Administrative Resolution and By-Law Amendments Results

As per District Secretary Joe Eppolito

AUGUST 20, 2005 – Administrative Resolution #1 – Endorsed by the 2004-05 New York District Board. Purpose: To recognize the delegates at the 2005 International Convention in Hawaii voted to pass bylaw amendments allowing Kiwanis International to begin proceedings to change from 501(c)(4) to 501(c)(3) tax classification status.

WHEREAS, recognizing the advantage of reclassification to 501(c)(3) status for Kiwanis, which would allow: • A portion of member dues to become tax-deductible • Clubs to become charitable organizations eligible to receive charitable, tax-deductible contributions from businesses, organizations, and individuals • Clubs to become eligible for nonprofit postage rates and vendor discounts on goods and services • Clubs in some states to become exempt from state sales tax • Clubs to become eligible for grants from other 501(c)(3) organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in the event that Kiwanis International succeeds in changing itself from a 501(c)(4) to a 501(c)(3) tax classification status, this delegate body supports in principle such amendment to the District’s Articles of Incorporation, and By-Laws as would be necessary to change the District’s tax classification status to 501(c)(3) as well. Passed NY District House of Delegates August 20, 2005 by voice vote as presented.

Proposed Amendment #2 – Endorsed by the 2004-05 New York District Board. Purpose: To conform the New York District By-Laws to reflect the method for collecting dues from Semi-Annually to Annually based on the Club’s Anniversary Date based on the Kiwanis International By-Law / Amendment approved in St. Louis, Missouri, at the International Convention in June 2004.

REVENUE

The following revision to the Standard Form of District By-Laws, Article XI, shall become effective as of October 1, 2005.

Section 1. Each member club shall pay to the District for each of its members, with the exception of its honorary members, $19.50 per annum as dues and $3.50 per annum as a reimbursement contribution to the District Foundation for its cost in issuing the Foundation Bulletin named Empire State Kiwanian, such amounts to include all District Charges, other than the registration fees paid by those in attendance at District convention, on, council or conferences. The total amount of $23.00 per member shall be payable as semi-annual remittances of dues:

KIWANIAN

As my year comes to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for the kind and generous support you gave to my “First Lady” project. It was my privilege to work with so many of you as we endeavored to assist and bring comfort to the many children victimized by domestic violence or abused as runaways. It was through your dedication and tireless efforts that we were successful in accomplishing this goal.

I would like to thank all the Lieutenant Governors and their clubs for hosting the Governor’s visits. Your warm hospitality and boundless generosity made us feel so special and each visit a distinct pleasure.

I will carry the warmth of your friendship in my heart forever and I look forward to a continued friendship and being part what we all can accomplish as Kiwanians. Once again, thank you and God bless all of you.

All my best wishes, First Lady Susan Groenewoud

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