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Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to welcome you tonight as we gather in celebration of the BQLI Region Woman of Achievement Gala & Installation of the BQLI Region Board of Directors. We are volunteers of different ages and backgrounds, as we share the importance of strengthening Conservative/Masorti Judaism.

How wonderful it is to celebrate the accomplishments of twenty-three honorees including three recipients of the *L'Dor V'Dor* award. We acknowledge your contributions within your synagogue and Sisterhood communities.

We should be proud to be members of our Sisterhood affiliates in Brooklyn, Queens, and Long Island (Nassau and Suffolk Counties), individual members, and members of Women's League for Conservative Judaism. As I complete my three-year journey as BQLI Region President, I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to share, celebrate, and participate in your membership, education, Torah Fund programs, and Sisterhood *Shabbatot*. Thank you to the Executive Committee and the members of the Board. It has been a pleasure working with you for the past three years.

Thank you to Julia Loeb, WLCJ International President, for joining us tonight as we celebrate the contributions of the honorees. A gracious thank you to Margie Miller, WLCJ Past International President and member of the BQLI Region, for installing the 2024-2026 Board.

Tonight, would not have been possible without the dedicated group of volunteers who worked for months to ensure that this dinner, awards ceremony, and installation would flow seamlessly. Thank you to Jani Majewski, Event Chair, Bonnie Panzok, BQLI Region VP Ways and Means, and committee members Elaina Corwin, Vicki Granek, Ellen Multer, Grace Schessler, Karen Seltzer, Miriam Silverman, Fern Summer, and Dina Yakar. A gracious thank you to all who helped tonight. *Today rabah.*

As the 2023-2024 Torah Fund campaign *Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh Ba'Zeh* is ending, let's continue to remember its importance in our daily lives - we all are responsible for one another, here and in Israel.

B'Shalom,
Barbara