The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) stipulates that a student 21 years of age or younger may be considered independent for financial aid-purposes if they have received a determination at any time on or after July 1, 2015 that they were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or at risk of being homeless. If you answered yes to this question this form is required as documentation of your status. Please complete and return to the VCU Office of Financial Aid.

NAME _____________________________

HOME PHONE NUMBER ___________________________ ALTERNATE/CELL-PHONE NUMBER ___________________________

VUC EMAIL ADDRESS ___________________________

I am providing this letter of verification as a (check one):

☐ A McKinney-Vento School District Liaison
☐ A director or designee of a HUD-funded shelter: ________________________________
☐ A director or designee of a RHYA-funded shelter: ________________________________

As per the College Cost Reduction and Access Act (Public Law 110-84), I am authorized to verify this student’s living situation. Should you have additional questions or need more information about this student, please contact me at the number listed below.

This letter is to confirm that ___________________________________________ was

☐ an unaccompanied homeless youth after July 1, 2015.

This means that, after July 1, 2015, ___________________________________________ was living in a homeless situation, as defined by Section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Act, and was not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.

OR

☐ an unaccompanied, self-supporting youth at risk of homelessness after July 1, 2015.

This means that, after July 1, 2015, ___________________________________________ was not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian, provides for his/her own living expenses entirely on his/her own, and is at risk of losing his/her housing.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE ___________________________ DATE ___________________________

PRINT NAME ___________________________ WORK PHONE NUMBER ___________________________

TITLE ___________________________ AGENCY ___________________________