Hope COLLEGE

2016-2017
HOMELESS YOUTH CERTIFICATION

Student Name: _____ **Hope Student ID #:** _____

You reported on your FAFSA that you are an unaccompanied youth who is either homeless or is self-supporting and at risk of being homeless and you also answered "no" to all the specific homeless FAFSA questions.

A financial aid administrator may determine if a previously verified student remains an unaccompanied youth who is either homeless or is self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.

The following definitions are provided by Federal Student Aid:

Unaccompanied – when a student is not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.

Youth – a student who is 21 years old or younger or still enrolled in high school as of the date he/she signs the FAFSA.

Homeless – lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing

- Fixed – stationary, permanent, and not subject to change
- Regular – used on a predictable, routine, or consistent basis
- Adequate – sufficient for meeting both the physical and psychological needs typically met in the home

Self-supporting – when a student pays for his own living expenses, including fixed, regular, and adequate housing.

At risk of being homeless – when a student's housing may cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate; for example, a student who is being evicted and has been unable to find fixed, regular, and adequate housing.

After thoroughly reviewing the definitions above, please check the appropriate box below:

____ I certify that I am an unaccompanied youth who is homeless as defined above.

____ I certify that I am an unaccompanied youth who is self-supporting and at risk of being homeless as defined above.

____ I am not an unaccompanied youth who is either homeless or is self-supporting and at risk of being homeless as defined above.

Student Signature: _____ **Date Signed:** _____

Return this completed form to the address listed below.

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