

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

MARY LYON AWARD 2022

PRESENTED TO



Courtney Janine Brunson '16

COURTNEY JANINE BRUNSON, CLASS OF 2016, the Alumnae Association is pleased to honor you with the Mary Lyon Award. This award is presented to an alum who graduated no more than fifteen years ago and who has demonstrated sustained achievements in their life and career consistent with the humane values that Mary Lyon exemplified and inspired in others.

Courtney, your leadership and advocacy for underrepresented groups has made immeasurable positive impacts within your community.

Shortly after graduation from Mount Holyoke, you went to work with Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren as a legislative investigator focused on banking, consumer protection and economic policy. In your role as policy advisor for the Black Economic Council of Massachusetts, you advance the economic well-being of Black citizens across the state. As a student at Harvard Law School, you serve as president of the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau, providing free representation to low-income and marginalized communities in the greater Boston area. You also serve as a student lawyer on the Tenant Advocacy Project, representing current and prospective public housing tenants. In this work you advocate for every person to gain access to safe, stable and affordable housing, which has been particularly crucial during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In recognition of your exceptional early career achievements and in anticipation of your future contributions in law and public service, the Alumnae Association is honored to present you with the Mary Lyon Award.

Ellen Hyde Pace

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