



Selection Committee  
Business Record 2019 Women of Influence  
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Des Moines, Iowa 50309

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Members of the Selection Committee,

It's my honor to nominate Molly M. Phillips for recognition as a 2019 Woman of Influence. Molly is an ethical leader with a career-long commitment to making our state better through her leadership at Iowa Public Television and her volunteer work.

I've known Molly since 2001, and I worked closely with her for 14 years at Iowa Public Television. In that time – and in the years since as our friendship and professional relationship have continued – I've found Molly to be someone who cares fiercely about what is right. She leads with confidence and strength, with a keen sense of justice and courage.

Molly has spent her career at Iowa Public Television, where she has risen to her current role as Executive Director and General Manager. She has continued to advance at the network because of her infectious love for the place and her steadfast passion for leveraging the important work of public television to benefit the most Iowans possible.

Molly embodies the spirit of Iowa Public Television. She has diverse interests, a keen curiosity, and a true love for Iowa. She sees a need in our state and works to find a way for Iowa Public Television to shine a light on it or otherwise address it. One example of this is how she led the network's efforts to bring girls' high school sports back to statewide broadcast coverage. Not only did she see that high school sports are a perfect fit for a statewide public broadcasting network, but she saw the value of highlighting female athletes to Iowans across our state. Molly has always been about elevating talented and passionate women, and her fight to bring girls' high school sports to television prominence is just another example.

Molly's commitment to her community and our state doesn't just stop at the statewide network. Molly has served young learners as a board member and mentor with Everybody Wins! Iowa, and she continues to donate her time and treasure to help Iowans struggling with homelessness and food insecurity.

Molly is, without question, a woman of influence in our state. Because of her, we're able to celebrate "the Iowa girl" whether she's playing basketball or softball. Because of her, Iowans have access to Iowa artists and international concerts no matter where they live or what they can afford to pay. Because of her, Iowa kids are learning to be great students AND great

citizens. Because of her, a few more people go to bed less hungry. And because of her, I have confidence that the statewide television network that I love is in good hands with a bright future.

I'm happy to discuss this recommendation with you further. Molly is an excellent candidate for a 2019 Woman of Influence, and I hope you will share my belief that her leadership is deserving of this recognition.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer C. Glover Konfrst". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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