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EQUALED WORLD IS AN ENABLED WORLD!

Equaled world accelerates women's development efforts!

The Empowerment for Life (E4L) Program joins the rest of the world to mark another year of International Women's Day. The day marks another occasion for governments, organizations and individuals to review how far we have come in our quest for gender equality and development, and to look forward to salient and compelling actions that need to take place to ensure that the lives of women across the globe are improved.

This year's theme aptly tagged, "I am Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights" clearly highlights the work of the Empowerment for Life Program which has over the years worked on building the capacity of a critical mass of women and young girls to play more visible and active roles in promoting positive action towards achieving gender equality and enhancing the quality of addressing policies on women, peace and security.

E4L notes that although significant strides has been made in creating an ambient platform for women to advance their course, significant gaps still exist in our economic, social and political structures that inhabits women progress and more still needs to be done.

As we commemorate this day, we wish to draw particular attention to Gender Based Violence in the form of forced marriages, domestic violence, rape, among others are still perpetrated against women and young girls. This sad development constitutes an abuse of their fundamental human rights resulting in lowering their potentials to make meaningful contributions to the development of society.

Also, women contribution to the general process of community and national development is greatly hampered by socio-cultural, political and economic factors such as access, ownership and control over productive resources and low level of policy interventions that supports and builds the capacity of women and young girls.

The Empowerment for Life Program lauds the effort of government, civil organizations and community based organizations in the journey for the attainment of gender equality. The fight for gender equality requires the concerted effort of all and the need to bring on board all relevant players including traditional and religious heads, women groups and various interest groups to identify significant pathways to better promote the rights of all women.

On this occasion, we call on government to create the needed ambiance by instituting affirmative policies that will promote and protect the interest of women to effectively contribute to the process of national development.

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