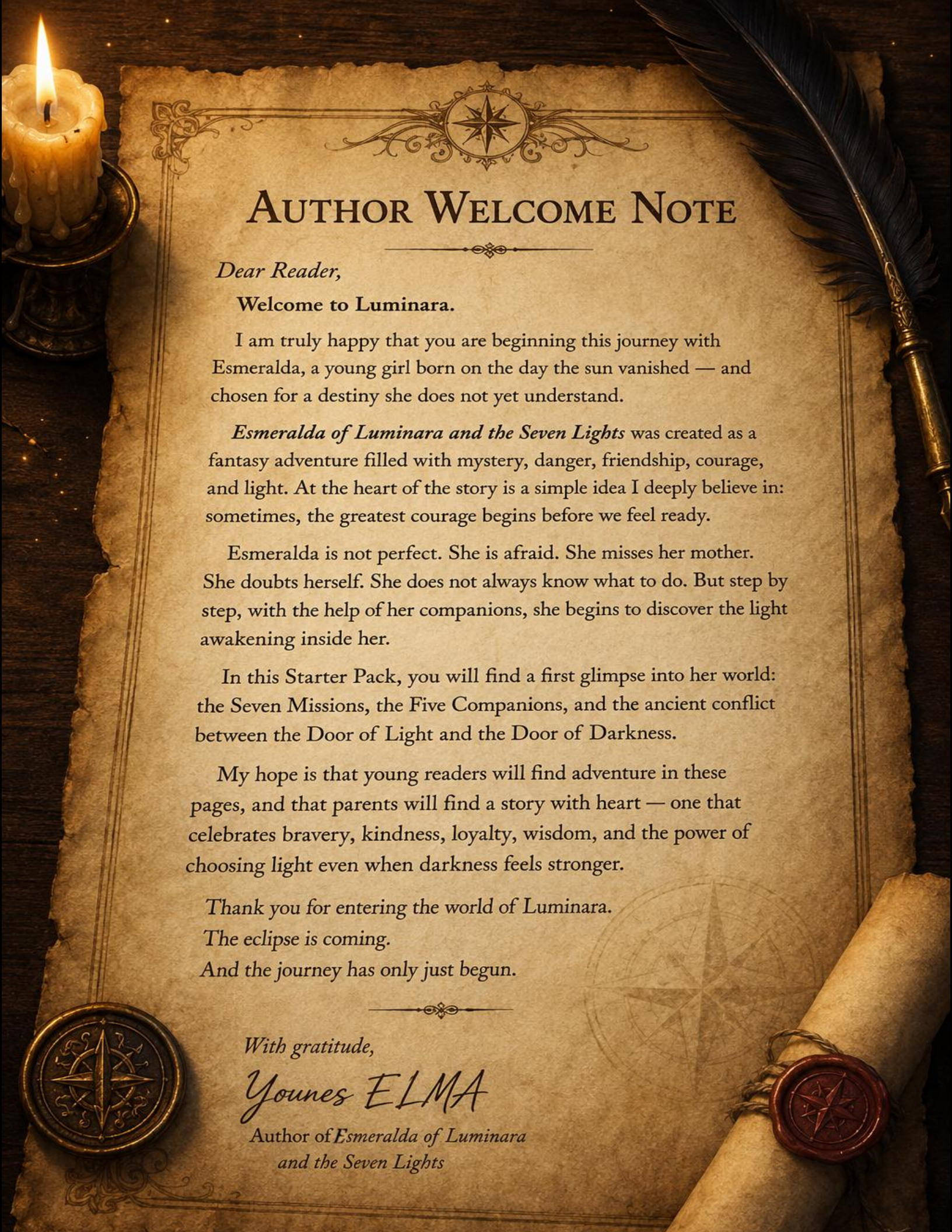




AUTHOR WELCOME NOTE

Dear Reader,

Welcome to Luminara.

I am truly happy that you are beginning this journey with Esmeralda, a young girl born on the day the sun vanished — and chosen for a destiny she does not yet understand.

Esmeralda of Luminara and the Seven Lights was created as a fantasy adventure filled with mystery, danger, friendship, courage, and light. At the heart of the story is a simple idea I deeply believe in: sometimes, the greatest courage begins before we feel ready.

Esmeralda is not perfect. She is afraid. She misses her mother. She doubts herself. She does not always know what to do. But step by step, with the help of her companions, she begins to discover the light awakening inside her.

In this Starter Pack, you will find a first glimpse into her world: the Seven Missions, the Five Companions, and the ancient conflict between the Door of Light and the Door of Darkness.

My hope is that young readers will find adventure in these pages, and that parents will find a story with heart — one that celebrates bravery, kindness, loyalty, wisdom, and the power of choosing light even when darkness feels stronger.

Thank you for entering the world of Luminara.
The eclipse is coming.
And the journey has only just begun.

With gratitude,

Younes ELMA

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and *the Seven Lights*

