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Dear SI Ceres Members,

Welcome to a new year with Soroptimist International of Ceres! As President, I have identified this year's theme: **"Together We Thrive: Empower, Inspire, Achieve."**

Last year, while working with the fundraising committee and all the incredible members who volunteered to help at the Denim and Diamonds event, I was amazed by the power of our collective efforts. It truly reaffirmed my belief that when women come together we can Empower, Inspire and Achieve.

Inspire– As we move into the 2024-2025 year, our focus on inspiration remains strong. We will continue to seek out ways to inspire each other, as well as the women and girls in our community, through our programs and outreach. By inspiring others, we contribute to a ripple effect of positive influence that has the potential to create lasting change.

Empower–This year, we will focus on empowering each other to achieve great things in our community. By fostering an environment where every member feels supported and confident, we enable each other to take on new challenges and make a meaningful impact. Our collective strength lies in our ability to lift each other up, share knowledge, and provide the tools and resources needed for success. Together, we can turn our vision into reality and empower the women and girls in our community to do the same.

Achieve–Lastly, this year, we will focus on giving back, recognizing that every act of giving, no matter how small, can make a significant difference and create a positive impact on each other and our community. By working together, we can achieve our goals and fulfill our mission.

SAVE THE DATE: We are excited to get together for a Soroptimist of Ceres Social at **The Doghouse on Wednesday, August 28th starting at 4:00 pm.** More information will follow in an email.

Updated pages for the directory will be available at our first meeting of the year on **Wednesday, September 4th, at 12:00 pm** at Alfonso's Restaurant. As a reminder, please remember that our venue plans for a certain number of lunches, so we would love for you to attend as often as possible. In addition, a small portion of your lunch payment also contributes to the cost of lunches for our guests and speakers. We look forward to having you join us! I am truly excited about this upcoming year and look forward to **Thriving Together as we Empower, Inspire and Achieve.**

Sincerely,

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