.STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

# In the Matter of the Petition

#### of

#### JOHN B. GORMAN

#### AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or : a Revision of a Determination or a Refund of Sales and Use : Taxes under Article(s) 28 & 29 of the Tax Law for the XEXE(S) XXXX Period(g) : 12/31/74.

State of New York County of Albany

Bruce Batchelor , being duly sworn, deposes and says that ghe is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 9th day of February , 1977, whe served the within Notice of Determination by (xemployee) mail upon John B. Gorman

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(Kepperson the petitioner in the within proceeding,

by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed

as follows: Rev. John B. Gorman 775 Main Street Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative mixture) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of the) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

9th day of February , 1977.

and mark

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Bruse Batchely



# STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

STATE TAX COMMISSION

TAX APPEALS BUREAU STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

February 9, 1977

TELEPHONE: (518)457-1723

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Rev. John B. Gorman 775 Main Street Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

#### Dear Rev. Gorman:

Please take notice of the **DETERMINATION** of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 1139 & 1243 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. They will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Frank J. Puccia Supervisor of Small Claims Hearings

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Taxing Bureau's Representative:

### STATE OF NEW YORK

STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application

of

JOHN B. GORMAN

DETERMINATION

for a Revision of a Determination or for Refund of Sales and Use Taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the Period December 31, 1974.

Applicant, Rev. John B. Gorman, of 775 Main Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, filed an application for revision of a determination or for refund of sales and use taxes under Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law for the period December 31, 1974.

A small claims hearing was held before Joseph Chyrywaty, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, State Campus, Albany, New York, on July 13, 1976, at 9:15 A.M. Applicant appeared by <u>pro se</u>. The Sales Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq., (Richard Kaufman, Esq. of counsel).

#### ISSUE

Is a member of the clergy entitled to a refund of sales tax paid on the purchase of a motor vehicle?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On December 31, 1974, applicant, Rev. John B. Gorman, purchased a car from a New York car agency and paid a sales tax of \$122.78 on the transaction.

2. On January 20, 1975, applicant, Rev. John B. Gorman, filed an "Application for Credit or Refund of State and Local Sales or Use Tax" in the amount of \$122.78 for sales tax paid on the purchase of a car. 3. Applicant, Rev. John B. Gorman, is a member of the Missionary Order of LaSalette and needed the permission of that order to purchase the car.

4. Applicant, Rev. John B. Gorman, borrowed the money to purchase the car from his sister. He repaid the loan out of his monthly stipend.

5. Applicant, Rev. John B. Gorman, registered the car in his name and maintained the insurance on the vehicle.

6. In July, 1975, the applicant transferred the ownership of the vehicle to the missionaries of LaSalette.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the purchase of the vehicle by applicant, Rev. John B. Gorman, is a retail sale as defined in section 1101(b)(4) of the Tax Law and that the sales tax so imposed is in accordance with section 1105 of the Tax Law.

B. That the application of Rev. John B. Gorman is denied and the refund denial dated March 17, 1975 is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York February 9, 1977 STATE TAX COMMISSION

PRESIDENT

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