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Dear Friends at the Business Record and Women of Influence Sponsors:

I am proud and excited to recommend Brianne Sanchez for the Meredith Emerging Woman of Influence Award. This bright, talented and giving individual epitomizes the criteria of being successful in her field, contributing significantly in her civic and nonprofit activities, showing high integrity and ethical standards, and pursuing endeavors to advance in her career and the community.

I believe the Emerging Woman of Influence nomination I completed online and her uploaded resumé speak volumes about Brianne's achievements, from her outstanding communications accomplishments and completion of her master of public administration degree (while working full-time) to her remarkable community contributions. The latter include creation of TEDxDesMoines, patterned after the global TEDx endeavor; establishment of the Young Nonprofit Professionals Network Des Moines; and her inspired and high-impact work at Des Moines University.

These and other community activities demonstrate her drive and willingness to work hard, as a volunteer, to create, plan and implement opportunities for central Iowa citizens to learn, advance professionally and connect with each other and with the community.

When you meet Brianne, you will immediately connect with a warm, funny and totally unpretentious individual who seeks no praise for herself, but rather who seeks ways to bring people together, to learn about others and to make our community more vibrant and engaging.

Thanks to all of you for supporting the Woman of Influence Awards, which are such wonderful ways to recognize and honor individuals who make real and powerful differences in our community. Thanks also for your consideration of Brianne Sanchez for the Meredith Emerging Woman of Influence Award. I fully believe it is highly possible that one day she'll also merit the title, "Woman of Influence."

Sincerely yours,

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