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Dear Selection Committee,

I nominate DMACC President Rob Denson for the *Des Moines Business Record's Sages over 70* award. Having known Rob for many years, both personally and professionally, I believe he is deserving of this recognition. Rob's lifetime of experiences, wisdom and knowledge will be wonderful to share with your readers.

Rob has been a tireless leader and unwavering advocate for DMACC and the many other organizations with which he is connected. Rob wants nothing more than for DMACC students to get an opportunity to be successful in life. DMACC's scholarship program and state-of-the-art facilities exist mostly because of Rob. As a lifelong Ankeny resident and a graduate of DMACC, I believe in his vision for students as well.

Rob is a visionary and is not afraid to take chances if they benefit his students, businesses or the communities that DMACC serves. Examples of his innovation include DMACC's investment in Career Academies across Central Iowa, the construction of the FFA Enrichment Center and Trail Point Aquatics and Wellness Center on the Ankeny Campus, the Legacy Plaza, and the former Maytag headquarters which is now a part of the DMACC Newton Campus. Across the board, the results have been overwhelmingly positive.

While there have been some outstanding individuals who have been featured in your *Sage over 70* award, I cannot think of a more deserving candidate than DMACC President Rob Denson.

Sincerely,

Dennis Albaugh

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