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Hong Kong Business Leader Elected Lions Clubs International President: First from China

OAK BROOK, IL, USA, July 8, 2011 — Wing-Kun Tam, from Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (SAR), The People's Republic of China, was elected president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 94th International Convention, held in Seattle, Washington, USA, July 4-8, 2011. He is the first person from China to serve as international president of the world's largest service club organization.

Tam is the chairperson of a world-wide group of air transportation companies. He is active in many government and community organizations.

As international president, Tam will lead the association that has 1.35 million members in more than 46,000 clubs in 207 countries and geographic areas around the world. He will also help set the direction for Lions Clubs International Foundation and the foundation's SightFirst Program, a US\$415 million effort to rid the world of preventable and reversible blindness.

Tam has been a member or chairperson of numerous boards and committees of the Hong Kong government. He served as Hong Kong District Affairs Advisor before the establishment of the SAR in 1997. He has been the Hong Kong Convention Ambassador since 1995 and he is a Justice of the Peace in Hong Kong. He is also the appointed Honorary Consul of the Republic of Kenya in the Hong Kong SAR and Macau SAR.

A member of the Mt. Cameron Lions Club since 1981, Tam has held many offices in Lions Clubs International, including Campaign SightFirst multinational coordinator, SightFirst China Action executive chairperson and 2005 honorary International Convention Host Committee chairperson.

Tam is the recipient of Her Majesty the Queen's Badge of Honor, the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire and the Bronze Bauhinia Star from the British and Hong Kong SAR governments.

Lions clubs are known for their efforts to preserve sight and eradicate blindness, as well as their commitment to community service and helping youth. To learn more about Lions Clubs International, visit www.lionsclubs.org.