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ARA's Dallas Office Executes the Sale of The Tree House Apartments Team Represents Owner, Kelcor/Maxus Properties, in the Sale

Longview, **TX** (July 22, 2013) — Atlanta-headquartered ARA, the largest privately held, full-service investment advisory brokerage firm in the nation focusing on the multihousing industry, is pleased to announce the sale of The Tree House Apartments, a 172-unit multi-family community located in the east Texas city of Longview.

The Dallas-based ARA brokerage team of Bart Wickard and Brian O'Boyle, Jr. led the exclusive marketing efforts for the asset on behalf of the seller, Kansas City, MO-based Kelcor / Maxus Properties. Las Vegas-headquartered Koza Consulting LLC was selected as the buyer. The Tree House, which traded at an undisclosed price, provides the opportunity to own in one of East Texas' hottest secondary markets. It is located about two and one-half hours to the east of Dallas in the city of Longview, which was recently ranked in the top ten of the Milken Institute's top-performing cities.

"The Tree House is a well maintained, 1970s asset in the heart of Longview. We received many qualified offers on the property as it offered strong yield with upside potential," stated Wickard. "The acquiring group plans minor exterior renovations and a more comprehensive interior upgrade program. Longview and East Texas continue to receive investor interest in the multi-family arena."

At time of sale, occupancy was approximately 96%.

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About ARA

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