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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate the members of the Vernon Hills Lions Club on the occasion of the club's 25th anniversary on March 14, 2008; and

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WHEREAS, The Lions Club is the world's largest and oldest service organization; the club was established by a Chicago businessman and has provided services to the sight and hearing impaired since 1917; the members have since developed a sterling reputation as "knights of the blind"; and

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WHEREAS, The Vernon Hills Lions Club was chartered on March 14, 1983; and

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WHEREAS, The Vernon Hills Lions Club has devoted its 25 years of existence to various programs to help the hearing impaired and those with diabetes; the club has given hearing aids to needy families, especially children; the club has sponsored and directed a weekend camping experience for visually and hearing impaired children; the club has helped to obtain eye surgery for needy residents to help restore sight and prevent blindness; the club has given many scholarships named in the memory of David Nicollazi, a past president of the club, to deserving students in recognition of their community

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1 service; the club has hosted the annual SEDOL Special Olympics
2 Awards Dinner; the club has also sponsored vision testing for
3 children beginning school and for community residents in need,
4 purchasing corrective eye wear for them if needed; and

5 WHEREAS, The Vernon Hills Lions Club is actively involved
6 in its community; the club has hosted the Vernon Hills Blood
7 Drive for the Village of Vernon Hills for several years; the
8 club has developed good relations with the Park District,
9 donating Braille signs for the park district offices during
10 their construction; the members also participate in the Village
11 of Vernon Hills July 4th parade, the Village Summer
12 Celebration, and Oktoberfest; during the holiday season, the
13 club donates gifts to the Lake County Abused Women Shelter; and

14 WHEREAS, The members of the Vernon Hills Lions Club are
15 models of generosity and kindness for the people of the State
16 of Illinois; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
19 congratulate the members of the Vernon Hills Lions Club on the
20 occasion of the club's 25th anniversary and wish them continued
21 success and happiness in the future; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to a representative of the Vernon Hills Lions Club as
2 a symbol of our esteem and respect.