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It has been a very busy year in the areas of International Relations and National Team as you can see from those reports.

**National Teams**

I would like to congratulate all of our National Team Athletes and coaches on a very successful year. We competed in Several World Series events held both virtually and in person. This culminated in the Super Final where Team USA took the overall high point for this event. Our Youth (13-15) National team competed in Charlotte, NC in the Youth World Championship. These athletes came together from multiple teams and only had about 7 weeks to train together. Team USA won the overall High Point Award! Finally, our Junior National team went to Quebec, Canada. We had multiple top 10 finishes. Unfortunately, due to health and injury issues, they were not able to compete in the Free Team event. We are extremely proud of all of our National Team Members; it has been a successful year for these coaches and athletes. Thank you to everyone who has supported our National Team Athletes and Coaches, without you it would be very difficult to be as successful as we are.

**International Relations**

We had many successful Club Options this year – Congratulations to all and to the Masters swimmers that competed at the Pan American Masters Championships in Columbia. Thank you to all of our FINA judges for their time and commitment to our sport.

Special thanks to our retiring FINA Vice Chair Ginny Jasontek. We are gratefully for all you have done for the USA in your position and for your years of dedication to our sport

I would also like to thank the office staff, but especially Shari Darst for all you have done to support me and our National Teams.

Finally, I am so lucky to have worked with both Lara Teixeira Cianciarulo, as High-Performance Manager and Betty Hazle, as International Relations Chair. Both of these individuals do an incredible amount of work day in and day out for our sport. I could not have done my job without them and they made it so much easier.

Respectfully submitted

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