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Lions International President Meets With the Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China

(Dec. 11, 2023, Oak Brook, Ill.) – On December 10, 2023, Lions International President Dr. Patti Hill met with the Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, Li Qiang, in Beijing to discuss their commitment to serving others and to collaborate on future humanitarian service.

During the meeting, Chinese Premier Li Qiang thanked Lions International for its dedication to serving those in need and supporting blindness prevention initiatives throughout China.

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) pioneered a national eye care project with the Chinese Ministry of Health, the National Institute of Hospital Administration, and the Chinese Disabled Person's Federation: the SightFirst China Action (SFCA) project. For over twenty years, this project has been working to address the eye care needs of China.

Chinese Premier Li Qiang commented that the Chinese government attaches great importance to developing projects to improve public health and encourages charitable organizations to play an active role in them.

More than 34,000 Lions club members are serving in over 1,300 clubs throughout China Council of Lions Clubs. Every day, these Lions, and Lions around the world, are changing communities through humanitarian service.

However, the growing needs of our local and global communities require that the number compassionate people willing to make a difference also grows.

International President Hill encouraged new members to join a Lions club, noting that when someone joins a Lions club, it not only makes our communities stronger, but it also makes the world a kinder, healthier and better place to live.

“I want to thank the China Council of Lions Clubs and the Chinese government for their commitment to helping others,” said International President Hill. “When we work together and strive to make positive changes—in our lives and in the lives of others—we can put so much good into the world.”

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About Lions International

Lions International represents Lions Clubs International and Lions Clubs International Foundation. Lions take on some of the greatest challenges facing our communities and the world through the service of 1.4 million members in 49,000 clubs and the grant-funding support of our foundation. We improve health and well-being, strengthen communities and support those in need, locally and globally. At Lions International, we are serving a world in need. Learn more about who we are and what we do at lionsclubs.org.

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