FROM THE ACTING DIRECTOR
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

As part of Census 2000, the Census Bureau is collecting information on the financing of residential properties. The information you provide will be very important in the development of both private and government programs concerned with residential financing.

To collect the information most effectively and with the least inconvenience, we select a small sample of properties to represent similar properties in the United States. The property shown in Item B on the cover page of the enclosed questionnaire is part of the scientifically selected sample for this survey. It is extremely important that we receive a response for each property selected.

If you are the owner or manager of the property shown in Item B, we would appreciate your cooperation in filling out this questionnaire as completely and accurately as you can. If you cannot provide exact figures for some questions, estimates will be satisfactory. Please return this questionnaire in the enclosed addressed envelope.

If you are not the owner or manager of the property, please answer Questions 1 and 2 on the front page and return this questionnaire in the enclosed envelope.

Should you receive multiple questionnaires for the same property, please mark extra ones "Duplicate" and return them with the questionnaire that you complete.

Title 13, United States Code, requires your response to this inquiry. Under this law, your individual report is confidential and only will be used to produce statistical summaries. We cannot publish or otherwise release information identifying any individual property or person to any other government agency (federal, state, or local) or to any private organization.

We estimate that it will take about 30 to 60 minutes to complete this questionnaire. Comments about this estimate should be directed to the Associate Director for Finance and Administration, Attn: Paperwork Reduction Project 0607-0872, Room 3104, Federal Building 3, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

This survey has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget and has been given approval number 0607-0872, which appears on the questionnaire. Without this number, we could not conduct the survey.

Please complete and return this questionnaire within 7 days. If your reply is not received, a census representative will contact you to complete the questionnaire.

If you would like additional information about this survey, please refer to the Residential Finance Survey on the Internet at <www.census.gov/hhes/www/rfs.html>.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William G. Barron

Enclosures