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Dear Esteemed Members of the American Association of University Women Maryland,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 81st annual convention of AAUW Maryland. As we gather in Howard County, we celebrate the collective strength and success of this incredible organization in advancing the educational and professional opportunities of women and girls.

Throughout its history, the AAUW has been at the forefront of promoting gender equity and empowering women through education, advocacy, and research. Your dedication to this important cause has helped to break down barriers and create opportunities so that all women may reach their full potential.

As we come together for this year's convention, we have the opportunity to honor Secretary Susan Lee for earning the 2023 Maryland Woman of Distinction award, learn from our distinguished panelists, and work together to shape the future of women's education and empowerment. This year's convention promises to be a truly inspiring and enriching event, with insightful speakers and engaging discussions on the topic of Inequalities in Health Care Affecting Women and Girls.

I am truly honored that I was asked to be part of this year's convention, and it is with sincere regret that I am unable to join you. I look forward to future opportunities to connect. Together, let us continue to build a brighter future.

Thank you for your commitment to this important cause, and welcome to the 81st annual convention of the American Association of University Women Maryland!

Sincerely,

Courtney Watson

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