Abercrombie & Fitch and The National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS) Foundation Announce 2015 Anti-Bullying Scholarship Recipients Wednesday, May 20, 2015 12:30:00 PM (GMT)

NEW ALBANY, Ohio, May 20, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Abercrombie & Fitch Co. (NYSE: ANF) and the <u>National Society of High School Scholars Foundation</u> (NSHSS), a 501c3 non-profit charity, are pleased to announce the winners of the 2015 Abercrombie & Fitch Anti-Bullying Scholarship Award Program.

Abercrombie & Fitch created this Scholarship Program in 2013 as part of its global anti-bullying campaign.

The scholarships are given to high school seniors who academically persevered while experiencing bullying, and for students who have led anti-bullying efforts in their schools and communities. Nearly 1,500 applications were received internationally, and ten students were selected based on personal responses describing how they have persevered or helped promote anti-bullying awareness in their school or community.

Winners of the 2015 award are:

Jamie Behymer (Cactus Shadows High School, Scottsdale, AZ)
Arisbeth Covarrubia (Arcadia High School, Phoenix, AZ)
Stephanie Duno (Ronald W. Reagan Doral Senior High School, Doral, FL)
Matthew Kaplan (Tesseract School, Phoenix, AZ)
Kathleen Lonski (East Brunswick High School, East Brunswick, NJ)
Elena Pierson (Arcadia High School, Phoenix, AZ)
Oliver Piltch (San Marcos High School, Santa Barbara, CA)
Cassandra Powell (San Clemente High School, San Clemente, CA)
Cassidy Taladay (Lincoln High School, Lincoln, NE)
Ethan Widoff (Cherry Creek High School, Greenwood Village, CO)

Each recipient will be awarded \$2,500 toward his or her college tuition. These scholarships are renewable for up to three years following the scholarship winner's freshman year.

"The NSHSS Foundation is proud to support these scholars who are demonstrating incredible courage and fortitude," said Claes Nobel, founder of the NSHSS Foundation and senior member of the family that established the Nobel Prizes. "We are proud to partner with Abercrombie & Fitch to provide young people with encouragement to create change in their communities and with resources to support their higher education goals."

"Once again, we were excited to see so many wonderful programs being initiated in these students' schools and communities to help further educate and bring attention to this cultural issue," said John Gabrielli, Senior Vice President, Human Resources and Diversity & Inclusion for Abercrombie & Fitch. "We commend them for their leadership and their efforts to stop bullying."

Abercrombie & Fitch continues to focus on anti-bullying awareness and will be making announcements on their 2015 initiatives in the coming months.

## **About Abercrombie & Fitch**

Abercrombie & Fitch Co. is a leading global specialty retailer of high-quality, casual apparel for men, women and kids with an active, youthful lifestyle under its Abercrombie & Fitch, abercrombie kids, and Hollister Co. At the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company operated 789 stores in the United States and 173 stores across Canada, Europe, Asia, Australia and the Middle East. The Company also operates ecommerce websites at www.abercrombie.com, www.abercrombiekids.com and www.hollisterco.com.

## About The NSHSS Foundation

Renowned champion of youth leadership and environmental stewardship and senior member of the family that established the Nobel Prizes, Claes Nobel has continued his family's legacy of recognizing and rewarding outstanding achievement by founding The National Society of High School Scholars Foundation, a

501c3 public charity, in 2004.

The NSHSS Foundation is dedicated to supporting education in the form of scholarships for under-represented students in STEM career majors, as well as business, economics, and public policy career majors. The Foundation recognizes the need to produce more graduates in these fields in order to meet the demands of an ever-changing global economy and society to create a better future for all. For more information visit <a href="https://www.nshssfoundation.org">www.nshssfoundation.org</a>.

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