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Dear Prospective Graduate Student:

The New York State Government Finance Officers' Association, Inc. (NYS GFOA) is pleased to announce its annual **Stanley M. Schoenfeld Memorial Scholarship** competition. The scholarship is available for students who are eligible to enroll in, and are considering entering no later than the fall of 2006, a postgraduate program in public affairs/management (with a concentration in finance) at a college or university in New York State. The institution must be a member of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA). More specific information about NYS GFOA and Stanley M. Schoenfeld is enclosed and available on our web site.

Full and part time students are eligible for this award. We seek applicants with a superior academic record, show promise of completion of the graduate program at a high level of performance, and provide evidence of intention to enter the field of public administration.

All criteria are included with the enclosed application form. This information is also available on our web site, www.nysgfoa.org. In addition to the monetary scholarship award, the Association provides a one-year membership in NYS GFOA to all finalists. Finalists are also invited to attend the Association's Annual Conference to have an opportunity to meet the Scholarship and Awards Committee members, participate in sessions, and meet finance professionals from across New York. The 2006 conference will be held April 5th – 7th at the Albany Marriott Hotel in Albany, New York.

The scholarship award will be in the amount of \$2,000. There have been occasions when the NYS GFOA Stanley Schoenfeld Memorial Scholarship Committee has awarded more than one scholarship in one year. If that situation should occur, no individual winner's award would be less than \$1,500.

As explained in the application, you must complete the application and provide a letter(s) of recommendation that will attest to your potential as a government finance professional and submit all required materials to the NYS GFOA office by the deadline of **February 24, 2006**.

Since your acceptance to, and enrollment in, an eligible graduate program may not occur prior to our conference, the winner will be announced after the event and invited to attend as our guest the following year (spring 2007). At the conference, the winner will be asked to make a brief presentation about their course of study and intentions for their career to the conference attendees.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 518-465-1512 or via email at ryan@nysgfoa.org.

On behalf of the Scholarship Committee, thank you for your interest. We look forward to receiving an application from you.

Sincerely,

Maura K. Ryan

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Executive Director

Enclosures

NYS GFOA Stanley M. Schoenfeld Memorial Scholarship Committee

Chair, Michele Mark Levine, Dir. of Accounting Services, NYC Office of Management & Budget (*1992 winner*)

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