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Dr. Melissa Miskell
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Dear Dr. Miskell:

It is a great honor for me to announce that you have been selected to receive the Chamber's Chair of the Board Award in the field of women's health. No more than six such awards are bestowed each year, and your efforts across the world dedicated to the prevention of cervical cancer certainly qualify you for this honor.

Cervical cancer is the number one cause of cancer-related deaths in developing countries. By 2035 it is expected to be the number one cause of death for women worldwide. And 90% of these women live in underdeveloped countries. You serve as the Executive Director of PINCC (preventing cervical cancer – globally) since 2016, and you worked closely with PINCC Founder Dr. Taylor during her missions for seven years. You assumed that role upon Dr. Taylor's retirement, and you lead teams of 5 to 15 volunteers to hospitals and clinics in Africa, Latin America, and Asia.

PINCC has trained approximately 700 personnel in cervical cancer screening and treatment, certified over 40 clinics, seen over 10,000 patients, and saved countless lives in the process. Through your leadership you have accumulated over 250 willing volunteers still waiting for a chance to witness PINCC for themselves.

From 2002 to 2006 you were a volunteer with Central Texas Missions and serviced patients in Nicaragua and Honduras. You were a PINCC volunteer from 2008 to 2012, medical director for PINCC from 2012 to 2016, and Executive Director since 2016. You are a board-certified gynecologist, a graduate of Texas Tech University, University of North Texas Health Sciences Center, and Texas Tech Health Sciences Center.

You have dedicated your life to abolish cervical cancer deaths across the globe. You are raising visibility, building support and promoting awareness as well as influencing public health policy. For these reasons and many more, you and Terrence are invited to be the Chamber's guests at their Centennial Annual Banquet to be held on January 25, 2019 in the New Braunfels Civic Convention Center. At that time you will be presented with a framed certificate and further honored for your efforts in the field of women's health.

Sincerely,

Robin Jeffers
Chair of the Board