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Ms. Iris H. Vardy 156A Quail Street Albany, New York 12203

Dear Ms. Vardy:

Congratulations on your acceptance to the Harvard School of Dental Medicine. We expect to hear from you shortly regarding your decision to accept the place offered to you in the Class of 1991. The Office of Student Affairs looks forward to working closely with you in the years to come, and we would like to provide you with some information about financial aid and student housing in order to help you make your plans for the future.

## A. Financial Aid

All loans, scholarships, and work/study funds administered by the Dental School are awarded strictly on the basis of need. Each applicant for financial aid must submit a Graduate and Professional Schools Financial Aid Service (GAPSFAS) application, which must be accompanied by a Parents' Questionnaire. An application and Parents' Questionnaire are enclosed for your convenience. In addition to the GAPSFAS application, a copy of the parental IRS 1040 form for Calendar Year 1985 must be filed with the Student Affairs Office for all students requesting aid. Following processing of the GAPSFAS application and receipt of the required documents, the Committee on Financial Aid will consider your request for financial assistance. Written notification of your financial aid award will be sent to you prior to the date of registration at HSDM.

Please note that our funds are extremely limited, and while every effort is made to assist our students, it is not possible for us to provide School-administered aid up to the anticipated level of the student budget. Students should plan to pursue outside sources of funding to supplement personal and family resources and aid awarded through the Dental School. Our Financial Aid Bulletin, which includes detailed information about our policies and procedures, is being revised, pending changes in the federal financial assistance programs, and will be sent to you as soon as it is published.

If you accept our offer of a place at HSDM, please submit the enclosed Preliminary Application for Financial Aid. This form may be returned with your response to the Admissions Office. If you do not plan to apply for financial aid, you may indicate this fact on the form. You are not bound by such a statement, as we realize that situations may change in the next several months. It will, however, help us to project the most efficient utilization of our funds.