January 30, 2018 – Introduced by Representatives TITTL, BALLweg, BERCEAU, FIELDS, JACQUE, MilROY, MURSAu, NERISON, PETRYK, ROHRKASTE, SINICKI, SkowRONSki, SPIROS, SPEITZER, THIESFELDT, TUSLER and ZEPNICK, cosponsored by Senators LEMAHIEU, MARKLEIN, RINGHAND, RISSER and L. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: proclaiming April 2018 as Wisconsin Lions Eyeglass Recycling Month in Wisconsin.

Whereas, the Wisconsin Lions began collecting used eyeglasses in the 1950s; and

Whereas, in 1990, a grant was obtained to create the Wisconsin Eyeglass Recycling Center at the Lions Camp, near Rosholt, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, the Wisconsin Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center is one of only 18 in the world and one of 12 in the United States; and

Whereas, the Lions, Lioness, and Leos Clubs in Wisconsin collect and process over 800,000 pairs of glasses a year with more than 450,000 pairs sent to 49 different developing countries; and

Whereas, globally, one in four children cannot see well enough to learn to read without glasses; and

Whereas, by the age of 40, 90 percent of adults experience a decrease in the ability to read, thus needing glasses; and
Whereas, Wisconsin Lions Missions strive to make a difference in the lives of people in need throughout the world; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature hereby proclaims April 2018 as Wisconsin Lions Eyeglass Recycling Month in Wisconsin.

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