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Local Rotarian Selected to Lead 75-Club District

Kalpana Patel, a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Robbinsville Hamilton, has been selected to lead Rotary International District 7475 for the 2027-28 Rotary year. The district includes 75 Rotary clubs in much of north and central New Jersey.

A Rotary district committee unanimously chose Kalpana as District Governor to provide support and leadership for Rotary clubs in nine New Jersey counties beginning July 1, 2027.

“The entire committee was thoroughly impressed by Kalpana’s passion for service, compassion for the less fortunate, wealth of knowledge about Rotary, professional and non-profit experience, demonstrated leadership at the both club and district level, positive and even-keeled disposition, and superior communication skills,” said current District 7475 Governor Jeannie Tsukamoto.

Kalpana joined the Rotary Club of Robbinsville Hamilton in 2020 and has served in various leadership roles, including Club President in 2022-2023, the club’s 30th Anniversary year.

As Club President, she revived the club’s EarlyAct program to introduce elementary school children to the value of service and leadership, began a green initiative to plant trees every year locally, and initiated a community partnership event that started as a Women’s Empowerment Fair and has grown to be a well-received Non-Profit Summit.

Kalpana is a multiple Rotary Paul Harris Fellow, recognizing her continued support for the Rotary Foundation, a charitable arm of Rotary helping people access clean water, education, health care, and disaster relief, while working steadfastly to eradicate polio.

Current Robbinsville Hamilton Rotary Club President Stan Plytynski said Kalpana’s distinction is well earned.

“Kalpana has been a leader in our club since she the day she joined,” said Plytynski. “We’ve had only one other District Governor from our club in our 33 years - an indication of the regard held for Kalpana and her contributions to Rotary. We appreciate her willingness to step forward and our club will support her every step of the way.”

Kalpana grew up in India, earning Masters degrees in Solid State Physics and Computer and Information Science. In the U.S., she had a successful 30-year corporate career before retiring to establish a management consulting firm.

Kalpana and her husband, Raj, live in West Windsor. They have a daughter, Aarti, and son-in-law, Brian Greene.

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