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SPECIAL TELEVISION/RADIO PRESS CONFERENCE FOR PROJECT 2000 REPORT, JUNE 4

A new report of New York State Project 2000 will be released at a press conference in Manhattan on Wednesday morning, June 4. A second press conference for Albany area news media will be held at 4 p.m. that same day at the Rockefeller Institute of Government of the State University of New York, 411 State Street.

Titled "The People of New York: Population Dynamics of a Changing State," the new report was commissioned by Gov. Mario Cuomo and the Legislature as part of a series of studies of what the state might look like at the turn of the century and beyond.

The news conference has been especially formatted for electronic media with brief summaries reinforced by colorful graphics. Drs. Richard D. Alba and Katherine Trent of the Center for Social and Demographic Analysis at the University at Albany, State University of New York, will make the presentation highlights of which include:

1. The threats to children's welfare, exemplified by the high rates of children living in poverty or in single parent families, will be one of the most important issues to be confronted in New York's future.
2. The state's population will grow, reversing the population decline of the 1970's; and the era of major migration loss to the Sun Belt appears to have come to an end.
3. On the eve of the nation's celebration of the 100th anniversary of the construction of the Statue of Liberty, New York has a continuing need for the sustained influx of immigrants from abroad.
4. By the year 2000, about one third of the residents of the state will be Hispanic or non-white.

A population projection of the Upper Hudson Region in the year 2000, including the counties of Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, and Schoharie, will be given.

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First-Year Student Excels

Susan Carol Hannigan, formerly of Kingston, N.Y., completed her freshman year at University at Albany, State University of New York with a grade point average of 3.84. Hannigan, who specializes in mathematics, earned a 4.0 during her spring semester---the best GPA achievable.

Currently, Susan resides with her parents, Dorothy and Joseph Hannigan, at their home in Safety Harbor, Florida. She will return to Albany this fall to begin her second year at the University.

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Student Graduates With Honors

Christopher Farmer of Delmar, N.Y. has graduated summa cum laude from University at Albany, State University of New York. Farmer, a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honor society, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biology. His overall grade point average was 3.7 out of a possible 4.0.

The son of Yvonne and Walter Farmer, Christopher plans to continue his studies this fall in the hopes of earning a higher degree in Teacher Education. Walter Farmer teaches Science Education at University at Albany.

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