



SR0715

LRB104 21357 ECR 36258 r

1

SENATE RESOLUTION

2

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to
3 congratulate the Belvidere Lions Club on its 80th anniversary
4 and eight decades of service to the Belvidere community; and

5

WHEREAS, The original Belvidere Lions Club was organized
6 on March 21, 1939, and a formal charter ceremony was held at
7 Immanuel Lutheran Church School on October 4, 1939; and

8

WHEREAS, The Belvidere Lions Club expanded its impact by
9 sponsoring the Harvard Lions Club in 1942, and the Club
10 sponsored new Lions clubs in Genoa, Kirkland, Marengo, Capron,
11 Poplar Grove, and Cherry Valley; and

12

WHEREAS, After being disbanded during World War Two, the
13 Belvidere Lions Club was reorganized and officially
14 rechartered on April 27, 1946; and

15

WHEREAS, The Belvidere Lions Club has long been known as a
16 hands-on, hardworking organization, sponsoring many large and
17 memorable projects within the community, including Heritage
18 Days, the Boone County Fair, the Fish and Fun competition, and
19 more; and

20

WHEREAS, One current initiative of the Belvidere Lions

1 Club is the development of an inclusive, ADA-compliant
2 playground that is being designed to remove physical and
3 social barriers, ensuring that children of all abilities can
4 play and interact together; and

5 WHEREAS, The Belvidere Lions Club has embodied the spirit
6 of service, leadership, and compassion that defines Lions
7 Clubs International for the past 80 years, supported by a
8 strong foundation rooted in volunteerism, integrity, and a
9 deep sense of civic responsibility; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the
12 Belvidere Lions Club on the occasion of its 80-year
13 anniversary, and we wish the Club all the best in its future
14 endeavors; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the Belvidere Lions Club as a symbol of our esteem
17 and respect.