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Dear Participants of the *Women of the Mountains Conference*,

As Governor, it is my pleasure to welcome you to our great state and to this important conference designed to examine women and children's issues in developing nations.

Utah enjoys a rich history of valiant, dedicated women. Pioneer women come to what would be known as Utah - a remote territory and braved harsh elements in order to establish their families in very difficult surroundings. They worked to help soften the desert and became some of the first women in the United States to vote. Their descendants continue to work on behalf of women and children around the globe.

We have much to learn from and share with women leaders from other nations. Thank you for being willing to share your experiences and expertise with those in attendance. While you are in Utah, please enjoy the unique beauty of our great state and the warm friendly spirit of our residents.

Best wishes for a memorable and successful conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary R. Herbert".

Gary R. Herbert  
Governor