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Deborah: I know I speak for everyone here when I say you truly are an inspiration. We ARE the vanguard for the women of the world! Thank you for rousing the inner passion within all of us to make developing our careers an intentional act – to grow on purpose – to shape the future of our lives vs. having life just happen to us. You also stimulated the notion that we are a global industry and that we need to think beyond our traditional boundaries, whether they are geographical or departmental. You are the proof of concept that the HBA is required for healthy careers.

Barbara: thanks for your words on volunteering. We heard you loud and clear that volunteering defines you as someone who people can count on, someone who is collaborative, authentic and recognized for integrity. The unspoken benefit of volunteering is that it is a wonderful opportunity to give back to those that thrive on your efforts. Thanks for being that role model for all of us.

And Alex: Many thanks to you for your stimulating speech around the changes mentors will need to make in order to address the world challenges in front of us. Not necessarily focusing on our experiences, but on the dynamics of the futuristic Healthcare Systems that are right around the corner. And thank you for being this role model for all of us too.

As President of the HBA, I will commit that the association will continue to support all the wonderful pearls we have garnered today by providing both the education and the forum

where stakeholders from across the sectors can come together and learn from each other's diverse and rich experience base. Just as we all did today!

So make the commitment to continually challenge your learnings and expand your boundaries. Here's one way you may be able to honor that commitment in 2009. [show Leadership Conference 09 video)

On behalf of the HBA, I thank all of you for joining us here today and demonstrating your support of this organization.

I look forward to seeing all HBA members at the MORE event immediately following this luncheon. And I really hope to see you in San Francisco at the Leadership Conference in November.

Have a wonderful day!

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