Honorable Madam Director General Honorable Mr. President of the General Conference Chairperson of the Executive Board, Dignitaries, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates Ladies and Gentlemen,

First of all, I would like to send my warmest congratulations to Madame Director-General for your re-election, and I firmly believe that under your wise leadership, yV-o#\ -covid area.

As the President of WFUCA, it is with great pleasure and pride, I share with this gathering that this year marks the 40th anniversary of the establishment of the World Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centres and Associations. During the last 40 years, WFUCA and its all members, that compose of more than 4000 UNESCO Clubs and Associations spread in about 80 countries around the globe, have greatly yV-o#V

Ladies and gentlemen,

As you all know, $yV-o\#\$ # U representatives of all sections of the society, particularly young women and men, rendering services voluntarily in advancin $yV-o\#\$

Taking this occasion, WFUCA would like to thank the General Conference and the Executive Board for its decision to renew our official partnership with UNESCO for another eight years and I would reiterate we are committed to strengthen the organization by supporting its programmes and activities and work within the guiding principles of UNESCO, in close collaboration with the National Commissions to UNESCO.

Thank you very much for providing me the opportunity to speak before this distinguished gathering.