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**PROCLAMATION NO. P16-001
A Proclamation Recognizing
The Westmont Lions Club 80th Anniversary**

WHEREAS: The Motto of Lions Club International is “We Serve” and the Westmont Lions Club is a valuable service club in the community; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club is the oldest service club in the Village of Westmont beginning in 1936; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club participates in a number of annual community events and hosts the annual Red, White & BBQ Festival, which has become one of the biggest BBQ competitions in the Midwest; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club is involved with a number of annual community events including Westmont Street Fair, 4th of July Celebration at Ty Warner Park, Taste of Westmont, Westmont Holly Days Winter Festival, and more; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club hosted the Peace Poster Contest this past year, which included the involvement of Westmont-area middle school students; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club has provided more than \$30,000 in local scholarships over the past 15 years; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club has cooked and served food at community events and has flipped about 750,000 pancakes, shucked about 40,000 ears of corn, and cracked about 30,000 eggs in doing so; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club has purchased over 500 pairs of eyeglasses and hearing aids for people in need; and

WHEREAS: The Westmont Lions Club has supported various charitable causes including SEASPAR and the People’s Resource Center;

NOW, THEREFORE I, Ronald J. Gunter, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Village of Westmont, along with the Westmont Village Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim that the Westmont Lions Club 80th Anniversary will be celebrated throughout the year of 2016 in honor their on-going, excellent service to the community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Village to be affixed this 7th day of the January in year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen.

Ayes: ____ Nays: ____ Absent: ____

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor