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I would like to introduce you to someone I admire, my Auntie Watchen. The reason why I chose to write about my aunt is because not only is she my role model, but she demonstrates one or more of the pillars of character. Auntie Watchen is trustworthy, responsible and respectful.

Auntie Watchen is so inspiring. She is an advocate for female leadership and empowerment. My aunt is currently the Sr. Vice President of Marketing at the Chicago Sky women's professional basketball team. She co-founded her own businesses. One business is called Little Doebahyou which is an educational activity to educate on the history of Africa and the other business is a program called "I Choose the Ladder". I Choose the Ladder is a global community for black women on the corporate climb.

Auntie Watchen has been recognized as a Chicago Scholars for 35 Under 35 Honoree, a 2018 Chicago Business Journal Women of Influence Honoree, a 2019 Black Women's Expo and Phenomenal Woman Honoree. Additionally, her work has been featured in EBONY Magazine, and on WGN Windy City Live. Now that I've given you a background on my aunt, let me tell you why she demonstrates three out of the six pillars of character.

Firstly, Auntie Watchen is very responsible. Being responsible is one of her most important values in life. One of the things she has taught me that I've kept for more than 2 years now is, "There are no easy ways nor shortcuts in life". Whenever I'm slacking and want to take the easy way out of things, I always keep this statement in mind and keep pushing.

Secondly, my aunt is very trustworthy and a woman of integrity. Auntie Watchen keeps her word and delivers on her promises. Growing up, my aunt has always demonstrated that she is trustworthy and can always

keep her promises, I can always depend on her. My Aunt is someone I hope to be like one day.

Lastly, Auntie Watchen is very respectful, because she is so respectful, she is highly respected and valued by others. The golden rule that my aunt has always taught me is to treat people the way you want to be treated. This is something that I stand for. In order to do this, my aunt says I should always be polite, honest, kind and most importantly, respectful. Otherwise, I will not gain the respect that I deserve from my peers and others.

I can go on and on about how much I love and admire my aunt. She teaches me morals and values. I strive to follow in her footsteps one day.