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Few individuals have shaped our community as profoundly as **Jennifer Sampson**. This month, the Mighty, Mighty Women of Tocqueville are honored to celebrate her extraordinary leadership, unwavering generosity, and enduring commitment to making North Texas stronger.

Jennifer's story is one of exceptional leadership and selfless service. Over the past 25 years, she has dedicated herself to United Way of Metropolitan Dallas, including 15 years as McDermott-Templeton president and CEO, building a legacy defined by innovation, collaboration and transformational impact across North Texas.

Today, we celebrate a woman who has spent decades bringing people together around a shared purpose. A leader who has inspired others to dream bigger, give more boldly and believe in what is possible when communities unite. A mentor, champion and friend whose influence extends far beyond the walls of United Way.

We are especially proud that Jennifer has been part of the Mighty, Mighty Women of Tocqueville since our founding in 2007. For nearly two decades, she has shared her wisdom, passion and steadfast belief in the power of women to create meaningful change. Her presence, leadership and friendship have helped shape this remarkable community and made it the special place it is today.

Jennifer's accomplishments are truly extraordinary. During her tenure, more than **$1 billion in philanthropic resources** were mobilized to strengthen North Texas. Yet her greatest legacy cannot be measured in dollars alone. Her legacy lives in the people she has inspired, the relationships she has cultivated, the leaders she has empowered and the countless lives she has touched. That is Jennifer's gift.

She has shown us that great leadership is not about standing at the front of the room. It is about bringing others with you. It is about listening, encouraging, believing in people's potential and creating opportunities for others to lead. It is about showing up with purpose and leaving every place better than you found it.

As Jennifer embarks on her next chapter with The Stephens Group Foundation, we pause to express our deepest gratitude.

Thank you, Jennifer.
Thank you for 25 years of extraordinary leadership.
Thank you for your unwavering commitment to North Texas.
Thank you for championing philanthropy and strengthening our community.
Thank you for believing in the power of women to lead and create lasting change.
Thank you for being part of the Mighty, Mighty Women of Tocqueville from the very beginning.
And thank you for the example you have set for all of us.

While your time at United Way may be coming to a close, the legacy you have built will endure through the leaders you inspired, the partnerships you forged, the lives you impacted and the stronger community you helped create.

Jennifer, we celebrate **you**. Your heart. Your vision. Your leadership. Your friendship. And the extraordinary difference you have made in the lives of so many.

We are grateful to have walked alongside you on this journey, and we look forward with excitement and admiration to all that lies ahead.

With gratitude and appreciation,

The Mighty, Mighty Women of Tocqueville
Dee Brown, 2026-2027 Women of Tocqueville Chair