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JASMINE MELENDEZ, MA, BBA, JOINS FNSNA STAFF AS SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR

Brooklyn, NY. July 2, 2004. Jasmine Melendez recently joined the staff of the Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association (FNSNA) as Scholarship and Grants Administrator. Ms. Melendez brings a wealth of knowledge to the Foundation, including a recent four-year position as associate director of financial aid at the New York Institute of Technology Office of Financial Aid. Previously, she served as financial aid administrator and information coordinator at the Hofstra University Office of Financial Aid. In both positions, she developed financial aid programs, communicated with students and parents regarding student financial aid status, organized and participated in university outreach events, trained and supervised staff, managed large budgets, and calculated financial aid packages such as Pell Grants for applicants. Ms. Melendez has also worked as a Federal Work Study Student at Adelphi University's Office of Financial Aid, Garden City, NY; a graduate assistant at Hofstra University Admissions Office, Hempstead, NY; and an administrative resident and volunteer at Winthrop University Hospital, Mineola, NY.

Ms. Melendez earned an M.A. in Health Administration from Hofstra University in 1999, and a B.B.A. in Management from Adelphi University. In her position with the Foundation, she will work primarily with scholarship and grant administration. In her role, she will serve as the liaison for students applying for scholarships and faculty applying for Foundation grants. In addition, she will assist in various fundraising efforts to ensure that the FNSNA can continue its longstanding tradition of providing resources to students and faculty for personal and professional growth.

The FNSNA was created in 1969 to honor Frances Tompkins, the Association's first Executive Director. Organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, the Foundation awards scholarships to qualified nursing students. Contributions to the FNSNA are tax-deductible. The Foundation is organized as a 501 (C) (3) charitable foundation and contributions are tax deductible. For information, visit www.nsna.org and click on FOUNDATION, or write to: FNSNA, 45 Main Street, Suite 606, Brooklyn, NY, 11201.