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Senate Resolution No. 4115

BY: Senator BONACIC

COMMENDING the Mamakating Lions Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Mamakating Lions Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The Mamakating Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International, one of the largest service organizations in the world, and is deeply committed to meeting the challenges of public service; currently, there are approximately 46,000 clubs across the globe; and

WHEREAS, The goal of the Mamakating Lions Club and the entire Lions organization is to empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding; and

WHEREAS, Lions are recognized worldwide for their service to the

blind and visually-impaired; this service began when Helen Keller challenged the Lions to become her "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness" during the Lions' 1925 International Convention; and

WHEREAS, The Mamakating Lions Club consists of dedicated men and women who volunteer their time to perform a variety of community service activities; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished 50 year history, the Mamakating Lions Club has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Mamakating Lions Club is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Mamakating Lions Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary, and to commend its members, past and present, who have labored so conscientiously to secure and improve the quality of life in the community; and be it further

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