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Dear Awards Committee,

I am writing in support of Laura Kate Reid for an undergraduate student award. I have known Laura Kate for 2 years. She was a student in my Statistical Computing course (Spring 2019), she took a Creative Inquiry course (undergraduate research) on developing a series of web apps for Statistics Education (Fall 2019), and I am currently her advisor for her senior thesis project. Laura Kate rises above her peers not only in academics, but also in work ethic and tenacity. She is not afraid to challenge herself and works hard to overcome any obstacles she faces.

In our Creative Inquiry course Laura Kate ventured outside her comfort zone by learning web design skills to create an impression applet for students to use for better understanding of the correlation coefficient. In Laura Kate's senior thesis, she is exploring data from Clemson's core calculus courses to determine what factors help a student best succeed.

I have been teaching at Clemson for 12 years and Laura Kate is a student that stands out to me. She has content knowledge, she is dedicated to her work, she is always prepared, she has an attention to detail, and is a joy to work with. I enthusiastically nominate Laura Kate Reid for an undergraduate student award.

Sincerely,

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