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To: All Lions in Multiple District 410

Dear Fellow Lions,

Being challenged in life is inevitable, being defeated is optional

As I woke up this morning, I had butterflies in my stomach and realised this is exactly how the MD410 Council of Governors 2019/2020 would have been feeling, as today was the day that our District Governors Alistair Tuckett (District 410E) and Bennie Smith (District 410W) would have been gearing up for their 2020 Multiple District 410 Convention, starting at 09:00 today.

Our Multiple District Convention Committee under the Chairmanship of Lion Trevor Hobbs would have been in full swing having already welcomed all of us to the city of Durban and I have absolutely no doubt, we would all have had an awesome time already, having experienced their hospitality. My heartfelt and grateful thanks to them for all the support, encouragement and compassion shown to us as we worked through all the "unknowns" and I can assure you that they will continue to do so to host us in 2021.

I wish to place on record that during this 2019/2020 Fiscal Year the District Governors have certainly faced many head winds and uncharted waters in terms of dealing with many challenges such as two new Districts and then the unprecedented times of the devastating pandemic. With change, comes many challenges never before faced and I'm proud of their leadership. Hindsight is always the perfect science and it is easy to sit back and criticise, however no individual really knows until they have walked in someone else's shoes. As we continue until 30 June 2020 before handing over to the MD410 new "Captains", I ask that you support DGs Alistair and Bennie thereby ensuring that we can hand over a sound Multiple District to the MD410 Incoming Council, CCE Herman Smit, DGE Jeff Smith (District 410E) and DGE Pieter Nel (District 410W).

Let us not forget the administrative backbone of the Multiple District 410 Council being our Council Secretary, Council Treasurer and the Chairpersons of the various Portfolios – without your hard work and dedication up to now and until 30 June, the ship of MD410 would not have been as stable as what it is has been.

To each and every member of our Lions Clubs in MD410, thank you for your hard work in meeting the needs of the various communities, prior and during this time of crisis and following the lock down. Your support, compassion and kind words to the MD410 Council have been sincerely appreciated and have often given the boost to keep going. I for one know, that I have an extended family and am proud to be a Lion.

Last but very definitely not least I would like to thank my family who have supported me, talked me through the down times and just been there, maybe not in person at the moment, but thank goodness for the digital era. Without you I would have fallen a few times.

Until we meet again, I wish you all health, happiness and stay safe.

Yours in friendship,

Jacqui