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ARA Executes Off-Market Sale of 250, Class C Units in Houston, TX *Buyer Will Leverage Value-Add Opportunity and Capitalize on Upside Potential*

Houston, Texas (April 15, 2013) — Atlanta-headquartered ARA, the largest privately held, full-service investment advisory brokerage firm in the nation focusing exclusively on the multihousing industry, announces the sale of the 250-unit Compass Pointe, a multihousing community located in Houston, TX.

ARA Houston Brokers Matt Saunders, Russell Jones, and Zach Springer represented the Arizona-based seller, PEM Real Estate Group, who acquired the property less than a year ago and initiated a life safety and deferred maintenance program at that time

Constructed in 1971, Compass Pointe was 75% occupied at the time of the sale.

The buyer, Dallas, TX-based Urban Southwest Capital, who already owns another property in the submarket, plans to continue the re-hab program initiated by the seller.

Understanding the needs of both parties, allowed ARA to identify a qualified buyer in advance of a formalized marketing. "It was a great deal for both buyer and seller," stated ARA broker Matt Saunders, "This deal highlights the number of great investment opportunities that abound in the Houston marketplace."

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About ARA

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