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## Vincent House: Letter to Selectman concerning Vincent House Move

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# A. W. BAKER RESTORATIONS, INC.

670 DRIFT ROAD  
WESTPORT, MASSACHUSETTS 02790  
(617) 636-8765

August 30, 1977

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Edgartown, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We hereby request permission to move over public rights of way a building known as the Vincent (formerly Vinson) House from Meeting House Way in the so-called Plains area of Edgartown to a new site in Edgartown Village between Main Street and Pease's Point Way.

The Vincent House measures 28' 2" x 38' 4" and on its transporting frame will have a vertical height of 25'. Its weight including transporting frame and wheels is approximately 30 tons.

The over-the-road mover will be Edward Briggs, Marion, Mass., an experienced structural mover. He carries full liability bond with Commercial Union Assurance Co. for this move.

We have obtained a permit from the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, Boston, which allows the move to be scheduled for September 20 and 21, 1977. A copy of that permit will be forwarded to you by Mr. Briggs.

The route to be taken is as follows:

From its present site on land of the late John MacKenty .50 mile across private land to Meeting House Way, then

Northerly on Meeting House Way .45 mile to West Tisbury Road, then

Westerly on West Tisbury Road 3.55 miles to Airport Road, then

Northerly on Airport Road 2.45 miles (of which .50 mile is in the Town of Oak Bluffs) to the Vineyard Haven-Edgartown Road, then

Easterly on the Vineyard Haven-Edgartown Road 5.05 miles (of which 2.35 miles is in the Town of Oak Bluffs) to the intersection of Pease's Point Way, then

Easterly along Main Street .05 mile to the east side of the Daniel Fisher House, then

Northerly approximately 75 yards through property owned by

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the Martha's Vineyard Historical Preservation Society to a new foundation there sited.

We have notified and discussed this move with the following:

New England Telephone Co. -- Mr. Les Dakin  
New Bedford Gas & Edison Light Co. -- Mr. Dunham  
Mass. Department of Public Works, MV -- Richard Dunham  
Mass. Department of Public Works, Boston -- Mr. McCarthy  
Edgartown Fire Department -- Chief Doyle  
Edgartown Police Department -- Chief Pratt  
Edgartown Tree Warden -- Duncan McBride  
Edgartown Building Inspector -- Mr. Anderson

We firmly believe that this move will be accomplished on schedule with a minimum of disruption, and we will appreciate your positive action on this request.

Sincerely,



Anne W. Baker

AWB/cf

cc: Board of Selectmen, Town of Oak Bluffs, Mass.





TOWN OF EDGARTOWN  
OFFICE OF  
SELECTMEN

TELEPHONE:  
SELECTMEN - 627-4033  
P. O. BOX 166  
EDGARTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS 02539

September 1, 1977

Mr. Edward Briggs  
Marion, Massachusetts

Re: Moving of the So-Called Vincent House

Dear Mr. Briggs:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen held on August 30, 1977, it was voted, in response to your request, to grant you permission to move the so-called Vincent House from Meetinghouse Way to the Dr. Daniel Fisher House property on Main Street via a route described in a letter submitted to us by A. W. Baker Resorations, Inc., dated August 30, 1977.

This permission is granted with the understanding that you agree to indemnify and save harmless the Town of Edgartown against and from all damages by reason of the above proceedings, criminal or civil, on account of and during the time the above mentioned moving occupies any portion of any Town way. It is understood further that you have notified all the proper utilities and other involved departments of the Town and State and that they have granted permission for the moving. This permission is further granted with the understanding that the scheduled dates for moving will be September 20 and September 21, 1977.

Very truly yours,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Peter O. Bettencourt  
Executive Secretary

POB/cec



BUILDING MOVING PERMIT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Edward A. Briggs of  
Marion, Massachusetts, as Principal,  
and Commercial Union Insurance Company

as Surety, are holden and stand firmly bound and obliged unto the  
Town of Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts, as Obligee, in the  
full and just sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred (2,500.) Dollars,  
to be paid unto the said Town of Oak Bluffs its successors  
and assigns, to which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind  
ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and  
assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That, Whereas, an application  
for a license for use of streets as a house or building mover has been  
made to the Superintendent of Streets of said Oak Bluffs by the  
said Edward A. Briggs

NOW, THEREFORE, if the said Edward A. Briggs

shall indemnify and save harmless the Town of Oak Bluffs from  
all costs, actions, suits and claims whatsoever arising from any and  
all work, occupation, or obstruction authorized by said license, and  
shall restore said street or other public place so occupied or obstructed  
to its original condition within the time specified in said license  
and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets, then this  
obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall be and remain  
in full force and effect.

This bond shall definitely expire one year from the date hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals this 1st day  
of September, 1977.

Edward A. Briggs

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY

BY: William P. Kee  
William P. Kee Attorney-in-fact

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and having its principal office in the City of Boston, Mass., has made, constituted and appointed, and does by these presents make and constitute and appoint William P. Kee, Thomas B. Gann, Jr., T. John Quinlan and John A. Godfrey all of Boston, Mass.

and each of them its true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety any and all bonds or undertakings

and the execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, shall be binding upon said Company as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if such bonds were signed by the President, sealed with the corporate seal of the Company, and duly attested by its Secretary, hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts of said Attorney-in-Fact pursuant to the power herein given. This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the twenty-seventh day of July, 1972:

Resolved, That the President, or any Vice-President, or any Assistant Vice President, may execute for and in behalf of the company any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, the same to be attested when necessary and the seal of the company affixed thereto by the Secretary, or any Assistant Secretary; and that the President, or any Vice President, or Assistant Vice President, may appoint and authorize an Attorney-in-Fact to execute on behalf of the company any and all such instruments and to affix the seal of the company thereto; and that the President, or any Vice-President, or any Assistant Vice-President, may at any time remove any such Attorney-in-Fact and revoke all power and authority given to any such Attorney-in-Fact.

Resolved: That Attorneys-in-Fact may be given full power and authority to execute for and in the name and on behalf of the company any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such instrument executed by any such Attorney-in-Fact shall be as binding upon the company as if signed by the President and sealed and attested by the Secretary, and, further, Attorneys-in-Fact are hereby authorized to verify any affidavit required to be attached to bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and are also authorized and empowered to certify to a copy of any of the by-laws of the company as well as any resolution of the Directors having to do with the execution of bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and to certify copies of the Power of Attorney or with regard to the powers of any of the officers of the company or of Attorneys-in-Fact.

This power of attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Directors of the COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the twenty-seventh day of July, 1972:

"Resolved: That the signature of the President, or any Vice-President, or any Assistant Vice President, and the signature of the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and the Company Seal may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting any bond, undertaking, recognizance or other written obligation in the nature thereof, and any such signature and seal where so used, being hereby adopted by the company as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the company, to be valid and binding upon the company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY, has caused these presents to be signed by its Assistant Vice-President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, by its Secretary this 8th day of August 1977



Attest:

*Raymond M. Defossez*

Raymond M. Defossez, Secretary

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK SS.

COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY

By

*Robert J. Spencer*  
Robert J. Spencer — Assistant Vice-President

On this 8th day of August 1977, before me personally came Robert J. Spencer, Assistant Vice-President, and Raymond M. Defossez, Secretary of the COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and they acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, severally and each for himself depose and sayeth, that they are the said officers of the Company aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the corporate seal of said Company and that the said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Company.



*Julius Szentendrey*  
Julius Szentendrey — Notary Public  
(My Commission expires February 27, 1981)

### CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of the COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE COMPANY, a Massachusetts Corporation, do hereby certify that the foregoing power of attorney is in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolutions of the Board of Directors set forth in the power of attorney are now in force.

Signed and sealed at the City of Boston. Dated this 1st day of September 1977



*Andrejs J. Grots*  
Andrejs J. Grots — Assistant Secretary