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ARA's Northwest Team Brokers \$35.5MM Sale of 372-Units in Portland Acquisition Marks Buyer's First Investment in Portland's Robust MF Market

Happy Valley, OR (December 16, 2013) — Atlanta-headquartered ARA, the largest privately-held, full-service investment advisory brokerage firm in the nation focusing exclusively on the multihousing industry, is pleased to announce the sale of Reflections at Happy Valley, a 372-unit community ideally located in Happy Valley, Oregon directly across from Clackamas Town Center, metro Portland's most popular regional mall.

ARA Principal Gail Neuburg represented the seller, The Matteson Companies, a San Francisco based firm engaged in real estate investment, development and management in the transaction.

The property was acquired by Brookline Investment Group, a privately-owned entrepreneurial firm based out of Aliso Viejo, California with a focus on core, value-add and opportunistic acquisitions of multifamily and commercial product. The asset sold for \$35,500,000 (\$95,430 per unit or \$150 per SF) and was 98% occupied at the time of sale.

This acquisition marks Brookline's Investment Group's first entry into the Portland market.

Constructed in 1986, Reflections at Happy Valley is a well-cared for and exceptionally located community. The property sits directly across the street from Clackamas Town Center in affluent Happy Valley, Oregon. Residents are afforded easy access to public transit, major freeways and employment centers.

Prior to marketing the property for sale, The Matteson Companies invested \$2.2 million in capital improvements. "This property had a record of strong rent growth and was well-positioned for an investor to either continue to operate the property as-is or to improve unit interiors and drive rent growth even further," commented Gail Neuburg.

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About ARA

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