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To whom it may concern

I have known Dr. K. V. Ravishankar for over 25 years.

His organization Usha Kiran Eye Hospital run by him and Dr. Uma Ravishankar have been partners in service, with our organization Blind Foundation for India since 1999 .

They have modern eye hospital with all latest Equipments, and are serving needy who otherwise cannot afford their services.

Blind Foundation of India has provided Usha Kiran Eye Hospital with several grants for purchase of Mobile vans and medical equipment. We have also provided subsidies to eye surgeries they conduct regularly for the needy poor from Villages since 1999.

Dr. K. V. Ravishankar has been serving the needy for a long time. He has been very focused and persistent in the service over a long time.

For the last 15 years he has developed a strong pediatric community ophthalmology program as diseases in kids leads to permanent visual deficits for their entire lives.

He along with his team have screened over 350,000 needy children, they have provided over 10,000 spectacles to needy. Over 300 children have undergone major eye surgeries under general Anesthesia. in the last decade and half, in districts of Mysore, Mandya, Chamaraja Nagar, and Kodagu of Karnataka. This is really big and amongst the largest programs in the world. All these examinations, spectacles and major eye surgeries have been done at no cost to beneficiaries.

Over the last 25 years, I have been privy to the superb service to humanity that this couple offered and their commitment to the impoverished section of society only gets stronger as years go by.

It is my wish to see Dr. K V. Ravishankar be recognized and conferred the award of “**Champion of Impact** “ of the Rotary International.

Sincerely,

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