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Ellen Bolch
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Dear Ellen:

Congratulations are well earned and herein rendered for your very imaginative and entertaining year as the club's President. You did an excellent job, as all who know you were sure you would.

But have you yet realized just how unique your year was? Since the club's founding in 1913, about 5,000 people have been members. Of those only 107 got to be President. And of those, only four - including you - have been women.

But rarest of rare, of all 107 Club Presidents, male or female, only two, you and Frank Bell (1918-19), got to lead during a raging pandemic!

History doesn't relate how Frank performed, but you handled an extremely tough role magnificently. You brought high energy, innovation, humor and steady leadership to the "live" meetings you ran before Covid-19 and to the zoom meetings that were later necessitated by the rules of in-home sheltering.

I'm pretty sure no one else could have handled this uniquely stressful term with the poise and dedication you exhibited throughout.

So, let me again congratulate you on a job well done.

Warmly (but not feverishly),

Richard