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ARA Newmark Northwest Team Brokers Sale of 123-Unit Apartment Community in Portland, Oregon

High Interest in the Offering Demonstrates Strength of the Portland Multifamily Market

Portland, OR (January 12, 2015) — ARA, A Newmark Company, today announced the sale of 2121 Belmont, a 123-unit community located in Portland, Oregon. Principal, Gail Neuburg, represented the seller, an affiliate of Berkshire Group, a real estate investment management company headquartered in Boston, MA. The asset was acquired by an institutional investment manager for an undisclosed amount and was 98% occupied at the time of sale.

The class A, concrete frame building was originally constructed in 2007 to be sold as condominiums and reflects unparalleled attention to detail in form and function. Unit interiors include 10-foot ceilings, granite, corian and marble counters, stainless steel appliances, hardwood floors, kitchen islands, full-size in-unit washers and dryers, designer window coverings, individual heat and A/C controls and walk-in closets. Amenities include private patios or balconies, private storage, fitness room, a controlled access entry system, secure bicycle storage, and reserved, in-building garage parking.

2121 Belmont is located in Southeast Portland, a trendy, infill area east of downtown Portland. The area is packed with restaurants and retail establishments. Several new commercial developments are also in the works, which will further revive and strengthen the neighborhood.

"There was an incredible amount of interest in this property, notably from investors who would not have considered Portland as a place to invest in past years. With nation-leading rent and job growth numbers and a limited number of high-quality assets like 2121 Belmont, Portland will continue to see increased attention from multifamily investors." commented Gail Neuburg.

To schedule an interview with an ARA Newmark executive regarding this transaction or for more information about ARA Newmark, nationally please contact Lisa Robinson at lrobinson@arausa.com, 404.990.4900 or Amy Morris at amorris@arausa.com, 404.990.4902; locally, Gail Neuburg, at gneuburg@arausa.com or 503.575.9550.

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