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NANTHANA PHATTARAPONGSANT : THE STUDY OF HOUSING NEED FOR EACH LIFE INTERVAL OF 5 PROFESSIONAL FIELDS : PHYSICIANS, ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, LAWYERS AND ACCOUNTING / FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS. THESIS ADVISOR : ASSO. PROF. MANOP BONGSADADT, ASS. PROF. ASAWIN PICHAYAYOTHIN. 135 PAGES ISBN 974-583-188-3

The purpose of this research is to study the housing need for each life interval of 5 professional fields ; physicians, engineers, architects, lawyers and accounting / financial professionals, as well as to study attitude behavior, factor for selecting residence, and ideal housing at the time of retirement.

The total samples of 750 cases were selected, 150 cases from each professional field. Three assumptions were made as follows : 1) Taste in selecting type of housing need, housing model, housing interior design, and housing cost of construction should be different, 2) Factor for selecting residence should be different, and 3) Type and location of ideal housing need at the time of retirement should be different.

The research result showed that all assumptions are accepted. The further findings showed interesting essence that more than three-fourths of the total samples feel uncomfortable with their present residence. A majority of them want to have their own single house located on the suburban of Bangkok Metropolis. They want to get involve in the process of housing design and housing construction. The expected budget for housing construction is around 1-3 million Bahts. Location and housing environment are the top most important factors in selecting residence. Lastly, they expect to get retire after aged 50, and at that time they want to stay in their own home located in the countryside.