

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 85**

**WHEREAS**, The Texarkana Noon Lions Club is celebrating its centennial in 2017, and this occasion provides a fitting opportunity to celebrate its members' tireless efforts in behalf of their fellow citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, A Founder Club of Lions Clubs International, one of the most successful service organizations in American history, the Texarkana Noon Lions Club was chartered by 40 local businessmen on February 19, 1917; since its inception, its members have embraced the goals of Lions International, seeking to better their communities and the lives of people at home and around the world; and

**WHEREAS**, The Texarkana Noon Lions have had a long association with the Boy Scouts of America, and they played a leading role in the establishment of Camp Preston Hunt, which was named for a member of the club; the group has also provided support to many worthy charities and causes, including Toys for Tots, Shop with a Cop, the Salvation Army, Watersprings Ranch, Wounded Warrior Project, scholarships for students, and the local animal shelter; and

**WHEREAS**, Committed to the Lions International mission of promoting eye health, preventing blindness, and restoring sight, the Texarkana Noon Lions Club also joins in sponsoring eye banks, eyeglass recycling centers, vision screenings, and medical research; and

**WHEREAS**, Under the motto "We Serve," the public-spirited members of the Texarkana Noon Lions Club continue to give generously of their time and talents to help those in need and to

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promote the welfare of their community, and it is a pleasure to recognize this momentous milestone as they look forward to another outstanding century of service; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Texarkana Noon Lions Club and extend to its members sincere best wishes for continued success in their important work; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Texarkana Noon Lions Club as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 31, 2017.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate