To the Forty Under 40 Committee,

It is with a tremendous amount of excitement that I recommend Blair Rosenberg for the class of 2018's "Forty Under 40."

The zest for life and others was truly apparent when I first met Blair at the age of 9. It is not often that you encounter a grade school student that will look you in the face while conversing. Let alone possess the art of delivering a joke with pinpoint accuracy.

High School brought Blair to the forefront of her class. She was a leader in the swimming pool at Roosevelt High School. The way in which Blair carried herself in high school caused many to mistaken her for a grown woman. Being involved within the community and "doing the right thing" was strongly ingrained within her upbringing by many influences. Starting at home of course, being a lady and having manners was a constant expectation. It was an honor to have been asked to take Blair's senior/graduation photographs, knowing that I was documenting someone special.

Fast forward to current day. All of those attributes shine brightly on a daily basis. The various positions Blair has held with in the greater Des Moines Area have had a common theme...helping others. She very much cares about her fellow man/woman, and it shows within her deeds and actions.

The SMIILE...let us talk about the smile! To ALL, that know Blair is to remember the genuine way in which she greets you. The honest zest that flows from her reminds you that you are with someone special.

When I think of "Forty Under 40...I think of special people. I think of people that have something inherently unique about them. I think of a person who has accomplished a great deal within a short period of time. I think of someone who has made a difference in others' lives and the community of greater Des Moines.

Blair Rosenberg has done just that and more.

I thank you very much for your time and consideration of Blair Rosenberg's induction into 2018's "Forty Under 40."

Peace

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