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New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal
Office of Rent Administration
Gertz Plaza
92-31 Union Hall Street
Jamaica, NY 11433

May 18, 2009

This is in response to your inquiry of May 12, 2009, requesting an opinion letter regarding having one of two elevators in a building function solely as a "Sabbath Elevator".

Please note that the issues you raise fail to meet the criteria for receiving an opinion letter. We are, however, providing you with the appropriate forms to file with our agency to receive an official determination on this topic.

Enclosed you will find an Owner's Application for Modification of Services (Rent Stabilized Units Only) - RAS-93 and an Owner's Application for Permission to Change or Decrease Dwelling Space, Essential Services, etc. in Occupied Rent Controlled Apartments - RA-35.

Initiating this proceeding with our agency will address and resolve your specific issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce Falbo', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Bruce Falbo
Bureau Chief
Rent Information Bureau

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Enclosures