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# *Dear Mrs. Lois,*

# *My name is Ngoc. Currently I am a sophomore at the University of Architecture Ho Chi Minh City. First of all, I would like to send you my thanks to you and your organization for the women’s scholarship. Today, I represent our group at Tu Duc Orphanage. This year is the third year that we received this scholarship, we are very delighted. Thank you for coming to Vietnam to meet us and give us the extremely precious scholarship. This is very large encouragement both physically and mentally for us having some difficult conditions.*

# *These scholarships have supported us very much in paying up for our study (especially having opportunity to learn English) as well as assuring of daily life. From the bottom of our hears we promise to sturdy well. I wish that WEAV will help more and more girls like us. Thanks to you and your organization.*

# *Yours sincerely, Le Bao Ngoc*

# A Vietnam where girls and women can exercise leadership, find their voice, and enrich community development and family life.

# WEAV Philosophy

# *Educating girls and women is the best return on investment in developing countries.*

# *Growing women’s businesses is vital for economic development.*

# *Transparency and sustainability are key to operational efficiency and effectiveness.*

# *Low operating costs maximize program opportunities for girls and women.*

# *Strong local and global partnerships enhance our mission and energizes our base.*

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# THE HISTORY OF WEAV WEAV’S VISION 2018 WEAV AWARDS

# Lois T. Vietri, Ph.D. founder and Executive Director laid the groundwork for Women’s Empowerment and Voice during her academic career at the University of Maryland College Park. There she co-founded the Maryland Vietnam Partnership (MVP). MVP major activities included:

# *MVP Conference: Vietnam’s Challenges in the Global Economy*

# *MVP Conference: Sustainability and Development in Vietnam*

# *Seminar on the Politics of the Vietnam Wars*

# *Honors Seminar on the Legacies of the Vietnam War*

# *Seminar on the Politics, Technology, and Environments of the Mekong Delta*

# *Academic exchanges of Ford, Fulbright, and Humphrey Fellows*

# *Study Abroad Programs in Vietnam*



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