



Dear Selection Committee,

From my first day as the new editor-in-chief of *Better Homes & Gardens*, I have been impressed with Kylee Krizmanic. Not only is Kylee a wonderfully positive and upbeat person to work with, she also possesses a talent and drive that is rare in the workplace.

Kylee has moved from *BH&G* to do even greater things within Meredith. She was recently promoted to editor-in-chief of *Midwest Living* and content director for Meredith Travel Marketing. In a short time she has accomplished the unusual feat of marrying her wonderful visual skills with a keen knack for sales. Kylee is not only a wonderful art director, she is also a shrewd businesswoman who now spends much of her time on the road, closing deals with regional and state tourist boards for the Meredith Corporation.

Kylee impresses everyone who works with her. And I know that she also devotes much of her limited non-career time to her family and various philanthropic endeavors in the Des Moines area including ChildServe and other volunteer positions. It's rare for me to go to a charity or social event in Des Moines without seeing her. Kylee serves as a fine model for any person who strives to be an essential part of their work and civic communities. I highly recommend Kylee for the Des Moines Business Record Emerging Woman of Influence award. I see only greater heights for her future as a leader in whatever fields she chooses to focus her efforts and considerable talents.

Sincerely,

Stephen Orr