SAMPLE
CERTIFICATION OF ZERO INCOME
(To be completed by adult household members only, if appropriate.)

Household Name: ___________________________ Unit No.: ______________
Development Name: ___________________________ City: ______________

1) I hereby certify that I do not individually receive income from any of the following sources:

a. Wages from employment (including commissions, tips, bonuses, fees, etc.);
b. Income from operation of a business;
c. Rental income from real or personal property;
d. Interest or dividends from assets;
e. Social Security payments, annuities, insurance policies, retirement funds, pensions, or death benefits;
f. Unemployment or disability payments;
g. Public assistance payments;
h. Periodic allowances such as alimony, child support, or gifts received from persons not living in my household;
i. Sales from self-employed resources (Avon, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, etc.);
j. Any other source not named above.

2) I currently have no income of any kind and there is no imminent change expected in my financial status or employment during the next 12 months.

3) I will be using the following sources of funds to pay for rent and other necessities:

Under penalty of perjury, I certify that the information presented in this certification is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. The undersigned further understand(s) that providing false representations herein constitutes an act of fraud. False, misleading or incomplete information may result in the termination of a lease agreement.

______________________________  ________________________________  ____________
Signature of Applicant/Tenant    Printed Name of Applicant/Tenant    Date

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Signature of Manager/Witness    Printed Name of Manager/Witness    Date

PENALTIES FOR MISUSING THIS VERIFICATION

Title 18, Section 1001 of the U.S. Code states that a person is guilty of a felony for knowingly and willingly making false or fraudulent statements to any department of the United States Government, HUD and any owner (or any employee of HUD or the owner) may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of information collected based on the consent form. Use of the information collected based on this verification form is restricted to the purposes cited above. Any person who knowingly or willfully requests, obtains or discloses any information under false pretenses concerning an applicant or participant may be subject to a misdemeanor and fined not more than $5,000. Any applicant or participant affected by negligent disclosure of information may bring civil action for damages, and seek other relief, as may be appropriate, against the officer or employee of HUD or the owner responsible for the unauthorized disclosure or improper use. Penalty Provisions for misusing the social security number are contained in the Social Security Act at ** 208 (a) (6), (7) and (8).** Violation of these provisions are cited as violations of 42 U.S.C. Section ** 408 (a) (6), (7) and (8).**