

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION HONORING CIVIC LEADER AND
NEWLY-ELECTED ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
PRESIDENT, JOHN GERM.

WHEREAS, John Germ has been a member of the downtown Chattanooga Rotary Club since 1976. As a civic leader in Chattanooga, Mr. Germ has served as president of Junior Achievement, Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Jaycee Foundation. He also serves on the boards of a number of organizations including the Public Education Foundation, Orange Grove Center, Inc., and Blood Assurance, Inc. As a member of the downtown Chattanooga Rotary Club, Mr. Germ has served in a number of leadership positions including Vice President, Director, Foundation Trustee, and Chair of the Rotary's \$200 Million Challenge;

WHEREAS, Mr. Germ has previously received the Rotary's Service Above Self Award as well as the Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award. Last year, Mr. Germ was honored by President Barack Obama as one of 12 Rotary International "Champions of Change";

WHEREAS, this Fall, Germ was elected as the President of Rotary International for 2016-2017, the first person from Chattanooga to hold that honor. Rotary International coordinates programs, campaigns, and initiatives with Rotary clubs worldwide supporting efforts that make lasting improvements to communities around the world;

WHEREAS, the Chattanooga City Council honors John Germ for his exemplary service as a citizen, veteran, and civic leader in Chattanooga.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, CHATTANOOGA,
TENNESSEE, that it is hereby honoring civic leader and newly-elected Rotary
International President, John Germ.

ADOPTED _____, 2014

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City of Chattanooga



Resolution/Ordinance Request Form

Date Prepared: 11/21/2014

Preparer: Katie Wells

Brief Description of Purpose for Resolution/Ordinance: _____ Res./Ord. # _____ Council District # _____

A resolution honoring civic leader and newly elected Rotary International President, John Germ.

Name of Vendor/Contractor/Grant, etc.	<u>Ralph & Jennifer Harsine</u>	New Contract/Project? (Yes or No)	_____
Total project cost \$	<u>42,782.88</u>	Funds Budgeted? (YES or NO)	_____
Total City of Chattanooga Portion \$	_____	Provide Fund	_____
City Amount Funded \$	_____	Provide Cost Center	_____
New City Funding Required \$	_____	Proposed Funding Source if not budgeted	_____
City's Match Percentage %	_____	Grant Period (if applicable)	_____

List all other funding sources and amount for each contributor.

<u>Amount(s)</u>	<u>Grantor(s)</u>
\$ _____	_____
\$ _____	_____
\$ _____	_____

Agency Grant Number _____

CFDA Number if known _____

Other comments: (Include contingency amount, contractor, and other information useful in preparing resolution)

Approved by: _____

Reviewed by: FINANCE OFFICE

DESIGNATED OFFICIAL/ADMINISTRATOR

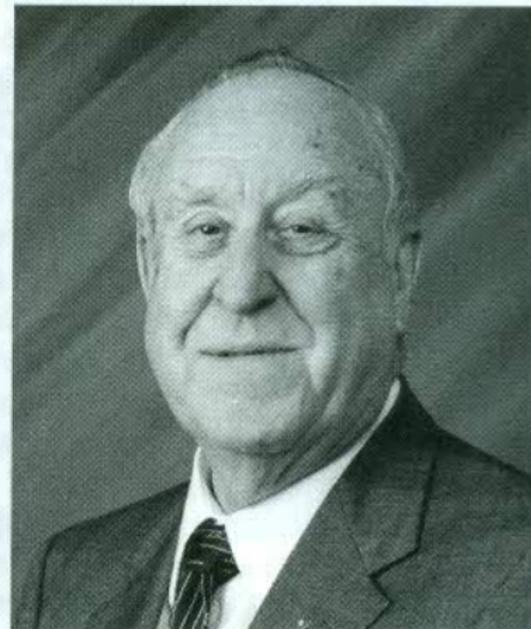
Please submit completed form to @budget, City Attorney and City Finance Officer

Revised: 1/26/09

Distinguished Rotarians of District 6780

John F. Germ

Member, The Rotary Club of Chattanooga
Governor, District 6780, 1996-97
Director, Rotary International 2003-05
Vice President, Rotary International, 2004-05
Chairman, Council on Legislation, 2007, 2013
Aide to RIP Wilf Wilkinson, 2007-08
Trustee, Rotary Foundation, 2008-2012
Vice Chair, Rotary Foundation, 2009-2011
Aide to TRF Chair D.K. Lee, 2013-2014

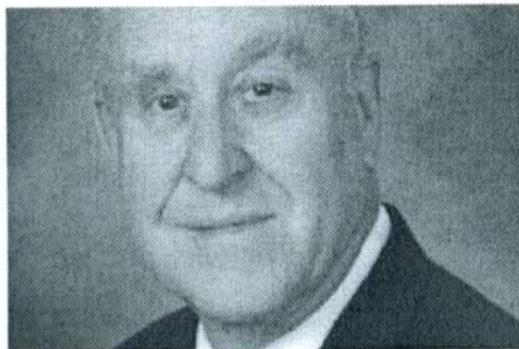


Erin Kelly

From: Chattanooga Rotary
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2014 9:58 AM
To: Chattanooga Rotary
Subject: John Germ

- **John Germ, P.E.**

John Germ has a Bachelor's of Science degree in Engineering from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. His professional career began as a Draftsman-Estimator-Designer with a construction company in Knoxville, Tennessee. He later served four years in the United States Air Force as Captain, serving as Navigator while on active duty. Mr. Germ joined C&A in 1965, and later became the President and CEO, as well as majority share holder of the firm until 2010. Mr. Germ remains involved in the firm, where he serves as a consultant to the company. John has always been and continues to be extremely civically active volunteering to serve the community.



John Germ

John Germ is an individual who truly embraces the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self." Currently the vice chair of fund development for Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee, he also led Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge, a fundraising effort in which Rotary raised more than \$228 million toward a \$355 million challenge grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Because Rotary reached the \$200 million milestone ahead of schedule, the Gates Foundation awarded Rotary an additional \$50 million, all of which funded critically-needed polio immunization activities, protecting millions of children against the crippling infectious disease. John has always made time to serve his community, his most notable accomplishments being his work with the disadvantaged, as well as physically and mentally challenged individuals. In 1981, John led the effort to build Camp Discovery, a special designated camp for those with mental and physical disabilities. He also spearheaded a \$7 million campaign to raise funds for Orange Grove Center, a school for the mentally challenged. These funds also helped construct a residential rehabilitation center, residences, physical therapy area, and a recycling center.

FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL...

John F. Germ, a member of the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA, and chair of the International PolioPlus Committee, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of RI in 2016-17. He will become the president-nominee on 1 October if there are no challenging candidates.

For Rotary to thrive, Germ says, members must face current and future challenges and opportunities with "passion, enthusiasm, perseverance, and above all, integrity."

"I envision Rotary boldly and creatively engaging the success of polio eradication, membership and identity issues, strengthening clubs, work with youth – our future lifeblood, and the creation of critical, strategic partnerships," says Germ. "The 2016-17 Rotary year offers a tremendous opportunity for Rotary International and the Foundation partnership unified and thriving, on all levels, via the six areas of focus."

Germ says no one should ever have to ask, "What is Rotary?"

"We will enhance Rotary's public image by successfully and enthusiastically marketing who we are, what amazing things we are doing, and incredibly, have done locally and globally," says Germ.

With the global economy still unpredictable, Germ says Rotary must make participation affordable and "also be unfailingly diligent in efforts to ensure we spend every dollar effectively and efficiently," he says.

In 1965, after four years in the U.S. Air Force, Germ, an engineer, joined Campbell and Associates Inc., an engineering consulting firm. He now serves as the company's board chair and chief executive officer.

He also serves on the boards of several organizations including the Public Education Foundation, Orange Grove Center Inc., and the Blood Assurance Inc. He is the founder and treasurer of the Chattanooga State Technical Community College Foundation and is president of the Tennessee Jaycee Foundation.

In 1970 he was recognized as Tennessee Young Man of the Year, Engineer of the Year, and Volunteer Fundraiser of the Year in 1992.

A Rotary member since 1976, Germ has served Rotary as vice president, director, Foundation trustee and vice chair, chair of Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge, and RI president's aide. He is a recipient of Rotary's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award. He and his wife, Judy, are members of the Arch Klumph Society.

"Rotary will adapt to a rapidly changing world by embracing innovation within the guidelines of our tradition and values," says Germ. "By aggressively embracing new technologies, social

media, and new opportunities, individuals and businesses will see that Rotary helps promote a good civic and public image while adding credibility to their people."

The Nominating Committee members are T.D. Griley, Newark, Ohio, USA (chair); José Antonio F. Antiório, Osasco, São Paulo, Brazil; Keith Barnard-Jones, The Island & Royal Manor of Portland, Dorset, England; Kenneth R. Boyd, Kerman, California, USA; Michael Colasurdo Sr., Brick Township, New Jersey, USA; Yash Pal Das, Ambala, Haryana, India; John Eberhard, London, Ontario, Canada; Barry Matheson, Jessheim, Norway; Shekhar Mehta, Calcutta-Mahanagar, West Bengal, India; Carlo Monticelli, Milano Net, Italy; Samuel Owor, Kampala, Uganda; Kazuhiko Ozawa, Yokosuka, Kanagawa, Japan; Ekkehart Pandel, Bückeberg, Germany; Juin Park, Suncheon, Jeonranam, Korea; John C. Smarge, Naples, Florida, USA; Barry E. Thompson, Padstow, New South Wales, Australia; and Thomas M. Thorfinnson, Eden Prairie Noon, Minnesota, USA.

By Ryan Hyland

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