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To whom it might concern:

I am writing in support of Ryan Galloway's nomination to the Business Record's "Forty under 40" program.

The story about how Ryan has emerged as a business and community leader is inspiring. He came to me asking if my company would like to build "his" project. His confidence and his motivation impressed me. He had been slowly buying parcels of land along Martin Luther King Parkway for two years and had accumulated enough land to build an affordable apartment building similar to our Woodland Avenue Brickstone apartments. The fact that he wanted to build in the inner city and for low-income residents left a strong impression on me concerning his character and values. He joined the firm, we built his 48-unit apartment building and he has been a partner in one other venture (26-home Greystones project). His imagination, creativity and single source of purpose in completing our projects is exceptional. He shares our company's goal of building in areas that need revitalization, while knowing that our buildings might suffer from challenging market dynamics associated with the locations.

However, the story does not end there. He volunteered for international microenterprise organizations, which has taken him to Mexico, Philippines and India. His faith inspirers his commitment to community service that largely goes unrecognized and his personal values align with his Christian faith.

The nominating committee would not do any better than including Ryan into your next class.

Sincerely,

Jack Hatch

State Senator, President of Hatch Development Group

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