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To Whom It May Concern:

The Young Women's Resource Center staff would like to nominate Cathy Lacy for the Business Record's Woman of Influence Award.

For many years, Mrs. Lacy has made a variety of valuable contributions to the Young Women's Resource Center. She successfully chaired the YWRC's annual fundraising gala, Sit On It!, for two consecutive years in 2013 and 2014. During those two years, \$106,000 and \$146,000, respectively, was raised for the organization. Mrs. Lacy's diligent and continuous efforts were significant in accomplishing this goal.

Mrs. Lacy has contributed to the Greater Des Moines Community in a multitude of ways. She served on the Board of Trustees for Drake University. She was a sponsor of the Culinary Loft at the Des Moines Social Club. She has participated in and shared her home with the public for the Holly and Ivy tour of homes that benefits the Salisbury House. She is also currently on the Board of Directors for the Blank Park Zoo.

Mrs. Lacy has been a board member for the Holy Family School Foundation in Des Moines. She is also a past Campaign Director for the Women's Leadership Connection, for the United Way of Iowa.

Those that have worked closely with Mrs. Lacy affirm her positive attitude and what a pleasure it is to work with her on a committee or initiative. The Greater Des Moines Community is a better place because of Mrs. Lacy's contributions, which predictably will continue with fortitude, foresight and philanthropy.

We would appreciate your consideration of Mrs. Lacy for the Woman of Influence Award in 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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