



## These Presents Witness

**THAT** the President and the Members of the Federation of Soroptimist Clubs of GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND, being assembled in Conference at Harrogate, England, on Monday, the sixteenth day of August, in the Year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, prior to the first post-war CONVENTION of the SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION desire to place on permanent record this statement of their deep appreciation and abiding gratitude to the President and Members of the whole AMERICAN FEDERATION of Soroptimist Clubs for their understanding sympathy, unfailing assistance and overflowing generosity to the people of these islands during the Second World War. It can be said with truth that you have accepted responsibility for being involved in all mankind. . . . .

**We** affirm with the Members of the American Federation our faith in fundamental human rights, our belief in the dignity and worth of the human person, and our common allegiance to the principles of the United Nations. . . . .

**We** recognise and salute in our fellow Soroptimists of the American Federation the same unity of purpose of effort and spirit that alone can earn the peace of the world. . . . .

**I**n the words of your John G. Winant who shared with us the bombardment of our islands, we hold the belief that '... what we do together can never fail...'

*IN WITNESS* whereof and in the presence of the Conference here assembled, we have affixed our signatures.

*[Signature]*  
President.

*Elizabeth Hawes*  
International Liaison Secretary.

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Honorary Secretary.