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Dear Rotarian Joe,

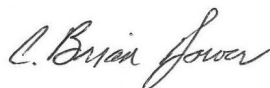
Happy New Year! On behalf of World Vision, I want to personally express my deepest gratitude to you for your Rotary district leadership support in getting behind many large-scale Rotary service projects in collaboration with World Vision, which has provided lasting impact for thousands of vulnerable children and families.

Your district stands out from all the others in how you all have championed key areas of focus such as providing access to clean water, proper sanitation and hygiene for those who need it most. You have done this in Honduras, Guatemala, Ethiopia, Zambia and more. This has made it possible for thousands of girls to go to school instead of walking more than 3 miles a day in search of contaminated water. It has reduced sickness and malnutrition, women are pursuing economic opportunities and businesses are thriving. Your district and clubs have demonstrated time and time again what service above self really means and being people of action. Thank you!

I also want to acknowledge your recent support for the Rotary micro-finance project in Uganda in partnership with World Vision's subsidiary, Vision Fund. This global grant will serve more than 11,000 savings group members (mostly women), benefiting an estimated 60,000 people across 3 districts. Your district helped raise the remaining Rotary funds needed for this global grant to be fully funded. This enabled World Vision to provide the full 1:1 match as we do on all Rotary collaborations.

Again, thank you for all that you do. I look forward to meeting you in-person the next time I am in Northern California and would love to invite you on a Vision Trip to see the work first-hand. In the mean time, feel free to contact me at any point. We are beyond grateful for the partnership with Rotary, your district and clubs, especially the Rotary Club of Sacramento.

With appreciation,



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