Message from the Patron of the Girish Raval Fund

I am very pleased to have been asked by the Kenya Society to be Patron of the Girish Raval Fund to raise money for the struggle against COVID-19 in Kenya. As you may know, the money will help to provide water tanks for handwashing stations, food hampers for vulnerable families and Personal Protective Equipment such as latex gloves and masks. Girish Raval, of course, was a great supporter of Kenya, as well as being a personal friend – and would thoroughly have approved of this effort. And in remembering Girish, we also remember the late Wangulu Khasiani, a long-time Kenya Society member who died in London from COVID-19 last month.

To date the Girish Raval Fund has raised just over one million shillings, and in thanking those who have made a contribution, we are sending the appeal out for a second time before transferring the funds to Rotary 9212, who are running these anti-COVID-19 programmes from Nairobi. In mentioning this, I should like to thank on behalf of us all the magnificent donation of £5,000 from the Royal Over-Seas League Trust.

To those of you who have not yet donated, please do give it your consideration, though I thoroughly understand that you will have many other commitments at this difficult time. In the meantime, please stay safe, healthy and well.

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