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### **DEBARTOLO FAMILY FOUNDATION HONORS 30 HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WITH SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

*A Total of \$75,000 Given to Tampa Bay Area Graduating Seniors*

**Tampa, Fl. (May 1, 2007)** – The DeBartolo Family Foundation (DFF) announced today the 2007 recipients of the foundation’s annual high school scholarship awards. The scholarship winners honored are Tampa Bay area high school graduating seniors.

The DeBartolo Family Foundation scholarship award was established in 2001 to recognize those students who have achieved academic excellence despite certain financial and personal obstacles. A \$2,500 college scholarship will be awarded to each of the 30 graduating high school seniors (listed below) for a 2007 scholarship total of \$75,000. In 2006, 25 students were awarded a total of \$62,500 in scholarships from the foundation.

2007 DeBartolo Family Foundation Scholarship Award Winners (In Alphabetical Order):

Jarisa Ali	Wesley Chapel High School
Cameron Auld	Seminole High School
Briana Bell	Armwood Senior High School
Megan Cash	Seffner Christian Academy
Natalie Concepcion	Tampa Bay Technical High School
Jose Ferreiras	Chamberlain High School
Kawanda Foster	Hillsborough High School
Lauren Francona	Largo High School

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Keyara Franklin	Wharton High School
Robert Garcia	Leto High School
Anthony Garvin	Wesley Chapel High School
Hunter Hart	Brandon High School
Kira Jeans	River Ridge High School
Erwin Lazaro	Durant High School
Joaquin Martinez	Leto High School
Austin McCombs	Gaither High School
Jessica Meeks	Plant City High School
Maylin Morera	Leto High School
William Murray	H.B. Plant High School
Laura Nuckles	Brandon High School
Daniela Pontoriero	River Ridge High School
Yezenia Quinones	Middleton High School
Emily Rankin	Bloomington High School
Jaclyn Robinson	Blake High School
Eric Routen	Brandon High School
Amy Stanley	Plant City High School
Martina Taylor	Gulf High School
Patricia Urena	Leto High School
Brittany Valentin	Freedom High School
Xiandria Whiting	Dunedin High School

“Our family is extremely pleased to honor these 30 exceptional high school scholarship award winners,” said Lisa DeBartolo, Executive Vice President of DeBartolo Holdings, LLC. “These students represent the future of our Tampa Bay communities and we are proud to recognize each of them with our scholarship for attaining both academic and personal excellence. The DeBartolo Family Foundation wishes each and every one of these students continued success as they embark upon their collegiate and professional careers.”

The DeBartolo Family Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation created by the members of the Edward J. DeBartolo, Jr. family to benefit local communities. The Foundation annually awards scholarships to deserving students, provides grants to individuals and organizations with special needs, and presents the Spirit of Humanity Award, honoring non-profit organizations that provide extraordinary assistance to Tampa Bay residents with special needs. For more information, visit the Foundation’s Web site at [www.debartolofamilyfoundation.com](http://www.debartolofamilyfoundation.com) or call the Foundation office at 813.964.8302.