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Funding to Support Financial Literacy Programs Across the U.S.

BOSTON, July 18, 2007 -- National Financial, a Fidelity Investments® company, and the Foundation for Financial Planning (Foundation), today announced they have joined forces to help support a wide range of projects across the U.S. that provide pro bono financial advice and outreach programs to a variety of groups including low-income families, high-school students and victims of disasters, such as Hurricane Katrina.

“Many Americans are faced with a range of financial challenges, from managing monthly bills to figuring out how they will afford approximately \$215,000¹ for retiree health care²,” said Norman R. Malo, president and chief executive officer of National Financial. “The services brokers and advisors provide are critical to understanding the basics of building a financial plan and helping people overcome their financial challenges. Our work with the Foundation is an example of our commitment to support financial literacy programs, programs that many of our 335 broker/dealer clients and their more than 80,000 brokers are already participating in today.”

“The generous support of companies such as National Financial allows us to deliver quality financial literacy programs and grants,” said James A. Peniston, executive director of the Foundation for Financial Planning. “National Financial’s extensive reach into the broker/dealer community combined with our existing partnerships with financial planners across the country make this a logical relationship. This endorsement allows us to support financial literacy and pro bono financial planning and advice training classes, through grants to non-profit organizations that support outreach programs.”

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¹ Fidelity Consulting, 2007.

² Assumes no employer-provided retiree health care coverage and life expectancies of 17 years for a male and 20 years for a female.

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Founded in 1995, the Atlanta-based Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization and awarded its first grant in October 1998. Since then the group has made 38 grants totaling more than \$2 million.

About National Financial

National Financial, a Fidelity Investments company, offers Integrated Brokerage Solutions® to 335 clients ranging from retail broker/dealers to institutional investment firms. Collectively, National Financial's clients have more than 80,000 brokers. As of May 31, 2007, National Financial custodied over \$695 billion in assets representing more than 5.5 million customer accounts. Integrated Brokerage Solutions incorporates innovative technology, products and programs, supported by dedicated client service professionals and trusted industry partners. This holistic, solutions-oriented approach is designed to help client firms attain competitive advantage by driving growth, creating efficiency and managing risk. For more information about National Financial and Integrated Brokerage Solutions, please visit www.nationalfinancial.com.

About Fidelity Investments

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