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**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION  
TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

**IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS  
SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE  
STATE OF FLORIDA:**

1. Sterling Funding Corporation  
(Name of corporation: must include the word "INCORPORATED", "COMPANY", "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present.)
2. California  
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)
3. 33-0567471  
(FEI number, if applicable)
4. June 8, 1993  
(Date of Incorporation)
5. perpetual  
(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. Upon qualification  
(Date first transacted business in Florida. (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502, AND 817.155, F.S.))
7. Sterling Funding Corporation  
30021 Tomas, Suite 110, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688  
(Current mailing address)
8. Residential secondary mortgage lending  
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in the state of Florida)
9. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box NOT acceptable)


Name: Nationscorp Registered Agents, Inc.

Office Address: 526 E. Park Avenue

Tallahassee, Florida, 32301  
(Zip Code)

**10. Registered agent's acceptance:**

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

  
(Registered agent's signature)

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

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12. Names and addresses of officers and/or directors: (Street address ONLY- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)

**A. DIRECTORS (Street address only- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)**

Chairman: William Field

Address: 30021 Tomas, Suite 110, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Vice Chairman: No others

Address: N/A

Director: N/A

Address: N/A

Director: N/A

Address: N/A

**B. OFFICERS (Street address only- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)**

President: William Field

Address: 30021 Tomas, Suite 110, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Vice President: N/A

Address: N/A

Secretary: Same as President

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer: Same as President

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

13. \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. William Field, President

(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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## SECRETARY OF STATE

### CERTIFICATE OF STATUS DOMESTIC CORPORATION

I, **BILL JONES**, Secretary of State of the State of California, hereby certify:

That on the 8th day of June, 19 93

STERLING FUNDING CORPORATION

became incorporated under the laws of the State of California by filing its Articles of Incorporation in this office; and

That no record exists in this office of a certificate of dissolution of said corporation nor of a court order declaring dissolution thereof, nor of a merger or consolidation which terminated its existence; and

That said corporation's corporate powers, rights and privileges are not suspended on the records of this office; and

That according to the records of this office, the said corporation is authorized to exercise all its corporate powers, rights and privileges and is in good legal standing in the State of California; and

That no information is available in this office on the financial condition, business activity or practices of this corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I execute this certificate and affix the Great Seal of the State of California this day of

December 22, 1997



*Bill Jones*

Secretary of State