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President's Letter:

**Dear WMCA Members,**

As I reflect on the incredible experience we shared at the annual conference in Middleton, I feel deeply grateful to be part of such an engaged and dynamic organization. The energy, camaraderie, and dedication that filled the room were truly inspiring. From the insightful sessions to the connections we made, it's clear that our community of clerks continues to grow stronger.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to making the conference a success. It was a powerful reminder of the value of coming together to learn, share, and support one another in our professional journeys. I hope you left feeling as motivated and empowered as I did.

As I step into my role as President, I'm excited about what's ahead for us as an organization. During my inaugural address, I talked about focusing on education, training, and sharing of resources being at the heart of my presidency. Our roles as clerks are constantly evolving, and it is essential that we continue to adapt, learn, and grow together. This year, I am asking each District to schedule at least two trainings to ensure a continuous cycle of learning and support. I am also committed to expanding access to training in the Northern regions of the state, ensuring no clerk is left behind.

We are approaching an exciting milestone—our 45th Anniversary! This will be a year of reflection and celebration, but also a time to look forward. One of my goals is to revitalize our Strategic Plan, ensuring it remains a living document that guides us toward continued excellence and growth. With your support, we can update this roadmap to reflect the evolving needs of our members so it stay relevant and continues to guide us and ensure our association continues to thrive for years to come.

Thank you all for your support and trust—it means the world to me. I can't wait to work together and make this year one to remember. Here's to learning, growing, and celebrating 45 years of the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Association!

All the best,

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