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It fills my heart with joy and respect to address you on this distinguished occasion of celebration 50 years of academic excellence at the American-Romanian Academy of Arts and Sciences (ARA).

First and foremost, please accept my warmest gratitude to the organizers who made this milestone event possible. Forty years of continuous academic activity call for a moment of reflection and deep respect for the visionaries who founded this institution, such as Monsignor Octavian Bârlea and Professor Nicolae Timiraș. And of course, a salute to all the past Presidents and the current President, Prof. Dr. Ruxandra Vidu.

I am genuinely happy that ARA has endured through all the challenges, difficulties, and even political or personal differences over the decades. Its mission—to ensure that the achievements of Romanian arts and sciences are known throughout the Western world, including America and Europe—is vital and has been successfully fulfilled.

As we all know, Romanians have always felt a strong connection to the Western culture of Europe and, after the Second World War, to America, more so than to the culture of the East. This Academy provides the perfect framework for a fruitful and lively collaboration among intellectuals from Romania and Moldova, along with friends and colleagues from many other countries.

Arts and Sciences are, and will always be, the fundamental backbone of our civilization, and they will never stop progressing. Through ARA, we have the distinct honor of being part of this incredible adventure, and we get to carry a piece of Romania with us, no matter where we are now or where we go in the future.

I sincerely wish this Congress every success it deserves. I hope it serves as a wonderful new opportunity for our young scholars and artists—whether of Romanian origin; American; European and researchers from developing countries—to connect and gain a deeper understanding of this unique culture.

I send my very best wishes and warm regards to each and every one of you, and my heart is truly with you, even if I cannot be there physically!

With my highest consideration and warmest wishes,

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