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Like you, I am passionate about transportation and ITE. My passion has guided me for 26 years to develop a strong, proven leadership record through student chapter, section, district, and most recently, my international board service completed in 2017. I am also a proud, inaugural LeadershipITE graduate.

My service to ITE has been through listening, collaborating, promoting fairness, and mentoring, focused towards serving both the needs of our members today and the next generation of transportation professionals. I was fortunate to serve on the international board at a transformational and transitional time that included hiring a new Executive Director, improving member communication, developing and passing constitutional amendments, releasing major publications, and developing partnerships with other associations.

I wish to continue my service to you, our membership, by working to complete the many initiatives under way and building on those successes into the future. To accomplish my vision, I am embracing four themes to **LEAD** our association.

**L**eadership – I will build on the success of LeadershipITE and Student Leadership Summits by delivering leadership training locally through districts and sections. I will advance efforts to educate and encourage our district and section leaders on how to be an active voice for local transportation issues. Lastly, I will work to establish a strategic vision panel to advise the international board on issues expected to impact our profession over the next 10 to 15 years.

**E**ngagement – I will seek ways to engage our members at all organizational levels to both realize and seize the value of ITE membership. Being a volunteer-driven association, we need to improve the way we match passionate and energetic members with volunteer opportunities. Finally, we should work to expand our global membership by re-engaging our former student chapter members now back home in countries outside North America.

**A**lignment – I value the strength and connections that our vibrant sections and chapters offer. At the same time, we must ensure that our association's overall strategic direction is reflected in district/section/chapter initiatives and activities. I intend to increase our efforts to introduce and persuade all professionals that influence and impact transportation to join and be active in our association and to proudly represent their profession. We can improve information sharing between headquarters and its districts and sections to facilitate member recruitment and follow-up.

**D**iversity – I welcome ideas that challenge the norm and offer different perspectives. I believe we must attract and include in our leadership ranks greater professional, ethnic, and gender diversity that better reflects our general membership. I actively sought to remove barriers impeding membership growth through constitutional amendments and I will continue building on these efforts to grow the ITE membership and help ensure it represents the diversity of our strong, passionate community of transportation professionals.

I greatly value my ITE membership experience and network. I thank my mentors for their encouragement and support that ignited my desire to serve.

Please join me as we work together to serve, to **LEAD**, and to move our profession forward.