## OJAS M. CHITNIS LEO-LION BOARD LIAISON

Ojas M. Chitnis, from Washington, District of Columbia, USA, was appointed by International President Brian E. Sheehan to serve as a Leo-Lion Board Liaison of Lions Clubs International from 2022 through 2023.

Board Liaison Chitnis is pursuing a bachelor's degree in international business and finance from George Washington University.

As a charter member of the George Washington University Campus Lions Club since 2021, and a former Leo of six years, he has held several offices within the association, including charter club president, zone chairperson and Leo Club program advisory panelist. He has been an active participant at a number of international events and forums including Lions Day on Capitol Hill, and has attended eight international conventions and eleven Lions Days with the United Nations.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including an International President's Leadership Award, an LCIF Helping Hands Award and a Leo of the Year Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. As a lifelong community servant, Ojas has been recognized and honored for his dedication with the President's Volunteer Service Award—the highest award for volunteerism in the United States.

In addition to his Lions activities, he is active in many professional and community organizations, including the Alpha Kappa Psi professional business fraternity and the Special Olympics.

He carries on a proud tradition of humanitarian service which began in 1985 when his father became a charter member of a Leo club in Miraj, India. Both his father, Mahesh, and his mother, Anupama, are active Lions and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows.