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Greetings KGTC Members:

As the new year approaches, I am both honored and humbled to assume my role as President of KGTC (Kansas Association of Gifted, Talented and Creative). I am committed to amplifying and extending gifted's voice amidst the chaos of a very complex and challenging education environment.

I begin this journey with enthusiasm and excitement and some apprehension related to the state of our State of Kansas and education. In this uncertain environment, it is more important than ever to unite as Gifted Facilitators and make our voices heard. We hold the hearts and minds of our students, parents and colleagues in our hands. Taking care of each other and ourselves becomes a priority. I am optimistic that we as gifted facilitators, other educators and administrators will help weather this storm as we all have a unique combination of skills including higher education, a strong sense of responsibility, integrity and compassion. Never before has it been so critical that we as gifted educators maintain confidence so we can be respected and recognized as leaders in this challenging and uncertain education industry. I am so pleased to be a member of KGTC, an organization that remains committed to empowering educators not just to do their work competently but also to be a well-informed voice for the students we serve and the profession.

If you have any questions, concerns or especially ideas for me and the KGTC Board, please call me or email me. I assure you, I will respond and if I don't know the answers, I will find someone who does.

Have a Blessed New Year and I look forward to working with this KGTC family.

Sincerely,

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