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Dear Thomas Jefferson University Nursing Department Applicant:

It is with great pride that I share with you the outcome of the November, 2003 PA Board of Nursing licensure examination results for the period January 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003. The Department of Nursing, College of Health Professions at Thomas Jefferson University has the **HIGHEST PASS RATE** on the nursing licensure examination among **ALL** 21 programs - baccalaureate, associate degree and diploma - in the Philadelphia region. The Board of Nursing reports the Jefferson pass rate at **96.67%**.

The licensure examination is called NCLEX – National Council Licensure Examination. As an applicant, you should be very interested in a school's NCLEX result. After you complete your nursing education you must be successful on the licensure examination in order to obtain the license to practice as a registered nurse. Therefore, you will want to attend a nursing program that has a sustained history of excellent licensure examination results – **JEFFERSON**.

The PA report provides examination results for only those Jefferson graduates who sat for the licensure examination in PA. Many Jefferson graduates sat for the examination in other states. In May 2003, 64 men and women earned the BSN degree from Thomas Jefferson University. Sixty-three of the graduates have taken the licensure examination and 61 of the 63 have been successful. That is an impressive **96.82%** total pass rate. Twenty of the 64 BSN graduates in May 2003 were members of the first FACT cohort. FACT is a one calendar year BSN program for second degree nursing students. All 20 or 100% of the first FACT group were successful on the examination. Another reason to attend Jefferson!

Complete your application and reserve your seat in the fall 2004 class by sending your deposit when you are notified of your admission to Jefferson. Be sure to contact us if you have any questions about the admission process. We look forward to having you as a student at Jefferson!

Sincerely,

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