

NP Bethanie,

It is my absolute honor to nominate Tracy Culler for Senator of the Year/Outstanding Senator. The time, effort, and energy Tracy has given to this organization, and more importantly to its members, over so many decades is something no single letter could ever fully capture.

Tracy's dedication to JCI USA is unwavering, but what truly sets her apart is her commitment to the people within it. She shows up for members in ways that are consistent, genuine, and deeply impactful. From working with members and officers from across the country for the JCI USA Convention in Raleigh, to ensuring details were handled, every need we expressed was met, and that senators were present in droves to support both the organization and its members. I was incredibly honored to witness, receive, and be part of that effort as a fellow North Carolinian.

Tracy has taken every phone call. She has listened to every complaint. And instead of letting those moments turn into negativity, she has redirected them into opportunities. Empowering people to do better, be better, and show up better for the members that they serve. Her pride in others and words of encouragement always seem to arrive at exactly the moment they are needed, as if she instinctively knows when someone needs to hear them.

When I started working on the MILE program, Tracy called me and simply said, "How can I support you and this?". That single question says more about Tracy than anything else I could write. She didn't wait to be asked. She didn't need a title or a task. She showed up, rounded out the committee, offered thoughtful feedback, calmed the room with her presence, and lifted everyone's spirits with her personality.

Tracy's impact extends beyond national efforts. She was also boots on the ground in NC. As a SP who left the state halfway through my presidency and carried real fear about what might happen in my absence, Tracy's presence gave me peace. Knowing she was there supporting, guiding, and showing up meant more than I can adequately express.

To this day, there are countless members across NC who will say to me, "Well I asked Tracy," or "I'm going to call Tracy." She has become one of the most invaluable resources I have ever encountered, not just within this organization, but as a human being. Her influence, accessibility, and heart for service are unmatched.

Tracy Culler embodies everything this honor represents. She serves without hesitation, leads without ego, and supports others in ways that leave a lasting impact. She is more than deserving of this recognition.

In Jaycee Spirit,
Morgan Ogden
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