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I am honored to acknowledge the fifth annual celebration of International Women's Day at Howard University.

This is the perfect platform to raise awareness for our Women Frontline Healthcare heroes at Howard University Hospital. During this deadly pandemic, it has been our women who are leading the charge to combat COVID-19. Their commitment and dedication to our patients and this community is a testament of their professionalism and courage.

Historically, women have been a part of every major global health crisis. They are also the majority in the global health workforce, comprising of 70 percent but scarce in its leadership ranks, only holding 25 percent of leadership positions. We need more women taking the lead on global health policies and emergency response which will inevitably translate into positive change.

What you do from today on will determine if our destiny continues to blossom. I am proud to be a part of your endeavors at The Center for Women, Gender, and Global Leadership at Howard University.

Thank you!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anita L.A. Jenkins CEO'.

Anita L.A. Jenkins
Chief Executive Officer