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ARA Newmark Brokers Sale of High-Profile Site in Denver's Cherry Creek Neighborhood Gables Residential Expands Luxury Apartment Community to Include Three Phases and 658 Units

Denver (July 2015) — ARA, A Newmark Company (ARA Newmark) arranged the sale of a 1.28-acre development site at 351 South Jackson Street in Denver, Colorado. This transaction illustrates the impact of new zoning regulations for Cherry Creek's mixed-use district, approved in 2014, and the tremendous demand for housing in the Cherry Creek neighborhood.

Denver-based Executive Managing Directors of ARA Newmark's Land Services team, Chris Cowan and Steve O'Dell, served as lead advisors to the seller in marketing the development site, which sold for an undisclosed price to Gables Residential.

The site, located on the northwest corner of South Jackson Street and East Dakota Avenue, is situated in the prestigious Cherry Creek neighborhood – Denver's best area for retail, restaurants and lifestyle. Formerly home to Colorado Private Reserve, the site will be developed into two apartment towers – one eight-story and one 12-story structure – which together comprise 242 units. The 242-unit development will be the third phase of Gables Cherry Creek. Construction of the first phase of the 289-unit development is near completion, with resident move-ins beginning in October 2015. The second phase will comprise 127 units and when all phases are complete, there will be a total of 658 units throughout the Gables Cherry Creek development.

"The new Cherry Creek district zoning that was approved and implemented in 2014 created tremendous development opportunities for the high-profile site," stated O'Dell. "While many qualified groups had the vision to build on the site, Gables Residential was the best fit considering their adjacent project."

Area Vice President of Investments Josh Landry represented the buyer, Gables Residential, in this transaction. Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, Gables Residential is a privately-held REIT specializing in the development, construction and ownership of multihousing and mixed-use communities. They have developed more than 47,000 units in major markets, including Denver.

"We selected Denver as an emerging apartment market where we believe our product type is in high demand. The city has welcomed us and has been a pleasure to work with over the past several years," said Landry. "Gables Cherry Creek has been built to cater to multiple demographics seeking an enhanced lifestyle, with concierge services and first-class amenities. The response to our first phase of Gables Cherry Creek has been overwhelming and closing on our third phase allows us to continue delivering a highly desirable product to the Denver market."

Gables Residential plans to break ground in January 2016, with the project reaching full completion in the fourth quarter of 2018.

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About Gables Residential

Gables Residential is an award-winning, vertically integrated, real estate company and privately held REIT specializing in the development, construction, ownership, acquisition, financing and management of multifamily and mixed-use communities. Gables Residential owns, develops and manages communities in high-growth U.S. markets such as Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Dallas, Denver, Houston, South Florida, Southern California and metropolitan Washington, D.C. Gables also provides third party management services in the New York, New Jersey, Baltimore, Frederick, Tampa, Phoenix, Seattle, San Antonio, Charlotte, Central and North Florida markets.

Gables manages approximately 32,000 apartment homes and 400,000 square feet of retail space and has received national recognition for excellence in development, management, sales, marketing, training, benefits and corporate accommodations. These achievements reflect the impact of our experienced and dedicated team members, our superior knowledge of the markets served, and expertise in development and management.