A Special Meeting of the Retirement Allowance Committee was held on Wednesday, May 16, 1984, at 9:30 A.M., in the Board Room, Room 734, Merchandise Mart. The following were in attendance:

Mr. R. Andrzejewski  Mr. P. Kole
Mr. E. Flowers        Mr. J. Weatherspoon
Mr. J. Gallagher      Mr. L. Brown, alternate for Mr. A. Kasmer, was present. Mr. R. Bartkowicz, alternate for Mr. C. Andersen, was present. Mr. R. Jania, alternate for Mr. D. Perk, was present. Neither Mr. C. Hall, nor his alternate was present. Neither Mr. I. Thomas, nor his alternate was present. Messrs. G. Nagle, J. Mullen and Ms. C. Cox were present. The Plan Attorney was also present.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:45 A.M.

The Chairman informed the Committee that the purpose of the Special Meeting was to discuss the feasibility of the Retirement Allowance Committee entering into a program which would offer residential mortgage loans to participants of the Retirement Fund and asked the Plan Attorney to expound on the matter. The Plan Attorney noted that the Real Estate Subcommittee had just adjourned from a meeting where they had discussed the parameters of the
Residential Real Estate Mortgage Program. He stated that from a legal point of view the diversification of the Residential Mortgage Program is a permissible and proper investment by the Retirement Plan. The Plan Attorney presented a brief outline of the program noting that it is a matter for negotiations and must be approved by the membership. He further stated that there are still several details which had to be resolved. After further discussion and at the request of Mr. Gallagher, the Chairman called a brief recess at 11:37 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 11:59 A.M. at which time the Chairman recommended that the Committee adopt the policy to invest in the Residential Mortgage Program, as recommended by the Real Estate Subcommittee. Further discussion ensued between Committee Members after which Mr. Gallagher made a motion that the Retirement Fund adopt a Residential Mortgage Program and invest 5 per cent of the Plan's assets (approximately $27,000,000) subject to the qualifications as outlined by the Plan Attorney.

Mr. Flowers seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously agreed. (A copy of the Plan Attorney's qualifications is attached to these Minutes).

Mr. Gallagher also made a motion that the Chairman and members of the Secretary's Office staff prepare a press release and make the necessary arrangements for a press conference. Messrs. Kole and Andrzejewski seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously agreed.
The Chairman noted that the subcommittees needed to be expanded and recommended the appointment of Mr. Loid Brown as a member of the Real Estate Subcommittee. Mr. Flowers made a motion that Mr. Brown be appointed a member of the Real Estate Subcommittee, Mr. Gallagher seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously approved.

The Chairman brought to the Committee's attention the recent publicity regarding the Continental Bank. A discussion ensued during which the Chairman asked that a Sub-committee, comprised of Messrs. J. Gallagher, P. Kole, E. Flowers, along with the Plan Attorney, meet with the proper representatives of Continental Bank and present a report at the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 21, 1984.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Mr. Kole, the Committee unanimously agreed to adjourn at 12:20 P.M.