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To Whomsoever This May Concern

My association with Usha Kiran Eye Hospital, Dr Uma and Dr. Ravishankar began when we visited them for an eye exam some 28 years ago. At that time they were engaged in service activities under various programs for other charitable causes and organizations. Very soon they started their own charity called Usha Kiran Charitable Trust under which they undertook service programs in a more structured way. Our family was very impressed at how, at the grassroots level, they were identifying the need and providing care and support to cure early childhood eye problems and saving the future of young kids from poor ignorant families. This was the beginning of our strong bonding on this mission. We have volunteered in a couple of their camps and seen firsthand as to how impactful their mission is.

Under our theater banner called Mandaara Creations, we have produced a few plays and have donated the proceeds to the Children's Sight Saving project of UshaKiran. We've also been able to mobilize funds and convince many of our peers and friends in the US to be an ally of Usha Kiran and its initiatives. I have helped generate several videos, posters and educational material for Usha Kiran's causes and know the breadth and depth of the work they do.

Dr. Ravishankar is an empathetic doctor, who has the same ease with patients of any age and any financial background. He has that inspirational persona to make people believe in him and delivers it gracefully. It is a wonderful gesture by Rotary International to nominate Dr. Ravishankar for the title "Champion of Impact". He will certainly carry this well deserved recognition with poise and integrity.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

Poornima Ramaprasad

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