SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

(Rule 13d-101)

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Amendment No. 9

Rent-A-Center, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
76009N 10 0
(CUSIP Number)
John F. Hartigan, Esq. Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP 300 S. Grand Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90071 (213) 612-2500

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

July 11, 2003

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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1.	Name of Report	ting Person I.R.S. Identification of above person	
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N	UMBER OF SHARES	8. Shared Voting Power	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY		5,530,669 shares of Common Stock	
	EACH EPORTING PERSON	9. Sole Dispositive Power	
	WITH	10. Shared Dispositive Power	
		5,530,669 shares of Common Stock	
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N	IUMBER OF SHARES	8. Shared Voting Power	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY		296,757 shares of Common Stock	
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	WITH	10. Shared Dispositive Power	
		296,757 shares of Common Stock	
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	296,7	57 shares of Common Stock	
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	0.9%		
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1.	Name of Report	ing P	erson I.R.S. Identification No. of above person	
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BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY			5,827,426 shares of Common Stock	
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This Amendment No. 9 to Schedule 13D supplements and amends the following items of the Statement on Schedule 13D of Apollo Investment Fund IV, L.P., Apollo Overseas Partners IV, L.P. and Apollo Advisors IV, L.P. (the "Reporting Persons") originally filed on August 17, 1998, Amendment No. 1 filed on August 27, 1998, Amendment No. 2 filed on October 8, 2001, Amendment No. 3 filed on May 14, 2002, Amendment No. 4 filed on June 3, 2002, Amendment No. 5 filed on August 6, 2002, Amendment No. 6 filed on April 30, 2003, Amendment No. 7 filed on June 11, 2003 and Amendment No, 8 filed on July 2, 2003 with respect to the shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Rent-A-Center, Inc. ("Rent-A-Center" or the "Issuer").

Responses to each item of this Schedule, as applicable, are incorporated by reference into the response to each other item.

- Item 1. Security and Issuer
- Item 2. Identity and Background
- Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Item 3 is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

The Reporting Persons have acquired an aggregate of 2 shares of Series C preferred stock of the Issuer, par value \$.01 (the "Series C Preferred Stock"). The Series C Preferred Stock was acquired in exchange for the 2 shares of Series A Preferred Stock previously held by AIFIV and Overseas IV, pursuant to the terms of the Purchase and Exchange Agreement.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

Item 4, to which reference is made regarding the purposes, plans and proposals of the Reporting Persons with respect to the securities of the Issuer owned by the Reporting Persons, is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

As previously reported, under the terms of the Purchase and Exchange Agreement, AIFIV and Overseas IV agreed to sell and the Issuer agreed to purchase certain shares of Common Stock, and AIFIV and Overseas IV also agreed to exchange the one share each of Series A Preferred Stock held by them for one share each of the Series C Preferred Stock. The Series C Preferred Stock has substantially the same rights, powers, preferences and limitations, including the conversion rights, as the Series A Preferred Stock, except that the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock are not entitled to vote as a separate class to elect any directors to the Issuer's Board of Directors. Pursuant to the terms of the Purchase and Exchange Agreement, the existing stockholders agreement by and among AIFIV, Overseas IV, the Issuer, Mark E. Speese and the other parties identified therein has been amended to reflect the exchange of the Series A Preferred Stock for the Series C Preferred Stock, with all other terms and rights remaining the same. See the Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Relative Rights and Limitations of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Rent-A-Center, Inc. (the "Series C Certificate of Designations"), a copy of which has been filed as an Exhibit to this Schedule 13D and is incorporated herein by reference, and the Fourth Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement of Rent-A-Center, Inc., a copy of which has been filed as an Exhibit to this Schedule 13D and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting the following therefor:

The Reporting Persons beneficially own two shares of Series C Preferred Stock. Each share of Series A Preferred Stock is convertible into approximately 35.80 shares of Common Stock for an aggregate of 70 shares of Common Stock. Assuming the conversion of all of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons as of the date hereof, the Reporting Persons would beneficially own an aggregate of 5,827,426 shares of Common Stock, which would represent approximately 17.8% of the outstanding Common Stock of the Issuer. Beneficial ownership of such shares was acquired as described in Item 3 and Item 4.

- (a) See the information contained on the cover pages to this Amendment No. 9 to Schedule 13D which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (b) See the information contained on the cover pages to this Amendment No. 9 to Schedule 13D which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (c) On July 11, 2003, AIFIV and Overseas IV sold an aggregate of 774,547 shares of Common Stock to the Issuer at a price of \$73.00 per share pursuant to the Purchase and Exchange Agreement. On June 30, 2003, AIFIV and Overseas IV sold an aggregate of 400,000 shares of Common Stock at a price of \$74.65 per share in a block sale which is expected to settle on July 17, 2003. There have been no other reportable transactions with respect to the Common Stock of the Issuer within the last 60 days by the Reporting Persons, except as described in this Amendment No. 9 to Schedule 13D.
 - (d) Not applicable.
 - (e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit 1: Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Relative Rights and Limitations of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Rent-A-Center, Inc., as filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on July 9, 2003.

Exhibit 2: Fourth Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement of Rent-A-Center, Inc. dated as of July 11, 2003, by and among Apollo Investment Fund IV, L.P., Apollo Overseas Partners IV, L.P., Mark E. Speese, Rent-A-Center, Inc. and the other parties identified therein.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best knowledge and belief of each	of the undersigned	, each of the undersigned	certifies that the inform	ation set forth in
this statement with respect to such person is true, complete and correct.				

Date: July 15, 2003 APOLLO INVESTMENT FUND IV, L.P.

Date: July 15, 2003

July 15, 2003

Date:

By: APOLLO ADVISORS IV, L.P. Its General Partner

By: APOLLO CAPITAL MANAGEMENT IV, INC. Its General Partner

By: /s/ MICHAEL D. WEINER

Michael D. Weiner Vice President

APOLLO OVERSEAS PARTNERS IV, L.P.

By: APOLLO ADVISORS IV, L.P. Its Managing General Partner

By: APOLLO CAPITAL MANAGEMENT IV, INC. Its General Partner

By: /s/ MICHAEL D. WEINER

Michael D. Weiner Vice President

APOLLO ADVISORS IV, L.P.

By: APOLLO CAPITAL MANAGEMENT IV, INC.

Its General Partner

By: /s/ MICHAEL D. WEINER

Michael D. Weiner Vice President

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATIONS, PREFERENCES AND RELATIVE RIGHTS AND LIMITATIONS OF SERIES C CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK OF RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

Pursuant to Section 151
of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaward

Rent-A-Center, Inc. (the "Corporation"), a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, does, by its President and Chief Operating Officer, hereby certify that, pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board") by Paragraph Fourth, Section I of its Certificate of Incorporation, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 151 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the Board, at a meeting of the Board held on April 25, 2003, duly adopted the following resolutions establishing the rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions of a series of preferred stock of the Corporation, which resolutions remain in full force and effect as of the date hereof:

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Paragraph Fourth, Section I of the Certificate of Incorporation, there is hereby authorized such series of preferred stock on the terms and with the provisions herein set forth:

1. Certain Definitions.

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in this Section 1 shall have, for all purposes of this resolution, the meanings specified (with terms defined in the singular having comparable meanings when used in the plural).

Affiliate. The term "Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person and, in the case of a Person who is an individual, shall include (i) members of such specified Person's immediate family (as defined in Instruction 2 of Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act) and (ii) trusts, the trustee and all beneficiaries of which are such specified Person or members of such Person's immediate family as determined in accordance with the foregoing clause (i). For the purposes of this definition, control when used with respect to any person means the power to direct the management and policies of such person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "affiliated," "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Initial Holders and their Affiliates shall not be deemed Affiliates of the Corporation.

Change of Control. The term "Change of Control" shall mean the occurrence of any one of the following events: (I) the acquisition after the Initial Series C Issue Date, in one or more transactions, of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) by (i) any person or entity (other than any Permitted Holder) or (ii) any group of persons or entities (excluding any Permitted Holders) who constitute a group (within the meaning of Section 13(d) (3) of the Exchange Act), in either case, of any securities of the Corporation such that, as a result of such acquisition, such person, entity or group beneficially owns (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, 40% or more of the then outstanding voting securities entitled to vote on a regular basis for a majority of the Board of Directors of the Corporation (but only to the extent that such beneficial ownership is not shared with any Permitted Holder who has the power to direct the vote thereof), provided, however, that no such Change of Control shall be deemed to have occurred if (A) the Permitted Holders beneficially own, in the aggregate, at such time, a greater percentage of such voting securities than such other person, entity or group or (B) at the time of such acquisition, the Permitted Holders (or any of them) possess the ability (by contract or otherwise) to elect, or cause the election of, a majority of the members of the Corporation's Board of Directors; (II) the acquisition by any person of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation; (III) the determination by the Corporation's Board of Directors to recommend the acceptance of any proposal set forth in a tender offer statement or proxy statement filed by any person with the Securities and Exchange Commission which indicates the intention on the part of that person to acquire, or acceptance of which would otherwise have the effect of that person acquiring, control of the Corporation; or (IV) upon, other than as a result of the death or disability of one or more of the directors within a three-month period, a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for any period of three consecutive months not being persons who (a) had been directors of the Corporation for at least the preceding 24 consecutive months or are Initial Holder Nominees, or (b) when they initially were elected to the Board of Directors of the Corporation, (x) were nominated (if they were elected by the stockholders) or elected (if they were elected by the directors) with the affirmative concurrence of 66-2/3% of the directors who were Continuing Directors at the time of the nomination or election by the Board of Directors of the Corporation and (y) were not elected as a result of an actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by a person other than the Board or an agreement intended to avoid or settle such a proxy solicitation (the directors described in clauses (a) and (b) of this subsection (IV) being "Continuing Directors"); provided, however, that no Change of Control shall be deemed to have occurred by virtue of any merger of the Corporation with any wholly owned subsidiary of the Corporation or any merger of two wholly owned subsidiaries of the Corporation if, in any such merger, the proportionate ownership interests of the stockholders of the Corporation remain unchanged.

Common Stock. The term "Common Stock" shall mean the common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of the Corporation.

Conversion Date. The term "Conversion Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(c) below, as applicable.

Conversion Price. The term "Conversion Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(d) below.

Convertible Securities. The term "Convertible Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(f)(iii).

Corporation Notice. The term "Corporation Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(b)(ii)(A) below.

<u>Current Market Price</u>. The term "Current Market Price" shall mean the current market price of the Common Stock as computed in accordance with Section 8(f)(xi) below.

Dividend Payment Date. The term "Dividend Payment Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3(a) below.

Dividend Rate. The term "Dividend Rate" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3(a) below.

Exchange Act. The term "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Initial Date. The term "Initial Date" shall mean August 5, 1998.

<u>Initial Holder Nominee</u>. The term "Initial Holder Nominee" shall mean any person nominated by the Initial Holders or any of their Permitted Transferees to serve as a director on the Corporation's Board of Directors.

Initial Holders. The term "Initial Holders" shall mean Apollo Investment Fund IV, L.P. and Apollo Overseas Partners IV, L.P.

<u>Initial Series C Issue Date</u>. The term "Initial Series C Issue Date" shall mean the date that shares of Series C Preferred Stock are first issued by the Corporation.

IRR. The term "IRR" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4(c)(ix) below.

<u>Junior Stock</u>. The term "Junior Stock" shall mean any stock of the Corporation, other than the Common Stock, ranking junior to the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation.

Laws. The term "Laws" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(c) below.

<u>Liquidation</u>. The term "Liquidation" shall mean any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary; provided, that neither the voluntary sale, conveyance, exchange or transfer (for cash, shares of stock, securities or other consideration) of all or substantially all of the property or assets of the Corporation, nor the consolidation or merger of the Corporation with one or more other entities, shall, by itself, be deemed a Liquidation.

<u>Liquidation Preference Amount</u>. The term "Liquidation Preference Amount" shall mean an amount equal to the sum of (i) \$1,000 per share of Series C Preferred Stock, plus (ii)

all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon calculated in accordance with Sections 3(a) and 3(b) hereof.

<u>Permitted Holder</u>. The term "Permitted Holder" shall mean (i) the Initial Holders or any entity controlled by either of the Initial Holders or any of the partners of the Initial Holders, (ii) an employee benefit plan of the Corporation or any subsidiary of the Corporation, or any participant therein, (iii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries or (iv) any Permitted Transferee of any of the foregoing persons.

<u>Permitted Transferee</u>. The term "Permitted Transferee" shall mean, with respect to any Person, (i) any officer, director or partner of, or Person controlling, such Person, (ii) any other Person that is (x) an Affiliate of the general partner(s), investment manager(s) or investment advisor(s) of such Person, (y) an Affiliate of such Person or a Permitted Transferee of an Affiliate or (z) an investment fund, investment account or investment entity whose investment manager, investment advisor or general partner thereof is such Person or a Permitted Transferee of such Person or (iii) if a Permitted Transferee of a Person set forth in the foregoing clauses (i) and (ii) is an individual, (x) any spouse or issue of such individual, or any trust solely for the benefit of such individual, spouse or issue, and (y) upon such individual's death, any Person to whom Shares are transferred in accordance with the laws of descent and/or testamentary distribution, in each case in a bona fide distribution or other transaction not intended to avoid the provisions of this Agreement.

<u>Person</u>. The term "Person" shall mean an individual or a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust, or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.

Quarterly Dividend Period. The term "Quarterly Dividend Period" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3(a) below.

Quoted Price. The term "Quoted Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(f)(xi) below.

Redemption Date. The term "Redemption Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a)(ii) below.

Redemption Event. A Redemption Event will be deemed to occur at the earliest of (i) the date upon which there is a Change of Control of the Corporation, (ii) the date upon which the Corporation's Common Stock is not listed for trading on a United States national securities exchange or the NASDAQ National Market System, or (iii) the eleventh anniversary of the Initial Date.

Redemption Price. The term "Redemption Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a)(i) below.

Repurchase Date. The term "Repurchase Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(b)(i) below.

Repurchase Price. The term "Repurchase Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(b)(i) below.

Securities Act. The term "Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

<u>Series A Preferred Stock</u>. The term "Series A Preferred Stock" shall mean the Series A preferred stock, par value \$.01, issued on the Initial Date and shares of Series A preferred stock, \$.01 par value of the Corporation for which such shares were directly or indirectly exchanged.

Series C Preferred Stock. The term "Series C Preferred Stock" shall mean the Series C Convertible Preferred Stock authorized hereby.

<u>Trading Days</u>. The term "Trading Days" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(f)(xi) below.

2. Designation.

The series of preferred stock authorized hereby shall be designated as the "Series C Convertible Preferred Stock." The number of shares constituting such series shall initially be One Hundred (100). The par value of the Series C Preferred Stock shall be \$.01 per share.

3. Dividends.

(a) The holders of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive cumulative quarterly dividends at a dividend rate equal to 3 3/4% per annum (the "Dividend Rate") computed on the basis of \$1,000 per share, when and as declared by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends; provided, however, for the period commencing with the Initial Series C Issue Date and ending on August 4, 2003, payments of dividends may be made, at the election of the Corporation, either (i) in cash or (ii) by issuing a number of additional fully paid and nonassessable shares (and/or fractional shares) of Series C Preferred Stock for each such share (or fractional share) of Series C Preferred Stock then outstanding determined by dividing (x) the dividend then payable on each such share (or fractional share) of Series C Preferred Stock (expressed as a dollar amount) by (y) 1,000. Quarterly dividend periods (each a "Quarterly Dividend Period") shall commence on January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1, in each year, except that the first Quarterly Dividend Period shall commence on the date of issuance of the Series C Preferred Stock, and shall end on and include the day immediately preceding the first day of the next Quarterly Dividend Period. Dividends on the shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be payable on March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31 of each year (a "Dividend Payment Date"), commencing September 30, 2003. Each such dividend shall be paid to the holders of record of the Series C Preferred Stock as they shall appear on the stock register of the Corporation on such record date, not exceeding 45 days nor less than 10 days preceding such Dividend Payment Date, as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors of the Corporation or a duly authorized committee thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, no dividend shall be paid or accrued for any Quarterly Dividend Period in which the Current Market Price as of the related Dividend Payment

Date is equal to or greater than the Conversion Price accumulated forward from the Initial Date to such Dividend Payment Date at a compound annual growth rate of Twenty-Five Percent (25%) per annum compounded quarterly.

If, on any Dividend Payment Date, the full dividends provided for in this Section 3(a) are not declared or paid to the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock, whether in cash or in additional shares of Series C Preferred Stock, then such dividends shall cumulate, with additional dividends thereon, compounded quarterly, at the Dividend Rate applicable to the Series C Preferred Stock as provided in this Section 3(a), for each succeeding full Quarterly Dividend Period during which such dividends shall remain unpaid. In the event the Corporation elects to pay dividends in additional shares of Series C Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall on the Dividend Payment Date deliver to the holders certificates representing such shares.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event any conversion, redemption or liquidation occurs as of a date other than on a Dividend Payment Date, the holders of Series C Preferred Stock shall be paid a pro rata dividend equal to the dividend payable for that Quarterly Dividend Period multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days that have elapsed since the last Dividend Payment Date and the denominator of which is the number of days in the Quarterly Dividend Period in which the conversion, redemption or liquidation occurs.

- (b) The amount of any dividends accrued on any share of the Series C Preferred Stock on any Dividend Payment Date shall be deemed to be the amount of any unpaid dividends accumulated thereon to and including such Dividend Payment Date, whether or not earned or declared. The amount of dividends accrued on any share of the Series C Preferred Stock on any date other than a Dividend Payment Date shall be deemed to be the sum of (i) the amount of any unpaid dividends accumulated thereon to and including the last preceding Dividend Payment Date, whether or not earned or declared, and (ii) an amount determined by multiplying (x) the Dividend Rate by (y) a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of days from the last preceding Dividend Payment Date to and including the date on which such calculation is made and the denominator of which shall be the full number of days in such Quarterly Dividend Period.
- (c) Immediately prior to authorizing or making any distribution in redemption or liquidation with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock (other than a purchase or acquisition of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to a purchase or exchange offer made on the same terms to holders of all outstanding Series C Preferred Stock), the Board of Directors shall, to the extent of any funds legally available therefor, declare a dividend in cash on the Series C Preferred Stock payable on the distribution date in an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock as of such date.

4. Voting Rights.

(a) Except as otherwise required by law or as set forth herein, the shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to vote together with the shares of voting Common Stock as one class at all annual and special meetings of stockholders of the Corporation, and to act by written consent in the same manner as the Common Stock, upon the following basis: each holder of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to such number of votes for the Series C Preferred

Stock held by the holder on the record date fixed for such meeting, or on the effective date of such written consent, as shall be equal to the number of whole shares of Common Stock into which all of such holder's shares of Series C Preferred Stock are convertible immediately after the close of business on the record date fixed for such meeting or the effective date of such written consent.

- (b) If an Initial Holder Nominee(s) serves on the Board of Directors of the Corporation, each of the Finance Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee, and in the event the Corporation establishes an Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, of the Board of Directors shall have at least one Initial Holder Nominee as a member. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the provisions of this Section 4(b) shall inure only to the benefit of the Initial Holders and their Permitted Transferees, and any shares of Series C Preferred Stock subsequently transferred by the Initial Holders to any Person other than one of their Permitted Transferees shall not be entitled to the benefits of this Section 4(b).
- (c) While any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will not, directly or indirectly, including through a merger or consolidation with any other corporation or otherwise, without approval of holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class, (i) increase the number of authorized shares of Series C Preferred Stock or authorize the issuance or issue of any shares of Series C Preferred Stock other than to existing holders of Series C Preferred Stock, (ii) issue any new class or series of equity security or issue any additional shares of Series A Preferred Stock, (iii) amend, alter or repeal, in any manner whatsoever, the designations, preferences and relative rights and limitations and restrictions of the Series C Preferred Stock; (iv) amend, alter or repeal any of the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws of the Corporation in a manner that would negatively impact the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock, including (but not limited to) any amendment that is in conflict with the approval rights set forth in this Section 4; (v) directly or indirectly, redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire for value (including through an exchange), or set apart money or other property for any mandatory purchase or other analogous fund for the redemption, purchase or acquisition of any shares of Common Stock or Junior Stock, declare or pay any dividend or make any distribution (whether in cash, shares of capital stock of the Corporation, or other property) on shares of Common Stock or Junior Stock; (vi) cause the number of directors of the Corporation to be greater than eight (8); (vii) enter into any agreement or arrangement with or for the benefit of any Person who is an Affiliate of the Corporation with a value in excess of \$5 million in a single transaction or a series of related transactions; (viii) effect a voluntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation; (ix) sell or agree to sell all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation, unless such transaction (1) is a sale for cash and (2) results in an internal rate of return ("IRR") of 30% compounded quarterly or greater to the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to each share of Series A Preferred Stock issued on the Initial Date (and any share of Series C Preferred Stock for which the Initial Holder may have exchanged such share of Series A Preferred Stock); or (x) enter into any merger or consolidation or other business combination involving the Corporation (except a merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation into the Corporation in which the Corporation's capitalization is unchanged as a result of such merger) unless such transaction (1) is for cash and (2) results in an IRR of 30% compounded quarterly or greater to the holder of the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to each share of

Series A Preferred Stock issued on the Initial Date (and any share of Series C Preferred Stock for which the Initial Holder may have exchanged such share of Series A Preferred Stock).

- (d) While any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will not, directly or indirectly, without the majority affirmative vote of the Finance Committee, issue debt securities of the Corporation with a value in excess of \$10 million (including any refinancing of existing indebtedness).
- (e) While any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation will not, directly or indirectly, without the unanimous affirmative vote of the Finance Committee, issue equity securities of the Corporation with a value in excess of \$10 million (including any refinancing of existing indebtedness); provided, however, that the following equity issuances shall require only a majority affirmative vote of the Finance Committee: (A) a Common Stock offering in which the selling price is equal to or greater than the price that would imply a 25% or greater IRR to the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock compounded quarterly on the Conversion Price from the Initial Date, and (B) an issuance of equity in connection with an acquisition if the issuance is equal to or less than 10% of the outstanding Common Stock (calculated post-issuance of such shares of Common Stock).

5. Redemption.

(a) Optional Redemption.

(i) Optional Redemption by the Corporation.

- (A) The Corporation by resolution of its Board of Directors may redeem the Series C Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, at any time. The redemption price per share (the "**Redemption Price**") for such shares of Series C Preferred Stock so redeemed shall equal 105% of the Liquidation Preference Amount on the Redemption Date (as defined below).
- (B) Notwithstanding the forgoing Section 5(a)(i)(A), an Initial Holder shall be entitled to reserve from redemption by the Corporation pursuant to Section 5(a)(i)(A) one share of the Series C Preferred Stock until such time as the Initial Holders and their Permitted Transferees collectively shall own less than 33 1/3% of the Shares issued to the Initial Holders on the Initial Date. For the purposes of this Section 5(a)(i)(B), "Shares" shall mean shares of the Common Stock, Series A Preferred Stock and Series C Preferred Stock and the preceding percentage shall be calculated as if each of the Shares had been exchanged or converted into shares of Common Stock immediately prior to each such calculation regardless of the existence of any restrictions on such exchange or conversion.
- (C) In the event that at any time less than all of the Series C Preferred Stock outstanding is to be redeemed, the shares to be redeemed will be selected pro rata. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the Corporation may not redeem less than all of the Series C Preferred Stock outstanding unless all accrued and unpaid dividends have been paid on all then outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock.
- (ii) Notice of Redemption. Notice of any redemption pursuant to this Section 5(a) shall be mailed, postage prepaid, at least 30 days but not more than 60 days prior to the date

of redemption specified in such notice (the "*Redemption Date*") to each holder of record of the Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed at its address as the same shall appear on the stock register of the Corporation. Each such notice shall state: (A) the Redemption Date, (B) the place or places where certificates for such shares of Series C Preferred Stock are to be surrendered for payment, (C) the Redemption Price and (D) that unless the Corporation defaults in making the redemption payment, dividends on the shares of Series C Preferred Stock called for redemption shall cease to accrue on and after the Redemption Date. If less than all the shares of the Series C Preferred Stock owned by such holder are then to be redeemed, such notice shall also specify the number of shares thereof which are to be redeemed and the numbers of the certificates representing such shares.

(iii) No Preclusion of Conversion. Nothing in this Section 5(a) shall be construed to preclude a holder of Series C Preferred Stock from converting any or all of its shares of Series C Preferred Stock in accordance with Section 8 at any time prior to the Redemption Date.

(b) Mandatory Redemption.

(i) <u>Right to Require Redemption</u>. If at any time there shall occur any Redemption Event of the Corporation, then each holder of Series C Preferred Stock shall have the right, at such holder's option, to require the Corporation to redeem, and upon the exercise of such right the Corporation shall redeem, all or any part of such holder's Series C Preferred Stock on the date (the "*Repurchase Date*") that is 45 days after the date of the Corporation Notice (as defined below). The redemption price per share (the "*Repurchase Price*") for such shares of Series C Preferred Stock so redeemed shall equal the Liquidation Preference Amount on the Repurchase Date.

(ii) Notices; Method of Exercising Redemption Right, etc.

(A) Unless the Corporation shall have theretofore called for redemption all the Series C Preferred Stock then outstanding pursuant to Section 5(a) hereof, within 15 days after the occurrence of a Redemption Event, the Corporation shall mail to all holders of record of the Series C Preferred Stock a notice (the "Corporation Notice") of the occurrence of the Redemption Event and of the redemption right set forth herein arising as a result thereof. Each Corporation Notice of a redemption right shall state: (I) the Repurchase Date; (II) the date by which the redemption right must be exercised; (III) the Repurchase Price; (IV) a description of the procedure which a holder must follow to exercise a redemption right including a form of the irrevocable written notice referred to in Section 5(b)(ii)(B) hereof, and (V) the place or places where such Series C Preferred Stock may be surrendered for redemption.

No failure of the Corporation to give the foregoing notices or any defect therein shall limit any holder's right to exercise a redemption right or affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of Series C Preferred Stock.

(B) To exercise a redemption right, a holder must deliver to the Corporation on or before the 15th day after the date of the Corporation Notice (i) irrevocable written notice of the holder's exercise of such rights, which notice shall set forth the name of the

holder, the amount of the Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed, a statement that an election to exercise the redemption right is being made thereby, and (ii) the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to which the redemption right is being exercised, duly endorsed for transfer to the Corporation. Such written notice shall be irrevocable. Subject to the provisions of paragraph (D) below, Series C Preferred Stock surrendered for redemption together with such irrevocable written notice shall cease to be convertible from the date of delivery of such notice. If the Repurchase Date falls after the record date and before the following Dividend Payment Date, any Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed must be accompanied by payment of an amount equal to the dividends thereon which the registered holder thereof is to receive on such Dividend Payment Date, and, notwithstanding such redemption, such dividend payment will be made by the Corporation to the registered holder thereof on the applicable record date; provided that any quarterly payment of dividends becoming due on the Repurchase Date shall be payable to the holders of such Series C Preferred Stock registered as such on the relevant record date subject to the terms of Section 3(b) hereof.

- (C) In the event a redemption right shall be exercised in accordance with the terms hereof, the Corporation shall pay or cause to be paid the Repurchase Price in cash, to the holder on the Repurchase Date.
- (D) If any Series C Preferred Stock surrendered for redemption shall not be so redeemed on the Repurchase Date, such Series C Preferred Stock shall be convertible at any time from the Repurchase Date until redeemed and, until redeemed, continue to accrue dividends to the extent permitted by applicable law from the Repurchase Date at the same rate borne by such Series C Preferred Stock. The Corporation shall pay to the holder of such Series C Preferred Stock the additional amounts arising from this Section 5(b)(ii)(D) hereof at the time that it pays the Repurchase Price, and if applicable such Series C Preferred Stock shall remain convertible into Common Stock until the Repurchase Price plus any additional amounts owing on such Series C Preferred Stock shall have been paid or duly provided for.
- (E) Any Series C Preferred Stock which is to be redeemed only in part shall be surrendered at any office or agency of the Corporation designated for that purpose pursuant to Section 5(b)(ii)(A)(V) hereof and the Corporation shall execute and deliver to the holder of such Series C Preferred Stock without service charge, a new certificate or certificates representing the Series C Preferred Stock, of any authorized denomination as requested by such holder, in aggregate amount equal to and in exchange for the unredeemed portion of the Series C Preferred Stock so surrendered.

6. Priority.

(a) <u>Priority as to Dividends</u>. Holders of shares of the Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive the dividends provided for in Section 3 hereof in preference to and in priority over any dividends upon any Junior Stock or Common Stock.

7. <u>Liquidation Preference</u>.

(a) In the event of any Liquidation, holders of the Series C Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Corporation whether such assets are capital or surplus

and whether or not any dividends as such are declared, the Liquidation Preference Amount to the date fixed for distribution, and no more, before any distribution shall be made to the holders of Junior Stock or Common Stock with respect to the distribution of assets. If the assets of the Corporation are not sufficient to pay in full the Liquidation Preference Amount to the holders of outstanding shares of the Series C Preferred Stock, then the holders of all such shares shall share ratably in such distribution of assets in accordance with the amount which would be otherwise payable on such distribution to the holders of Series C Preferred Stock were such Liquidation Preference Amount paid in full. Except as provided, in this Section 7(a), in the event of any Liquidation of the Corporation, the holders of shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any additional payments.

- (b) The consolidation or merger of the Corporation with or into such corporation or corporations shall not itself be deemed to be a Liquidation of the Corporation within the meaning of this Section 7.
- (c) Written notice of any Liquidation of the Corporation, stating a payment date and the place where the distributive amounts shall be payable, shall be given by mail, postage prepaid, not less than 30 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to the holders of record of the Series C Preferred Stock at their respective addresses as the same shall appear on the books of the Corporation.

8. Conversion.

- (a) Each share of Series C Preferred Stock shall be convertible at any time and from time to time, at the option of the holder thereof into validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock, in an amount determined in accordance with Section 8(d) below.
- (b) Immediately following the conversion of Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock on the Conversion Date (i) such converted shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be deemed no longer outstanding and (ii) the Persons entitled to receive the Common Stock upon the conversion of such converted Series C Preferred Stock shall be treated for all purposes as having become the owners of record of such Common Stock. Upon the issuance of shares of Common Stock upon conversion of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section 8, such shares of Common Stock shall be deemed to be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 8, any holder of Series C Preferred Stock may convert shares of such Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock in accordance with Section 8 on a conditional basis, such that such conversion will not take effect unless conditions set forth in Section 8(c) are satisfied, and the Corporation shall make such arrangements as may be necessary or appropriate to allow such conditional conversion and to enable the holder to satisfy such other conditions.
- (c) To convert Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock at the option of the holder pursuant to Section 8(a), a holder must give written notice to the Corporation at its principal office that such holder elects to convert Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock, and the number of shares to be converted. Such conversion, to the extent permitted by law, regulation, rule or other requirement of any governmental authority (collectively, "*Laws*") and the provisions hereof, including but not limited to Section 5(a)(iii), shall be deemed to have been

effected as of the close of business on the date on which the holder delivers such notice to the Corporation (such date is referred to herein as the "Conversion Date" for purposes of any conversion of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to Section 8(a)). Promptly thereafter the holder shall (i) surrender the certificate or certificates evidencing the shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be converted, duly endorsed in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation, at the office of the Corporation or of the transfer agent for the Series C Preferred Stock, (ii) state in writing the name or names in which the certificate or certificates for shares of Common Stock are to be issued, (iii) provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation that such holder has satisfied any conditions, contained in any agreement or any legend on the certificates representing the Series C Preferred Stock, relating to the transfer thereof, if shares of Common Stock are to be issued in a name or names other than the holder's, and (iv) pay any transfer or similar tax if required as provided in Section 8(k) below. As soon as practical following receipt of the foregoing, the Corporation shall deliver to such former holder of Series C Preferred Stock, a certificate representing the shares of Common Stock issued upon the conversion, together with a new certificate representing the unconverted portion, if any, of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock formerly represented by the certificate or certificates surrendered for conversion.

- (d) For the purposes of the conversion of Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock pursuant to Section 8(a), each share of Series C Preferred Stock shall be convertible into the number of shares of Common Stock equal to the Liquidation Preference Amount divided by the Conversion Price in effect on the Conversion Date. The number of full shares of Common Stock issuable to a single holder upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock shall be based on the aggregate Liquidation Preference Amount of all shares of Series C Preferred Stock owned by such holder. The Conversion Price initially shall be equal to \$27.935. In order to prevent dilution of the conversion rights granted hereunder, the Conversion Price shall be subject to adjustment from time to time in accordance with Sections 8(f) and 8(i) below.
- (e) If the Corporation shall at any time subdivide, by stock split, reclassification or otherwise, the outstanding shares of Common Stock or shall issue a dividend on its outstanding Common Stock payable in capital stock, the Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to such subdivision or the issuance of such dividend shall be proportionately decreased, and in case the Corporation shall at any time combine, by stock split, reclassification or otherwise, the outstanding shares of Common Stock, the Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to such combination shall be proportionately increased, effective at the close of business on the date of such subdivision, dividend, combination or other event, as the case may be.
- (f) The number of shares issuable upon conversion and the Conversion Price (and each component thereof) are subject to adjustment by the Corporation from time to time upon the occurrence of the events enumerated in this Section 8.

(i) Changes in Capital Stock.

(A) If the Corporation (i) pays a dividend or makes a distribution on its Common Stock in shares of its Common Stock, (ii) subdivides its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a greater number of shares, (iii) combines its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, (iv) makes a distribution on its Common Stock in shares of its capital stock other than Common Stock or (v) issues by reclassification of its Common Stock any

shares of its capital stock, then the Conversion Price (and each component thereof) in effect immediately prior to such action shall be proportionately adjusted so that each holder of shares of Series C Preferred Stock may receive the aggregate number and kind of shares of capital stock of the Corporation which such holder would have owned immediately following such action if such holder had converted all of his shares of Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock immediately prior to such action.

- (B) The adjustment shall become effective immediately after the record date in the case of a dividend or distribution and immediately after the effective date in the case of a subdivision, combination or reclassification.
- (C) If after an adjustment a holder of shares of Series C Preferred Stock upon conversion may receive shares of two or more classes of capital stock of the Corporation, the Corporation shall determine the allocation of the adjusted Conversion Price between the classes of capital stock. After such allocation, the conversion privilege and the Conversion Price of each class of capital stock shall thereafter be subject to adjustment on terms comparable to those applicable to Common Stock in this Section 8(f)(i).
 - (D) Any adjustments made pursuant to this Section 8(f)(i) shall be made successively.

(ii) Common Stock Issue.

(A) If the Corporation issues any additional shares of Common Stock for a consideration per share less than the Current Market Price (as hereinafter defined) on the date the Corporation fixes the offering price of such additional shares, the Conversion Price shall be adjusted as set forth below, such that a holder of shares of Series C Preferred Stock, upon conversion of his shares of Series C Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock, shall have the right to receive that number of shares of Common Stock which, after giving effect to the following adjustment, such holder would receive if such holder elected to convert his shares of Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock. The Conversion Price shall be adjusted to the number determined by multiplying the Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to such issuance or sale by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the sum of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the issuance or sale of such additional shares of Common Stock plus (ii) the number of such additional shares which the aggregate consideration received (or by express provision hereof deemed to have been received) by the Corporation for such additional shares so issued or sold would purchase at a consideration per share equal to the Current Market Price, and the denominator of which shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after the issuance or sale of such additional shares of Common Stock. For the purposes of this Section 8(f)(ii), the date as of which the Current Market Price shall be determined shall be the date of the actual issuance or sale of such shares.

(B) The adjustment shall be made successively whenever any such issuance is made, and shall become effective immediately after such issuance.

(C) This Section 8(f)(ii) does not apply to: (i) any of the transactions described in Sections 8(f)(iii) and 8(f)(iv); (ii) the conversion of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock; and (iii) any shares issued under the Amended and Restated Rent-A-Center, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan, and any other such plans adopted by the Board of Directors.

(iii) Rights Issue.

(A) If the Corporation issues or sells any warrants or options or other rights entitling the holders of Common Stock to subscribe for or purchase either any additional shares of Common Stock or evidences of indebtedness, shares of stock or other securities which are convertible into or exchangeable, with or without payment of additional consideration in cash or property, for additional shares of Common Stock (such convertible or, exchangeable evidence of indebtedness, shares of stock or other securities hereinafter being called "Convertible Securities"), and the consideration per share for which additional shares of Common Stock may at any time thereafter be issuable pursuant to such warrants, options or other rights or pursuant to the terms of such Convertible Securities (when added to the consideration per share of Common Stock, if any, received for such warrants, options or other rights), shall be less than the Current Market Price at the time of the issuance of the warrants, options or other rights, then the Conversion Price shall be adjusted as provided below, such that a holder of shares of the Series C Preferred Stock, upon conversion of his shares of Series C Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock, shall have the right to receive that number of shares of Common Stock which, after giving effect to the following adjustment, such holder would receive if such holder elected to convert his shares of Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock. The Conversion Price shall be adjusted to the number determined by multiplying the current Conversion Price by a fraction, (A) the numerator of which shall be the sum of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on the record date plus (ii) the quotient of (x) the number of additional shares of Common Stock covered by such warrants, options or rights, multiplied by the sales price per share of additional shares covered by such warrants, options or other rights, divided by (y) the Current Market Price per share of Common Stock on the record date, and (B) the denominator of which shall be the sum of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on the record date and (ii) the number of additional shares of Common Stock covered by such warrants, options or other rights. For purposes of this Section 8(f)(iii), the foregoing adjustment shall be made on the basis that (i) the maximum number of additional shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to all such warrants, options or other rights or necessary to effect the conversion or exchange of all such Convertible Securities shall be deemed to have been issued and (ii) the aggregate consideration for such maximum number of additional shares shall be deemed to be the minimum consideration received and receivable by the Corporation for the issuance of such additional shares (plus the consideration, if any, received for such warrants, options or other rights) pursuant to such warrants, options or other rights or pursuant to the terms of such Convertible Securities.

(B) The adjustment shall be made successively whenever any such warrants, options or other rights are issued and shall become effective immediately after the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive the warrants, options or other rights.

(C) This Section 8(f)(iii) does not apply to: (i) the conversion of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock; and (ii) any shares issued under the Amended and Restated Rent-A-Center, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan, and any other such plans adopted by the Board of Directors.

(iv) Convertible Securities Issue.

(A) If the Corporation issues Convertible Securities (other than securities issued in transactions described in Section 8(f)(iii)) and the consideration per share for which additional shares of Common Stock may at any time thereafter be issuable pursuant to the terms of such Convertible Securities is less than the Current Market Price on the date of issuance of such securities, the Conversion Price shall be adjusted as provided below, such that a holder of shares of Series C Preferred Stock, upon conversion of his shares of Series C Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock, shall have the right to receive that number of shares of Common Stock which, after giving effect to the following formula, such holder would receive if such holder elected to convert his shares of Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock. The Conversion Price shall be adjusted to the number determined by multiplying the current Conversion Price by a fraction, (A) the numerator of which shall be the sum of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the issuance of such securities and (ii) the quotient of (x) the aggregate consideration received for the issuance of such securities, divided by (y) the Current Market Price per share on the date of issuance of such securities and (B) the denominator of which shall be the sum of (i) the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the issuance of such securities and (ii) the maximum number of shares deliverable upon conversion or in exchange for such securities at the initial conversion or exchange rate. The adjustment shall be made on the basis that (i) the maximum number of additional shares of Common Stock necessary to effect the conversion or exchange of all such Convertible Securities shall be deemed to have been issued and (ii) the aggregate consideration for such maximum number of additional shares of Common Stock shall be deemed to be the minimum consideration received and receivable by the Corporation for the issuance of such additional shares pursuant to the terms of such Convertible Securities. No adjustment of the Conversion Price shall be made under this Section 8(f)(iv) upon the issuance of any Convertible Securities which are issued pursuant to the exercise of any warrants or other subscription or purchase rights therefor, if such adjustment shall previously have been made upon the issuance of such warrants or other rights pursuant to Section 8(f)(iii).

(B) The adjustment shall be made successively whenever any such issuance is made, and shall become effective immediately after such issuance.

(C) This Section 8(f)(iv) does not apply to: (i) the conversion of the shares of Series C Preferred Stock and (ii) any shares issued under the Amended and Restated Rent-A-Center, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan, and any other such plans adopted by the Board of Directors.

(v) <u>Conversion Price Date</u>. For purposes of Sections 8(f)(iii) and 8(f)(iv), the date as of which the Conversion Price shall be computed shall be the earliest of (i) the date on which the Corporation shall take a record of the holders of its Common Stock for the purpose of entitling them to receive any warrants or other rights referred to in Section 8(f)(iii) or to receive

any Convertible Securities, (ii) the date on which the Corporation shall enter into a firm contract for the issuance of such warrants or other rights or Convertible Securities or (iii) the date of the actual issuance of such warrants or other rights or Convertible Securities.

- (vi) <u>No Compound Adjustment</u>. No adjustment of the Conversion Price shall be made under Section 8(f)(ii) upon the issuance of any additional shares of Common Stock which are issued pursuant to the exercise of any warrants or other subscription or purchase rights or pursuant to the exercise of any conversion or exchange rights in any Convertible Securities, if such adjustment shall previously have been made upon the issuance of such warrants or other rights or upon the issuance of such Convertible Securities (or upon the issuance of any warrants or other rights therefor), pursuant to Sections 8(f)(iii).
- (vii) Readjustment. If any warrants or other rights (or any portions thereof) which shall have given rise to an adjustment pursuant to Section 8(f)(iii) or conversion rights pursuant to Convertible Securities which shall have given rise to an adjustment pursuant to Section 8(f)(iv) shall have expired or terminated without the exercise thereof and/or if by reason of the terms of such warrants or other rights or Convertible Securities there shall have been an increase or increases, with the passage of time otherwise, in the price payable upon the exercise or conversion thereof, then the Conversion Price hereunder shall be readjusted (but to no greater extent than originally adjusted), taking into account all transactions described in Sections 8(f)(i) through 8(f)(iv) hereof that have occurred in the interim, on the basis of (i) eliminating from the computation any additional shares of Common Stock corresponding to such warrants or other rights or conversion rights as shall have expired or terminated, (ii) treating the additional shares of Common Stock, if any, actually issued or issuable pursuant to the previous exercise of such warrants or other rights pursuant to any Convertible Securities as having been issued for the consideration actually received and receivable therefor and (iii) treating any of such warrants or other rights or conversion rights pursuant to any Convertible Securities which remain outstanding as being subject to exercise or conversion on the basis of such exercise or Conversion Price as shall be in effect at the time; provided, however, that any consideration which was actually received by the Corporation in connection with the issuance or sale of such warrants or other rights shall form part of the readjustment computation even though such warrants or other rights shall have expired or terminated without the exercise thereof.

(viii) <u>Consideration Received</u>. To the extent that any additional shares of Common Stock, any warrants, options or other rights to subscribe for or purchase any additional shares of Common Stock, or any Convertible Securities shall be issued for cash consideration, the consideration received by the Corporation therefor shall be deemed to be the amount of the cash received by the Corporation therefor, or, if such additional shares, warrants, options or other rights or Convertible Securities are sold to underwriters or dealers for public offering without a subscription offering, the initial public offering price, in any such case excluding any amounts paid or receivable for accrued interest or accrued dividends and without deduction of any compensation, discounts or expenses paid or incurred by the Corporation for and in the underwriting of, or otherwise in connection with, the issuance thereof. If and to the extent that such issuance shall be for a consideration other than cash, then, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, the amount of such consideration shall be deemed to be the fair value of such consideration at the time of such issuance as determined by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. If additional shares of Common Stock shall be issued as part of a unit with warrants

or other rights, then the amount of consideration for the warrant or other right shall be deemed to be the amount determined at the time of issuance by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. If the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall not make any such determination, the consideration for the warrant, option or other right shall be deemed to be zero.

- (ix) Other Conversions. If a state of facts shall occur which, without being specifically controlled by the provisions of this Section 8, would not fairly protect the conversion rights of the holders of shares of Series C Preferred Stock in accordance with the essential intent and principles of such provisions, then the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall make an adjustment in the application of such provisions, in accordance with such essential intent and principles, so to protect such conversion rights.
- (x) <u>De Minimis Adjustment</u>. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, no adjustment in the Conversion Price shall be required unless such adjustment, either by itself or with other adjustments not previously made, would require a change of at least one percent (1%) in the Conversion Price; provided, however, that any adjustment which by reason of this Section 8(f)(x) is not required to be made shall be carried forward and taken into account in any subsequent adjustment. All calculations under this Section 8 shall be made to the nearest one-tenth of a cent (\$.001) (rounded to the nearest cent (\$.01) with respect to any monetary amount to be actually paid) or to the nearest one hundredth (0.01) of a share, as the case may be.
- (xi) <u>Current Market Price</u>. For the purpose of any computation hereunder, the "*Current Market Price*" on any date will be the average of the last reported sale prices per share (the "*Quoted Price*") of the Common Stock on each of the fifteen consecutive Trading Days (as defined below) preceding the date of the computation. The Quoted Price of the Common Stock on each day will be (A) the last reported sales price of the Common Stock on the principal stock exchange on which the Common Stock is listed, or (B) if the Common Stock is not listed on a stock exchange, the last reported sales price of the Common Stock on the principal automated securities price quotation system on which sale prices of the Common Stock are reported, or (C) if the Common Stock is not listed on a stock exchange and sale prices of the Common Stock are not reported on an automated quotation system, the mean of the high bid and low asked price quotations for the Common Stock as reported by National Quotation Bureau Incorporated if at least two securities dealers have inserted both bid and asked quotations for the Common Stock on a day will be the Quoted Price of the Common Stock on that day as determined by a member firm of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. selected by the Board of Directors. If no two securities dealers have inserted such bid and ask quotations, or such Quoted Prices otherwise are not available, the Current Market Price means the fair market value of the Common Stock as of the date prior to the date on which the Current Market Price is determined, which such fair market value shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. As used with regard to the Series C Preferred Stock, the term "*Trading Day*" means (x) if the Common Stock is listed on at least one stock exchange, a day on which there is trading on the principal stock exchange on which the Common Stock is listed on an automated quotation system, a day on which trading is reported on the principal automated quotation system on which sales of the Com

and sale prices of the Common Stock are not reported on an automated quotation system, a day on which quotations are reported by National Quotation Bureau Incorporated.

- (g) No fractional shares of Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of Series C Preferred Stock. If any fractional interest in a share of Common Stock would, except for the provisions of this subparagraph (g), be deliverable upon the conversion of any Series C Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall, in lieu of delivering the fractional share therefor, adjust such fractional interest by payment to the holder of such converted Series C Preferred Stock of an amount in cash equal (computed to the nearest cent) to the Current Market Price of such fractional interest as of the end of the Corporation's last fiscal year as determined in good faith in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.
- (h) Whenever the Conversion Price is adjusted, as herein provided, the Corporation shall promptly mail a notice of the adjustment to holders of Series C Preferred Stock by first class mail. The Corporation shall forthwith maintain at its principal executive office and file with the transfer agent, if any, for Series C Preferred Stock, a statement, signed by the Chairman of the Board, or the President, or a Vice President of the Corporation and by its chief financial officer or an Assistant Treasurer, showing in reasonable detail the facts requiring such adjustment and the Conversion Price after such adjustment. Such transfer agent shall be under no duty or responsibility with respect to any such statement except to exhibit the same from time to time to any holder of Series C Preferred Stock desiring an inspection thereof.
- (i) If there shall occur any capital reorganization or any reclassification of the capital stock of the Corporation, consolidation or merger of the Corporation with or into another entity, or the conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation to another person or entity, each share of Series C Preferred Stock shall thereafter be convertible into the number of shares or other securities or property to which a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock of the Corporation deliverable upon conversion of such Series C Preferred Stock would have been entitled upon such reorganization, reclassification, consolidation, merger or conveyance; and, in any such case, appropriate adjustment (as determined in good faith in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of the Corporation) shall be made in the application of the provisions herein set forth with respect to the rights and interests thereafter of the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock, to the end that the provisions set forth herein (including provisions with respect to changes in and other adjustments of the Conversion Price) shall be applicable, as nearly as reasonably may be, in relation to any shares or other property thereafter deliverable upon the conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock.
- (j) The Corporation shall at all times reserve and keep available, out of its authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock or treasury shares thereof, solely for the purpose of issuance upon the conversion of Series C Preferred Stock, the full number of shares of Common Stock deliverable upon the conversion of all Series C Preferred Stock from time to time outstanding. The Corporation shall from time to time, in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, increase the authorized amount of its Common Stock if at any time the authorized number of shares of Common Stock remaining unissued shall not be sufficient to permit the conversion of all of the Series C Preferred Stock at the time outstanding.

(k) The Corporation shall pay any documentary, stamp or similar issue or transfer tax due on the issue of shares of Common Stock upon conversion of the Series C Preferred Stock into Common Stock. The Corporation shall not, however, be required to pay any tax which may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issue and delivery of any security in a name other than that in which the Series C Preferred Stock so converted was registered, and no such issue or delivery shall be made unless and until the person requested such issue has paid to the Corporation the amount of any such tax, or has established to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such tax has been paid.

9. Exclusion of Other Rights.

Except as otherwise required by law, shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall not have any preferences or relative, participating, optional or other special rights, other than those specifically set forth in this Certificate of Designations (as such Certificate may be amended from time to time) and in the Certificate of Incorporation. No shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall have any rights of preemption or subscription whatsoever as to any securities of the Corporation, except as expressly provided in any written agreement among the Corporation and any holder or holders of Series C Preferred Stock.

10. Reissuance of Preferred Stock.

Shares of Series C Preferred Stock that have been issued and reacquired in any manner, including shares purchased or redeemed or exchanged, shall (upon compliance with any applicable provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware) be canceled and shall not be reissued.

11. Headings of Subdivisions.

The headings of the various subdivisions hereof are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of any of the provisions hereof.

12. Severability of Provisions.

If any right, preference or limitation of the Series C Preferred Stock set forth in this Certificate of Designations for the Series C Preferred Stock (as such Certificate may be amended from time to time) is invalid, unlawful or incapable of being enforced by reason of any rule or law or public policy, all other rights, preferences and limitations set forth in this Certificate of Designations (as so amended) which can be given effect without the invalid, unlawful or unenforceable right, preference or limitation shall, nevertheless, remain in full force and effect, and no right, preference or limitation herein set forth shall be deemed dependent upon any other such right, preference or limitation unless so expressed herein.

13. Notice.

All notices and other communications required or permitted to be given to the Corporation hereunder shall be made by hand delivery or registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Corporation at its principal executive offices (currently located on the date of the adoption of this Certificate of Designations at 5700 Tennyson Parkway, Third Floor,

Plano, Texas 75024, Attention: Secretary. Minor imperfections in any such notice shall not affect the validity thereof.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and in accordance with Section 151 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the undersigned has executed this Certificate of Designations as of the date first above written.

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

By: /s/ Mitchell E. Fadel

Mitchell E. Fadel President and Chief Operating Officer

FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT OF RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

THIS FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), is effective as of the 11th day of July, 2003, and is entered into by and among (i) each of Apollo Investment Fund IV, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and Apollo Overseas Partners IV, L.P., an exempted limited partnership registered in the Cayman Islands acting through its general partner (individually and collectively with their Permitted Transferees (defined below), "Apollo"), (ii) Mark E. Speese, an individual ("Speese"), (iii) Rent-A-Center, Inc., a Delaware corporation (formerly known as Rent-A-Center Holdings, Inc., the "Company"), (iv) each Person (defined below) named in Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Speese Other Parties" and together with Speese, the "Speese Group"), and (v) each other Person who becomes a party to the Agreement in accordance with the terms hereof (all of the foregoing, collectively, the "Parties"). Terms with initial capital letters used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given in Section 1.1.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Parties are parties to that certain Third Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement dated as of December 31, 2002 (the "December 2002 Agreement"), that amended and restated that certain Second Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement dated as of August 5, 2002 (the "2002 Agreement") to which the Parties (other than the Company) and Rent-A-Center East, Inc., a Delaware corporation (formerly known as Rent-A-Center, Inc., the "Original Company") are party, that amended and restated that certain Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement, dated as of October 8, 2001 (the "2001 Agreement"), that amended and restated that certain Stockholders Agreement dated as of August 5, 1998 (the "Original Agreement");

WHEREAS, the authorized capital stock of the Company consists of 125,000,000 shares of common stock, \$.01 par value (the "Common Stock") and 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, \$.01 par value (the "Preferred Stock"), of which 400,000 shares are designated Series A Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value (the "Series A Preferred Stock") and 100 shares are designated Series C convertible preferred stock, \$.01 par value (the "Series C Preferred Stock"), and (ii) as of July 9, 2003, the issued and outstanding capital stock of the Company consists of approximately 33,550,103 shares of Common Stock and two shares of Series A Preferred Stock, with as of July 9, 2003, approximately 4,669,327 shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance upon the exercise of certain stock options and upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock and the Series C Preferred Stock;

WHEREAS, as of July 11, 2003 (i) Apollo owns of record two shares of Series A Preferred Stock and 7,001,903 shares of Common Stock, and (ii) the Speese Group collectively owns 1,176,832 shares of Common Stock;

WHEREAS, Apollo intends to exchange its shares of Series A Preferred Stock into shares of Series C Preferred Stock (the "*Preferred Stock Exchange*") pursuant to the Stock Purchase and Exchange Agreement dated April 25, 2003 (the "*Purchase and Exchange Agreement*") among Apollo and the Company;

WHEREAS, upon the consummation of the Purchase and Exchange Agreement, Apollo will own of record two shares of Series C Preferred Stock and 6,227,356 shares of Common Stock;

WHEREAS, immediately following the consummation of the Purchase and Exchange Agreement, the issued and outstanding capital stock of the Company will consist of approximately 32,775,556 shares of Common Stock, no shares of Series A Preferred Stock and two shares of Series C Preferred Stock;

WHEREAS, the Parties and the Company desire to amend and restate the December 2002 Agreement to reflect the Preferred Stock Exchange; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire that this Agreement become effective immediately upon the Closing as defined in the Purchase and Exchange Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 Definitions. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings:

"Affiliate" as applied to any specified Person, shall mean any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person and, in the case of a Person who is an individual, shall include (i) members of such specified Person's immediate family (as defined in Instruction 2 of Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act) and (ii) trusts, the trustee and all beneficiaries of which are such specified Person or members of such Person's immediate family as determined in accordance with the foregoing clause (i). For the purposes of this definition, control when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "affiliated," "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Apollo and its Affiliates shall not be deemed Affiliates of the Company for purposes of this Agreement.

"Apollo Nominees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1(a).

"beneficial owner" of a security shall mean any Person who, directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship, or otherwise has (i) the power to vote, or to direct the voting of, such security or (ii) the power to dispose, or to direct the disposition of, such security.

"Board of Directors" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.

"Business Day" shall mean each day other than Saturdays, Sundays and days when commercial banks are authorized to be closed for business in New York, New York.

- "Certificate of Designation" shall mean the Certificate of Designation of the Series C Preferred Stock in the form attached as an exhibit hereto.
- "Charter Documents" shall mean the Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, and By-Laws of the Company, in the forms attached as exhibits hereto.
- "Commission" shall mean the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Common Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- "Company" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "December 2002 Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- "Effective Date" shall mean as of July 11, 2003.
- "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- "Group Member" shall mean a member of the Speese Group.
- "Indebtedness" shall mean with respect to any person, without duplication, all liabilities of such person (a) for borrowed money (whether or not the recourse of the lender is to the whole of the assets of such person or only to a portion thereof), (b) evidenced by bonds, notes, debentures or similar instruments or representing the balance deferred and unpaid of the purchase price of any property (other than any such balance that represents an account payable or any other monetary obligation to a trade creditor (whether or not an Affiliate)), or (c) for the payment of money relating to a capitalized lease obligation.
 - "IRR" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2(b).
- "MD&A" shall mean a management's discussion and analysis of the Company's financial condition and results of operation comparable to the discussion that is required to be included in periodic reports filed under the Exchange Act.
 - "Notices" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.5.
 - "Original Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "PIK Shares" means any Shares issued in lieu of cash dividends pursuant to the Certificate of Designation.
- "pecuniary interest" in any security shall mean the opportunity, directly or indirectly, to profit or share in any profit derived from a transaction in such security, and shall include securities owned by an individual's spouse or issue or any trust solely for the benefit of such individual, spouse or issue.

"Permitted Transferee" shall mean:

- (a) in the case of Apollo (i) any officer, director or partner of, or Person controlling, Apollo, (ii) any other Person that is (x) an Affiliate of the general partners, investment managers or investment advisors of Apollo, (y) an Affiliate of Apollo or a Permitted Transferee of an Affiliate or (z) an investment fund, investment account or investment entity whose investment manager, investment advisor or general partner thereof is Apollo or a Permitted Transferee of Apollo or (iii) if a Permitted Transferee of a Person set forth in the foregoing clauses (i) and (ii) is an individual, (x) any spouse or issue of such individual, or any trust solely for the benefit of such individual, spouse or issue, and (y) upon such individual's death, any Person to whom Shares are transferred in accordance with the laws of descent and/or testamentary distribution, in each case in a bona fide distribution or other transaction not intended to avoid the provisions of this Agreement;
- (b) in the case of a Group Member, (i) any Person that is solely controlled by such Group Member, (ii) upon a bona fide liquidation of, or a bona fide withdrawal from, such Group Member, in each case, not intended to avoid the provisions of this Agreement, the shareholders, partners or principals, as the case may be, of such Group Member, or (iii) if such Group Member is an individual, (x) any spouse or issue of such individual, or any trust or limited partnership solely for the benefit of such individual, spouse or issue, and (y) upon such individual's death, any Person to whom Shares are transferred in accordance with the laws of descent and/or testamentary distribution; and
 - (c) any Person who is a party to this Agreement.
- "*Person*" shall mean an individual or a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust, or any other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof.
 - "Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "Preferred Stock Exchange" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "Purchase and Exchange Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- "*Registration Rights Agreement*" shall mean the Series A Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of August 5, 1998, by and between the Original Company and Apollo, as amended from time to time.
 - "Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder.
 - "Series A Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "Series C Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- "Shares" shall mean, collectively, the Common Stock and the Preferred Stock, whether now owned or acquired after the date hereof. Whenever this Agreement refers to a number or

percentage of Shares, such number or percentage shall be calculated as if each of the Shares (including, in the case of Apollo, any PIK Shares) had been exchanged or converted into shares of Common Stock immediately prior to such calculation regardless of the existence of any restrictions on such exchange or conversion.

- "Speese Group" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "Speese Included Shares" shall mean those 1,176,832 shares of Common Stock owned by the Speese Group as of October 8, 2001.
- "Speese Other Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "Stock Purchase Agreement" shall mean the Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of August 5, 1998, between the Original Company and Apollo.
- "Subsidiary" shall mean, with respect to any Person, (a) a corporation a majority of whose capital stock with voting power, under ordinary circumstances, to elect directors is at the time, directly or indirectly, owned by such Person, by a Subsidiary of such Person, or by such Person and one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, (b) a partnership in which such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person is, at the date of determination, a general partner of such partnership, or (c) any other Person (other than a corporation) in which such Person, a Subsidiary of such Person or such Person and one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination thereof, has (i) at least a majority ownership interest or (ii) the power to elect or direct the election of the directors or other governing body of such Person.
 - "2001 Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - "2002 Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- "*Transfer*" shall mean (i) when used as a noun: any direct or indirect transfer, sale, assignment, pledge, hypothecation, encumbrance or other disposition and (ii) when used as a verb: to directly or indirectly transfer, sell, assign, pledge, hypothecate, encumber, or otherwise dispose of; provided, however, Transfer shall not include a pledge in connection with a recourse, bona fide loan transaction that is not intended to avoid the provisions of this Agreement.
 - "Transferee" shall mean any Person to whom Shares have been Transferred in compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERS

Section 2.1 *Transfers in Accordance with this Agreement*. Any attempt to Transfer, or purported Transfer of, any of the Speese Included Shares in violation of the terms of this Agreement shall be null and void and the Company shall not register upon its books, and shall direct its transfer agent not to register on its books any such Transfer. A copy of this Agreement shall be filed with the Secretary of the Company and the Company's transfer agent and kept with the records of the Company.

Section 2.2 Agreement to be Bound.

- (a) No party hereto (other than the Company, Apollo and their Permitted Transferees) shall Transfer any Shares except (i) to a Permitted Transferee, or (ii) as specifically provided herein.
- (b) No member of the Speese Group or its Permitted Transferees shall Transfer its respective pecuniary interests in any of the Speese Included Shares to any party other than a Permitted Transferee of the Speese Group, except that during any twelve-month period the Speese Group and its Permitted Transferees shall be entitled to Transfer up to 300,000 Shares in aggregate through sales pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no case shall the Speese Group or its Permitted Transferees (i) Transfer more than 50% of the Speese Included Shares during the one year period commencing on August 5, 2002, or (ii) Transfer any Shares if such Transfer would trigger default or change-in-control provisions under any material debt instrument of the Company.
- (c) No Transfer to a Permitted Transferee of Apollo or of any party as provided in the foregoing clauses (a) and (b) of this Section 2.2 shall be permitted unless (i) the certificates representing such Shares issued to the Transferee bear the legend provided in Section 2.3, and (ii) the Transferee (if not already a party hereto) has executed and delivered to each other party hereto, as a condition precedent to such Transfer, an instrument or instruments, reasonably satisfactory to the Company, confirming that the Transferee agrees to be bound by the terms of this Agreement in the same manner as such Transferee's transferor, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement.

Section 2.3 *Legend*. Apollo and each Group Member hereby agree that each outstanding certificate representing Shares issued to any of them (i) on or after the date of the Original Agreement and prior to the date of the 2001 Agreement shall bear the legend as set forth in Section 2.3 of the Original Agreement, (ii) on or after the date of the 2001 Agreement and prior to the date of the 2002 Agreement shall bear the legend as set forth in Section 2.3 of the 2001 Agreement, (iii) on and after the date of the 2002 Agreement and prior to the date of the December 2002 Agreement shall bear the legend as set forth in Section 2.3 of the 2002 Agreement, (iv) on and after the date of the December 2002 Agreement and prior to the Effective Date shall bear the legend set forth in Section 2.3 of the December 2002 Agreement, and (v) on or after the Effective Date, or any certificate issued after the Effective Date in exchange for or upon conversion of any similarly legended certificate, shall bear a legend reading substantially as follows:

THE SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, OR UNDER ANY STATE SECURITIES LAWS, AND MAY BE OFFERED AND SOLD ONLY IF SO REGISTERED OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE. THE HOLDER OF THESE SHARES MAY BE REQUIRED TO DELIVER TO THE COMPANY, IF THE COMPANY SO REQUESTS, AN OPINION OF COUNSEL (REASONABLY SATISFACTORY IN FORM AND SUBSTANCE TO THE COMPANY) TO THE EFFECT THAT AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (OR FROM REGISTRATION OR

QUALIFICATION UNDER STATE SECURITIES LAWS) IS AVAILABLE WITH RESPECT TO ANY TRANSFER OF THESE SHARES THAT HAS NOT BEEN SO REGISTERED (OR QUALIFIED).

THE SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE ALSO ARE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER AND OBLIGATIONS, TO WHICH ANY TRANSFEREE AGREES BY HIS ACCEPTANCE HEREOF, AS SET FORTH IN THE FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, A COPY OF WHICH MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE COMPANY. NO TRANSFER OF SUCH SHARES WILL BE MADE ON THE BOOKS OF THE COMPANY UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF SUCH AGREEMENT AND BY AN AGREEMENT OF THE TRANSFEREE TO BE BOUND BY THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME.

ARTICLE III

ADDITIONAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OFAPOLLO AND THE COMPANY

Section 3.1 Access to Information; Confidentiality. Upon the request of Apollo, the Company shall afford Apollo and its accountants, counsel and other representatives reasonable access to all of the properties, books, contracts, commitments and records (including, but not limited to, tax returns) of the Company and its Subsidiaries that are reasonably requested. Apollo will, and will cause its agents to, conduct any such investigations on reasonable advance notice, during normal business hours, with reasonable numbers of persons and in such a manner as not to interfere unreasonably with the normal operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries shall be required to provide access to or to disclose information where such access or disclosure would violate or prejudice the rights of any customer or other Person, would jeopardize the attorney-client privilege of the Person in possession or control of such information, or would contravene any law, rule, regulation, order, judgment, decree, fiduciary duty or binding agreement entered into prior to the date hereof. The Parties will make appropriate substitute disclosure arrangements under circumstances in which the restrictions of the preceding sentence apply.

Apollo shall, and shall use its best efforts to cause their representatives to, keep confidential all such information to the same extent such information is treated as confidential by the Company, and shall not directly or indirectly use such information for any competitive or other commercial purpose. The obligation to keep such information confidential shall not apply to (i) any information that (x) was already in Apollo's possession prior to the disclosure thereof by the Company (other than through disclosure by any other Person known by Apollo to be subject to a duty of confidentiality), (y) was then generally known to the public, or (z) was disclosed to Apollo by a third party not known by Apollo to be bound by an obligation of confidentiality or (ii) disclosures made as required by law or legal process or to any person

exercising regulatory authority over such Apollo or its Affiliates. If in the absence of a protective order or the receipt of a waiver hereunder, Apollo is nonetheless, in the opinion of their counsel, compelled to disclose information concerning the Company to any tribunal or governmental body or agency or else stand liable for contempt or suffer other censure or penalty, Apollo may disclose such information to such tribunal or governmental body or agency without liability hereunder. In addition, in the event that any information disclosed by the Company to Apollo is material nonpublic information, Apollo agrees to comply with its obligations under the applicable Federal and state securities laws with respect thereto, including but not limited to, the laws pertaining to the possession, dissemination and utilization of such material nonpublic information.

Section 3.2 Furnishing of Information. (a) The Company shall deliver to Apollo, as long as Apollo shall own any Shares:

- (i) As promptly as practical, but in no event later than 30 days after the end of each calendar month, a copy of the monthly financial reporting package for such month customarily prepared for the Company's Chief Executive Officer.
- (ii) As promptly as practical, but in no event later than 60 days after the close of each of its first three quarterly accounting periods during any fiscal year of the Company, the consolidated balance sheet of the Company as at the end of such quarterly period, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for such quarterly period, and for the elapsed portion of the fiscal year ended with the last day of such quarterly period, and in each case setting forth comparative figures for the related periods in the prior fiscal year (if such comparative figures are available without unreasonable expense), all of which shall be certified by the chief financial officer of the Company, to have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to year-end audit adjustments, together with an MD&A;
- (iii) As promptly as practical, but in no event later than 105 days after the close of each fiscal year of the Company, the consolidated balance sheet of the Company as of the end of such fiscal year and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal year, in each case setting forth comparative figures for the preceding fiscal year, and certified by independent certified public accountants of recognized national standing, together with an MD&A; and
- (iv) All reports, if any, filed by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company with the Commission under the Exchange Act, as promptly as practical, but in no event later than 15 days after filing any such reports with the Commission.
- (b) The provisions of Sections 3.2(a)(ii) and (iii) above shall be deemed to have been satisfied if the Company delivers the reports timely filed by the Company with the Commission on Form 10-Q or 10-K, as applicable, for such periods promptly, but in no event later than 15 days after filing any such Form with the Commission.

ARTICLE IV

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND VOTING

Section 4.1 Board of Directors of the Company.

- (a) As of the Effective Date, the number of directors constituting the entire Board of Directors of the Company is seven, but the Board of Directors may increase its size to eight (8). Apollo (or any representative thereof designated by Apollo) shall be entitled, but not required, to nominate up to three (3) members to the Board of Directors (collectively, the "*Apollo Nominees*") and the Company shall be entitled, but not required, to nominate the remaining members to the Board of Directors. One Apollo Nominee shall be classified as a Class I Director of the Company, one Apollo Nominee shall be classified as a Class III Director of the Company.
- (b) The Speese Group shall vote all of the Shares owned or held of record by them at all regular and special meetings of the stockholders of the Company called or held for the purpose of filling positions on the Board of Directors, and in each written consent executed in lieu of such a meeting of stockholders, and, to the extent entitled to vote thereon, each party hereto shall take all actions otherwise necessary to ensure (to the extent within the Parties' collective control) that the Apollo Nominees are elected to the Board of Directors.
- (c) The Company and the Speese Group shall use their respective best efforts to call, or cause the appropriate officers and directors of the Company to call, a special meeting of stockholders of the Company, as applicable, and the Speese Group shall vote all of the Shares owned or held of record by them for, or to take all actions by written consent in lieu of any such meeting necessary to cause, the removal (with or without cause) of any Apollo Nominee if Apollo requests such director's removal in writing for any reason. Apollo shall have the right to designate a new nominee in the event any Apollo Nominee shall be so removed under this Section 4.1(c) or shall vacate his directorship for any reason.

Except as provided in this Section 4.1(c), each Group Member hereto agrees that, at any time that it is then entitled to vote for the election or removal of directors, it will not vote in favor of the removal of Apollo Nominee unless (i) such removal shall be at the request of Apollo or (ii) the right of Apollo to designate such director has terminated in accordance with clause (e) below.

(d) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, without the consent of holders of a majority of the Shares held by Apollo, take any action under Section 4.2(b) of this Agreement that requires the approval of the Apollo Nominees, if any of the Apollo Nominees are Persons whose removal from the Board of Directors has been requested at or prior to the time of such action by Apollo. Each party hereto shall use reasonable efforts to prevent any action from being taken by the Board of Directors, during the pendency of any vacancy due to death, resignation or removal of a director, unless the Person entitled to have a person nominated by it elected to fill such vacancy shall have failed, for a period of ten (10) days after notice of such vacancy, to nominate a replacement.

- (e) At such time as Apollo, together with any and all of its Permitted Transferees, cease to hold in the aggregate 4,474,673 Shares, Apollo shall be entitled, but not required, to nominate only two Apollo Nominees in accordance with this Article IV. At such time as Apollo, together with any and all of its Permitted Transferees, cease to hold in the aggregate 2,982,817 Shares, Apollo shall be entitled, but not required, to nominate only one Apollo Nominees in accordance with this Article IV. At such time as Apollo, together with any and all of its Permitted Transferees, cease to hold in the aggregate 894,934 Shares, Apollo shall no longer be entitled to nominate any Apollo Nominees in accordance with this Article IV.
- (f) In the event the Company establishes an Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, it shall be comprised of such persons as a majority of the Board of Directors shall approve, provided, however, such committee shall also include at least one Apollo Nominee. The Executive Committee shall have authority, subject to applicable law, to take all actions that (A) are ancillary to or arise in the normal course of the businesses of the Company, or (B) implement and are consistent with resolutions of the Board of Directors provided, however, that such Executive Committee shall not be authorized to take any action which, if proposed to be taken by the full Board of Directors would require the affirmative vote of the Apollo Nominees in accordance with Section 4.2.
- (g) Unless otherwise approved in advance in writing by all the Apollo Nominees, each and every committee of the Board of Directors shall be comprised of three directors, one of whom shall be an Apollo Nominee and at least one of whom is selected by the Board of Directors but who is not also a member of management of the Company.
- (h) Each committee of the Board of Directors, to which authority has been delegated, shall keep complete and accurate minutes and records of all actions taken by such committee, prepare such minutes and records in a timely fashion and promptly distribute such minutes and records to each member of the Board of Directors.
- (i) The Parties agree that upon the request of Apollo, the Company shall cause the Board of Directors of any wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company to include such number of individuals designated by Apollo (or any representative thereof designated by Apollo) in the same proportion of the total number of members of the Board of Directors of such subsidiary as the proportion of the Company's Board of Directors to which Apollo is entitled pursuant to Section 4.1(a), and shall cause each and every committee of such Board of Directors of such subsidiaries to include at least one of the individuals designated by Apollo and included as a member of such Board of Directors pursuant to the foregoing.

Section 4.2 Action by the Board of Directors.

- (a) Except as provided below, all decisions of the Board of Directors shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors of the Company then in office, or a majority of the members of an Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, to the extent such decisions may be lawfully delegated to an Executive Committee pursuant to Section 4.1(f).
- (b) The Company shall not, and it shall cause each of its Subsidiaries not to, take (or agree to take) any action regarding the following matters, directly or indirectly,

including through a merger or consolidation with any other corporation or otherwise, without the affirmative vote of the Apollo Nominees: (i) increase the number of authorized shares of Preferred Stock or authorize the issuance or issue of any shares of Preferred Stock other than to existing holders of Preferred Stock; (ii) issue any new class or series of equity security or issue any additional shares of Series A Preferred Stock; (iii) amend, alter or repeal, in any manner whatsoever, the designations, preferences and relative rights and limitations and restrictions of the Series C Preferred Stock; (iv) amend, alter or repeal any of the provisions of the Charter Documents or the Certificate of Designation in a manner that would negatively impact the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock, including (but not limited to) any amendment that is in conflict with the approval rights set forth in this Section 4.2; (v) directly or indirectly, redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire for value (including through an exchange), or set apart money or other property for any mandatory purchase or other analogous fund for the redemption, purchase or acquisition of any shares of Common Stock or Junior Stock (as defined in the Certificate of Designation), or declare or pay any dividend or make any distribution (whether in cash, shares of capital stock of the Company, or other property) on shares of Common Stock or Junior Stock; (vi) cause the number of directors of the Company to be greater than eight (8); (vii) enter into any agreement or arrangement with or for the benefit of any Person who is an Affiliate of the Company with a value in excess of \$5 million in a single transaction or series of related transactions; (viii) effect a voluntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company; (ix) sell or agree to sell all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, unless such transaction (1) is a sale for cash and (2) results in an internal rate of return ("IRR") to Apollo of 30% compounded quarterly or greater with respect to each Share issued to Apollo on August 5, 1998; or (x) enter into any merger or consolidation or other business combination involving the Company (except a merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company into the Company in which the Company's capitalization is unchanged as a result of such merger) unless such transaction (1) is for cash and (2) results in an IRR to Apollo of 30% compounded quarterly or greater with respect to each Share issued to Apollo on August 5, 1998.

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing Section 4.2(b), if Apollo owns less than 2,982,817 Shares, the provisions of Section 4.2(b) shall cease to exist and shall be of no further force or effect.
- (d) While any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Company shall not and it shall cause each of its Subsidiaries not to, issue any debt securities of the Company with a value in excess of \$10 million (including any refinancing of existing indebtedness) without the majority affirmative vote of the Finance Committee.
- (e) While any shares of Series C Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Company shall not, and it shall cause each of its Subsidiaries not to, issue any equity securities of the Company with a value in excess of \$10 million (including any refinancing of existing indebtedness) without the unanimous affirmative vote of the Finance Committee; provided, however, that the following equity issuances shall require only a majority affirmative vote of the Finance Committee: (A) an offering of Common Stock in which the selling price is equal to or greater than the price that would imply a 25% or greater IRR compounded quarterly on the Conversion Price (as defined in the Certificate of Designation) from August 5, 1998 and (B) an issuance of equity in connection with an acquisition if the issuance is equal to or less than 10% of the outstanding Common Stock (calculated post-issuance of such shares of Common Stock).

Section 4.3 Charter Documents. (a) The Charter Documents attached as exhibits hereto are the Charter Documents as in effect on the Effective Date.

(b) The Company covenants that it will act, and each Group Member and Apollo agrees to use its best efforts to cause the Company to act, in accordance with its Charter Documents and Certificate of Designation in all material respects and to cause compliance with all provisions contained herein. Each Group Member and Apollo shall vote all the Shares owned or held of record by it at any regular or special meeting of stockholders of the Company or in any written consent executed in lieu of such a meeting of stockholders, and shall take all action necessary, to ensure (to the extent within the Parties' collective control) that (i) the Charter Documents and Certificate of Designation of the Company do not, at any time, conflict with the provisions of this Agreement, and (ii) unless an amendment is approved by the Board of Directors in accordance with Section 4.2, the Charter Documents of the Company and the Certificate of Designation continue to be in effect in the forms attached as exhibits hereto.

ARTICLE V

TERMINATION

Section 5.1 *Termination*. Except as otherwise provided herein with respect to certain specific provisions, this Agreement shall terminate upon the earlier to occur of:

- (a) the mutual agreement of the Parties,
- (b) with respect to any party hereto other than the Company, such party ceasing to own, beneficially or otherwise, any Shares,
- (c) such time as less than 1,737,104 Shares continue to be subject to the provisions of this Agreement, or
- (d) on August 5, 2009.

ARTICLE VI

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 6.1 *No Inconsistent Agreements*. Each party hereto hereby consents to the termination of any prior written or oral agreement or understanding, including without limitation the December 2002 Agreement, restricting, conditioning or limiting the ability of any party to transfer or vote Shares.

Each of the Company and the Group Members represents and agrees that, as of the Effective Date, there is no (and from and after the Effective Date they will not, and will cause their respective Subsidiaries and Affiliates not to, enter into any) agreement with respect to any securities of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (and from and after the Effective Date neither the Company nor any Group Members shall take, or permit any of their Subsidiaries or Affiliates to take, any action) that is inconsistent in any material respect with the rights granted to Apollo in this Agreement.

Without limiting the foregoing and other than the December 2002 Agreement and the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company represents that there are no existing agreements relating to the voting or registration of any equity securities of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, and there are no other existing agreements between the Company and any other holder of Shares relating to the transfer of any equity securities of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

Section 6.2 *Recapitalization, Exchanges. etc.* If any capital stock or other securities are issued in respect of, in exchange for, or in substitution of, any Shares by reason of any reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification, merger, consolidation, spin-off, partial or complete liquidation, stock dividend, split-up, sale of assets, distribution to stockholders or combination of the Shares or any other change in capital structure of the Company, appropriate adjustments shall be made with respect to the relevant provisions of this Agreement so as to fairly and equitably preserve, as far as practicable, the original rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement and the terms "Common Stock," "Preferred Stock" and "Shares," each as used herein, shall be deemed to include shares of such capital stock or other securities, as appropriate. Without limiting the foregoing, whenever a particular number of Shares is specified herein, such number shall be adjusted to reflect stock dividends, stock-splits, combinations or other reclassifications of stock or any similar transactions.

Section 6.3 *Successors and Assigns*. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties, and their respective successors and permitted assigns; provided that (i) neither this Agreement nor any rights or obligations hereunder may be transferred or assigned by the Company (except by operation of law in any permitted merger); (ii) neither this Agreement nor any rights or obligations hereunder may be transferred or assigned by the Group Members or Apollo except to any Person to whom it has Transferred Shares in compliance with this Agreement and who has become bound by this Agreement pursuant to Section 2.2 hereof; and (iii) the rights of the Parties under Article IV hereof may not be assigned to any Person except as explicitly provided therein.

Section 6.4 *No Waivers: Amendments*. (a) No failure or delay by any party in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege. The rights and remedies herein provided shall be cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies provided by law.

(b) This Agreement may not be amended or modified, nor may any provision hereof be waived, other than by a written instrument signed by the Parties.

Section 6.5 *Notices*. All notices, demands, requests, consents or approvals (collectively, "*Notices*") required or permitted to be given hereunder or which are given with respect to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered or mailed, registered or certified, return receipt requested, postage prepaid (or by a substantially similar method), or delivered by a reputable overnight courier service with charges prepaid, or transmitted by hand delivery or facsimile, addressed as set forth below, or such other address (and with such other copy) as such party shall have specified most recently by written notice. Notice shall be deemed given or delivered on the date of service or transmission if personally

served or transmitted by facsimile. Notice otherwise sent as provided herein shall be deemed given or delivered on the third business day following the date mailed or on the next business day following delivery of such notice to a reputable overnight courier service.

To the Company or the Speese Group:

Rent-A-Center, Inc. 5700 Tennyson Parkway Third Floor Plano, Texas 75024 Attn: Mark E. Speese

Fax: (972) 801-1200

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Winstead Sechrest & Minick P.C. 5400 Renaissance Tower 1201 Elm Street Attn: Thomas W. Hughes, Esq. Fax: (214) 745-5390

To Apollo:

Apollo Investment Fund IV, L.P. and/or Apollo Overseas Partners IV, L.P. c/o Apollo Management IV, L.P. 1999 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 1900 Los Angeles, California 90067 Attn: Michael D. Weiner Facsimile: (310) 201-4166

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fax: (213) 612-2554

Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP 300 South Grand Avenue, Suite 2200 Los Angeles, California 90071 Attn: John F. Hartigan, Esq.

Section 6.6 *Inspection*. So long as this Agreement shall be in effect, this Agreement and any amendments hereto and waivers hereof shall be distributed to all Parties after becoming effective and shall be made available for inspection at the principal office of the Company by Apollo.

Section 6.7 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, as applied to contracts made and performed within the State of New York, without regard to principles of conflict of laws, except as to matters of corporate governance, which shall be interpreted in accordance

with the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. Each party hereto consents to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the federal and state courts within the State of New York.

Section 6.8 *Section Headings*. The section headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

Section 6.9 *Entire Agreement*. This Agreement, together with the Purchase and Exchange Agreement, Stock Purchase Agreement, the Certificate of Designation and the Registration Rights Agreement, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding among the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes the December 2002 Agreement and any and all prior agreements and understandings, written or oral, relating to the subject matter hereof.

Section 6.10 *Severability*. Any term or provision of this Agreement which is invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity or unenforceability without rendering invalid or unenforceable the remaining terms and provisions of this Agreement or affecting the validity or enforceability of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement in any other jurisdictions, it being intended that all rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall be enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Section 6.11 *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

Section 6.12 *Required Approvals*. If approval of this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby shall be required by any governmental or supra-governmental agency or instrumentality or is considered to be necessary or advisable to all the Parties, all Parties shall use their best efforts to obtain such approval.

Section 6.13 *Public Disclosure*. The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, make any public announcements or disclosures relating or referring to Apollo, any of its affiliates, or any of their respective directors, officers, partners, employees or agents (including, without limitation, any Person designated as a director of the Company pursuant to the terms hereof) unless Apollo has consented to the form and substance thereof, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld except to the extent such disclosure is, in the opinion of counsel, required by law or by stock exchange regulation, provided that (i) any such required disclosure shall only be made, to the extent consistent with the law, after consultation with Apollo and (ii) no such announcement or disclosure (except as required by law or by stock exchange regulation) shall identify any such Person without Apollo's prior consent.

Section 6.14 *Payment of Costs and Expenses*. The Company shall pay Apollo's reasonable and documented costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) associated with negotiation, documentation and completion of this Agreement and the transactions contemplated herein.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Fourth Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement as of the date first written above. RENT-A-CENTER, INC. a Delaware corporation By: /s/ Mitchell E. Fadel Name: Mitchell E. Fadel

APOLLO INVESTMENT FUND IV, L.P.

President and Chief Operating Officer

a Delaware limited partnership

Title:

By:
Apollo Advisors IV, L.P.
its General Partner

By: Apollo Capital Management IV, Inc.

its General Partner

By: /s/ Peter Copses

Name: Peter Copses

Title: Vice President

APOLLO OVERSEAS PARTNERS IV, L.P.

an exempted limited partnership registered in the Cayman Islands

By:

Apollo Advisors IV, L.P. its General Partner

By: Apollo Capital Management IV, Inc.

its General Partner

By: /s/ Peter Copses

Name: Peter Copses

Title: Vice President

[Signature Page to Fourth Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement]

/s/	Mark. E. Speese
	Mark E. Speese
/s/	Carolyn Speese
	Carolyn Speese
MARK SPEESE 2000	GRANTOR RETAINED ANNUITY TRUST
By:	/s/ Mark E. Speese
	Mark E. Speese, as Trustee
CAROLYN SPEESE 20	000 GRANTOR RETAINED ANNUITY TRUST
By:	/s/ Mark E. Speese
	Mark E. Speese, as Trustee
ALLISON REBECCA S	SPEESE 2000 REMAINDER TRUST
By:	/s/ Stephen Elken
	Stephen Elken, as Trustee
JESSICA ELIZABETH	SPEESE 2000 REMAINDER TRUST
By:	/s/ Stephen Elken
	Stephen Elken, as Trustee
ANDREW MICHAEL S	SPEESE 2000 REMAINDER TRUST
By:	/s/ Stephen Elken
	Stephen Elken, as Trustee

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