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Dear Forty Under 40 Review/Selection Panelist:

I am writing to enthusiastically offer a letter of support for Layne Huey and her *Forty Under 40* nomination. I have the good fortune of knowing of and working with Layne in several capacities during the past four years. Layne has seemingly dedicated her career to advancing educational pursuits (Des Moines University) and advancing herself as a nonprofit professional for the most vulnerable members of our society (Kids First Law Center Des Moines). I am in complete support and fully recommend Layne's nomination and ask you strongly consider Huey for this well-deserved honor.

As the staff person of Telligen Community Initiative (TCI), I try to determine quickly who can be valuable colleagues and sources of health advocacy, information and thought leadership. Layne has quickly become a trusted leader from that perspective. Her work at DMU was known to me, but I've become much more aware of Layne's professionalism and ability to lead through her efforts to transition the highly successful Kids First Law Center model from its Eastern Iowa roots to replicate that success in the launch of the Des Moines operation. It is clearly a labor of love for her and something that Layne has a passion for advancing. Layne and Kids First Law Center are housed with the TCI Synergy Center in a shared space and health-based nonprofit capacity building approach bringing together ten (10) nonprofits. Layne and her colleagues have successfully launched something so (unfortunately) needed in Central Iowa to assist with the needs of children facing the divorce of their parents. This innovative model and programming has garnered philanthropic support and leadership assistance due in no small part to Layne's tireless efforts. As a professional colleague and leader, I hold Layne in the highest possible regard.

Please contact me at any point at either 515/554-2908 or mmcgarvey@telligenci.org if I can be of any further assistance in advancing Layne within the nomination and review process. As a past recipient of this honor myself, I deeply appreciate your consideration of Layne.

Sincerely,

Matt McGarvey, Executive Director