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2023 HENDRICKS AWARD FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

Chicago, IL –The Ted Hendricks Foundation has revealed the list of finalists for the 2023 Ted Hendricks Defensive End of the Year Award. Our final vote will be tallied December 6th and we expect to name our 2023 recipient on December 6th or 7th.

2023 Hendricks Award Final Ballot:



JONAH ELLISS - UTAH

6'2" 246 lbs JR

- Finalist for Lombardi Award and Lott IMPACT Trophy
- Leads FBS in sacks per game (1.20)
- 16 Tackles for loss. Opponents lost 115 yards (2nd most in FBS)
- Son of Utah great and NFL Pro Bowl defensive tackle, Luther Elliss
- Excelled in leadership role with an injury-plagued Utes team this season
- Missed final two games of the season with injury



JALEN GREEN – JAMES MADISON

6'1" 245 lbs SR

- Sun Belt Conference Defensive Player of the Year
- Played 9 games before a season-ending injury
- FBS-leading 15½ sacks broke the Sun Belt Conference single-season record
- 21 tackles for loss (2nd in FBS), 132 opponent yards lost (leads FBS)
- Has led JMU in the transition from FCS to FBS program



LAIATU LATU – UCLA

6'5" 265 lbs SR

- Finalist for Lombardi Award, Bednarik Award and Lott IMPACT Trophy
- Leads FBS with 21½ tackles for loss, Tied for 4th in FBS with 13 sacks
- Remarkable comeback story - missed 2 seasons with a once-thought career-ending injury
- 3 sacks in 2 games and at least ½ sack in eight of 12 games this season
- Has led the Bruins in tackles for loss the last 2 seasons

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