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**VISION STATEMENT**

Having traveled around the world, I’ve seen how Civil Engineering affects everyday life. From power generation and distribution, to safe drinking water and proper treatment and disposal of waste, to transportation nodes and flood control as Civil Engineers anything we do affects so many people for good or harm.

As a Governor of Region 7, I would share my experiences how we are all connected regardless of our individual gender, religion, nationality, ancestry, and creed. I’d strive to inspire the next generations of engineers to learn as much as they can. Getting additional education is a lot tougher when you are working full time and starting a family! I’d work with young professionals to seek out new challenges and go outside their comfort zone to grow with new perspectives and insights. I’d chat with seasoned professionals and retirees to learn how things were done and how they could be different by mentoring new and upcoming engineers. I’d also encourage them to share that knowledge by engaging with the public, potential future engineers, and elected officials.

Lastly, I would stress the value of an ASCE membership. Its career development, technical education, and network potential is unmatched by adjacent organizations.