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Louisiana's GO Grant Program
Affidavit of Residency for GO Grant Program

PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2 OF THIS AFFIDAVIT

BEFORE ME, undersigned Notary, personally came and appeared _____, who after being duly sworn, did depose and say:

A. Check the one box that applies to YOU. I declare that I am the ☐ **Parent of the Dependent Student GO Grant Applicant** or ☐ **Independent Student GO Grant Applicant** and that the following facts and assertions are true and correct:

B. Enter your full name: _____

C. Enter the GO Grant Applicant's full name and social security number.

Name _____ SSN _____ - _____ - _____

D. Name and location of college or university: _____ _____ _____
(name of college or university) (city) (state)

E. Independent Student GO Grant Applicants ONLY. Check the boxes that apply. (See the instructions.) I am an Independent Student because I:

- ☐ was 24 years of age prior to January of the year preceding the academic year for which I applied for aid;
- ☐ am currently serving on active duty for purposes other than training or a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces (includes a student who was activated to serve in Operation Desert Storm);
- ☐ am an orphan or a ward of the court or was a ward of the court until age 18;
- ☐ have legal dependents other than a spouse;
- ☐ am enrolled in a Graduate or Professional program (if so, you are not eligible for a Pell Grant, you are ineligible for a Go Grant and you need not complete this affidavit);
- ☐ am married;
- ☐ have been determined independent by a financial aid officer.

F. My "state of legal residence" has been _____ from _____ _____, _____ through the date of this affidavit.
(name of state) (month) (day) (year)

G. <u>Check ALL the following either "YES" or "NO."</u> If you check "YES" to question 2, 4, 6 or 8, you must attach <u>a copy</u> of the document listed.

1. ☐ YES ☐ NO I am a registered voter.
2. ☐ YES ☐ NO I am currently registered to vote in Louisiana. **(Copy of voter registration card)**
3. ☐ YES ☐ NO I am licensed to drive a motor vehicle.
4. ☐ YES ☐ NO I currently hold a valid Louisiana driver's license. **(Copy of LA driver's license)**
5. ☐ YES ☐ NO I own a motor vehicle.
6. ☐ YES ☐ NO My vehicle is currently registered in Louisiana. **(Copy of automobile registration)**
7. ☐ YES ☐ NO I have earned taxable income.
8. ☐ YES ☐ NO I have filed a Louisiana income tax return for the most recent tax year. **(Copy of Louisiana income tax return for the most recent tax year prior to the date this affidavit.)**

H. My Current Mailing Address is _____
(P.O. Box or street address) (city) (state) (zip code

My Current Daytime Phone Number is (_____)_____ My Current Evening Phone Number is (_____)_____

My Current E-mail Address is _____

I. If your address on the date of this affidavit is not in Louisiana:

☐ **Although my address on the date of this affidavit is not in Louisiana, my state of legal residence is Louisiana. I am living outside of Louisiana ONLY because my employer has TEMPORARILY transferred me out of Louisiana.** (You must attach written confirmation. See the instructions.)

My employer is _____ _____, (_____)_____.
(Name of Employer) (Employer's address) (Employer's Telephone Number)

J. In the presence of a Notary Public, complete and sign this affidavit attesting to the foregoing and enter the date.

Sworn Statement: "I make this sworn statement, under penalty of law, for the express purpose of qualifying myself or my child for a GO Grant. By signing this form, I do hereby declare that I have personally completed this form and that all information entered on and included with this affidavit of residency is true and correct and that I understand that if I purposely give false or misleading information, I may be fined, sent to prison or both.

Thus done and passed in _____, _____, this _____ day of _____, 200__.
(city) (state)

Affiant: _____
(Legal Signature)

<u>SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED</u> before me, the undersigned, Notary, this _____ day of _____ **20____**.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC

For the Parish/County of _____ In the State of _____

Louisiana's GO Grant Program

This affidavit should be completed only if the GO Grant Applicant does not report Louisiana as his/her state of legal residence on the FAFSA.

To meet the Louisiana residency requirement for the GO Grant, the **dependent student** GO Grant Applicant must have one parent whose state of legal residence was Louisiana on the date the federal processor received the Applicant's FAFSA. The dependent student's state of legal residence is always that of his/her parent.

To meet the Louisiana residency requirement for the GO Grant, the **independent student** GO Grant Applicant's state of legal residence must have been Louisiana on the date the federal processor received the Applicant's FAFSA.

"State of Legal Residence" generally means the state you live in and that you intend to be your home state. Your intent is evidenced by where you reside and where you are registered to vote, obtain a driver's license, register your car and pay income taxes. For the GO Grant Program,

- **For a dependent student,** it is student's parent's true, fixed, and permanent home state. If the student's parents are separated or divorced, the noncustodial parent's true, fixed, and permanent home state may be used. If the student's parent is residing in a state for the sole purpose of attending a school, that state is not his/her legal residence.
- **For independent students,** it is your true, fixed, and permanent home state. If you are residing in a state for the sole purpose of attending a school, that state is not your legal residence.

SECTION BY SECTION INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING AFFIDAVIT OF RESIDENCY
Please complete the affidavit and sign it in blue or black ink before a Notary Public.

A. The parent of a dependent GO Grant Applicant or the independent student GO Grant Applicant must complete this form.

B. Enter the name of the parent, or your name if you are an independent student.

C. Enter the name and social security number of the GO Grant Applicant.

D. Enter the name of the college or university the GO Grant Applicant has enrolled or will enroll in and the city and state in which it is located.

E. Complete this Section if you are an Independent Student. If your Student Aid Report (SAR) indicates you are an independent student, no further documentation is required. Otherwise, you must furnish written confirmation of the determination from your financial aid officer or documentary proof of the reason you have checked. If you are have completed an undergraduate degree and are enrolled in a graduate program (studying for a masters and/or doctorate degree) or in a professional program (law, medical, veterinary, dental, etc.) you are not eligible for a Pell Grant or the GO Grant.

F. See the definition of "state of legal residence" above. Insert the name of your "state of legal residence" as of the date of this affidavit and fill in the date that state first became your "state of legal residence." If you have been TEMPORARILY transferred out of Louisiana by your employer, you may still claim Louisiana as your state of legal residence if you maintain Louisiana as your residence while out of Louisiana and intend to return to Louisiana upon completion of your transfer. See the instructions for Section H below.

G. Check **all** the boxes "Yes" or "No". If you check "YES" to question 2, 4, 6 or 8, you must attach a copy of the document listed after that item. At least one of the documents must show an issue date prior to the date the Applicant's FAFSA was received by the federal processor. If none of the documents show an issue date prior to that date, other documents may be acceptable to fulfill this requirement. Call 1-800-259-5626, Ext. 0412, for guidance. If your documentation needed to establish residency has been lost or destroyed, you should contact the following:

2. Voter Registration Card:
   The Louisiana Registrar of Voters will provide information on how to obtain copies of your voter registration card. Call 225-922-0900 or visit the Louisiana Secretary of State's website at http://www.sec.state.la.us/elections/elections-displaced.htm.
4. Louisiana Driver's License:
   The Louisiana Department of Motor Vehicles will provide information on how to obtain copies of your Louisiana Driver's License. Call 877-368-5463 or visit http://www.dps.state.la.us/omv/hurricane.html.
6. Vehicle Registration:
   The Louisiana Department of Motor Vehicles will provide information on how to obtain copies of your Louisiana vehicle registration. Call 877-368-5463 or visit http://www.dps.state.la.us/omv/hurricane.html.
8. Louisiana Income Tax Return:
   The Louisiana Department of Revenue will provide information on how to obtain copies of your state tax return. Call 225-219-0102.

H. You must provide your current mailing address and telephone number. Please include your e-mail address if you have one. This information is essential to processing the Applicant's GO Grant application. It does not matter that you were not living in Louisiana on the date the Applicant's FAFSA was received by the federal processor, if you had been temporarily transferred out of Louisiana by your employer and had maintained your Louisiana residency. See the instructions for Section F above and for Section J below.

I. If you were living outside Louisiana on the date the Applicant's FAFSA was received by the federal processor only because you were temporarily transferred out of Louisiana by your employer, you maintained your Louisiana residency, and you intend to return to Louisiana upon completion of your transfer, check the box and provide your employer's name, address and telephone number. To be a "temporary" transfer, the transfer out of Louisiana cannot be for more than twelve months. You must provide a letter from your employer that confirms your temporary transfer and the dates you were transferred out of Louisiana and the date you returned or will return to Louisiana. The letter must be on your employer's letterhead.

J. You must sign the affidavit in front of a person who is a Notary in the state where you complete the affidavit.

Send the Affidavit of Residency with all supporting documents to:
Office of Student Financial Assistance
Scholarship and Grant Division
Post Office Box 91202
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-9202