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Keiser University Celebrates 100 Graduates

Melbourne, Florida—June 24, 2008— On June 21, 100 Keiser University graduates crossed the stage at the summer commencement ceremony earning associate and bachelor's degrees in areas of study representing some of the state's highest demand career fields. The graduation was held at the Eau Gallie High School auditorium and State Senator Mike Haridopolos served as keynote speaker inspiring the nearly 700 guests packed in attendance.

This graduating class included 22 Associate of Science in Nursing recipients, many of which have accepted positions at local hospitals such as Cape Canaveral, Holmes Regional and Florida Hospital. Bachelor of Science in Nursing recipient, Darla Fritts, was named Salutatorian.

"It was an honor to speak before Keiser University graduates this past Saturday," stated Haridopolos. "Keiser is a university whose graduates are known for having an immediate, impact on the economy. I'm proud to have learned that many of the graduates already have or plan to seek employment right here in the Brevard County area," he added.

Additionally, the first class of graduates from Brevard County's only Nuclear Medicine Technology (NMT) degree program received associate degrees. Keiser added the program in 2007 to accommodate the growing employer demand for graduates with specific training in NMT. The graduates have successfully completed clinicals at Brevard VA, Cape Canaveral, Wuesthoff Rockledge, Parrish Medical, Osler Medical, MIMA, and Holmes Regional.

Fourteen of the graduates received bachelor's degrees in business administration, criminal justice, management information systems and nursing including Valedictorian Jennifer Powell of Palm Bay. Associate of Science degrees in healthcare programs and the bachelors programs are among the fastest growing at the Melbourne campus.

"It is truly a privilege to recognize the graduates' extraordinary accomplishments as they complete one journey and begin another," stated Belinda Keiser, Vice Chancellor. Many have juggled family obligations and working full time while remaining committed to their futures and their dreams of earning a college degree. These admirable qualities combined with a dedication to achieving

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excellence in their chosen career fields is what it means to be a Keiser University graduate, she added.

About Keiser University:

Keiser University, a private career-focused university, is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The Melbourne campus opened in 1989 and serves approximately 950 students.

Keiser University offers master's, bachelor's and associate degrees in high demand career fields meeting workforce and economic development needs in the communities we serve. The past three years (2006-2008), Keiser University was the nationwide leader in production of Associate of Science graduates in Health Professions and Related Sciences (Community College Week Analysis of US Department of Education Data Released June 16, 2008).

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