

## United States Senate

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Dear Andrea,

Congratulations on receiving the Minnesota Caregiver of the Year Award! I send my heartfelt thanks for the long-standing service you have provided to countless Minnesotans.

After learning about your dedication to serving seniors in Minnesota, I can't imagine a more fitting recipient of the Caregiver of the Year Award. Your over thirty years of commitment as a caregiver warrants the highest honor awarded to Minnesota caregivers who dedicate their lives and careers to serving older adults. It is not only the number of years you have dedicated to serving others, but also the way in which you have served, which merits this prestigious award. Those who work with you are grateful for the extra shifts you pick up, your mentorship of team members, and the overtime you put in – even on some of our snowiest Minnesota days and nights! Your expertise on dementia and memory loss care are also highly valued by the patients you serve. One constituent who wrote me about your incredible work put it best: “She is truly deserving of the award and a beautiful example of workers who devote their lives to caring for our sisters and brothers who are sick, elderly or live with disabilities.”

Thank you for making a difference for individuals, families, and the health of Minnesota. Access to quality health care for all Minnesotans, and especially our seniors, is one of my top priorities, and I thank you for your important contribution to this shared goal. Congratulations again, and keep up the great work.

Sincerely,



Tina Smith  
United States Senator