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#224228



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Dear Members of Rotary Club of Global Impact #224228,

As my term as the President of our esteemed Rotary Club comes to a close, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey we have embarked upon together over the past year. It is with a heart full of gratitude and immense pride that I pen this letter to express my deepest appreciation and bid you farewell. Goodbye.

First and foremost, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your unwavering dedication and commitment to our mission of making a positive impact on the world. Through our collective efforts, we have accomplished remarkable feats that have touched countless lives, worldwide, leaving an indelible mark of hope and compassion.

Together, we have demonstrated the true spirit of Rotary by extending our support to those in need. Our substantial contribution in coordinating over \$300,000.00 of supplies and food

towards Ukraine's relief efforts stands as a testament to our unwavering solidarity and empathy. The deliveries of medicine, food, and essential supplies have provided vital assistance to the affected communities, offering them a glimmer of hope in their time of struggle.

During the devastating hurricanes that ravaged Puerto Rico and Florida, we stood strong and extended a helping hand. Our tireless efforts and generous contributions ensured that relief reached those who needed it most, offering solace and support during their darkest hours.

Moreover, our impact reached far beyond borders, extending our support to Turkey, Pakistan, and the quest for a cure for Polio. By channeling our resources and expertise, we have taken significant strides towards eradicating this debilitating disease, bringing us one step closer to a world free from Polio's grip. By now, you have read the detailed reports and responsible updates.

We hosted numerous Women's Day events across earth and DEI events worldwide that caused Rotary International to call and write us about being featured in the main magazine of Rotary.

In recognition of our relentless dedication, we have been honored with not just one, but two prestigious awards. These accolades serve as a testament to the exceptional work we have accomplished together, standing as a shining example of our unwavering commitment to service and humanitarianism.

Furthermore, I would like to express my utmost pride in the diverse and inclusive nature of our Rotary Club. With 67% of our members being women (31% in Rotary worldwide) and 53% embracing minority inclusion, we have set an example for others to follow. Our commitment to equity and diversity has not only enriched our organization but has also empowered us to effect meaningful change in communities worldwide. Our club was the first in world history to ever place the DEI Chairperson onto the By-Laws as a seated, voting Board Member, shattering paradigms of black women in charge – an often-under-rated section of love, encouragement, power, leadership, management, and raw skill brought to the business table like the titan towering over any man that Desziree Richardson is. When people see the professional skills – they realize the work is excellent and has nothing to do with skin color or a person's sex. Which is why our club thrives. We also are an open club with our income statements and balance sheets published internationally, 24-hours per day for examination by forensic CPA's and law enforcement. A key element that many attorneys have commented on, "*you folks really are an open club!*" Additionally, we don't need to fumble around looking to find a copy of our by-laws and constitution when asked, those are also online. An embarrassment for anyone when asked from any other club, regardless of what kind of club it is for softball, dancing, orchestra, Optimist, Civitan, Rotary, whatever... In today's day and age, no young and new member wants to beg an 50-year member **of anything** to read and see the financial reports, constitution, and by-laws. "*You'll see those things, snot-nosed punk, after being a member of THIS club after about 10 years, so pipe down and keep your mouth shut.*" That's not leadership. It's not good management. And it's not reserved for any 80-year-old kingpin of industry. That type of attitude is what has led any kind of clubs decline and loss of membership. Are we revolutionaries? Nah.

Are we revolutionary? Yeah.

As I step down from my role as President, I have complete faith in the capable hands that will guide our Rotary Club in the future of Doctor Pauline Crawford and Ms. Patricia Freudenberg. Each one of you possesses the passion, vision, and determination needed to continue transforming lives and making a lasting impact. I urge you to seize every opportunity, embrace challenges, and continue to embody the spirit of Rotary in all that you do.

Finally, I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to the entire Rotary Club of Global Impact #224228 for your unwavering support, collaboration, and trust throughout this remarkable journey. Together, we have achieved great things, leaving an indelible legacy of compassion and service.

As we bid farewell to this chapter, let us carry the memories of our shared triumphs, the friendships we have forged, and the lives we have touched. May the spirit of Rotary forever guide our paths and inspire us to make a difference, wherever we may be. Goodbye.

With utmost gratitude and warm wishes,

Marti and First Lady Stormy

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