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Davis College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Award Selection Committee

Dear Committee,

It is my pleasure to nominate Dr. Jessica Thomas for the Spencer A. Wells Faculty Award for Creativity in Teaching. Dr. Thomas is a current faculty member at TTU in the Department of Animal and Food Sciences. Through her efforts, Dr. Thomas has made the University's educational force more effective and impactful in the lives of students.

Dr. Thomas has demonstrated creative and imaginative teaching through her experiential teaching and pedagogy. Dr. Thomas has generated some of the greatest student teaching evaluation scores in the department on a regular basis. She is well liked by the student because teaches through application and adapts the curriculum to meet student needs. She has created a fresh approach to courses traditionally taught in the department for decades and has revitalized interest because of new and innovative approaches. Dr. Thomas conveys an interest in student growth, both academically and personally, as evidenced by her extensive mentorship and advising activities. Finally, Dr. Thomas' delivery and modality motivate and inspire students in her discipline.

Please find attached the nominee's vita and summary of student teaching evaluation scores for Davis College nomination. Your consideration of Dr. Thomas for this award is greatly appreciated.

Regards,

Dr. J Chance Brooks, Chair

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Texas Tech University