**Jack H. Swanson**

**Minnesota Swimming Nominating Committee Candidate**

My name is Jack Swanson and I am a candidate for the Minnesota Swimming Nominating Committee. I am an athlete from the Rochester Swim Club; I previously competed for Aquajets Swim Team as a club athlete. I competed collegiately for the Pomona-Pitzer Sagehens, where I was a two-time SCIAC conference champion, and earned All-American and Academic All-American honors. I will be graduating from Pomona College in Claremont, California in May 2019 with a degree in biology, and will be beginning graduate school at the Mayo Clinic Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences in Rochester in July, where I will be pursuing a Ph.D. in Immunology.

I have served and continue Minnesota Swimming and USA Swimming in a number of positions the past 6 years. Nationally, I serve as the Leadership Chair of the USA Swimming Athletes’ Executive Committee and as a member of the USA Swimming Officials Committee. In Minnesota, I serve as the chair of the Open Water Committee, and as a member of the Athletes’ Committee and Nominating Committee. I previously served Minnesota Swimming as the Nominating Committee Chair and as the Athlete Committee Vice Chair on the Board of Directors. One of my primary interests as an athlete representative is leadership development – along with several colleagues, I spearheaded USA Swimming’s Leadership Summit, which was held in April 2018 in Houston, Texas. This directly connects to the work of the Nominating Committee – identifying leaders to serve the athletes of Minnesota Swimming.

Thank you for considering me to serve on the Nominating Committee! I look forward to continuing to serve Minnesota Swimming in whatever capacity I can going forward.