

July 1, 2021

Dear Cadet Hall of Fame Committee:

It is with great pleasure I write to support the nomination of Mrs. Wildt as a candidate for induction into the HOF.

Times were such, back when the original girl guard was added to the then Garfield Cadets, that “girls” were not a welcome sight to most. The girls needed someone to be their advocate. Mrs. Wildt became a counselor, chaperone, seamstress, nurse and “other mother” to all of the girls from the first day she volunteered to help.

She provided support, kindness, a shoulder to cry on and sage wisdom of life’s daily challenges as if we were all her own daughters. She gave a perspective of support during a time when people, including numerous marching members and staff were not supportive of the females breaking ranks.

Mrs. Wildt worked tirelessly to guarantee that the uniforms were spot on perfect so that the girls would always look inspection ready and never lose even one tenth of a point during judging for a uniform that was not perfect.

She always conducted herself with honesty, loyalty, competence and an easygoing temperament to ensure that the Cadet experience on the social-emotional end was positive and enriched for all the members.

She has dedicated a lifetime of time, talent and energy to make sure that ... Holy Name Shall Always Be.

Please consider Mrs. Wildt for this honor, she is truly most deserving.

Respectfully yours,

Denise “Dee” Schlachter

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Captain Garfield Cadets 1969-1971