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Student - Head of Household Filing Status Verification 2023-2024

USE BLACK INK ONLY

Student Name: _____ Student ID # _____
(Print or type) Last name First name

On your 2021 Federal Income Tax Return, you filed under the status of "Head of Household." There are certain criteria that must be met in order to be eligible to file with this status. Based on information provided on your FAFSA, we must determine if you qualify for this filing status. Please complete this form and submit it to our office as soon as possible.

Box A: Were you unmarried or "considered unmarried" on the last day of 2021?

You are "considered unmarried" if ALL of the following apply: You file a separate federal tax return from your spouse, you paid more than half of the cost of keeping up your home in 2021, your spouse did not live in your home for the last six months of 2021, your home was the main home of your child, stepchild, or foster child for more than half of 2021, and you can claim an exemption for the child (even if you have a custodial agreement with the child's parent, allowing him/her to claim the child).

- ☐ **Yes, I was unmarried or "considered unmarried" on the last day of 2021.** Please continue to Box B.
If you were legally married, but "considered unmarried" for the 2021 tax year, please indicate the months in which your spouse was NOT living in your home: _____
- ☐ **No, I was not unmarried or "considered unmarried" on the last day of 2021.** Please sign the bottom of the form; you do not need to continue to the following questions.

Box B: Did you pay more than half of the cost of keeping up your home for 2021?

Costs for maintaining a home may include property taxes, mortgage/rent, utilities, repairs/maintenance, property insurance, food consumed on the premises, and other household expenses.

- ☐ **Yes, I paid more than half the cost of keeping up my home in 2021.** Please continue to Box C.
- ☐ **No, I did not pay more than half the cost of keeping up my home in 2021.** Please sign the bottom of the form; you do not need to continue to the following question.

Box C: Did a "qualifying person" live with you in your home for more than half of 2021?

A qualifying person includes a qualifying child (such as your son or daughter), a qualifying relative who is your mother or father, or a qualifying relative other than your mother or father (such as a grandparent, brother, sister, etc.). For more information, see pages 23-25 of IRS Publication 17 at <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p17.pdf>

- ☐ **Yes, a qualifying person lived with me in my home for more than half of 2021.** Please indicate the name of your qualifying dependent(s), the months in which your qualifying dependent(s) lived in your home, and their relationship to you: _____
Please sign the bottom of this form, certifying the validity of your responses.
- ☐ **No, a qualifying person did not live with me in my home for more than half of 2021.** Please sign the bottom of this form certifying the validity of your responses.

By signing this document, I certify that the information reported is complete and correct. If I purposely give false or misleading information, I may be fined, sentenced to jail, or both.

If there is reason to believe that the information in this document is inaccurate, we may ask you for additional information.

Student Signature (Please print this form or use the stylus to sign)

Phone Number

Date