

NOTICE OF SPECIAL REDEMPTION TO THE HOLDERS OF

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
STATE OF MARYLAND
Residential Revenue Bonds Series 1997 A
Dated August 1, 1997**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the applicable provisions of the governing documents, Allfirst Bank, as Trustee, hereby calls for special redemption on **October 1, 2002** (Redemption Date), **\$495,000** principal amount of the Bonds at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the Redemption Date. On and after the Redemption Date interest on the Bonds called for special redemption shall cease to accrue.

The CUSIP number, interest rate, maturity date, and amount of the Bonds called for special redemption are as follows:

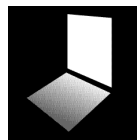
***CUSIP Number: 57419JNZ2, 5.60% Due March 1, 2017**
Registered Bonds called in the amount of \$495,000 with the prefix "R-1"

** No representation is made to the correctness of the CUSIP number either as printed on the Bonds or as contained in any notice of redemption and reliance may be placed only on the identification numbers established under the Series Certificate.*

The address of the Paying Agent is as follows:

Allfirst Bank
Corporate Trust Operations (M/C 109-754)
110 S. Paca St., 7th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21201

BY: Allfirst Bank, Trustee
(410) 545-2135



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Dated: August 29, 2002