Fellow Councilors,

(SLIDE 1) Good morning, and happy International Year of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements to you all! Welcome to California!

(SLIDE 2) As a reminder, my overarching theme for 2019 is Collaboration: across ACS units, and with external partners including scientific societies in the US and around the world. Specific areas of focus are Advocacy, and Safety and the Environment.

(SLIDE 3) Since we last met, I met with the California and Silicon Valley Sections in a joint meeting, and visited the South Florida Local Section (details in my written report).

(SLIDE 4) It was also delightful to attend the Great Lakes, Central and Northwest Regional meetings.

(SLIDE 5) While at the Central Regional Meeting, we dedicated a National Historic Chemical Landmark in honor of the invention of Gas Chromatography- Mass Spectrometry. And earlier this month re-dedicated a National Historic Chemical Landmark for the Discovery of Transuranium Elements at Berkeley Lab, with plaques to be placed at Lawrence Berkeley National Labs, and at the Lawrence Hall of Science where it will be viewable by the many members of the public who visit the Hall.

(SLIDE 6) In the area of International Collaborations, I was privileged to participate in a Symposium on Women in Chemistry organized by the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). This meeting built on our previous interactions with the Nobel prize winning OPCW, and I look forward to future collaborations with them.
I also met with the Canadian Society of Chemistry Board and the Royal Society of Chemistry to discuss future collaborations, including potential Chemistry Enterprise Partnerships focused on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

While in London we met at a Parliamentary Transatlantic dinner with several scientific societies, including the Royal Society of Biology and Biochemical Society, Royal Society of Chemistry, Society of Chemical Industry, Nutrition Society, Institute of Physics, Canadian Chemical Society, Science Council, Council for the Mathematical Sciences. I also hosted a reception for our members living in the UK at the Society of Chemical Industry offices

At this meeting, I am pleased to report that we signed a new Chemistry Enterprise Partnership with the Israel Chemical Society, with whom we are working on joint programming for future meetings.

In addition to the Advocacy efforts mentioned in my written report, I am happy to report that the US Senate passed a resolution in honor of the International Year of the Periodic Table, and members in the following states have obtained state resolutions in honor of IYPT: Massachusetts, Texas, South Carolina, Washington and Puerto Rico, with resolutions pending in California and Tennessee, and others in the works.

Finally, I’d like to thank the Divisional Activities Committee for continuing the breakfast to encourage collaboration across Divisions for joint programming, and the individuals who helped organize my Presidential Symposia and the other wonderful programs that have made this meeting so interesting and exciting.

Thank you for your attention and for everything you do on behalf of our Society. Please feel free to reach out to me at b.charpentier@acs.org.

Fellow Councilors and dear friends, this concludes my report.
ACS President’s Report

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Oral Report to Council
April 2019
Presidential Themes for 2019

• Overarching theme of Collaborations
  – Industry and academia
  – International
  – Across ACS and with Societies outside ACS

• Advocacy

• Safety and the Environment
Communications with Members Local Section Visits

• Joint Meeting
  Silicon Valley and California Local Sections

• South Florida Local Section
  – Seminar at Florida International University
  – Seminar at University of Miami
  – Awards Luncheon
  – Dinner with Section Leaders
Communications with Members
Regional Meetings

• Great Lakes Regional Meeting, Lisle, Illinois

• Central Regional Meeting, Midland, Michigan

• Northwest Regional Meeting, Portland, Oregon
National Historic Chemical Landmarks

“Gas Chromatography – Mass Spectrometry”  Midland, MI

“Discovery of Transuranium Elements at Berkeley Lab”  Berkeley, CA
International Collaborations
Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

Symposium on Women in Chemistry, The Hague

- Women Scientists for the Next Generation: Responsible Culture in Chemical Safety and Security Management
- Session: Fostering a Culture of Promoting Chemical Knowledge
- Roundtable discussions: Strengthening the Capacity of Women Experts in Chemical Industries
International Collaborations

• **Canadian Society for Chemistry**
  – 102nd Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition
  – Meeting with the CSC Board – Chemistry Enterprise Partnership

• **Royal Society of Chemistry**
  – Meeting with RSC leadership
  – Awards reception and Summer Party

• **Parliamentary Transatlantic Dinner**
  – A gathering of several scientific societies

• **Reception in London for ACS members**
International Collaborations

- Parliamentary Transatlantic Dinner
  - Royal Society of Biology and Biochemical Society
  - Royal Society of Chemistry
  - Society of Chemical Industry
  - Nutrition Society
  - Institute of Physics
  - Canadian Chemical Society
  - Science Council
  - Council for the Mathematical Sciences
Advocacy
State and local advocacy update

• Congressional Resolution for IYPT
• Other legislative resolutions:
  – Massachusetts, Texas, South Carolina, Washington, Puerto Rico
  – Pending: California, Tennessee (others in progress)
• Advocacy Workshop at the Northwest Regional Meeting
Got ideas? email b.charpentier@acs.org