Meals FROM Heartland

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RE: Letter of Recommendation - Patty Cownie

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am honored to submit this letter of recommendation for the nomination of Patty Cownie for the dsm magazine Sages over 70 award.

Patty has long been a passionate supporter of many important causes in Des Moines that benefit families and the community. Meals from the Heartland was extremely honored to learn of Patty's interest in our efforts to build a new meal packaging center and warehouse. After learning of our need and how our organization's mission aligned with her own values, Patty committed her support to this capital campaign in the early stages of this initiative. Patty's early and major involvement in the capital campaign was critical to its success. Patty is a key influencer in Central lowa and that influence was important to the successful campaign to build a new meal packaging center and warehouse. Her support as well as her willingness to name the center in her honor brought immediate credibility to this effort.

Patty is an enthusiastic and committed supporter of Meals from the Heartland. We are honored to have our new building named The Patty Cownie Center, home of Meals from the Heartland.

I strongly recommend her Sages over 70 nomination.

Sincerely,

Dave Bradley

Executive Director