

## **Appendix II: Affidavit Pursuant to Declaring Domestic Partner Relationship**

To obtain dependent supplements for a same-sex domestic partner under these policies, a grantee must submit a signed and dated document titled Affidavit Pursuant to Declaring Domestic Partner Relationship identifying his or her domestic partner and certifying that he or she and the domestic partner:

- (1) Are each other's sole domestic partner and intend to remain committed to one another indefinitely;
- (2) With regard to a common residence:
  - (a) Have a common residence and intend to continue the arrangement; or
  - (b) Would have a common residence, but are prevented from having one for reasons described by the grantee, and the Foreign Scholarship Board determines that the circumstances described are sufficient to justify the waiver of the common residence requirement. Unless and until such a determination is made, the domestic partner relationship does not qualify for dependent supplements;
- (3) Are at least 18 years of age and mentally competent to consent to contract;
- (4) Share responsibility for a significant measure of each other's common welfare and financial obligations;
- (5) Are not married to, joined in civil union with, or domestic partners with anyone else;
- (6) Are same-sex domestic partners, and are not related in a way that would prohibit legal marriage in the state or country in which they reside;
- (7) Agree to inform the Foreign Scholarship Board of any dissolution of the partnership; and
- (8) Understand that falsification of information within the affidavit may constitute a criminal violation under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and may also lead to termination of the grant.