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Members of the Rotary Global
History Fellowship in Zone 20B

Greetings,

I am pleased to be a member of Rotary Global History Fellowship, and therefore, I appreciate and encourage your work to share the history of Rotary with the clubs and districts in Section B of Rotary Zone 20.

Your area of Zone 20 covers two dozen countries and several languages, which is an amazing achievement for Rotary. The internationality of your area thereby provides an outstanding opportunity to put this year's theme into action by Building Communities – Bridging Continents.

I believe that knowledge of history is vital in developing the type of tolerance advocated by our founder, Paul Harris, and it is through such tolerance that Rotary effectively promotes international understanding, goodwill, and peace.

It is my understanding that your event, *RGHF Cinema Festival*, will attract Rotarians and guests from Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Egypt, Gibraltar, Greece, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo (UNMIK), Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Mauritania, Montenegro, Morocco, Rep. of Georgia, Serbia, Sudan, Tajikistan, TFYR of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab of Emirates (UAE). That is a truly impressive assemblage of countries, and I congratulate you for your good work in organizing such a significant meeting.

I offer my best wishes for a highly successful event as we seek to make Rotary even stronger by helping our clubs to be Bigger, Better, and Bolder.

Best regard,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ray".

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