

EXHIBIT 9-A

**ARCHITECT'S CERTIFICATION:
COMPLIANCE WITH MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR
ACCESSIBILITY BY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED**

Contract No. _____

Project Name _____

Address _____

Pursuant to Section 8.32 of 24 CFR Part 8, the undersigned certifies that the design of the above-mentioned project is in conformance with the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS). This section provides that effective as of July 11, 1988, the design, construction, or alteration of buildings in conformance with section 3-8 of UFAS (Appendix A to 41 CFR Subpart 101-19.6 for general type buildings and Appendix A to 24 CFR Subpart 40 for residential structures) shall be deemed to comply with the requirements of Sections 8.21, 8.22, 8.23, and 8.25 with respect to those buildings. Departures from particular technical and scoping requirements of UFAS by the use of other methods are permitted where substantially equivalent or greater access to and usability of the building is provided. The alteration of housing facilities shall also be in conformance with additional scoping requirements contained in this part.

Architect for the Project: _____

Legal Name and Address: _____

Registration Number: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name

Official Signature for the CDBG Grantee:

Print or Type Name

Date: _____

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