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Dear Vacancy Committee,

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Janelle Rettig for the vacancy on the Johnson County Board of Supervisors. I have known Janelle for many years and believe she has the skills, energy and dedication to represent the residence of Johnson County on the board.

Her resume speaks for itself but her friends, neighbors and colleagues can speak to her qualifications, interest and willingness to serve in this position. Janelle has been a community activist for many years and has been involved in political campaigns, volunteer efforts and local and state boards and commissions. She is well respected by people from a wide variety of interests and political persuasions. Her knowledge of county government and budgeting is unprecedented in a candidate running for the board. She will be a responsible caretaker of the people's tax dollars and will ask questions and research the issues thoroughly before casting her votes.

One of the traits I admire most about Janelle is her ability to examine an issue from all sides. She will not commit to supporting a proposal until she has done her research, weighed the economic impact and talked to a variety of people with divergent views. Janelle is a person who works well with others and seeks compromise and common ground when approaching problems. She recognizes that good people of good will can agree to disagree but must also move forward, work together, and reach a consensus when working in the public arena.

With the challenging issues facing the county, we need a person with Janelle's leadership skills, to set a positive path for the people of Johnson County. It is my hope that you will give Janelle every consideration for this position.

Sincerely,

Mary Mascher
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