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Toastmasters... FIRED UP and READY TO GO!!!

Dear District 65 Toastmasters,

I am humbled, grateful, and honored to be of service to our organization. I thank each and every one of you for this incredible opportunity and your dedication to District 65.

Each year, we – as a team – have strived to leave District 65 better than it was before. Together, we have accomplished that goal. As a District, have built more clubs, trained more officers, and held successful conferences. This was done under the incredible leadership of our IPDD, Dr. Ellen Pieklo, DTM and our CGD, Keith Maderer, DTM and you – our members.

District 65, it is time to stay "Fired Up" and keep up our fantastic momentum. We can accomplish our goals when we work together as a team to become a President's Distinguished District. I have heard that if we reach for the stars we might land on the moon!

Toastmasters, when we embrace our core values – Respect, Integrity, Service, and Excellence – we will stay Fired Up and Ready to Go!! This can be done with resilience, enthusiasm, passion, focus, and positive teamwork.

This year I am so excited to be a part of another dynamic Trio – Pam Gorman, ACS, ALB our Program Quality Director and Ray Mulgrew, ACB, CL our Club Growth Director.

Toastmasters, where do you want to go in your Toastmasters journey, and how do you plan to get there?

Our goal is to support our clubs to operate at charter strength and promote each member's goals and give them the resources to be successful – whichever path they take.

We are all leaders in this world. Communities, families, and churches need leaders with excellent communication and leadership skills NOW more than ever.

I have laughed, cried, and am motivated to rise higher than I could ever imagine. Let us share the gift of what Toastmasters has done for each of us. This year, I hold the most important title of all. I am a proud Toastmaster. We are all as unique as snowflakes – not anyone Toastmaster is the same. We each bring a richness to the program by sharing our stories and how Toastmasters has changed our lives.

What a true art form it is to communicate our ideas in a positive and receptive manner and at times life-changing.

It has been my extraordinary privilege to work alongside you! Toastmasters, I receive great joy as I witness you gain experience and increase your leadership and communication skills. Please share your priceless gifts with others... You are the foundation of our organization.

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Take care!

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