

February 24, 2022

Dear Delegates Shoemaker, Beitzel, Chisholm, Griffith, Hornberger, Krebs, Mangione, Mautz, McComas, Rose, Saab and Thiam.

My purpose writing your committee is twofold, first thanking your Ways and Means committee for considering HB 941 and my request for you to approve HB 941.

As a Lion volunteer my time and energy embracing our Sight Program became dear to my heart due to personally having amblyopia (lazy eye) that was not found as a child in time to be corrected. You're support of the Lions Vision Research Foundation (LVRF) since the signing of the Lions agreement in 1988 providing services not only in eye research but eye care for the less fortunate is necessary to assist those with eye disabilities.

In our region of Lions Clubs, we have over 7,000 Lion members who are in full support of our joint program with LVRF. Each year our volunteers provide services such as transportation to LVRF, Partnering with Lens Crafters and VSP for the purpose of assisting those in need with eye glasses.

Again, thank you beforehand for your support allowing Lion volunteers to continues the legacy of Helen Keller to be "Knight of the Blind".

Regards,

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