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Dear Forty Under 40 selection committee,

I am writing this letter in support of Tim Albrecht for inclusion in the Des Moines Business Record's 2017 Forty Under 40.

From the first day I was chosen as Terry Branstad's running mate, Tim was there as our communications director, helping shape our message and creating innovative new ways to share it with Iowans. He was a delight to work with and had an infectious, positive attitude on our entire office.

He is a fierce competitor on the political battlefield, but he is also a peacemaker. Tim is never one to allow "no" to be the final word and is always looking for alternative solutions to find conflict resolutions. This kind of open thinking and problem solving is too often absent in today's politics.

Also, in working with Tim I have gotten to see him as a father and family person. He cherishes his wife, Josie, their son, Davis and unborn daughter more than anything. It is with them in mind he makes every decision, knowing he is there to support his family while also setting an example of hard work, dedication and kindness for his young children to look up to. There is no business meeting more important than the time he sets aside for his family. He works hard to be present and has created a successful personal model for himself.

Tim Albrecht is very deserving for inclusion in this year's Forty Under 40. I truly believe his best work has just begun, and I cannot wait to see him attain this very important distinction from your committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds
Lieutenant Governor