## ROBERT "BOB" BLOCK INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Robert "Bob" Block, from MD 1, Illinois, USA was elected to serve as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 102nd International Convention, held in Milan, Italy, July 5 through July 9, 2019.

Director Block has more than 48 years of experience as an architectural and design engineer and project manager.

He was encouraged to join by his father and became a Lion in 1974 with the Calumet City Lions Club where he followed in his father's footsteps and became club president in 1980. He has held a number of other offices within the association including multiple district convention chairperson and member of the Centennial Action Committee. He served as Host Committee chairperson for the 2017 Centennial International Convention in Chicago. Director Block also served as volunteer coordinator for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Special Olympics Unified Cup in 2018 and was a moderator at the 2017 and 2018 USA/Canada Forums.

In recognition of his service, Director Block has received several International President's Awards. Director Block is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Block has been chairman of the Dyer Summerfest for more than 14 years as well as an active member of the Knights of Columbus. He was elected to the town council twice where he served as council president for two years.

Director Block and his wife, Brenda, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have been married for 43 years and have three children and six grandchildren.

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