

JRGC Membership Proposal 2026

Name: Michelle Aueron Jessee
7 Hillaire Street
Henrico, VA 23229

Proposer: Eugenie Calderon
Seconded: Frances Massey

Age: 37

Length of Residence in Richmond: 6 years

Education: George Washington University

Employment:

Present: Meta (Strategic Payment Partnerships)

Past: Capital One, Resy, American Express

Volunteer Experience:

Founding Member of GW's Chapter of Grassroots Soccer (dedicated to promoting soccer youth programs). Founding Member of the John Taylor Babbit Foundation (dedicated to preventing sudden cardiac death). She has also volunteered for JRGC's past two garden weeks and coaches her kids youth soccer teams!

Interests and Skills:

Home Gardening ___x___ Horticulture ___x___ Conservation _____

Flower Arranging/Floral Design _____ Photography _____

Social Media/Marketing _____ Computer Skills/Web Design ___x___

Writing/Communications ___x___ Lobbying _____ Accounting _____

Finance _____ Development/Fundraising ___x___ Community Outreach ___x___

Family Members in JRGC: None

Previously Proposed: No

Proposer's Comments:

Michelle has already demonstrated her commitment to our club's mission by generously volunteering as a hostess for Historic Garden Week in both 2025 and 2026. She has also enjoyed getting to know many of our members while attending the past two Holiday Sip & Shops, and it

has been a pleasure to watch her enthusiasm for the club continue to grow. Michelle's background in corporate strategy, partnership development, and program management makes her exceptionally well suited for future leadership within the James River Garden Club. Her experience leading complex initiatives, building relationships, and executing projects with precision will translate seamlessly to committee work, flower shows, and the many responsibilities that sustain our organization. Beyond her impressive professional accomplishments, Michelle is warm, engaging, and genuinely collaborative. She has a natural ability to connect with others, contributes with enthusiasm, and is eager to build meaningful friendships within the club. We are confident she will be a dependable, energetic, and valued member of the James River Garden Club for years to come, and we wholeheartedly recommend her for membership.