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Dear Amanda,

I have the pleasure of informing you that you have been selected as this year's recipient of the Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentor Award. The committee and I were impressed with your excellence in mentoring and support of undergraduate researchers. I extend my congratulations and those of the committee.

Below are some of the powerful words written by your nominators:

"Dr. Ramer-Tait's mentoring and the research experiences she provides has propelled many of her students onto their next roles in graduate schools or professional programs. At least 19 of her former undergraduates have earned a master's degree (3 still in progress) and 2 of her students have earned a Ph.D. (6 are still in progress). Two have advanced on to postdoctoral programs, three others have earned or are earning a medical degree and four have pursued/are pursuing degrees in veterinary medicine."

"Dr. Ramer-Tait mentorship. Her dedication to fostering academic curiosity, critical thinking, and professional development has made a lasting impact on countless students."

You will receive a \$1,000 award in an upcoming paycheck for the Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentor Award and your achievements will be recognized at **The Laurels**, our annual awards reception, September 16, 2025. A formal invitation will be sent to you with more details in the fall. If you have any questions, please contact Suzi Tamerius, project manager in the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor, at stamerius2@unl.edu.

Again, my congratulations and sincere appreciation for your outstanding contributions in support of the university and our students.

Best,

Mark Button
Interim Executive Vice Chancellor

cc: Michael Boehm, Vice Chancellor, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Derek McLean, Dean, Agricultural Research Division
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