

**CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE ON THE INAUGURATION
CEREMONY
OF
THE INDONESIAN WOMEN JUDGES' ASSOCIATION**

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My brother and sister judges of the Indonesian Judiciary

Ladies and gentlemen

Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh and a very good morning to all of you.

I am truly honoured and delighted to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Judiciary of Indonesia on the momentous occasion of the establishment of the Indonesian Women Judges' Association. Today, on the 12th of January 2024, we witness the birth of an organization that promises to be a beacon of progress, equality, and empowerment. I was made to understand that the Indonesian Women Judges Association, better known as Badan Perhimpunan Hakim Perempuan Indonesia, has 2211 female judges as its members throughout Indonesia who hail from 4 judicial jurisdictions, namely general court, state administrative court, religious court, and military court.

I extend my warmest congratulations to the Honourable Justice Nani Indrawati of the Civil Chamber of the Supreme Court of Indonesia, who played a pivotal role in founding the Indonesian Women Judges Association and has been deservedly appointed as its first Chair.

This historic initiative in the establishment of the Indonesian Women Judges Association marks a significant stride towards fostering gender diversity and inclusivity within the legal system of Indonesia. The creation of the Indonesian Women Judges Association not only represents a milestone for the accomplished women who have dedicated themselves to the pursuit of justice but also signals a commitment to a more equitable and just society.

As we celebrate this moment, it is crucial to recognize the immense contributions of the women judges who have blazed trails and shattered glass ceilings, paving the way for those who will follow. Your dedication to

upholding the principles of justice, fairness, and equality serves as an inspiration to us all.

This association provides a platform for collaboration, mentorship, and advocacy. By joining forces, you have the opportunity to amplify your impact, ensuring that the legal system becomes more reflective of the diverse perspectives and talents that make up our society.

May the Indonesian Women Judges Association become a catalyst for positive changes, a space where ideas flourish, networks strengthen, and collective efforts bring about lasting transformations in the legal landscape. I have no doubt that your endeavours will contribute significantly to a more just, inclusive, and equitable future for all.

Once again, congratulations on this remarkable achievement, and I look forward to witnessing the beneficial influence of the Indonesian Women Judges Association unfold in the years to come.

Thank you.