JOHN MACKEY AWARD

BEST COLLEGIATE TIGHT END

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JAKE BUTT OF MICHIGAN NAMED JOHN MACKEY TIGHT END OF THE WEEK

New York, N.Y. (November 11, 2015) - The John Mackey Award has named Jake Butt of Michigan as the John Mackey Tight End of the Week. The Big Ten Conference junior established a new career high in receiving yards finishing the game with 4 catches for 102 yards in a dominating 49-16 win over Rutgers. Honorable mentions for this week's John Mackey Tight End of the Week include Hunter Henry of Arkansas and Austin Hooper of Stanford. The John Mackey Tight End of the Week now concludes for the season as the eight Semi-Finalists will be announced on Monday at www.JohnMackeyAward.com.

The 2015 John Mackey recipient will be announced on December 9, 2015 and then presented live on December 10, 2015 at The Home Depot College Football Awards Red Carpet Show on ESPNU. Other key dates include the announcement of the 2015 Mackey Semi-Finalists on November 16, 2015 and the 2015 Mackey Finalists on November 24, 2015. All future announcements can be found at www.JohnMackeyAward.com, on our official Twitter account: @JohnMackeyAward and on Facebook: www.facebook.com/JohnMackeyAward.

The John Mackey Tight End of the Week is an honor distinct and different from the annual John Mackey Award. This weekly honor was started in 2004 to draw attention to individual play by Tight Ends during the active season. The Tight End of the Week acknowledgment does not have a direct bearing on the final John Mackey Award selection process. The John Mackey Tight End of the Week honor will run until the announcement of the eight Semi-Finalists.

The John Mackey Award is a member of the National College Football Awards Association (NCFAA) which encompasses the most prestigious awards in college football. The 22 awards boast over 700 years of tradition-selection excellence. Visit www.NCFAA.org to learn more about our story.

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