Minute of Appreciation for Zachary Teague Dutton

Zachary Teague Dutton began serving as a co-clerk of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Young Adult Friends Working Group in the autumn of 2012, although he had been bringing his gifts to the YAF community for many years. He’s been a frequent workshop leader, cook, worship sharing facilitator, carpool organizer, and all around gofer. He stepped into the clerk role during a time when there was a lull in participation from volunteers, and he has displayed energy and devotion to maintaining and building a program for YAFs. In particular, Zachary successfully led an effort to continue and increase staff support. Zachary is a skilled facilitator, and has a gift for creating the space to draw out the ideas and opinions and make others feel heard and supported. Zachary is gifted with an understanding of the big picture and assists with many small tasks needed to get the work done. He is a good source of information on Quaker history and process, and brings a willingness to try new ideas and ways of working together. He also brings a great sense of humor to all he does. We appreciate Zachary’s ability as a clerk, using written and spoken word, deep listening, and being grounded in Spirit to help articulate where we are and how to move forward. We are pleased he will continue to work with us and be available for advice as a member-at-large. Thank you, Zachary, for your commitment and service to PYM Young Adult Friends!

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