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DR. DAVID H. PONITZ HONORED FOR FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE TO ROTARY CLUB OF DAYTON

PRESENTED LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

DAYTON, OHIO – Gathered in one of several buildings that bear his name, the Rotary Club of Dayton honored long-time member Dr. David H. Ponitz for fifty years of loyal service to Rotary. Dr. Ponitz joined the Rotary Club of Dayton on March 1, 1975, maintaining his membership and his reputation for servant leadership for five decades.

“David H. Ponitz is an institution in the Dayton community,” said President Linda Osterfeld. She continued, *“You need not look far to see his outsized impact in our community. It is humbling to honor such a man, and to know that he channeled that passion for service into the Rotary Club of Dayton all these years.”*

An eminent philanthropist, civic leader, and academic, Dr. David H. Ponitz served as President of Sinclair Community College and has provided unmatched leadership when it comes to educating Dayton’s youth. Dr. Ponitz has been a pillar of the Rotary family for five decades, providing consistent guidance and steady service to our Club and our community. His daughter, Cathy Ponitz, carries that life mission of service forward as an active Rotarian and President of the Rotary Club of Dayton Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the club. Dr. Ponitz built a legacy of family, community, and investing in the future, and the Dayton region is better for his service.

Dr. Ponitz is now a Lifetime Member of the Rotary Club of Dayton, an honor afforded to very few. Many of his peers in this illustrious club have equally distinguished records in the Dayton community, a testament to the caliber of the Rotary Club of Dayton.

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The Rotary Club of Dayton is the region’s largest civic service organization. The Club promotes the Dayton community through service and philanthropy, supporting countless nonprofit organizations throughout our region. The Club meets Mondays at noon at Sinclair Conference Center.