Department of Housing and Residence Life

University of Central Florida

SEAHO Conference Fee Waiver and Scholarship Committee,

I am writing this letter of support on behalf of Jessica Fred as reference material for your *SEAHO*Conference Fee Waiver Scholarship. Jessica is currently serving her second semester as a

Graduate Assistant in the Department of Housing and Residence Life.

Jessica has been actively taking a strong interest in her own professional development since starting graduate school in the fall. She attended her first NASPA State Conference this fall and has become involved on campus organizations.

Jessica serves on a new departmental committee and has been a great asset to the committee. She has demonstrated strong administrative skills and a creative thought process with her work on the Living Learning Communities committee. Her passion for trying something new and providing opportunities for students is evident during committee meetings.

Jessica currently serves as a supervisor for our night time student staff within the Lake Claire community. She has faced some challenges with this group and has really had to meet this group where they are at. Jessica learned that she would need to supervise this staff differently than she supervises the resident assistant staff. It has been neat to see a first semester graduate student figure this out and have to adjust her style and strategy.

Jessica has been working in our busiest community in regards to student conduct issues this year. She has gained so many student affairs type of skills in such a short time. She has really stepped up and done a great job for her community and our department. Jessica was recognized within our department for her efforts within the Lake Claire community in October. Her positive attitude and desire to do a good job is much appreciated by the leadership within the department.

Jessica really enjoyed and learned from the sessions provided at the NASPA State Conference. I know that she would be so grateful for the opportunity to learn more about our profession at the SEAHO conference. In the time I have known Jessica I have found her to be an optimistic and dedicated graduate assistant. I am confident that Jessica is well deserving of the SEAHO Conference Fee Waiver Scholarship and that she will do great things with the knowledge she gains from attending SEAHO. If you need further information or would like to discuss Jessica's qualifications in more detail, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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