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To the Pulitzer jurors and board:

Almost eleven years ago, The Buffalo News hired Adam Zyglis straight out of college to replace the great Tom Toles, who had won a Pulitzer Prize and was leaving to succeed Herblock at the Washington Post.

Talk about pressure.

Eleven years later, Zyglis' wit – both visual and verbal – and incisive take on issues have turned him into one of the favorite features in The Buffalo News and given him an audience across the country and beyond.

Zyglis leads readers to a smile or a tear, sometimes confirming what they already thought, sometimes prodding them to reassess. His editorial cartoons take on Republicans and Democrats, John Boehner and Barack Obama. And with cartoons such as his take on the data mining and CNN, he doesn't hesitate to go beyond politics. (Wolf Blitzer was a good sport about the April Madness cartoon; CNN asked for the original.)

Zyglis began earning national recognition several years ago, when he won his first National Headliner Award. Since then he has become internationally syndicated and has been published in hundreds of newspapers nationwide, including the Washington Post, USA Today, Newsweek, the New York Times and Los Angeles Times.

I am proud to nominate Adam Zyglis for the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for cartooning.

Sincerely,

Mike Connelly

