeev Sharma, IAS, Chief Secretary, State of Telangana; and Mr. V. Anil Kumar, IAS, Member Secretary of Telangana State Pollution Control Board hosted the vocational training workshop on February 23 and 24, 2016 at the offices in Sanat Nagar, Hyderabad, Telangana, India; and encouraged various sewage and effluent treatment plant operators and managers to attend the workshop; and

WHEREAS, the student members of Engineers Without Borders- India Chapter and student members of Rotaract Clubs- India Chapter participated in the workshop to help pursue careers in the environmental field; and

WHEREAS, the workshop covered the basics of the unit processes of various treatment processes implemented at the sewage and common effluent treatment plants in the Telangana State and focused on troubleshooting problems that occur due to upsets caused by toxic wastewater discharges or due to poor operation and maintenance of the treatment plants; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Prakasam Tata, President of Bharathi Theertha and Executive Director of the Center for Transformation of Waste Technology in Naperville led a team in conjunction with Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Commissioner Frank Avila; Hitesh Shah, Managing Engineer of the John E. Egan Water Reclamation Plant; Syama Pappu, Electrical Engineer, MWRD; Mohamedusman Baki, retired Plant Manager of the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant; retired BVSS Prakasa Rao (CAO); Andhra Pradesh, Pollution Control Board, Hyderabad, India; Junior Scientific Officer, Ms. J. Sumathi, Senior Environmental Scientist, N. Raveendhar, Public Relations Assistant, Mrs. S. Tilat Ara and Junior Scientific Officer, D. Nageswara Rao, all with the Telangana Pollution Control Board; Bhaskar Chilukuri, Founder and President of the Green Brigade in Hyderabad; and Rotarians Praveen Gupta, Suren Poruri and Gopinath Reddy Vedire; and

WHEREAS, volunteers from the area's engineering community and staff from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago volunteered as instructors at the vocational training workshop; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, on behalf of ourselves and staff, do recognize the Rotary Club of Naperville, Bharathi Theertha, Rotary District 3150, and the Telangana State Pollution Control Board for promoting best management and operational practices of sewage and effluent treatment plants for a clean water environment in Telangana State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent Record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, and that a copy of same, suitably engrossed, be presented to the Rotary Club of Naperville, Bharathi Theertha, the Andhra University College of Engineering and the Telangana State Pollution Control Board.

Dated: March 3, 2016

Approved: MARIYANA T. SPYROPOULOS, President; BARBARA J. MCGOWAN, Vice President; FRANK AVILA, Chairman, Committee on Finance; MICHAEL A. ALVAREZ; TIMOTHY BRADFORD; CYNTHIA M. SANTOS; DEBRA SHORE; KARI K. STEELE; DAVID J. WALSH; Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Approved as to Form and Legality: Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel, RMH:aw