25 for 25 is an original content series by Gucci and CHIME FOR CHANGE to mark the historic milestone of Beijing +25 in March, as well as Women’s History Month. The series will highlight activists, CHIME Advisory Board members, partners and supporters who represent the progress made on gender equality over the past 25 years, and the emerging next generation continuing this critical work.
For more than a decade as President and CEO of UNICEF USA and now as the Executive Director of the Walton Family Foundation, Caryl Stern has advocated to improve the lives of those most in need and taken an on-the-ground approach in the fight for gender equality. Read about Caryl’s vision for a gender-equal future for all women and girls below.

**What are your hopes and expectations for gender equality in the next 25 years?**

I hope within 25 years the term “gender equality” will no longer be necessary – that we will have evolved to a point where it is so unacceptable for there not to be equality between genders that we no longer have to fight for it.

**What keeps you energized and committed as a leader for gender equality?**

What keeps me energized is the progress I have seen in my lifetime and the brilliant young women who are capitalizing on that progress while demanding more!