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Los Angeles, CA, March 19, 2008 – The Biracial Family Network (BFN) in collaboration with the Association of MultiEthnic Americans will provide two five hundred dollar scholarships with 1-year AMEA student memberships for the 2008-2009 academic school year. Students of all undergraduate levels in 4-year colleges and universities, including entering freshman will be eligible to apply. Scholarships are open to multiracial students or transracially adopted students from all backgrounds. These scholarships may be used towards tuition, room and board, and any other school-related costs.

In an effort to highlight positive identity development among multiracial students and transracial adoptees, this scholarship marks the first of its kind for academic support for students that self-identify with two or more racial/ethnic categories, and/or are adopted into multiracial/ethnic families. AMEA and BFN recognize the difficulties that students from these particular backgrounds, who are often times overlooked for scholarships, face, simply because they straddle multiple categories.

Interested applicants should submit 1) a one page resume; 2) a letter of recommendation from a non-family member; 3) college transcripts (current undergraduates) or high school transcripts (entering freshman); and 4) an essay answering the following question: “What does the 'multiracial community' mean to you and how does it affect your life?” to AMEA / Attention: AMEA/BFN Scholarship / P.O. Box 29223 / Los Angeles, CA 90029-0223. Please include a cover page with your name, year in school/college, and current contact information (address, phone, email).

Essays should not exceed two double spaced pages, 12-point font. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications must be received by Friday, May 16, 2008, no later than 5PM Pacific Standard Time. Notifications will be made by the end of June.

For further information, please contact: Jungmiwha Bullock, President of AMEA or Harold Gates, Vice President at ameaorg@aol.com or call 818.230.2285. Please do not email applications.

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The Association of MultiEthnic Americans (AMEA) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit national umbrella advocacy organization for multiracial, multiethnic, and transracially adopted individuals, families, organizations, and allies currently headquartered in Los Angeles, CA. The Biracial Family Network is an affiliate organization of the Association of MultiEthnic Americans, and it is located in Chicago, Illinois. For additional information, please visit www.ameasite.org and www.bfnchicago.org for updated information as it becomes available.