

## R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Bill of Rights guarantees certain freedoms and inalienable rights, these are not without individual and collective responsibilities, and

WHEREAS, the freedom of speech and the right of peaceful assembly have been repeatedly abused, and

WHEREAS, the conduct of some groups has, on occasion, ranged from illegal assembly, to disturbing the peace, to arson, and even to rioting with accompanying loss of human life, and

WHEREAS, the trend toward organized lawlessness and the symptoms of incipient revolution are all too evident and are deeply disturbing, and

WHEREAS, some of the major news media have shown a lack of restraint, responsibility and due respect for the law enforcement agencies of this country in its coverage of these illegal acts, and have, on occasion, encouraged and fomented a furtherance of said acts, and

WHEREAS, history has demonstrated that once a society condones defiance of law and due process, the liberties of all are lost in the excesses of anarchy which follow, and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of the American people are law-abiding and respectful of authority;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, We the members of Rotary International, Rotary Club of Space Center, hereby denounce the actions of the leaders and organizations that have contributed to the disregard of law and order and call upon all law enforcement authority to enforce the law and exact the full measure of punishment to stop this trend of lawlessness and restore the protection of our persons and property.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent to our Local, State and National leaders at the highest level and that we as individuals lend our assistance to restore the rule of law and order.

PASSED, unanimously, by the Rotary Club of Space Center on this the 27th day of November, 1967 at Houston, Texas.

RESOLUTION