



Proclamation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

WHEREAS, the Lions Club of Prattville was formed on February 6, 1936, and received its charter in a special meeting held February 27, 1936, at Prattville Grammar School. The Lions Club International is the largest service club organization in the world. With over 1.34 million members serving nearly 46,000 clubs in over 200 countries and geographic areas around the globe; and

WHEREAS, the primary mission of the Lions Club members is to assist those in need, but unable to afford eye care such as eye exams, glasses or surgeries which are provided to those who meet qualifications. Financial support is also provided for our young people and community organizations. Lion Club members have for many years "manned" the gates" at Prattville High School home football games, both selling and taking tickets; and

WHEREAS, "We Serve" is the motto of the Lions Club International. It exemplifies the dedication to helping those in need as felt by Lions worldwide; and

WHEREAS, annual fundraising projects include: the Fourth of July Bar-B-Q, Prattville City Fest, The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, selling Alabama Peanuts packaged by the Alabama Industries for the Blind. The Lions Club may sell raffle tickets, or you may witness them picking up trash on the streets in Prattville. The important point of the Lions Club is "We are Serving"; and

WHEREAS, the primary service mission of the Lions Club members is to eliminate preventable blindness. Sight programs associated with the Lions Club are: Alabama Lions Sight, Alabama Lions East-West Baseball, Sight Savers of Alabama, local sight exams, glasses, and other needs, Tri-County Camp for the Visually Impaired, Helen Keller - Knights of the Blind, Alabama Regional Library for the Blind, Leader Dogs for the Blind; and

WHEREAS, programs of diabetes include: Southeastern Diabetes and Camp Seale Harris. Prattville supporters include: Boys & Girl Clubs of Prattville, Boy Scouts of America, Prattville Civic Clubs Scholarship Program, Prattville - Autauga Coalition, Honor Flight, Prattville - Autauga Public Safety Insurance Fund, Alabama Arthritis Foundation, Hope for the Warriors, Prattville Independence Day Celebration, Child Protect, Alice Ruth Blackburn Scholarship.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Gillespie, Jr., Mayor of the City of Prattville, Alabama do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2011 as the

PRATTVILLE LIONS CLUB MONTH

and congratulate them on their 75th Anniversary.



Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the City of
Prattville on the 3d day of February, 2011.


Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.