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Keiser University's Kendall Campus Celebrates Summer Commencement

Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart will serve as keynote speaker

Kendall, Florida—July 21, 2008— Keiser University shares in the successes of another graduating class in Kendall. The commencement ceremony will take place Saturday, July 26 at Signature Gardens located at 12725 SW 122 Ave. in Miami at 10:00 a.m.

Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart (R-25) will serve as keynote speaker for the graduating class. Diaz-Balart, serving his third term in Congress, is a member of the Budget Committee, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, and the Science and Technology Committee. He is an Assistant Whip and Vice Chair of the Congressional Hispanic Conference.

"Every year our graduating class gets bigger and better, with this year's graduating class topping 140," stated Gary Markowitz, campus president. He followed up by adding that the administration, faculty and staff at the Kendall campus are very proud of all them and their accomplishments.

The valedictorian for this graduating class is Patrice Thomas. Thomas is a mother of four and will be graduating with a degree in Nuclear Medicine Technology, which is a field with employment opportunities that have a faster than average job growth (U.S. Department of Labor, 2008).

Keiser University, Florida's leading private, statewide provider of career-focused, post-secondary education is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Keiser University serves more than 12,000 students at its 13 campuses throughout the State of Florida and through the online division. In addition, Keiser University has international cooperative agreements in China and Moldova to serve international students.

Keiser University offers master's, bachelor's and associate degrees in high demand career fields meeting workforce and economic development needs in the communities we serve. In 2007, Keiser University was the nationwide leader in production of Associate of Science graduates in Health Professions and Related Sciences for the third straight year (Community College Week Analysis of US Department of Education Data Released June 16, 2008).

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