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**To:** Tom Kriz; Kim Painter; Tom Slockett  
**Subject:** Letter of support for Janelle Rettig  
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Dear Committee Members,

I have attached a letter urging your appointment of Janelle Rettig to the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors. Please let me know if you have difficulty accessing it or if you have any questions.

Thank you for your work on this important appointment.

Marge Penney

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Tom Kriz, Johnson County Treasurer  
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Tom Slockett, Johnson County Auditor  
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Dear Vacancy Committee:

I had the opportunity to work closely with the Board of Supervisors on many occasions, most intensely when I served as the Human Services Coordinator for the Johnson County Council of Governments. That exposure has given me a real understanding and appreciation of the role of a County Supervisor. That experience convinces me that Janelle Rettig would be an outstanding Supervisor and prompts me to write to encourage you to appoint her to fill the current opening on the Board.

To be really successful, a Johnson County Supervisor must be a very hard worker, must be comfortable with a wide variety of people who have very different viewpoints, must be intelligent and committed enough to understand the county's large and complicated budget, and must be able to work toward achieving consensus on contentious issues. I believe that Janelle is the rare person who embodies all those skills and talents. In addition, my conversations with Janelle have convinced me that she has a real understanding that, for our county to be at its very best, the Supervisors must work in partnership with all county departments to achieve our county's goals.

As a person who has, at various times during the last forty years, lived in Iowa City, rural Johnson County, and now in Coralville, I am confident that Janelle will work to meet the needs of our rural, suburban and urban residents. I encourage you to seriously consider her for this important position. Please contact me if you have questions, and thank you for all the work you are doing to make the best possible appointment.

Sincerely, Marge Penney

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