

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS:** Rotary International was founded on February 23, 1905 in Chicago, Illinois, USA, and is the world's first and one of the largest non-profit service organizations; and the Rotary Club of Port Coquitlam Centennial was founded on February 23, 2005; and

**WHEREAS:** there are over 1.2 million Rotary club members, and over 33,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographic areas; and

**WHEREAS:** the Rotary motto "**Service Above Self**" inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote goodwill and peace in the world; and

**WHEREAS:** Rotary funds club projects and sponsors volunteers with community expertise to provide medical supplies, health care, food production, job training, and education to millions in need, particularly in developing countries; and

**WHEREAS:** thousands of students have been given the opportunity by Rotary to explore their career fields and life in other countries through the Youth Exchange, Group Study Exchange and the Ambassadorial Scholarship Programs; and

**WHEREAS:** the Rotary Club of Port Coquitlam Centennial continue to sponsor and support service projects in our community that address such critical issues as poverty, health, hunger, illiteracy and the environment.

**NOW THEREFORE:** I, Brad West, Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Port Coquitlam,

**DO HEREBY PROCLAIM**

**FEBRUARY 23<sup>RD</sup> - 29<sup>TH</sup> AS**

**ROTARY WEEK**

*in the City of Port Coquitlam*

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Brad West  
Mayor

