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Dear organizers, participants, and guests of the Rotary Children's Musical Competition:

It is my pleasure to send greetings to you on the occasion of your International Russian Children's Music event.

There are as many ways to get involved with Rotary as there are Rotarians – maybe even a few more. And each of us can find something different in Rotary that adds something to our own lives. Rotary's programs for young leaders challenge us to become better people: to become ambitious in the ways that matter, to strive for higher goals, and to incorporate *Service Above Self* into our daily lives. And when our unique talents are united by our common principles and insistence on ethics as one Rotary family we realize our true ability to make a difference.

It is my hope, and my wish for all of you, that the satisfaction that you have found in Rotary will inspire you to continue on to a lifetime of service, in Rotary and beyond. And I know that we can do more together than we could ever hope to do alone. So let's work together and find new opportunities to make a sustainable impact for our world, in our communities, and in the lives of others as one family of **Rotary: Making a Difference**.

I wish you all the best for many more years of creative, engaging, and productive service to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ian Riseley".

Ian Riseley

President, Rotary International 2017-18