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Senate Resolution No. 1890

BY: Senator MURPHY

COMMENDING the Brewster Lions Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 90th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those fraternal organizations of high purpose and worthy accomplishment whose endeavors have faithfully served the welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Brewster Lions Club upon the occasion of its 90th Anniversary to be celebrated with a dinner at Centennial Golf Club on Sunday, May 7, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The International Lions Club was founded by Chicago businessman Melvin Jones in 1917; and

WHEREAS, In 1925, Helen Keller, while addressing the Lions International Convention in Ohio, urged this new club to serve the blind and visually impaired and called upon them to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness"; and

WHEREAS, Since that time, the Lions Club has committed itself to serving those with visual impairments; and

WHEREAS, The Brewster Lions Club was formed on March 15, 1927, by 27 charter members; and

WHEREAS, The Brewster Lions Club helped those in need during the Depression by distributing turkeys on Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets at Christmas; today, it continues to conduct food drives for the local food pantry; and

WHEREAS, The Brewster Lions Club is a loyal supporter of the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts, and is the charter club for Boy Scout Troop No. 1; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Brewster Lions Club promotes glaucoma screening, collects old eyeglasses for redistribution, and awards scholarships every year to two outstanding Brewster High School graduating seniors; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proudly moved to honor and commend the members of the Brewster Lions Club, past and present, who have labored so conscientiously to secure and improve the quality of life for the community it serves; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Brewster Lions Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 90th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Brewster Lions Club.