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Dear Selection Committee,

It is my pleasure to recommend Brandon Hummel for Des Moines' *Forty Under 40*. I have personally worked with Brandon for many years and have come to appreciate his contributions. In many ways Brandon, his wife Kari, and their children represent the best of Des Moines. Mr. Hummel is engaged in the community offering his mentoring and coaching skills to the next generation, and together they seek the welfare of those around them.

As a Team Leader for the industry leading firm Baker Group, Mr. Hummel has been responsible for many complicated construction projects. Whether working on the design and construction of the Davis Brown tower in Des Moines, or St. Anthony's hospital in Denver, his ability to manage complicated projects is admirable. He is known by his co-workers and clients to be an honest and hardworking individual that is motivated by the success of others more than his own.

Mr. Hummel represents our community, our industry, and Des Moines as a capable Forty Under 40 candidate.

Sincerely,

Andy Moffitt Director of Preconstruction Services Ryan Companies US, Inc.