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There is n one in Des Moines Iwould be more excited to write a nomination letter about than Brianne Sanchez. I ould have done it sooner, but assumed she had already been honored because I think she is

ive and successful young leader for our community.

I got to kn w Brianne first through the Des Moines Young Nonprofit Professionals Network (YNPN), an organizati n she worked to bring to the state. She successfully launched the Iowa chapter, which has filled a crit cal need for Iowa's social sector. When I started as a nonprofit professional six years ago, I was surpri ed to find a lack of connective tissue between organizations. YNPN has helped to fill this void, particular! for those younger and more new to the field. It provides professional development, networkin , and other assistance to young professionals in a way that I think has a strong impact on individual and organizations. Brianne is a unique leader who is able to start an organization like that, build it in s early years and then successfully transition it to a new set of leaders. She has an eye for sustainabi ity that is a rare gift.

We have otten to know each other even better in her role as Community Relations Manager for Des Moines U iversity (DMU). DMU is a member of the organization I run, Iowa Campus Compact, which helps to b ild connections between colleges and communities. Brianne has been able to significantly raise the uality and profile of DMU's community engagement efforts. She is a relentless learner and networke and has been able to bring her ideas and creativity as a member of one of our board

All of the bove doesn't do justice to the wonderful person I know Brianne to be. She sees the world in a way that s different from most people I know and is always seeking and finding ways to build on what she sees. er skill in communications and focus on supporting others along the way makes her an asset that Des oines will benefit from as long as she calls this city home.

As a past onoree, I can't think of anyone more deserving of this honor than Brianne and I hope you will consider er nomination.

Sincerely



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