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April 21, 1972

Mr. John H. Corcoran
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

Pursuant to a communication from the Secretary of
State Re: "Furniture Rental Association of America, Inc.,"

I made an investigation. The locus is suitable.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. FitzMaurice
Chief Investigator

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Encs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**JOHN F. X. DAVOREN***Secretary of the Commonwealth*

CORPORATION DIVISION

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

April 14, 1972

Mayor and City Mangger Cambridge, Massachusetts

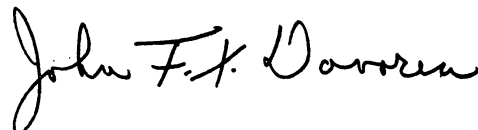
Carl F. Barron 40 Randolph St. Belmont
(and others none are residents of Cambridge)

have filed in this office an application for a certificate of incorporation, as provided for in chapter 180 of the General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, under the name of
Furniture Rental Association of America, Inc.
for the purpose of -see attached purposes

NONE OF THE INCORPORATORS RESIDE IN ~~SECTION~~ CAMBRIDGE BUT THE CORPORATION IS
to be located in the city of Cambridge 2A Trowbridge Street-

In accordance with the provisions of section five of said chapter 180 of the General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, I request that you forward forthwith to this office a statement of the facts called for by said section.

Very truly yours,

*Secretary of the Commonwealth*

The name by which the corporation shall be known is:
Furniture Rental Association of America, Inc.

2. The purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows:

The Corporation shall be a non-profit organization and shall have the following purposes:

To educate and promote the interest and welfare of persons engaged in the business of leasing or renting furniture.

To endeavor to raise to the highest degree the standards, ethics and practices of those engaged in the furniture leasing or rental business.

To endeavor to enhance the reputation of those engaged in the furniture leasing or rental business for fair dealing, integrity and honesty in their business practices.

To provide better service to the public by the furniture leasing or rental industry and to strive to develop better rental and sales equipment.

To acquire and disseminate information useful to the furniture leasing or rental industry and to the solution of problems of persons engaged therein.

To promote the exchange of ideas among persons in the furniture leasing or rental industry and generally to strive to improve and better the industry and those engaged in it.

The Corporation is to have all the powers permitted by the statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the common law so far as consistent with the statutes of the Commonwealth.

Section 1. The membership of this Association shall consist of four groups, which shall be:

(1) Voting Members who shall be the governing body of this Association and who shall meet the following qualifications: they shall be the owners of independent rental firms defined as companies which are individually owned, partnerships or closed corporations in the furniture rental field. Voting members shall not be employees or affiliates of a syndicate or chain store type of rental or sales business which would be recognized as country-wide in its scope of enterprise; nor shall they be associated with, or a part of, a nationally known or recognized company or corporation which has intentions of becoming active in the rental field; nor shall their income in the rental business be considered as a sideline in comparison to their major source of income which is derived from sales, unless such sales are in the furniture business; they must have a business location, plant, inventory, facilities and personnel to meet adequately the requirements of the various phases of rentals in which they are engaged; they must operate in such a manner as to reflect favorably and bring honor and credit to themselves and the rental industry; they must meet or surpass all requirements set down by health authorities and/or all other duly authorized agencies; they must maintain a record of prompt payment and good credit with suppliers and all others with whom they are associated; they must maintain equipment in a clean, serviceable condition at

all times, so as to reflect favorably on their own firms and on the rental industry. The firm with which a voting member is associated must have been in business at least three years, must have 300 units out for rental at the time of application for membership and must be a firm in good business standing.

(2) Affiliate Members shall be managers of branch offices owned and operated by the voting members of this Association and they shall have no voting rights.

(3) Associate Members shall be manufacturers and suppliers to the rental industry, and upon election by majority vote of the Board of Directors, shall be known as associate members, and they shall have no voting rights.

(4) Honorary Members shall be members who have rendered outstanding service to the Association, and upon election by the majority vote of the Association shall be known as honorary members, and they shall have no voting rights.

Section 2. Membership in this Association shall be for one year and members shall pay annual membership dues according to the rules of the Association for the period from January 1st through December 31st. Membership may be continued from year to year provided that the dues of each year are not more than 90 days in arrears.

Section 3. The voting power and rights of all voting-members shall be equal. Only one member may represent any one firm as a voting-member. Each voting-member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote in person or by proxy on any and all questions coming before the membership at any meeting of the

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Section 4. The Association shall issue to each member a certificate or card of membership but neither said membership or card may be assigned or assignable by any members or by any act of law; nor shall any assignee or transferee thereof receive or be entitled to any rights or interests in the Association unless the Board of Directors expressly authorizes such assignment or transfer and expressly accepts the said assignee or transferee as a member of the Association.



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JOHN H. CORCORAN
City Manager

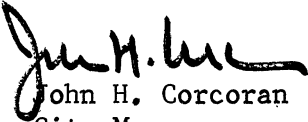
April 24, 1972

To the Honorable, the City Council,

I transmit herewith communication from John F.X. Davoren, Secretary of the Commonwealth relative to application from Carl F. Barron, 40 Randolph Street, Belmont and others not of Cambridge for a certificate of incorporation under the name of "Furniture Rental Association of America, Inc."

Also enclosed is report from Mr. FitzMaurice.

Yours truly,


John H. Corcoran
City Manager

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COMMUNICATION
from the City Manager trans-
mitting one from

John F. X. Davoren,
Secretary of the Commonwealth, together
with enclosures relative to the appli-
cation of Furniture Rental Association
of America, Inc. for location at 2A
Trowbridge St., Cambridge

April 24, 1972