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Dear Ann,

I am writing in response to your letter requesting a greeting for your Annual Conference being held in Malta in November.

I am delighted to provide the following message for the Conference.

For far too long, barriers have prevented girls and women from fulfilling their potential.

The Welsh Government is committed to a fair and equitable Wales. We are challenging gender stereotyping and inspiring young women to know that no career is off limits because of their gender, race or background. We are working hard to ensure women are represented at all levels of Welsh life.

In short, we want a Wales where girls and women can aspire and achieve - a Wales without barriers.

Soroptimist International has a similar vision. I wholeheartedly support you and your tireless efforts in achieving your goals, both in the UK and around the world. Through education, empowerment and enabling, you really are making a difference.

I wish you every success with the invaluable work you do and send my very best wishes for a successful and rewarding conference.

Yours sincerely

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