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Dear President Riordan,

Today, Adelphi University welcomes over 350 innovators, leaders, and trailblazers to celebrate strength, resilience, and boundless potential during its 2024 Women’s Leadership Conference. From the keynote addresses by Jennifer Hyman and Kendra Bracken-Ferguson, which epitomize the spirit of empowerment, to the women sitting beside you, each person here has a unique story to share, forged by navigating our way as women.

In “The Era of Embracing Change,” this conference challenges each of us to “Dare To Be Extraordinary.” As we embark on this transformative journey together, let us seize the opportunity to learn from one another, to amplify our voices, and to champion each others’ successes. Look around this room and remember you are not alone. With one another’s support, we are stronger, and we have the foundation necessary to make our way through this sometimes hostile and difficult world for women.

On this joyous day of insightful collaboration, I thank the Adelphi University campus community for once again hosting this conference and express my gratitude to each of you for being here today.

Sincerely,

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Monica R. Martinez
New York State Senator, 4th District