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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTIO	N 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANG	GE ACT OF 1934
For	the quarterly period ended September 30, 2023	
	OR	
□ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION	N 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANG	GE ACT OF 1934
F	or the transition period from to	
	Commission file number: 1-12672	
	AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC.	
(E	Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)	
Maryland		77-0404318
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	ation)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
	4040 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1000 Arlington, Virginia 22203 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)	
	(703) 329-6300 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)	
(Former name,	former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last	t report)
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:		
<u>Title of each class</u> Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	Trading Symbol(s) AVB	Name of each exchange on which registered New York Stock Exchange
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ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated lefinitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller repo	filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smalle rting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 1	r reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See th 2b-2 of the Exchange Act.
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ndicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes	of common stock as of the latest practicable date:	
42,015,112 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, were of	outstanding as of October 31, 2023.	

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AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Se	September 30, 2023		cember 31, 2022
		(unaudited)		•
ASSETS				
Real estate:				
Land and improvements	\$	4,671,252	\$	4,640,971
Buildings and improvements		19,043,489		18,804,510
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		1,252,247		1,174,135
		24,966,988		24,619,616
Less accumulated depreciation		(7,349,202)		(6,878,556)
Net operating real estate		17,617,786		17,741,060
Construction in progress, including land		1,317,350		1,072,543
Land held for development		183,158		179,204
Real estate assets held for sale, net		24,731		_
Total real estate, net		19,143,025		18,992,807
Cash and cash equivalents		508,571		613,189
Restricted cash		271,535		121,056
Unconsolidated investments		217,449		212,084
Deferred development costs		64,147		58,489
Prepaid expenses and other assets		362,332		316,808
Right of use lease assets		135,779		143,331
Total assets	\$	20,702,838	\$	20,457,764
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Unsecured notes, net	\$	7,207,793	\$	7,602,305
Variable rate unsecured credit facility and commercial paper, net		69,989		_
Mortgage notes payable, net		669,212		713,740
Dividends payable		237,599		226,022
Payables for construction		95,758		72,802
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		355,676		306,186
Lease liabilities		154,451		162,671
Accrued interest payable		69,174		54,100
Resident security deposits		63,856		63,700
Total liabilities		8,923,508		9,201,526
Commitments and contingencies				
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		1,729		2,685
English.				
Equity: Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; \$25 liquidation preference; 50,000,000 shares authorized at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022; zero shares	S			
issued and outstanding at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022		_		_
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 280,000,000 shares authorized at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022; 142,013,995 and 139,916,864 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively		1,420		1,400
Additional paid-in capital		11,278,650		10,765,431
Accumulated earnings less dividends		470,980		485,221
Accumulated other comprehensive income		26,474		1,424
Total stockholders' equity		11,777,524		11,253,476
Noncontrolling interests		77		77
Total equity		11,777,601		11,253,553
Total liabilities and equity	\$	20,702,838	\$	20,457,764

See accompanying notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	For the three months ended September 30,					For the nine months ended September 30,			
		2023	chucu 5	2022		2023	chaca 5	2022	
Revenue:									
Rental and other income	\$	695,701	\$	663,889	\$	2,057,492	\$	1,920,721	
Management, development and other fees		1,934		1,399		5,712		3,054	
Total revenue		697,635		665,288		2,063,204		1,923,775	
Expenses:									
Operating expenses, excluding property taxes		175,191		165,580		509,871		473,281	
Property taxes		78,399		75,091		227,882		216,695	
Expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries		18,959		6,514		23,212		9,865	
Interest expense, net		48,115		57,290		156,521		172,613	
Loss on extinguishment of debt, net		150		1,646		150		1,646	
Depreciation expense		200,982		206,658		606,271		607,746	
General and administrative expense		20,466		14,611		58,542		53,323	
Casualty loss		3,499		_		8,550		_	
Total expenses		545,761		527,390		1,590,999		1,535,169	
Income from unconsolidated investments		1,930		43,777		11,745		46,574	
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Gain on sale of communities		22,121		318,289		209,430		467,493	
Other real estate activity		237		319		707		564	
Income before income taxes		176,162		500,283		694,087		903,237	
Income tax expense		(4,372)		(5,651)		(7,715)		(7,963)	
Net income		171,790		494,632		686,372		895,274	
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		241		115		484		208	
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	172,031	\$	494,747	\$	686,856	\$	895,482	
Other comprehensive income:									
Gain on cash flow hedges		15,502		8,188		23,988		26.102	
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings		354		1,013		1,062		3,039	
-	\$	187,887	<u>e</u>	503,948	\$	711,906	\$		
Comprehensive income	3	187,887	\$	303,948	3	/11,906	3	924,623	
Earnings per common share - basic:									
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	1.21	\$	3.54	\$	4.86	\$	6.40	
Earnings per common share - diluted:									
Net income attributable to common stockholders	S	1.21	\$	3.53	\$	4.86	\$	6.40	
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See accompanying notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(unaudited) (Dollars in thousands)

	For the nine months ended September			
		2023	2022	
Cash flows from operating activities: Net income	\$	686,372	6	895,274
	3	080,372	\$	393,274
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		(0(271		607,746
Depreciation expense		606,271	•	
Amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discount		9,450		8,102
Loss on extinguishment of debt, net		150		1,646
Amortization of stock-based compensation		21,849		26,774
Equity in loss (income) of, and return on, unconsolidated investments and noncontrolling interests, net of eliminations		2,895		(4,180)
Casualty loss		4,173		
Abandonment of development pursuits		23,212		4,069
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings		1,062		3,039
Gain on sale of real estate assets		(210,409)		507,763
Decrease in prepaid expenses and other assets		(3,206)		(22,511)
Increase in accrued expenses, other liabilities and accrued interest payable		72,023		68,244
Net cash provided by operating activities		1,213,842	1,	080,440
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Development/redevelopment of real estate assets including land acquisitions and deferred development costs		(691,543)	((681,937
Acquisition of real estate assets		(83,348)	(4	459,695
Capital expenditures - existing real estate assets		(121,644)		117,812
Capital expenditures - non-real estate assets		(13,116)	((5,667
Increase in payables for construction		22,956		8,863
Proceeds from sale of real estate and for-sale condominiums, net of selling costs		359,477		879,828
Note receivable lending		(47,616)		(15,584
Note receivable payments		230		4,021
Distributions from unconsolidated entities		5,385		50,990
Unconsolidated investments		(13,645)		(11,496
Net cash used in investing activities		(582,864)		348,489
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Cash flows from financing activities:		101.010		4000
Issuance of common stock, net		494,810		1,962
Repurchase of common stock, net		(1,911)		
Dividends paid		(688,486)	(6	667,393
Net borrowings under unsecured credit facility and commercial paper		69,989		49,985
Repayments of mortgage notes payable, including prepayment penalties		(45,700)		(43,131
Repayment of unsecured notes		(400,000)	(100,000
Payment of deferred financing costs		(662)		(11,953)
Redemption of noncontrolling interest and units for cash by minority partners		(1,355)		_
Payments to noncontrolling interest		_		(38
Payments related to tax withholding for share-based compensation		(10,529)		(16,872
Distributions to DownREIT partnership unitholders		(25)		(36
Distributions to joint venture and profit-sharing partners		(308)		(277)
Preferred interest obligation redemption and dividends		(940)		(860)
Net cash used in financing activities		(585,117)	(*)	788,613
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		45,861		(56,662
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period		734,245		543,788
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	780,106		487,126
Cash paid during the period for interest, net of amount capitalized	\$	130,680	\$	144,833
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See accompanying notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash reported in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (dollars in thousands):

	Septe	ember 30, 2023	Sep	tember 30, 2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	508,571	\$	200,999
Restricted cash		271,535		286,127
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash reported in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows	\$	780,106	\$	487,126

Supplemental disclosures of non-cash investing and financing activities:

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023:

- As described in Note 4, "Equity," the Company issued 152,894 shares of common stock as part of the Company's stock-based compensation plans, of which 60,016 shares related to the conversion of performance awards to shares of common stock, and the remaining 92,878 shares valued at \$16,507,000 were issued in connection with new stock grants; 2,577 shares valued at \$463,000 were issued through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan; 62,482 shares valued at \$10,559,000 were withheld to satisfy employees' tax withholding and other liabilities; and 2,119 forfeited restricted shares with an aggregate value of \$413,000.
- Common stock dividends declared but not paid totaled \$235,659,000.
- The Company recorded (i) an increase to prepaid expenses and other assets of \$23,988,000 and a corresponding adjustment to accumulated other comprehensive income; and (ii) reclassified \$1,062,000 of cash flow hedge losses from other comprehensive income to interest expense, net, to record the impact of the Company's derivative and hedging activity.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2022:

- The Company issued 136,115 shares of common stock as part of the Company's stock-based compensation plans, of which 54,053 shares related to the conversion of performance awards to shares of common stock, and the remaining 82,062 shares valued at \$19,286,000 were issued in connection with new stock grants; 2,057 shares valued at \$461,000 were issued through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan; 72,132 shares valued at \$16,872,000 were withheld to satisfy employees' tax withholding and other liabilities; and 3,235 forfeited restricted shares with an aggregate value of \$689,000.
- Common stock dividends declared but not paid totaled \$223,638,000.
- The Company recorded an increase of \$33,000 in redeemable noncontrolling interest with a corresponding decrease to accumulated earnings less dividends to adjust the redemption value associated with the put options held by joint venture partners and DownREIT partnership units.
- The Company recorded (i) an increase to prepaid expenses and other assets of \$26,102,000 and a corresponding adjustment to accumulated other comprehensive income and (ii) reclassified \$3,039,000 of cash flow hedge losses from other comprehensive income to interest expense, net, to record the impact of the Company's derivative and hedging activity.

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

1. Organization, Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies

Organization and Basis of Presentation

AvalonBay Communities, Inc. (the "Company," which term, unless the context otherwise requires, refers to AvalonBay Communities, Inc. together with its subsidiaries) is a Maryland corporation that has elected to be treated as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Company focuses on the development, redevelopment, acquisition, ownership and operation of multifamily communities in New England, the New York/New Jersey metro area, the Mid-Atlantic, the Pacific Northwest, and Northern and Southern California, as well as in the Company's expansion regions of Raleigh-Durham and Charlotte, North Carolina, Southeast Florida, Dallas and Austin, Texas, and Denver, Colorado.

At September 30, 2023, the Company owned or held a direct or indirect ownership interest in 296 operating apartment communities containing 89,240 apartment homes in 12 states and the District of Columbia, of which 17 communities were under development and one was under redevelopment. The Company also owned or held a direct or indirect ownership interest in land or rights to land on which the Company expects to develop an additional 38 communities that, if developed as expected, will contain an estimated 13,449 apartment homes.

The interim unaudited financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") for interim financial information and in conjunction with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements required by GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. These unaudited financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 are not necessarily indicative of the operating results for the full year. Management believes the disclosures are adequate to ensure the information presented is not misleading. In the opinion of management, all adjustments and eliminations, consisting only of normal, recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements for the interim periods, have been included.

Capitalized terms used without definition have meanings provided elsewhere in this Form 10-Q.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

Cash and cash equivalents includes all cash and liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less from the date acquired. Restricted cash includes principal reserve funds that are restricted for the repayment of specified secured financing, amounts the Company has designated for planned 1031 exchange activity and resident security deposits. The majority of the Company's cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash are held at major commercial banks.

Earnings per Common Share

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. All outstanding unvested restricted share awards contain rights to non-forfeitable dividends and participate in undistributed earnings with common shareholders and, accordingly, are considered participating securities that are included in the two-class method of computing basic earnings per share ("EPS"). Both the unvested restricted shares and other potentially dilutive common shares, and the related impact to earnings, are considered when calculating earnings per share on a diluted basis. The Company's earnings per common share are determined as follows (dollars in thousands, except per share data):

	For the three months ended September 30,				For the nine months ended September 30,			
	2023		2022		2023		2022	
Basic and diluted shares outstanding								
Weighted average common shares - basic	141,838,841		139,640,421		141,128,506		139,610,205	
Weighted average DownREIT units outstanding	_		7,500		4,670		7,500	
Effect of dilutive securities	 359,258		334,038		315,499		346,467	
Weighted average common shares - diluted	142,198,099	_	139,981,959	_	141,448,675		139,964,172	
Calculation of Earnings per Share - basic								
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 172,031	\$	494,747	\$	686,856	\$	895,482	
Net income allocated to unvested restricted shares	 (309)		(888)		(1,229)		(1,662)	
Net income attributable to common stockholders - basic	\$ 171,722	\$	493,859	\$	685,627	\$	893,820	
Weighted average common shares - basic	 141,838,841	_	139,640,421	_	141,128,506	_	139,610,205	
Earnings per common share - basic	\$ 1.21	\$	3.54	\$	4.86	\$	6.40	
Calculation of Earnings per Share - diluted								
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 172,031	\$	494,747	\$	686,856	\$	895,482	
Add: noncontrolling interests of DownREIT unitholders in consolidated partnerships, including discontinued operations	_		12		25		36	
Net income attributable to common stockholders - diluted	\$ 172,031	\$	494,759	\$	686,881	\$	895,518	
Weighted average common shares - diluted	 142,198,099	_	139,981,959	_	141,448,675	_	139,964,172	
Earnings per common share - diluted	\$ 1.21	\$	3.53	\$	4.86	\$	6.40	

Certain options to purchase shares of common stock in the amounts of 25,537 and 9,793 were outstanding as of September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because such options were anti-dilutive for the period.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company enters into interest rate swap and interest rate cap agreements (collectively, "Hedging Derivatives") for interest rate risk management purposes and in conjunction with certain variable rate secured debt to satisfy lender requirements. The Company does not enter into Hedging Derivatives for trading or other speculative purposes. The Company assesses the effectiveness of qualifying cash flow and fair value hedges, both at inception and on an ongoing basis. The fair values of Hedging Derivatives that are in an asset position are recorded in prepaid expenses and other assets. The fair values of Hedging Derivatives that are in a liability position are included in accrued expenses and other liabilities. Fair value changes for derivatives that are not in qualifying hedge relationships are reported as a component of interest expense, net. For the Hedging Derivatives that qualify as effective cash flow hedges, the Company has recorded the cumulative changes in the fair value of Hedging Derivatives in accumulated other comprehensive income. Amounts recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income will be reclassified into earnings in the periods in which earnings are affected by the hedged cash flow. The effective portion of the change in fair value of the Hedging Derivatives that qualify as effective fair value hedges is reported as an adjustment to the carrying amount of the corresponding hedged item. See Note 11, "Fair Value," for further discussion of derivative financial instruments.

Legal and Other Contingencies

As of September 30, 2023, the Company was involved in various claims and/or administrative proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of its business. The Company recognizes a loss associated with contingent legal matters when the loss is probable and estimable. While no assurances can be given, the Company does not currently believe that any of such matters, individually or in the aggregate, will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition or results of operations. See Note 12, "Subsequent Events," for further discussion of legal and other contingencies.

Acquisitions of Investments in Real Estate

The Company accounts for real estate acquisitions by first determining if the real estate investment is the acquisition of an asset or a business combination. Under either model, the Company identifies and determines the fair value of any assets acquired, liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree. Typical assets acquired and liabilities assumed include land, building, furniture, fixtures and equipment, debt and identified intangible assets and liabilities, consisting of the value of above or below market leases and in-place leases. The Company utilizes various sources to determine fair value, including its own analysis of recently acquired and existing comparable properties in its portfolio and other market data. Consideration for acquisitions is typically in the form of cash unless otherwise disclosed. For a business combination, the Company records the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on the fair value of each respective item. For an asset acquisition, the purchase price is allocated based on the relative fair value of the net assets. The Company expenses all applicable acquisition costs for a business combination and capitalizes all applicable acquisition costs for an asset acquisition. The Company expects that acquisitions of individual operating communities will generally be asset acquisitions.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to amounts in prior years' financial statements and notes to the financial statements to conform to current year presentations as a result of changes in held for sale classification, disposition activity, segment classification and classification of for-sale condominium inventory and activity.

Income Taxes

The Company recognized income tax expense of \$4,372,000 and \$7,715,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, and \$5,651,000 and \$7,963,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, respectively, primarily related to The Park Loggia.

Leases

The Company is party to leases as both a lessor and a lessee, primarily as follows:

- lessor of residential and commercial space within its apartment communities; and
- lessee under (i) ground leases for land underlying current operating or development communities and certain commercial and parking facilities and (ii) office leases for
 its corporate headquarters and regional offices.

Lessee Considerations

The Company assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease based on whether the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, including specified portions of larger assets, for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

The Company's leases include both fixed and variable lease payments that are based on an index or rate such as the consumer price index (CPI) or percentage rents based on total sales. Variable lease payments that are not based on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the lease liability, but will be recognized as variable lease expense in the period in which they are incurred.

For leases that have options to extend the term or terminate the lease early, the Company only factored the impact of such options into the lease term if the option was considered reasonably certain to be exercised. The Company determined the discount rate associated with its ground and office leases on a lease-by-lease basis using the Company's actual borrowing rates as well as indicative market pricing for longer term rates and taking into consideration the remaining term of the lease agreements. For leases that are 12 months or less, the Company has elected the practical expedient to not assess these leases under Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 842, Leases, and recognize the lease payments on a straight line basis.

Lessor Considerations

The Company has determined that the residential and commercial leases at its apartment communities are operating leases. For leases that include rent concessions and/or fixed and determinable rent increases, rental income is recognized on a straight-line basis over the noncancellable term of the lease, which, for residential leases, is generally one year. Some of the Company's commercial leases have renewal options which the Company will only include in the lease term if, at the commencement of the lease, it is reasonably certain that the lessee will exercise this option.

For the Company's leases, which are comprised of a lease component and common area maintenance as a non-lease component, the Company determined that (i) the leases are operating leases, (ii) the lease component is the predominant component and (iii) all components of its operating leases share the same timing and pattern of transfer.

Revenue and Gain Recognition

Under ASC 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, the Company recognizes revenue for the transfer of goods and services to customers for consideration that the Company expects to receive. The majority of the Company's revenue is derived from residential and commercial rental and other lease income, which are accounted for as discussed above, under "Leases". The Company's revenue streams that are not accounted for under ASC 842, Leases, include (i) management, development and other fees, (ii) non-lease related revenue and (iii) gains or losses on the sale of real estate.

The following table details the Company's revenue disaggregated by reportable operating segment, further discussed in Note 8, "Segment Reporting," for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022. Segment information for total revenue excludes real estate assets that were sold from January 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023, or otherwise qualify as held for sale as of September 30, 2023, as described in Note 6, "Real Estate Disposition Activities" (dollars in thousands):

	Same Store	Other Stabilized	Development/ Redevelopment	Non- allocated (1)	Total
For the three months ended September 30, 2023					
Management, development and other fees and other ancillary items	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 1,934	\$ 1,934
Non-lease related revenue (2)	2,917	 1,430	80	 	4,427
Total non-lease revenue (3)	2,917	1,430	80	1,934	6,361
Lease income (4)	639,176	31,811	17,229	_	688,216
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Total revenue	\$ 642,093	\$ 33,241	\$ 17,309	\$ 1,934	\$ 694,577
		-	-		
For the three months ended September 30, 2022					
Management, development and other fees and other ancillary items	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 1,399	\$ 1,399
Non-lease related revenue (2)	2,477	811	32	_	3,320
Total non-lease revenue (3)	2,477	811	32	1,399	4,719
Lease income (4)	609,311	27,335	7,681		644,327
Total revenue	\$ 611,788	\$ 28,146	\$ 7,713	\$ 1,399	\$ 649,046

		Same Store		Other Stabilized		Development/ Redevelopment	Non- allocated (1)		Total
For the nine months ended September 30, 2023		<u> </u>							
Management, development and other fees and other ancillary items	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 5,712	\$	5,712
Non-lease related revenue (2)		8,121		3,830		195	_		12,146
Total non-lease revenue (3)		8,121		3,830		195	5,712		17,858
Lease income (4)		1,890,920		93,380		40,644	_		2,024,944
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Total revenue	\$	1,899,041	\$	97,210	\$	40,839	\$ 5,712	\$	2,042,802
	_		_		_				
For the nine months ended September 30, 2022									
Management, development and other fees and other ancillary items	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 3,054	\$	3,054
Non-lease related revenue (2)		7,493		1,777		78	_		9,348
Total non-lease revenue (3)		7,493		1,777		78	3,054		12,402
Lease income (4)		1,770,815		60,702		20,193	_		1,851,710
Total revenue	\$	1,778,308	\$	62,479	\$	20,271	\$ 3,054	\$	1,864,112

⁽¹⁾ Represents third-party property management, developer fees and miscellaneous income and other ancillary items which are not allocated to a reportable segment.

Due to the nature and timing of the Company's identified revenue streams, there were no material amounts of outstanding or unsatisfied performance obligations as of September 30, 2023.

Uncollectible Lease Revenue Reserves

The Company assesses the collectability of its lease revenue and receivables on an ongoing basis by (i) assessing the probability of receiving all lease amounts due on a lease-by-lease basis, (ii) reserving all amounts for those leases where collection of substantially all of the remaining lease payments is not probable and (iii) subsequently, will only recognize revenue to the extent cash is received. If the Company determines that collection of the remaining lease payments becomes probable at a future date, the Company will recognize the cumulative revenue that would have been recorded under the original lease agreement.

In addition to the specific reserves recognized under ASC 842, the Company also evaluates its lease receivables for collectability at a portfolio level under ASC 450, Contingencies – Loss Contingencies. The Company recognizes a reserve under ASC 450 when the uncollectible revenue is probable and reasonably estimable. The Company applies this reserve to the population of the Company's revenue and receivables not specifically addressed as part of the specific ASC 842 reserve.

The Company recorded an aggregate offset to income for uncollectible lease revenue, net of amounts received from government rent relief programs, for its residential and commercial portfolios of \$13,363,000 and \$10,607,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$43,667,000 and \$31,267,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, under ASC 842 and ASC 450.

⁽²⁾ Amounts include revenue streams related to leasing activities that are not considered components of a lease, and revenue streams not related to leasing activities including, but not limited to, application fees, renters insurance fees and vendor revenue sharing.

⁽³⁾ Represents revenue accounted for under ASC 606.

⁽⁴⁾ Represents residential and commercial rental and other lease income, accounted for under ASC 842.

2. Interest Capitalized

The Company capitalizes interest during the development and redevelopment of real estate assets. Capitalized interest associated with the Company's development or redevelopment activities totaled \$12,170,000 and \$9,131,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$34,794,000 and \$24,424,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

3. Debt

The Company's debt, which consists of unsecured notes, the variable rate unsecured term loan (the "Term Loan"), mortgage notes payable, the Credit Facility and the Commercial Paper Program, each as defined below, as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 is summarized below. The following amounts and discussion do not include the mortgage notes related to the communities classified as held for sale, if any, as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, as shown in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (dollars in thousands) (see Note 6, "Real Estate Disposition Activities"). The weighted average interest rates in the following table for secured and unsecured notes include costs of financing such as credit enhancement fees, trustees' fees, the impact of interest rate hedges and mark-to-market adjustments.

		September 30,	2023	Decembe	r 31, 2022
Fixed rate unsecured notes	\$	7,250,000	3.3 % \$	7,500,000	3.3 %
Term Loan	Ψ		— %	150,000	5.4 %
Fixed rate mortgage notes payable - conventional and tax-exempt		270,851	3.4 %	270,677	3.4 %
Variable rate mortgage notes payable - conventional and tax-exempt		411,450	5.6 %	457,150	5.3 %
Total mortgage notes payable and unsecured notes and Term Loan		7,932,301	3.4 %	8,377,827	3.4 %
Credit Facility		_	— %	_	%
Commercial paper		70,000	5.9 %	_	— %
Total principal outstanding		8,002,301	3.4 %	8,377,827	3.4 %
Less deferred financing costs and debt discount (1)		(55,296)		(61,782)	
Total	\$	7,947,005	\$	8,316,045	

⁽¹⁾ Excludes deferred financing costs and debt discount associated with the Credit Facility and the Commercial Paper Program which are included in prepaid expenses and other assets on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The Company has a \$2,250,000,000 revolving variable rate unsecured credit facility with a syndicate of banks (the "Credit Facility") which matures in September 2026. The interest rate that would be applicable to borrowings under the Credit Facility was 6.12% at September 30, 2023 and was composed of (i) the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") plus (ii) the current borrowing spread to SOFR of 0.805% per annum, which consisted of a 0.10% SOFR adjustment plus 0.705% per annum, assuming a daily SOFR borrowing rate. The borrowing spread to SOFR can vary from SOFR plus 0.63% to SOFR plus 1.38% based upon the rating of the Company's unsecured and unsubordinated long-term indebtedness. There is also an annual facility commitment fee of 0.12% of the borrowing capacity under the facility, which can vary from 0.095% to 0.295% based upon the rating of the Company's unsecured and unsubordinated long-term indebtedness. The Credit Facility contains a sustainability-linked pricing component which provides for interest rate margin and commitment fee reductions or increases by meeting or missing targets related to environmental sustainability, specifically greenhouse gas emission reductions, with the adjustment determined annually. The first determination under the sustainability-linked pricing component occurred in July 2023, resulting in reductions of approximately 0.02% to the interest rate margin and 0.005% to the commitment fee due to our achievement of sustainability targets.

The availability on the Company's Credit Facility as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2023			December 31, 2022		
Credit Facility commitment	\$	2,250,000	\$	2,250,000		
Credit Facility outstanding		_		_		
Commercial paper outstanding		(70,000)		_		
Letters of credit outstanding (1)		(1,914)		(1,914)		
Total Credit Facility available	\$	2,178,086	\$	2,248,086		

⁽¹⁾ In addition, the Company had \$50,418 and \$48,740 outstanding in additional letters of credit unrelated to the Credit Facility as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

The Company has an unsecured commercial paper note program (the "Commercial Paper Program") with the maximum aggregate face or principal amount outstanding at any one time not to exceed \$500,000,000. The Commercial Paper Program is backstopped by the Company's commitment to maintain available borrowing capacity under the Credit Facility in an amount equal to actual borrowings under the Commercial Paper Program.

The following debt activity occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2023:

- In March 2023, the Company repaid \$250,000,000 principal amount of its 2.85% unsecured notes at its maturity.
- In September 2023, the Company repaid its \$150,000,000 Term Loan at par in advance of its February 2024 scheduled maturity.
- In September 2023, the Company utilized \$37,600,000 of restricted cash held in a principal reserve fund to repay a portion of the outstanding secured variable rate indebtedness of Avalon Clinton North and Avalon Clinton South.

In the aggregate, secured notes payable mature at various dates from March 2027 through July 2066, and are secured by certain apartment communities (with a net carrying value of \$1,159,639,000, excluding communities classified as held for sale, as of September 30, 2023).

Scheduled payments and maturities of secured notes payable and unsecured notes outstanding at September 30, 2023 were as follows (dollars in thousands):

Year	Secured notes principal payments and maturities	Unsecured notes maturities	Stated interest rate of unsecured notes
2023	\$ 200	\$ 350,000	4.20 %
2024	9,100	300,000	3.50 %
2025	9,700	525,000	3.45 %
		300,000	3.50 %
2026	10,600	475,000	2.95 %
		300,000	2.90 %
2027	249,000	400,000	3.35 %
2028	17,600	450,000	3.20 %
		400,000	1.90 %
2029	74,750	450,000	3.30 %
2030	9,000	700,000	2.30 %
2031	9,600	600,000	2.45 %
2032	10,300	700,000	2.05 %
Thereafter	282,451	350,000	5.00 %
		350,000	3.90 %
		300,000	4.15 %
		300,000	4.35 %
	\$ 682,301	\$ 7,250,000	

The Company was in compliance at September 30, 2023 with customary covenants under the Credit Facility and the Commercial Paper Program and the indentures under which the Company's unsecured notes were issued.

4. Equity

The following summarizes the changes in equity for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (dollars in thousands):

	Common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Accumulated earnings less dividends				otal stockholder's equity	Noncontrolling interests		Total equity	
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 1,400	\$ 10,765,431	\$	485,221	\$	1,424	\$, ,	\$	77	\$ 11,253,553
Net income attributable to common stockholders	_	_		146,902		_		146,902		_	146,902
Loss on cash flow hedges, net	_	_		_		(340)		(340)		_	(340)
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings	_	_		_		354		354		_	354
Change in redemption value of redeemable noncontrolling interest	_	_		(286)		_		(286)		_	(286)
Dividends declared to common stockholders (\$1.65 per share)	_	_		(230,958)		_		(230,958)		_	(230,958)
Issuance of common stock, net of withholdings	1	(11,554)		1,590		_		(9,963)		_	(9,963)
Repurchase of common stock, including repurchase costs	_	(539)		(590)		_		(1,129)		_	(1,129)
Amortization of deferred compensation	_	11,123		_		_		11,123		_	11,123
Balance at March 31, 2023	\$ 1,401	\$ 10,764,461	\$	401,879	\$	1,438	\$	11,169,179	\$	77	\$ 11,169,256
Net income attributable to common stockholders	_	_		367,923		_		367,923		_	367,923
Gain on cash flow hedges, net	_	_		_		8,826		8,826		_	8,826
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings	_	_		_		354		354		_	354
Change in redemption value of redeemable noncontrolling interest	_	_		(367)		_		(367)		_	(367)
Dividends declared to common stockholders (\$1.65 per share)	_	_		(234,774)		_		(234,774)		_	(234,774)
Issuance of common stock, net of withholdings	19	494,643		43		_		494,705		_	494,705
Repurchase of common stock, including repurchase costs	_	(369)		(413)		_		(782)		_	(782)
Amortization of deferred compensation	_	10,424		_		_		10,424		_	10,424
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 1,420	\$ 11,269,159	\$	534,291	\$	10,618	\$	11,815,488	\$	77	\$ 11,815,565
Net income attributable to common stockholders	_	_		172,031		_		172,031		_	172,031
Gain on cash flow hedges, net	_	_		_		15,502		15,502		_	15,502
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings	_	_		_		354		354		_	354
Change in redemption value of redeemable noncontrolling interest	_	_		(564)		_		(564)		_	(564)
Dividends declared to common stockholders (\$1.65 per share)	_	_		(234,777)		_		(234,777)		_	(234,777)
Issuance of common stock, net of withholdings	_	(28)		(1)		_		(29)		_	(29)
Amortization of deferred compensation	_	9,519		_				9,519			 9,519
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$ 1,420	\$ 11,278,650	\$	470,980	\$	26,474	\$	11,777,524	\$	77	\$ 11,777,601

	 Common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Accumulated earnings less dividends		Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		Total stockholder's equity		Noncontrolling interests		Total equity
Balance at December 31, 2021	\$ 1,398	\$ 10,716,414	\$	240,821	\$	(26,106)	\$	10,932,527	\$	566	\$ 10,933,093
Net income attributable to common stockholders	_	_		262,044		_		262,044		_	262,044
Gain on cash flow hedges, net	_	_		_		10,155		10,155		_	10,155
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings	_	_		_		1,013		1,013		_	1,013
Change in redemption value of redeemable noncontrolling interest	_	_		(43)		_		(43)		_	(43)
Noncontrolling interest distribution and income allocation	_	_		_		_		_		(10)	(10)
Dividends declared to common stockholders (\$1.59 per share)	_	_		(222,373)		_		(222,373)		_	(222,373)
Issuance of common stock, net of withholdings	1	(14,263)		(1,501)		_		(15,763)		_	(15,763)
Amortization of deferred compensation		9,176						9,176			9,176
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$ 1,399	\$ 10,711,327	\$	278,948	\$	(14,938)	\$	10,976,736	\$	556	\$ 10,977,292
Net income attributable to common stockholders	_	_		138,691		_		138,691		_	138,691
Gain on cash flow hedges, net	_	_		_		7,759		7,759		_	7,759
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings	_	_		_		1,013		1,013		_	1,013
Change in redemption value of redeemable noncontrolling interest	_	_		168		_		168		_	168
Noncontrolling interest distribution and income allocation	_	_		_		_		_		(6)	(6)
Dividends declared to common stockholders (\$1.59 per share)	_	_		(222,772)		_		(222,772)		_	(222,772)
Issuance of common stock, net of withholdings	_	1,683		_		_		1,683		_	1,683
Amortization of deferred compensation	_	14,183		_		_		14,183		_	14,183
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$ 1,399	\$ 10,727,193	\$	195,035	\$	(6,166)	\$	10,917,461	\$	550	\$ 10,918,011
Net income attributable to common stockholders		_		494,747				494,747		_	494,747
Gain on cash flow hedges, net	_	_		_		8,188		8,188		_	8,188
Cash flow hedge losses reclassified to earnings	_	_		_		1,013		1,013		_	1,013
Change in redemption value of redeemable noncontrolling interest	_	_		(158)		_		(158)		_	(158)
Noncontrolling interest distribution and income allocation	_	_		_		_		_		1	1
Dividends declared to common stockholders (\$1.59 per share)	_	_		(222,753)		_		(222,753)		_	(222,753)
Issuance of common stock, net of withholdings	_	(384)		17		_		(367)		_	(367)
Amortization of deferred compensation	_	11,906						11,906			11,906
Balance at September 30, 2022	\$ 1,399	\$ 10,738,715	\$	466,888	\$	3,035	\$	11,210,037	\$	551	\$ 11,210,588

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company's charter had authorized for issuance a total of 280,000,000 shares of common stock and 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company:

- i. issued 5,773 shares of common stock in connection with stock options exercised;
- ii. issued 2,577 shares of common stock through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan;
- iii. issued 152,894 shares of common stock in connection with restricted stock grants and the conversion of performance awards to shares of common stock;
- iv. issued 2,000,000 shares of common stock in the settlement of the forward contracts, as discussed below;
- v. issued 12,288 shares of common stock through the Employee Stock Purchase Plan;
- vi. withheld 62,482 shares of common stock to satisfy employees' tax withholding and other liabilities;
- vii. canceled 2,119 shares of restricted common stock upon forfeiture; and
- viii. repurchased 11,800 shares of common stock through the Stock Repurchase Program (as defined below).

Deferred compensation granted under the Company's Second Amended and Restated 2009 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2009 Plan") for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 does not impact the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements until recognized as compensation cost.

The Company has a continuous equity program ("CEP") under which the Company may sell (and/or enter into forward sale agreements for the sale of) up to \$1,000,000,000 of its common stock from time to time. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company had no sales under this program. As of September 30, 2023, the Company had \$705,961,000 remaining authorized for issuance under the CEP.

In addition to the CEP, during the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company settled the outstanding forward contracts entered into in April 2022 (the "Equity Forward"), issuing 2,000,000 shares of common stock, net of offering fees and discounts for \$491,912,000 or \$245.96 per share.

The Company has a stock repurchase program under which the Company may acquire shares of its common stock in open market or negotiated transactions up to an aggregate purchase price of \$500,000,000 (the "Stock Repurchase Program"). During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company repurchased 11,800 shares of common stock at an average price of \$161.96 per share. As of September 30, 2023, the Company had \$314,237,000 remaining authorized for purchase under this program.

5. Investments

Unconsolidated Investments

As of September 30, 2023, the Company had investments in five unconsolidated entities with real estate entities holdings, with ownership interest percentages ranging from 20.0% to 50.0%, coupled with other unconsolidated investments including property technology and environmentally focused companies and investment management funds. For one of the investments which is under development and in which the Company has an investment of 25.0%, the Company has guaranteed a construction loan on behalf of the venture, which had an outstanding balance of \$127,803,000 as of September 30, 2023. Any amounts under the guarantee of this construction loan are obligations of the venture partners in proportion to their ownership interest. The Company accounts for its unconsolidated investments under the equity method of accounting or under the measurement alternative with the carrying amount of the investment adjusted to fair value when there is an observable transaction for the same or similar investment of the same issuer indicating a change in fair value. The significant accounting policies of the Company's unconsolidated investments are consistent with those of the Company in all material respects. Certain of these investments are subject to various buy-sell provisions or other rights which are customary in real estate joint venture agreements. The Company and its partners in these entities may initiate these provisions to either sell the Company's interest or acquire the interest from the Company's partner.

The Company also has an equity interest of 28.6% in the Archstone Multifamily Partners AC LP (the "U.S. Fund") and upon achievement of a threshold return, which has been met, the Company has a right to incentive distributions for its promoted interest based on the returns earned by the U.S. Fund. The Company recognized income of \$424,000 and \$1,496,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, and \$4,690,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 for its promoted interest which is included in income from unconsolidated investments on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. The U.S. Fund sold its final three communities in 2022 and is in the process of being dissolved.

Investments in Consolidated Real Estate Entities

The following real estate acquisition occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2023 (dollars in thousands):

Community name	Location	Period	Apartment homes	Purchase Price
Avalon Frisco at Main	Frisco, TX	Q3 2023	360	\$ 83,100

The Company accounted for this purchase as an asset acquisition and recorded the acquired assets and assumed liabilities, including identifiable intangibles, at their relative fair values based on the purchase price and acquisition costs incurred. The Company used third party pricing or internal models for the value of the land, a valuation model for the value of the building, and an internal model to determine the fair value of the remaining real estate assets and in-place leases. Given the heterogeneous nature of multifamily real estate, the fair values for the land, real estate assets and in-place leases incorporated significant unobservable inputs and therefore are considered to be Level 3 prices within the fair value hierarchy.

Structured Investment Program

The Company operates a Structured Investment Program (the "SIP"), an investment platform through which the Company provides mezzanine loans or preferred equity to third-party multifamily developers in the Company's existing markets. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company entered into two additional commitments, agreeing to provide an aggregate investment of up to \$51,660,000 in multifamily development projects in North Carolina and Florida. As of September 30, 2023, the Company had five commitments to fund up to \$144,035,000 in the aggregate. The Company's investment commitments have a weighted average rate of return of 10.9% and have initial maturity dates between September 2025 and August 2027. At September 30, 2023, the Company had funded \$76,274,000 of these commitments.

The Company evaluates each SIP commitment to determine the classification as a loan or an investment in a real estate development project. As of September 30, 2023, all of the SIP commitments are classified as loans. The Company includes amounts outstanding under the SIP as a component of prepaid expenses and other assets on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company evaluates the credit risk for each commitment on an ongoing basis, estimating the reserve for credit losses using relevant available information from internal and external sources. Market-based historical credit loss data provides the basis for the estimation of expected credit losses, with adjustments, if necessary, for differences in current commitment-specific risk characteristics, such as the amount of equity capital provided by a borrower, nature of the real estate being developed or other factors.

For the five existing commitments, interest is recognized as earned as interest income, and interest income and any change in the expected credit loss are included as a component of income from unconsolidated investments, on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Expensed Transaction, Development and Other Pursuit Costs

The Company capitalizes costs associated with its development activities when future development is probable ("Development Rights") to the basis of land held, or if the Company has either not yet acquired the land or if the project is subject to a leasehold interest, the costs are capitalized as deferred development costs. Future development of these Development Rights is dependent upon various factors, including zoning and regulatory approval, rental market conditions, construction costs and the availability of capital. Costs incurred for pursuits for which future development is not yet considered probable are expensed as incurred. In addition, if the Company determines a Development Right is no longer probable, the Company recognizes any necessary expense to write down its basis in the Development Right. The Company expensed costs related to development pursuits not yet considered probable for development and the abandonment of Development Rights, as well as costs incurred in pursuing the acquisition or disposition of assets for which such acquisition and disposition activity did not occur, in the amounts of \$18,959,000 and \$6,514,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$23,212,000 and \$9,865,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. These costs are included in expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. The amounts for 2023 include write-offs of \$17,111,000 related to three Development Rights in Northern and Southern California and the Mid-Atlantic that the Company determined are no longer probable. The amounts for 2022 include the write-off of \$5,335,000 related to a Development Right in the Pacific Northwest that the Company determined is no longer probable. These costs can vary greatly, and the costs incurred in any given period may be significantly different in future periods.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and Casualty Loss

The Company evaluates its real estate and other long-lived assets for impairment when potential indicators of impairment exist. Such assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and amortization, unless the carrying amount of the asset is not recoverable. If events or circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable, the Company assesses its recoverability by comparing the carrying amount of the asset to its estimated undiscounted future cash flows. If the carrying amount exceeds the aggregate undiscounted future cash flows, the Company recognizes an impairment loss to the extent the carrying amount exceeds the estimated fair value of the asset. Based on periodic tests of recoverability of long-lived assets, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company did not recognize any material impairment losses. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized a charge of \$3,499,000 and \$8,550,000, respectively, for the property and casualty damages across certain communities in its Northeast and California regions related to severe weather and other casualty events, reported as casualty loss on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

The Company evaluates its for-sale condominium inventory for potential indicators of impairment, considering whether the fair value of the individual for-sale condominium units exceeds the carrying value of those units. For-sale condominium inventory is stated at the lower of cost or fair value. The Company determines the fair value of its for-sale condominium inventory as the estimated sales price less direct costs to sell. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company did not recognize any impairment losses on its for-sale condominium inventory.

The Company assesses its portfolio of land held for both development and investment for impairment if the intent of the Company changes with respect to either the development of, or the expected holding period for, the land. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company did not recognize any impairment charges on its investment in land.

The Company evaluates its unconsolidated investments for other than temporary impairment, considering both the extent and amount by which the carrying value of the investment exceeds the fair value, and the Company's intent and ability to hold the investment to recover its carrying value. The Company also evaluates its proportionate share of any impairment of assets held by unconsolidated investments. There were no other than temporary impairment losses recognized for any of the Company's unconsolidated investments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022.

6. Real Estate Disposition Activities

The following real estate sales occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2023 (dollars in thousands):

Community name	Location	Period of sale	Apartment homes	Gr	oss sales price	Gain on disposition (1)	Commercial square feet
eaves Daly City	Daly City, CA	Q2 2023	195	\$	67,000	\$ 54,618	_
Avalon at Newton Highlands	Newton, MA	Q2 2023	294	\$	170,000	\$ 132,723	_
Avalon Columbia Pike	Arlington, VA	Q3 2023	269	\$	105,000	\$ 22,345	27,000

⁽¹⁾ Gain on disposition was reported in gain on sale of communities on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

At September 30, 2023, the Company had one real estate asset that qualified as held for sale.

The Park Loggia

The Park Loggia, located in New York, NY, contains 172 for-sale residential condominiums and 66,000 square feet of commercial space. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company sold four residential condominiums at The Park Loggia for gross proceeds of \$19,397,000, resulting in a gain in accordance with GAAP of \$461,000. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, the Company sold 10 and 38 residential condominiums at The Park Loggia for gross proceeds of \$38,991,000 and \$120,328,000, respectively, resulting in a gain in accordance with GAAP of \$644,000 and \$2,113,000, respectively. The Company recognized net marketing, operating and administrative recoveries of \$27,000 and incurred marketing, operating and administrative costs of \$340,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and incurred marketing, operating and administrative costs of \$272,000 and \$1,644,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. All amounts are included in other real estate activity on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. As of September 30, 2023, there were four residential condominiums remaining to be sold. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the unsold for-sale residential condominiums at The Park Loggia had an aggregate carrying value of \$12,657,000 and \$32,532,000, respectively, presented in prepaid expenses and other assets on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

7. Commitments and Contingencies

Lease Obligations

The Company owns seven apartment communities and two commercial properties, located on land subject to ground leases expiring between July 2046 and April 2106. The Company has purchase options for all ground leases expiring prior to 2062. The ground leases for six of the seven apartment communities and the two commercial properties are operating leases, with rental expense recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. In addition, the Company is party to 13 leases for its corporate and regional offices with varying terms through 2031, all of which are operating leases.

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had total operating lease assets of \$107,144,000 and \$114,977,000, respectively, and lease obligations of \$134,425,000 and \$142,602,000, respectively, reported as components of right of use lease assets and lease liabilities, respectively, on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company incurred costs of \$4,081,000 and \$3,987,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$12,167,000 and \$11,657,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, related to operating leases.

The Company has one apartment community located on land subject to a ground lease and four leases for portions of parking garages adjacent to apartment communities, that are finance leases. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had total finance lease assets of \$28,635,000 and \$28,354,000, respectively, and total finance lease obligations of \$20,026,000 and \$20,069,000, respectively, reported as components of right of use lease assets and lease liabilities on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

8. Segment Reporting

The Company's reportable operating segments include Same Store, Other Stabilized and Development/Redevelopment. Annually as of January 1, the Company determines which of its communities fall into each of these categories and generally maintains that classification throughout the year for the purpose of reporting segment operations, unless disposition or redevelopment plans regarding a community change. In addition, the Company owns land for future development and has other corporate assets that are not allocated to an operating segment.

The Company's segment disclosures present the measure(s) used by the chief operating decision maker ("CODM") for assessing each segment's performance. The Company's CODM is comprised of several members of its executive management team who use net operating income ("NOI") as the primary financial measure for Same Store communities and Other Stabilized communities. NOI is defined by the Company as total property revenue less direct property operating expenses (including property taxes), and excluding corporate-level income (including management, development and other fees), corporate-level property management and other indirect operating expenses, expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries, interest expense, net, loss on extinguishment of debt, net, general and administrative expense, income from unconsolidated investments, depreciation expense, income tax expense, casualty loss, gain on sale of communities, other real estate activity and net operating income from real estate assets sold or held for sale. The CODM evaluates the Company's financial performance on a consolidated residential and commercial basis. The commercial results attributable to the non-apartment components of the Company's mixed-use communities and other nonresidential operations represent 1.7% and 2.4% of total NOI for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and 1.8% and 2.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Although the Company considers NOI a useful measure of a community's or communities' operating performance, NOI should not be considered an alternative to net income or net cash flow from operating activities, as determined in accordance with GAAP. NOI excludes a number of income and expense categories as detailed in the reconciliation of NOI to net income.

A reconciliation of NOI to net income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	For the three months ended September 30,		eptember 30,	For the nine months		s ended September 30,	
		2023		2022	2023		2022
Net income	\$	171,790	\$	494,632	\$ 686,372	\$	895,274
Property management and other indirect operating expenses, net of corporate income		30,421		29,374	90,177		88,119
Expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries		18,959		6,514	23,212		9,865
Interest expense, net		48,115		57,290	156,521		172,613
Loss on extinguishment of debt, net		150		1,646	150		1,646
General and administrative expense		20,466		14,611	58,542		53,323
Income from unconsolidated investments		(1,930)		(43,777)	(11,745)		(46,574)
Depreciation expense		200,982		206,658	606,271		607,746
Income tax expense		4,372		5,651	7,715		7,963
Casualty loss		3,499		_	8,550		_
Gain on sale of communities		(22,121)		(318,289)	(209,430)		(467,493)
Other real estate activity		(237)		(319)	(707)		(564)
Net operating income from real estate assets sold or held for sale		(2,089)		(10,994)	(14,212)		(39,583)
Net operating income	\$	472,377	\$	442,997	\$ 1,401,416	\$	1,282,335

The following is a summary of NOI from real estate assets sold or held for sale for the periods presented (dollars in thousands):

	For the three months ended September 30,				For the nine months ended September 30,			
	2023			2022		2023		2022
Rental income from real estate assets sold or held for sale	\$	3,058	\$	16,242	\$	20,402	\$	59,663
Operating expenses from real estate assets sold or held for sale		(969)		(5,248)		(6,190)		(20,080)
Net operating income from real estate assets sold or held for sale	\$	2,089	\$	10,994	\$	14,212	\$	39,583

The primary performance measure for communities under development or redevelopment depends on the stage of completion. While under development, management monitors actual construction costs against budgeted costs as well as lease-up pace and rent levels compared to budget.

The following table details the Company's segment information as of the dates specified (dollars in thousands). The segments are classified based on the individual community's status at January 1, 2023. Segment information for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 has been adjusted to exclude the real estate assets that were sold from January 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023, or otherwise qualify as held for sale as of September 30, 2023, as described in Note 6, "Real Estate Disposition Activities."

		For the three	months	ended	For the nine months ended				
	<u> </u>	Total revenue		NOI	 Total revenue		NOI	(Gross real estate (1)
For the period ended September 30, 2023								_	
Same Store									
New England	\$	92,967	\$	61,146	\$ 273,699	\$	182,121	\$	2,915,561
Metro NY/NJ		133,727		90,056	395,319		270,617		4,422,604
Mid-Atlantic		93,507		63,573	275,873		190,587		3,429,203
Southeast Florida		18,789		12,260	56,908		37,535		801,062
Denver, CO		7,167		5,061	21,049		14,827		322,024
Pacific Northwest		42,969		29,998	128,758		91,028		1,542,199
Northern California		106,728		75,921	318,833		227,387		3,781,910
Southern California		140,117		96,248	410,657		282,195		4,799,299
Other Expansion Regions		6,122		4,004	17,945		12,107		327,635
Total Same Store		642,093		438,267	1,899,041		1,308,404		22,341,497
Other Stabilized		33,241		23,437	97,210		68,104		1,608,094
Development / Redevelopment		17,309		10,673	40,839		24,908		2,204,049
Land Held for Development		N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		183,158
Non-allocated (2)		1,934		N/A	 5,712		N/A		130,698
Total	\$	694,577	\$	472,377	\$ 2,042,802	\$	1,401,416	\$	26,467,496
For the period ended September 30, 2022									
Same Store									
New England	\$	88,399	\$	58,953	\$ 252,814	\$	167,090	\$	2,886,605
Metro NY/NJ		127,713		86,387	365,811		250,687		4,392,552
Mid-Atlantic		88,964		59,554	258,952		176,267		3,389,133
Southeast Florida		17,798		11,683	51,292		32,964		796,120
Denver, CO		6,891		4,905	19,869		14,531		321,354
Pacific Northwest		42,628		30,077	122,668		87,147		1,531,682
Northern California		103,374		73,607	301,367		214,527		3,752,632
Southern California		130,453		88,886	389,341		270,804		4,746,147
Other Expansion Regions		5,568		3,703	16,194		11,069		323,333
Total Same Store		611,788		417,755	1,778,308		1,225,086		22,139,558
Other Stabilized		28,146		20,515	62,479		44,622		1,435,965
Development / Redevelopment		7,713		4,727	20,271		12,627		1,386,757
Land Held for Development		N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		167,277
Non-allocated (2)		1,399		N/A	 3,054		N/A		115,757
Total	\$	649,046	\$	442,997	\$ 1,864,112	\$	1,282,335	\$	25,245,314

⁽¹⁾ Does not include gross real estate assets held for sale of \$63,754 as of September 30, 2023 and gross real estate either sold or classified as held for sale subsequent to September 30, 2022 of \$280,529.

⁽²⁾ Revenue represents third-party property management, developer fees and miscellaneous income and other ancillary items which are not allocated to a reportable segment.

9. Stock-Based Compensation Plans

As part of its long-term compensation plans, the Company has granted stock options, performance awards and restricted stock under the 2009 Plan. Details of the outstanding awards and activity under the 2009 Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 are presented below.

Stock Options:

	Options	Weighted average exercise price per option
Options Outstanding at December 31, 2022	293,813	\$ 181.85
Granted (1)	15,744	177.83
Exercised	(5,773)	163.56
Forfeited		
Options Outstanding at September 30, 2023	303,784	\$ 181.99
Options Exercisable at September 30, 2023	279,894	\$ 180.97

⁽¹⁾ Grants are from recipient elections to receive a portion of earned restricted stock awards in the form of stock options.

Performance Awards:

	Performance awards	Weighted average grant date fair value per award (1)
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	279,067	\$ 225.46
Granted (2)	89,977	193.88
Change in awards based on performance (3)	(31,345)	241.49
Converted to shares of common stock	(60,016)	238.71
Forfeited	(2,719)	212.05
Outstanding at September 30, 2023	274,964	\$ 210.54

⁽¹⁾ Weighted average grant date fair value per award includes the impact of post grant modifications.

The Company used a Monte Carlo model to assess the compensation cost associated with the portion of the performance awards granted for which achievement will be determined by using total shareholder return measures. For the awards granted in 2023, the assumptions used are as follows:

	2023
Dividend yield	3.7%
Estimated volatility over the life of the plan (1)	22.9% - 26.1%
Risk free rate	4.35% - 4.61%
Estimated performance award value based on total shareholder return measure	\$206.97

⁽¹⁾ Estimated volatility over the life of the plan is using 50% historical volatility and 50% implied volatility.

For the portion of the performance awards granted in 2023 for which achievement will be determined by using financial metrics, the compensation cost was based on an average grant date value of \$177.85, and the Company's estimate of corporate achievement for the financial metrics.

⁽²⁾ The shares of common stock that may be earned is based on the total shareholder return metrics for the Company's common stock for 49,480 performance awards and financial metrics related to operating performance and leverage metrics of the Company for 40,497 performance awards.

⁽³⁾ Represents the change in the number of performance awards earned based on performance achievement.

Restricted Stock:

	Restricted stock shares	Weighted average grant date fair value per share	Restricted stock shares converted from performance awards
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	161,714	\$ 210.97	26,370
Granted	92,878	177.72	_
Vested	(77,674)	208.48	(26,370)
Forfeited	(2,119)	194.78	-
Outstanding at September 30, 2023	174,799	\$ 194.61	

Total employee stock-based compensation cost recognized in income was \$22,112,000 and \$26,958,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and total capitalized stock-based compensation cost was \$9,269,000 and \$8,434,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. At September 30, 2023, there was a total unrecognized compensation cost of \$34,689,000 for unvested restricted stock, stock options and performance awards, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.9 years. Forfeitures are included in compensation cost as they occur.

10. Related Party Arrangements

Unconsolidated Entities

The Company manages unconsolidated real estate entities and may provide other real estate related services to third parties, for which it receives asset management, property management, construction, development and redevelopment fee revenue. From these entities, the Company earned fees of \$1,934,000 and \$1,399,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$5,712,000 and \$3,054,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. In addition, the Company had outstanding receivables associated with its property and construction management roles of \$3,471,000 and \$2,855,000 as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

Director Compensation

The Company recorded non-employee director compensation expense relating to restricted stock grants and deferred stock units in the amount of \$599,000 and \$553,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$1,845,000 and \$1,642,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, as a component of general and administrative expense. Deferred compensation relating to these restricted stock grants and deferred stock units to non-employee directors was \$1,283,000 and \$794,000 on September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, reported as a component of prepaid expenses and other assets on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

11. Fair Value

Financial Instruments Carried at Fair Value

Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company uses Hedging Derivatives to manage its interest rate risk. These instruments are carried at fair value in the Company's financial statements. The Company minimizes its credit risk on these transactions by dealing with major, creditworthy financial institutions which have an A or better credit rating by the Standard & Poor's Ratings Group, and monitors the credit ratings of counterparties and the exposure of the Company to any single entity. The Company believes the likelihood of realizing losses from counterparty nonperformance is remote. Although the Company has determined that the majority of the inputs used to value its derivatives fall within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy, such as interest rate, term to maturity and volatility, the credit valuation adjustments associated with its derivative use Level 3 inputs, such as estimates of current credit spreads, which the Company concluded are not significant. As a result, the Company has determined that its derivative valuations are classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The following table summarizes the consolidated derivative positions at September 30, 2023 (dollars in thousands):

	Non-designated Hedges	Cash Flow Hedges			
	Interest Rate Caps	Interest Rate Swaps			
Notional balance	\$ 402,670	\$ 250,000			
Weighted average interest rate (1)	5.6 %	N/A			
Weighted average capped/swapped interest rate	6.1 %	3.1 %			
Earliest maturity date	January 2024	December 2023			
Latest maturity date	November 2026	February 2024			

⁽¹⁾ For debt hedged by interest rate caps, represents the weighted average interest rate on the hedged debt prior to any impact of the associated interest rate caps.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company entered into \$250,000,000 of new forward interest rate swap agreements to reduce the impact of variability in interest rates on a portion of the Company's anticipated future debt issuance activity in 2023 and 2024. The Company expects to cash settle the swaps and either pay or receive cash for the then current fair value. Assuming that the Company issues the debt as expected, the hedging impact from these positions will then be recognized over the life of the issued debt as a yield adjustment.

The Company had five derivatives not designated as hedges at September 30, 2023 for which the fair value changes for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 were not material.

Cash flow hedge losses reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income into earnings were \$354,000 and \$1,013,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$1,062,000 and \$3,039,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The Company anticipates reclassifying approximately \$1,415,000 of net hedging losses from accumulated other comprehensive income into earnings within the next 12 months as an offset to the hedged item during this period.

Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, 7,500 DownREIT units were redeemed for cash by the Company in conjunction with the sale of Avalon at Newton Highlands. Under the DownREIT agreement, for each limited partnership unit, the limited partner was entitled to receive cash in the amount equal to the fair value of the Company's common stock on or about the date of redemption. The limited partnership units in the DownREIT were valued using the market price of the Company's common stock, a Level 1 price under the fair value hierarchy.

Equity Securities

The Company has direct equity investments in property technology and environmentally focused companies. These investments are accounted for using the measurement alternative and are valued at the market price of observable transactions, a Level 2 price under the fair value hierarchy.

Financial Instruments Not Carried at Fair Value

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalent balances are held with various financial institutions within accounts designed to preserve principal. The Company monitors credit ratings of these financial institutions and the concentration of cash and cash equivalent balances with any one financial institution and believes the likelihood of realizing material losses related to cash and cash equivalent balances is remote. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at their face amounts, which reasonably approximate their fair values and are Level 1 within the fair value hierarchy.

Other Financial Instruments

Rents and other receivables and prepaid expenses, accounts and construction payable and accrued expenses and other liabilities are carried at their face amounts, which reasonably approximate their fair values. The Company determined that its notes receivables approximate fair value, because interest rates, yields and other terms are consistent with interest rates, yields and other terms currently available for similar instruments and are considered to be a Level 2 price within the fair value hierarchy.

Indebtedness

The Company values its fixed rate unsecured notes using quoted market prices, a Level 1 price within the fair value hierarchy. The Company values its mortgage notes payable, variable rate unsecured notes, including the Term Loan, and any outstanding amounts under the Credit Facility and Commercial Paper Program using a discounted cash flow analysis on the expected cash flows of each instrument. This analysis reflects the contractual terms of the instrument, including the period to maturity, and uses observable market-based inputs, including interest rate curves. The process also considers credit valuation adjustments to appropriately reflect the Company's nonperformance risk. The Company has concluded that the value of its mortgage notes payable, variable rate unsecured notes, Term Loan and any outstanding amounts under the Credit Facility and Commercial Paper Program are Level 2 prices as the majority of the inputs used to value its positions fall within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Financial Instruments Measured/Disclosed at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The following tables summarize the classification between the three levels of the fair value hierarchy of the Company's financial instruments measured/disclosed at fair value on a recurring basis (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2023									
Description	Tota	al Fair Value		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	U	Significant nobservable Inputs (Level 3)		
Assets						_		_		
Investments										
Equity Securities	\$	29,236	\$	_	\$	29,236	\$	_		
Notes Receivable, net		81,150		_		81,150		_		
Non Designated Hedges										
Interest Rate Caps		199		_		199		_		
Interest Rate Swaps - Assets		23,988		_		23,988		_		
Total Assets	\$	134,573	\$	_	\$	134,573	\$	_		
Liabilities										
Indebtedness										
Fixed rate unsecured notes	\$	6,313,990	\$	6,313,990	\$	_	\$	_		
Mortgage notes payable and Commercial Paper Program		653,860		_		653,860		_		
Total Liabilities	\$	6,967,850	\$	6,313,990	\$	653,860	\$	_		

	December 31, 2022										
Description	Tot	al Fair Value		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Asset (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)			Significant nobservable Inputs (Level 3)			
Assets											
Investments											
Equity Securities	\$	27,027	\$	_	\$	27,027	\$	_			
Notes Receivable, net		28,860		_		28,860		_			
Non Designated Hedges											
Interest Rate Caps		455		_		455		_			
Total Assets	\$	56,342		_		56,342		_			
			_				_				
Liabilities											
DownREIT units	\$	1,211	\$	1,211	\$	_	\$	_			
Indebtedness											
Fixed rate unsecured notes		6,653,681		6,653,681		_		_			
Mortgage notes payable, Commercial Paper Program and variable rate unsecured note		768,984		_		768,984		_			
Total Liabilities	\$	7,423,876	\$	6,654,892	\$	768,984	\$	_			

12. Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through the date on which this Form 10-Q was filed, the date on which these financial statements were issued, and identified the items below for discussion.

In October and November 2023, the Company had the following activity:

- The Company acquired Avalon Mooresville, located in Mooresville, NC, containing 203 apartment homes for a purchase price of \$52,100,000.
- The Company acquired Avalon West Plano, located in Carrollton, TX, containing 568 apartment homes for a purchase price of \$142,000,000, which includes the assumption of a \$63,041,000 fixed rate mortgage loan, with a contractual interest rate of 4.18%, maturing in May 2029.
- The Company sold Avalon Mamaroneck, located in Mamaroneck, NY. Avalon Mamaroneck contains 229 apartment homes and was sold for \$104,000,000 and was classified as held for sale as of September 30, 2023.
- In 2022 and early 2023, the Company was named as a defendant in cases brought by private litigants alleging antitrust violations by RealPage, Inc. and owners and/or operators of multifamily housing which utilize revenue management systems provided by RealPage, Inc. The Company engaged with the plaintiffs' counsel to explain why it believed that these cases were without merit as they pertained to the Company. Following these discussions, the plaintiffs filed a notice of voluntary dismissal in July 2023, which resulted in the Company being dismissed without prejudice from these cases. On November 1, 2023, the District of Columbia filed a lawsuit in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia against RealPage, Inc. and 14 owners and/or operators of multifamily housing in the District of Columbia, including the Company, alleging that the defendants violated the District of Columbia Antitrust Act by unlawfully agreeing to use RealPage, Inc. revenue management systems and sharing sensitive data. The Company intends to vigorously defend against this lawsuit. Given the early stage of the District of Columbia's lawsuit, the Company is unable to predict the outcome or estimate the amount of loss, if any, that may result from the lawsuit.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A") is intended to help provide an understanding of our business, financial condition and results of operations. This MD&A should be read in conjunction with our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and the accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this report. This report, including the following MD&A, contains forward-looking statements regarding future events or trends that should be read in conjunction with the factors described under "Forward-Looking Statements" included in this report. Actual results or developments could differ materially from those projected in such statements as a result of the factors described under "Forward-Looking Statements" as well as the risk factors described in Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 (the "Form 10-K") and in Part II, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in this report.

Capitalized terms used without definition have the meanings provided elsewhere in this Form 10-Q.

Executive Overview

Business Description

We develop, redevelop, acquire, own and operate multifamily apartment communities in New England, the New York/New Jersey metro area, the Mid-Atlantic, the Pacific Northwest, and Northern and Southern California, as well as in our expansion regions of Raleigh-Durham and Charlotte, North Carolina, Southeast Florida, Dallas and Austin, Texas, and Denver, Colorado. We focus on leading metropolitan areas that we believe are characterized by growing employment in high wage sectors of the economy, higher cost of home ownership and a diverse and vibrant quality of life. We believe these market characteristics have offered, and will continue to offer, the opportunity for superior risk-adjusted returns over the long-term on apartment community investments relative to other markets that do not have these characteristics. We seek to create long-term shareholder value by accessing cost effective capital; deploying that capital to develop, redevelop and acquire apartment communities in our markets; leveraging our strong operating organization, culture, scale and competencies in technology and data science to operate apartment communities; and selling communities when they no longer meet our long-term investment strategy or when pricing is attractive.

Our strategic vision is to be the leading apartment company in select U.S. markets, providing a range of distinctive living experiences that customers value. We pursue this vision by targeting what we believe are among the best markets and submarkets, leveraging our strategic capabilities in market research and consumer insight with disciplined capital allocation and balance sheet management. Our communities are predominately upscale and generally command among the highest rents in their markets. However, we also pursue the ownership and operation of apartment communities that target a variety of customer segments and price points, consistent with our goal of offering a broad range of products and services. We regularly evaluate the market allocation of our investments by current market value and share of total revenue and NOI, as well as relative asset value and submarket positioning.

Third Quarter 2023 Operating Highlights

- Net income attributable to common stockholders for the three months ended September 30, 2023 was \$172,031,000, a decrease of \$322,716,000, or 65.2%, from the prior year period. The decrease is primarily attributable to decreases in real estate sales and related gains, partially offset by an increase in NOI from communities, over the prior year period.
- Same Store NOI attributable to our apartment rental operations, including parking and other ancillary residential revenue ("Residential"), for the three months ended September 30, 2023 was \$432,922,000, an increase of \$21,609,000, or 5.3%, over the prior year period. The increase over the prior year period was due to an increase in Residential rental revenue of \$31,361,000, or 5.2%, partially offset by an increase in Residential property operating expenses of \$9,736,000, or 5.0%.

Third Quarter 2023 Development Highlights

At September 30, 2023, we owned or held a direct or indirect interest in:

• 16 wholly-owned communities under construction, which are expected to contain 5,402 apartment homes with a projected total capitalized cost of \$2,257,000,000, and one unconsolidated community under construction, which is expected to contain 475 apartment homes with a projected total capitalized cost of \$288,000,000.

• Land or rights to land on which we expect to develop an additional 38 apartment communities that, if developed as expected, will contain 13,449 apartment homes and will be developed for an aggregate projected total capitalized cost of \$6,012,000,000.

Third Quarter 2023 Real Estate Transaction Highlights

During the three months ended September 30, 2023, we sold Avalon Columbia Pike, a wholly-owned community, containing 269 apartment homes and 27,000 square feet of commercial space for \$105,000,000 for a gain in accordance with GAAP of \$22,345,000.

During the three months ended September 30, 2023, we acquired Avalon Frisco at Main, located in Frisco, TX, which contains 360 apartment homes for a purchase price of \$83,100,000.

In addition, in October 2023, we had the following activity:

- We acquired Avalon Mooresville, located in Mooresville, NC, containing 203 apartment homes for a purchase price of \$52,100,000.
- We acquired Avalon West Plano, located in Carrollton, TX, containing 568 apartment homes for a purchase price of \$142,000,000, which includes the assumption of a \$63,041,000 fixed rate mortgage loan, with a contractual interest rate of 4.18%, maturing in May 2029.
- We sold Avalon Mamaroneck, located in Mamaroneck, NY. Avalon Mamaroneck contains 229 apartment homes and was sold for \$104,000,000 and was classified as held for sale as of September 30, 2023.

Communities Overview

Our real estate investments consist primarily of current operating apartment communities ("Current Communities"), consolidated and unconsolidated communities in various stages of development ("Development" communities and "Unconsolidated Development" communities) and Development Rights (as defined below). Our Current Communities are further classified as Same Store communities, Other Stabilized communities, Redevelopment communities and Unconsolidated communities. While we generally establish the classification of communities on an annual basis, we update the classification of communities during the calendar year to the extent that our plans with regard to the disposition or redevelopment of a community change. The following is a description of each category:

Current Communities are categorized as Same Store, Other Stabilized, Redevelopment, or Unconsolidated according to the following attributes:

- Same Store is composed of consolidated communities where a comparison of operating results from the prior year to the current year is meaningful as these communities were owned and had stabilized occupancy as of the beginning of the respective prior year period. For the nine month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, Same Store communities are consolidated for financial reporting purposes, had stabilized occupancy as of January 1, 2022, are not conducting or are not probable to conduct substantial redevelopment activities and are not held for sale as of September 30, 2023 or probable for disposition to unrelated third parties within the current year. A community is considered to have stabilized occupancy at the earlier of (i) attainment of 90% physical occupancy or (ii) the one-year anniversary of completion of development or redevelopment.
- Other Stabilized is composed of completed consolidated communities that we own and that are not Same Store but which have stabilized occupancy, as defined above, as of January 1, 2023, or which were acquired subsequent to January 1, 2022. Other Stabilized excludes communities that are conducting or are probable to conduct substantial redevelopment activities within the current year, as defined below.
- Redevelopment is composed of consolidated communities where substantial redevelopment is in progress or is probable to begin during the current year. Redevelopment is considered substantial when (i) capital invested is expected to exceed the lesser of \$5,000,000 or 10% of the community's pre-redevelopment basis and (ii) physical occupancy is below or is expected to be below 90% during, or as a result of, the redevelopment activity.

• Unconsolidated is composed of communities that we have an indirect ownership interest in through our investment interest in an unconsolidated joint venture.

<u>Development</u> is composed of consolidated communities that are either currently under construction, were under construction and were completed during the current year or where construction has been complete for less than one year and that did not have stabilized occupancy as of January 1, 2023. These communities may be partially or fully complete and operating.

<u>Unconsolidated Development</u> is composed of communities that are either currently under construction, or were under construction and were completed during the current year, in which we have an indirect ownership interest through our investment interest in an unconsolidated joint venture. These communities may be partially or fully complete and operating.

<u>Development Rights</u> are development opportunities in the early phase of the development process where we either have an option to acquire land or enter into a leasehold interest, where we are the buyer under a long-term conditional contract to purchase land, where we control the land through a ground lease or own land to develop a new community, or where we are the designated developer in a public-private partnership. We capitalize related pre-development costs incurred in pursuit of new developments for which we currently believe future development is probable.

We currently lease our corporate headquarters located in Arlington, Virginia, as well as our other regional and administrative offices, under operating leases.

As of September 30, 2023, communities that we owned or held a direct or indirect interest in were classified as follows:

	Number of communities	Number of apartment homes
Current Communities		
Same Store:		
New England	39	9,577
Metro NY/NJ	41	12,766
Mid-Atlantic	39	13,301
Southeast Florida	7	2,187
Denver, CO	4	1,086
Pacific Northwest	20	5,474
Northern California	40	12,133
Southern California	58	17,277
Other Expansion Regions	4	925
Total Same Store	252	74,726
Other Stabilized:		
	1	350
New England Metro NY/NJ	1 1	229
Mid-Atlantic		
Southeast Florida	3	1,181 650
		453
Denver, CO	2	
Pacific Northwest Northern California	-	_
Northern California Southern California		653
	1	
Other Expansion Regions	3	816
Total Other Stabilized	12	4,332
Redevelopment	1	714
Unconsolidated	8	2,247
Total Current	273	82,019
		(74)
Development		6,746
Unconsolidated Development	1_	475
Total Communities	296	89,240
Development Rights	38	13,449

Results of Operations

Our year-over-year operating performance is primarily affected by both overall and individual geographic market conditions and apartment fundamentals and is reflected in changes in Same Store NOI; NOI derived from acquisitions, development completions and development under construction and in lease-up; loss of NOI related to disposed communities; and capital market and financing activity. A comparison of our operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 is as follows (unaudited, dollars in thousands).

	For the three months ended September 30,					September 30,	2023 vs. 2022		For the nine i				September 30, 2	2023 vs. 2022
	2023		2022		_	\$ Change	% Change	_	2023	_	2022	_	\$ Change	% Change
Revenue:														
Rental and other income	\$ 695.	701	\$ 66	3,889	S	31,812	4.8 %	\$	2,057,492	S	1,920,721	\$	136,771	7.1 %
Management, development and other fees		934		1,399		535	38.2 %		5,712		3,054		2,658	87.0 %
Total revenue	697,	535	66	5,288	Ξ	32,347	4.9 %		2,063,204		1,923,775		139,429	7.2 %
F														
Expenses:	142,	222	12	1.810		8.022	6.0 %		413.977		382,119		31.858	8.3 %
Direct property operating expenses, excluding property taxes Property taxes	78,			5,091		3,308	4.4 %		227,882		216,695		11,187	5.2 %
Total community operating expenses	221,			9,901	_	11,330	5.4 %		641,859	_	598,814	_	43,045	7.2 %
Corporate-level property management and other indirect operating expenses	(32,	359)	(3),770)		(1,589)	(5.2)%		(95,894)		(91,162)		(4,732)	(5.2)%
Expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries	(18,	959)	(5,514)		(12,445)	(191.1)%		(23,212)		(9,865)		(13,347)	(135.3)%
Interest expense, net	(48,	,		7,290)		9,175	16.0 %		(156,521)		(172,613)		16,092	9.3 %
Loss on extinguishment of debt, net	(50)	(,646)		1,496	90.9 %		(150)		(1,646)		1,496	90.9 %
Depreciation expense	(200,	982)	(20	5,658)		5,676	2.7 %		(606,271)		(607,746)		1,475	0.2 %
General and administrative expense	(20,	166)	(1	1,611)		(5,855)	(40.1)%		(58,542)		(53,323)		(5,219)	(9.8)%
Casualty loss	(3,	199)		_		(3,499)	(100.0)%		(8,550)		_		(8,550)	(100.0)%
Income from unconsolidated investments	1,	930	4	3,777		(41,847)	(95.6)%		11,745		46,574		(34,829)	(74.8)%
Gain on sale of communities	22,	121	31	3,289		(296,168)	(93.1)%		209,430		467,493		(258,063)	(55.2)%
Other real estate activity		237		319		(82)	(25.7)%		707		564		143	25.4 %
Income before income taxes	176,	162	50),283		(324,121)	(64.8)%		694,087		903,237		(209,150)	(23.2)%
Income tax expense	(4,	372)	(5,651)		1,279	22.6 %		(7,715)		(7,963)		248	3.1 %
Net income	171,	790	49	1,632		(322,842)	(65.3)%		686,372		895,274		(208,902)	(23.3)%
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		241		115		126	109.6 %		484		208		276	132.7 %
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 172,)31	\$ 49	1,747	\$	(322,716)	(65.2)%	\$	686,856	\$	895,482	\$	(208,626)	(23.3)%

Net income attributable to common stockholders decreased \$322,716,000, or 65.2%, to \$172,031,000 and \$208,626,000, or 23.3%, to \$686,856,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, as compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to decreases in real estate sales and related gains, partially offset by increases in NOI from communities, over the prior year periods.

NOI is considered by management to be an important and appropriate supplemental performance measure to net income because it helps both investors and management to understand the core operations of a community or communities prior to the allocation of any corporate-level or financing-related costs. NOI reflects the operating performance of a community and allows for an easier comparison of the operating performance of individual assets or groups of assets. In addition, because prospective buyers of real estate have different financing and overhead structures, with varying marginal impact to overhead as a result of acquiring real estate, NOI is considered by many in the real estate industry to be a useful measure for determining the value of a real estate asset or group of assets. We define NOI as total property revenue less direct property operating expenses (including property taxes), and excluding corporate-level income (including management, development and other fees), corporate-level property management and other indirect operating expenses, expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries, interest expense, net, loss on extinguishment of debt, net, general and administrative expense, income from unconsolidated investments, depreciation expense, income tax expense, casualty loss, gain on sale of communities, other real estate activity and net operating income from real estate assets sold or held for sale.

NOI does not represent cash generated from operating activities in accordance with GAAP, and NOI should not be considered an alternative to net income as an indication of our performance. NOI should also not be considered an alternative to net cash flow from operating activities, as determined by GAAP, as a measure of liquidity, nor is NOI indicative of cash available to fund cash needs. Residential NOI represents results attributable to our apartment rental operations, including parking and other ancillary residential revenue. Reconciliations of NOI and Residential NOI for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 to net income for each period are as follows (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	For the three months	nded September 30,		For the nine months	led September 30,		
	2023		2022	2023			2022
Net income	\$ 171,790	\$	494,632	\$	686,372	\$	895,274
Property management and other indirect operating expenses, net of corporate income	30,421		29,374		90,177		88,119
Expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries	18,959		6,514		23,212		9,865
Interest expense, net	48,115		57,290		156,521		172,613
Loss on extinguishment of debt, net	150		1,646		150		1,646
General and administrative expense	20,466		14,611		58,542		53,323
Income from unconsolidated investments	(1,930)		(43,777)		(11,745)		(46,574)
Depreciation expense	200,982		206,658		606,271		607,746
Income tax expense	4,372		5,651		7,715		7,963
Casualty loss	3,499		_		8,550		_
Gain on sale of communities	(22,121)		(318,289)		(209,430)		(467,493)
Other real estate activity	(237)		(319)		(707)		(564)
Net operating income from real estate assets sold or held for sale	(2,089)		(10,994)		(14,212)		(39,583)
NOI	472,377		442,997		1,401,416		1,282,335
		_				_	
Commercial NOI (1)	(8,098)		(10,801)		(25,192)		(26,494)
Residential NOI	\$ 464,279	\$	432,196	\$	1,376,224	\$	1,255,841
Income from unconsolidated investments Depreciation expense Income tax expense Casualty loss Gain on sale of communities Other real estate activity Net operating income from real estate assets sold or held for sale NOI Commercial NOI (1)	\$ (1,930) 200,982 4,372 3,499 (22,121) (237) (2,089) 472,377 (8,098)		(43,777) 206,658 5,651 — (318,289) (319) (10,994) 442,997	<u> </u>	(11,745) 606,271 7,715 8,550 (209,430) (707) (14,212) 1,401,416 (25,192)	\$	(46 (46 (3 1,28

⁽¹⁾ Represents results attributable to the commercial and other non-residential operations at our communities ("Commercial").

The Residential NOI changes for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 as compared to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 consist of changes in the following categories (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	For the	hree months ended September 30, 2023	 For the nine months ended September 30, 2023
Same Store	\$	21,609	\$ 84,535
Other Stabilized		4,385	23,360
Development / Redevelopment		6,089	12,488
Total	\$	32,083	\$ 120,383

The increase in our Same Store Residential NOI for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 is due to an increase in Residential rental revenue of \$31,361,000, or 5.2%, and \$121,808,000 or 6.9%, respectively, partially offset by an increase in Residential property operating expenses of \$9,736,000, or 5.0%, and \$37,261,000, or 6.8%, over the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

Rental and other increased \$31,812,000, or 4.8%, and \$136,771,000, or 7.1%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to the increased rental revenue from our Same Store communities, discussed below.

Consolidated Communities — The weighted average number of occupied apartment homes for consolidated communities increased to 77,439 apartment homes for the nine months ended September 30, 2023, compared to 77,369 homes for the prior year period. The weighted average monthly rental revenue per occupied apartment home increased to \$2,945 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 compared to \$2,754 in the prior year period.

Same Store Communities — The following table presents the change in Same Store Residential rental revenue, including the attribution of the change between average rental revenue per occupied home and Economic Occupancy (as defined below) for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 (unaudited, dollars in thousands).

			Residential re	ental	revenue			Average rental revenue per occupied home							y (1)			
				\$	Change	% Cl	nange					% C	hange					% Change
		For the nine months ended September 30,																
	2023		2022		2023 to 2022		23 to 022		2023		2022		23 to 022	2	2023	2	2022	2023 to 2022
New England	\$ 273,305	\$	251,856	\$	21,449		8.5 %	\$	3,285	\$	3,007		9.2 %		96.5 %		97.2 %	(0.7)%
Metro NY/NJ	391,076		361,305		29,771		8.2 %		3,555		3,269		8.7 %		95.7 %		96.2 %	(0.5)%
Mid-Atlantic	274,320		257,078		17,242		6.7 %		2,403		2,254		6.6 %		95.4 %		95.3 %	0.1 %
Southeast Florida	55,111		49,341		5,770		11.7 %		2,896		2,619		10.6 %		96.7 %		95.6 %	1.1 %
Denver, CO	21,048		19,867		1,181		5.9 %		2,246		2,120		5.9 %		95.9 %		95.9 %	— %
Pacific Northwest	125,278		119,021		6,257		5.3 %		2,673		2,525		5.9 %		95.1 %		95.7 %	(0.6)%
Northern California	315,744		297,997		17,747		6.0 %		3,008		2,844		5.8 %		96.1 %		95.9 %	0.2 %
Southern California	404,915		384,156		20,759		5.4 %		2,713		2,564		5.8 %		96.0 %		96.4 %	(0.4)%
Other Expansion Regions	17,220		15,588		1,632		10.5 %		2,171		1,968		10.3 %		95.3 %		95.1 %	0.2 %
Total Same Store	\$ 1,878,017	\$	1,756,209	\$	121,808		6.9 %	\$	2,912	\$	2,718		7.1 %		95.9 %		96.1 %	(0.2)%

⁽¹⁾ Economic Occupancy considers that apartment homes of different sizes and locations within a community have different economic impacts on a community's gross revenue. Economic Occupancy is defined as gross potential revenue less vacancy loss, as a percentage of gross potential revenue. Gross potential revenue is determined by valuing occupied homes at leased rates and vacant homes at market rents. Vacancy loss is determined by valuing vacant units at current market rents.

The following table details the increase in Same Store Residential rental revenue by component, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, compared to the prior year periods (unaudited):

	For the three months ended September 30, 2023	For the nine months ended September 30, 2023
Residential rental revenue		
Lease rates	4.2 %	6.1 %
Concessions and other discounts	— %	0.6 %
Economic Occupancy	(0.2)%	(0.2)%
Other rental revenue	1.0 %	0.9 %
Uncollectible lease revenue (excluding rent relief)	1.0 %	1.2 %
Rent relief	(0.8)%	(1.7)%
Total Residential rental revenue	5.2 %	6.9 %

The increase for Same Store Residential rental revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, compared to the prior year periods, was impacted by uncollectible lease revenue, net of amounts received from government rent relief programs. Same Store uncollectible lease revenue decreased for the three months ended September 30, 2023 by \$990,000 and increased for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 by \$8,510,000. Uncollectible lease revenue was impacted by a decrease in government rent relief of \$4,974,000 and \$29,397,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, from the prior year periods. Adjusting to remove the impact of rent relief, uncollectible lease revenue as a percentage of Same Store Residential rental revenue decreased to 2.1% in the three months ended September 30, 2022. Adjusting to remove the impact of rent relief, uncollectible lease revenue as a percentage of Same Store Residential rental revenue decreased to 2.5% in the nine months ended September 30, 2023 from 3.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2022.

Management, development and other fees increased \$2,658,000, or 87.0%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2023, compared to the prior year period, primarily due to development fees for work performed on previously disposed land adjacent to one of our Development Communities and revenue from a third-party servicing agreement we entered into for our centralized service center to provide comprehensive back-office, financial administrative support services in the current year period.

Direct property operating expenses, excluding property taxes, increased \$8,022,000, or 6.0%, and \$31,858,000 or 8.3%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to the addition of newly developed apartment communities as well as increased Residential operating expenses at our Same Store communities as discussed below.

Same Store Residential direct property operating expenses, excluding property taxes, increased \$6,506,000, or 5.2%, and \$27,744,000, or 7.9%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to increased utilities, maintenance costs, bad debt associated with resident expense reimbursements and legal and eviction costs as restrictions on managing delinquent accounts are eased or expire.

Property taxes increased \$3,308,000, or 4.4%, and \$11,187,000, or 5.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to the addition of newly developed apartment communities and increases for our Same Store Residential portfolio, partially offset by decreased property taxes from dispositions.

Same Store Residential property taxes increased \$3,230,000, or 4.7%, and \$9,517,000, or 4.8%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, due to increased assessments across the portfolio, successful appeals in the respective prior year periods and the expiration of property tax incentive programs primarily at certain of our properties in New York City.

Corporate-level property management and other indirect operating expenses increased \$1,589,000, or 5.2%, and \$4,732,000, or 5.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to increased costs related to initiatives to improve future efficiency in services for residents and prospects and investments in technology as well as increased compensation related costs.

Expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries primarily reflect costs incurred for development pursuits not yet considered probable for development, as well as write downs and abandonment of Development Rights and costs related to abandoned acquisition and disposition pursuits, offset by any recoveries of costs incurred. In periods of increased acquisition pursuit activity, periods of economic downturn or when there is limited access to capital, these costs can be volatile and may vary significantly from year to year. In addition, the timing for potential recoveries will not always align with the timing for expensing an abandoned pursuit. Expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries, increased \$12,445,000 and \$13,347,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods. The amounts for 2023 include write-offs of \$17,111,000 related to three Development Rights in Northern and Southern California and the Mid-Atlantic that we determined are no longer probable. The amounts for 2022 include the write-off of \$5,335,000 related to a Development Right in the Pacific Northwest that we determined is no longer probable.

Interest expense, net decreased \$9,175,000, or 16.0%, and \$16,092,000, or 9.3%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods. This category includes interest costs offset by capitalized interest pertaining to development and redevelopment activity, amortization of premium/discount on debt, interest income and any mark-to-market impact from derivatives not in qualifying hedge relationships. The decrease for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 is primarily due to an increase in interest income from an increase in both cash amounts invested and

the return on investments and increased capitalized interest, partially offset by the increase in rates on variable rate indebtedness.

Depreciation expense decreased \$5,676,000, or 2.7%, and \$1,475,000, or 0.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to the timing of acquisitions and dispositions, partially offset by the addition of newly developed apartment communities.

General and administrative expense increased \$5,855,000, or 40.1%, and \$5,219,000, or 9.8%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, as compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to proceeds from legal settlements we received in the prior year periods, partially offset by a decrease in executive transition compensation costs in the current year periods.

Casualty loss of \$3,499,000 and \$8,550,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, were primarily due to charges recognized for the damages across certain of our communities in our Northeast and California regions related to severe weather and other casualty events.

Income from unconsolidated investments decreased \$41,847,000 and \$34,829,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods, primarily due to the gain from the sale of the final three communities in the U.S. Fund and related promoted interest recognition in the prior year periods, partially offset by unrealized gains on property technology investments recognized in the current year periods.

Gain on sale of communities decreased \$296,168,000 and \$258,063,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the prior year periods. The amount of gain realized in a given period depends on many factors, including the number of communities sold, the size and carrying value of the communities sold and the market conditions in the local area. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, we sold one and three wholly-owned communities and recognized gains of \$22,121,000 and \$209,430,000, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, we sold five and eight wholly-owned communities and recognized gains of \$318,289,000 and \$467,493,000, respectively.

Income tax expense of \$4,372,000 and \$7,715,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, and \$5,651,000 and \$7,963,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, respectively, was primarily related to The Park Loggia.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures - Reconciliation of FFO and Core FFO

FFO and FFO adjusted for non-core items, or "Core FFO," as defined below, are generally considered by management to be appropriate supplemental measures of our operating and financial performance.

Consistent with the definition adopted by the Board of Governors of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts® ("Nareit"), we calculate Funds from Operations Attributable to Common Stockholders ("FFO") as net income or loss attributable to common stockholders computed in accordance with GAAP, adjusted for:

- · gains or losses on sales of previously depreciated operating communities;
- cumulative effect of change in accounting principle;
- · impairment write-downs of depreciable real estate assets;
- · write-downs of investments in affiliates due to a decrease in the value of depreciable real estate assets held by those affiliates;
- · depreciation of real estate assets; and
- · similar adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures, including those from a change in control.

FFO can help with the comparison of the operating and financial performance of a real estate company between periods or as compared to different companies because the adjustments such as (i) excluding gains or losses on sales of previously depreciated property or (ii) real estate depreciation may impact comparability as the amount and timing of these or similar items can vary among owners of identical assets in similar condition based on historical cost accounting and useful life estimates. By further adjusting for items that we do not consider part of our core business operations, Core FFO can help with the comparison of our core operating performance year over year. We believe that, in order to understand our operating results, FFO and Core FFO should be considered in conjunction with net income as presented in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income included elsewhere in this report.

We calculate Core FFO as FFO, adjusted for:

- joint venture gains (if not adjusted through FFO), non-core costs and promoted interests from partnerships;
- · casualty and impairment losses or gains, net on non-depreciable real estate or other investments;
- gains or losses from early extinguishment of consolidated borrowings;
- expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries;
- · third-party business interruption insurance proceeds and the related lost NOI that is covered by the expected third party business interruption insurance proceeds;
- property and casualty insurance proceeds and legal settlement activity;
- gains or losses on sales of assets not subject to depreciation and other investment gains or losses;
- advocacy contributions, representing payments to promote our business interests;
- · hedge ineffectiveness or gains or losses from derivatives not designated as hedges for accounting purposes;
- · changes to expected credit losses associated with the lending commitments under the SIP;
- severance related costs;
- executive transition compensation costs;
- · net for-sale condominium activity, including gains, marketing, operating and administrative costs and imputed carry cost; and
- · income taxes.

FFO and Core FFO do not represent net income in accordance with GAAP, and therefore should not be considered an alternative to net income, which remains the primary measure, as an indication of our performance. In addition, FFO and Core FFO as calculated by other REITs may not be comparable to our calculations of FFO and Core FFO.

The following is a reconciliation of net income attributable to common stockholders to FFO attributable to common stockholders and to Core FFO attributable to common stockholders (unaudited, dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):

	For the three months			September 30,	For the nine months	s ended September 30,	
		2023		2022	2023		2022
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	172,031	\$	494,747	\$ 686,856	\$	895,482
Depreciation - real estate assets, including joint venture adjustments		199,546		205,489	602,023		604,634
Distributions to noncontrolling interests		_		12	25		36
Gain on sale of unconsolidated entities holding previously depreciated real estate		_		(38,062)	_		(38,062)
Gain on sale of previously depreciated real estate		(22,121)		(318,289)	(209,430)		(467,493)
Casualty loss on real estate		3,499		_	8,550		_
FFO attributable to common stockholders		352,955		343,897	1,088,024		994,597
Adjusting items:							
Unconsolidated entity losses (gains), net (1)		827		307	(4,024)		(1,988)
Joint venture promote (2)		(424)		(4,690)	(1,496)		(4,690)
Structured Investment Program loan reserve (3)		539		45	415		1,653
Loss on extinguishment of consolidated debt		150		1,646	150		1,646
Hedge accounting activity		65		(64)	256		(496)
Advocacy contributions		_		_	200		534
Executive transition compensation costs		300		411	944		1,220
Severance related costs		993		574	2,493		639
Expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries (4)		18,070		5,783	21,318		7,781
Other real estate activity		(237)		(319)	(707)		(564)
For-sale condominium imputed carry cost (5)		110		400	534		2,035
Legal settlements (6)		14		(3,677)	64		(3,418)
Income tax expense (7)		4,372		5,651	 7,715		7,963
Core FFO attributable to common stockholders	\$	377,734	\$	349,964	\$ 1,115,886	\$	1,006,912
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted		142,198,099	_	139,981,959	141,448,675	_	139,964,172
EPS per common share - diluted	\$	1.21	\$	3.53	\$ 4.86	\$	6.40
FFO per common share - diluted	\$	2.48	\$	2.46	\$ 7.69	\$	7.11
Core FFO per common share - diluted	\$	2.66	\$	2.50	\$ 7.89	\$	7.19

⁽¹⁾ Amounts consist primarily of net unrealized gains on technology investments.

FFO and Core FFO also do not represent cash generated from operating activities in accordance with GAAP, and therefore should not be considered an alternative to net cash flows from operating activities, as determined by GAAP, as a measure of liquidity. Additionally, it is not necessarily indicative of cash available to fund cash needs.

⁽²⁾ Amounts are for our recognition of our promoted interest in the U.S. Fund.

⁽³⁾ Amounts are the expected credit losses associated with the lending commitments under our SIP. The timing and amount of actual losses that will be incurred, if any, is to be determined.

⁽⁴⁾ Amounts for 2023 include write-offs of \$17,111 for three Development Rights in Northern and Southern California and the Mid-Atlantic that we determined are no longer probable.

Amounts for 2022 include the write-off of \$5,335 for a Development Right in the Pacific Northwest that we determined is no longer probable.

⁽⁵⁾ Represents the imputed carry cost of for-sale residential condominiums at The Park Loggia. We computed this adjustment by multiplying the total capitalized cost of completed and unsold for-sale residential condominiums by our weighted average unsecured debt rate.

⁽⁶⁾ In 2022, we received \$6,000 of legal settlement proceeds, of which \$3,684 is adjusted for Core FFO.

⁽⁷⁾ Amounts are primarily for the recognition of taxes associated with The Park Loggia.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We employ a disciplined approach to our liquidity and capital management. When we source capital, we take into account both our view of the most cost effective alternative available and our desire to maintain a balance sheet that provides us with flexibility. Our principal focus on near-term and intermediate-term liquidity is to ensure we have adequate capital to fund:

- development and redevelopment activity in which we are currently engaged or in which we plan to engage;
- the minimum dividend payments on our common stock required to maintain our REIT qualification under the Code;
- · debt service and principal payments either at maturity or opportunistically before maturity;
- normal recurring operating and corporate overhead expenses; and
- investment in our operating platform, including strategic investments.

Factors affecting our liquidity and capital resources are our cash flows from operations, financing activities and investing activities (including dispositions) as well as general economic and market conditions. Cash flows from operations are determined by operating activities and factors including but not limited to (i) the number of apartment homes currently owned, (ii) rental rates, (iii) occupancy levels, (iv) uncollectible lease revenue levels or interruptions in collections caused by market conditions and (v) operating expenses with respect to apartment homes. The timing and type of capital markets activity in which we engage is affected by changes in the capital markets environment, such as changes in interest rates or the availability of cost-effective capital. Our plans for development, redevelopment, non-routine capital expenditure, acquisition and disposition activity are affected by market conditions and capital availability. We frequently review our liquidity needs, especially in periods with volatile market conditions, as well as the adequacy of cash flows from operations and other expected liquidity sources to meet these needs.

We had cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash of \$780,106,000 at September 30, 2023, an increase of \$45,861,000 from \$734,245,000 at December 31, 2022. The following discussion relates to changes in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash due to operating, investing and financing activities.

A presentation of GAAP based cash flow metrics is as follows (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	For the nine months ended September 30,					
	2023			2022		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	1,213,842	\$	1,080,440		
Net cash used in investing activities	\$	(582,864)	\$	(348,489)		
Net cash used in financing activities	\$	(585,117)	\$	(788,613)		

- Net cash provided by operating activities increased primarily due to increases in NOI.
- Net cash used in investing activities was primarily due to (i) investment of \$691,543,000 in the development and redevelopment of communities, (ii) capital expenditures of \$134,760,000 for our wholly-owned communities and non-real estate assets and (iii) acquisition of one wholly-owned community for \$83,348,000. These amounts were partially offset by net proceeds from the disposition of three operating communities and the sale of for-sale residential condominiums of \$359,477,000.
- Net cash used in financing activities was primarily due to (i) payment of cash dividends in the amount of \$688,486,000, (ii) the repayment of the \$250,000,000 fixed rate unsecured notes and (iii) the repayment of the \$150,000,000 Term Loan. These amounts were partially offset by the settlement of the Equity Forward for \$491,912,000.

Variable Rate Unsecured Credit Facility

The \$2,250,000,000 Credit Facility matures in September 2026. The interest rate that would be applicable to borrowings under the Credit Facility is 6.16% at October 31, 2023 and is composed of (i) SOFR plus (ii) the current borrowing spread to SOFR of 0.805% per annum, which consists of a 0.10% SOFR adjustment plus 0.705% per annum, assuming a daily SOFR borrowing rate. The borrowing spread to SOFR can vary from SOFR plus 0.63% to SOFR plus 1.38% based upon the rating of our unsecured and unsubordinated long-term indebtedness. There is also an annual facility commitment fee of 0.12% of the borrowing capacity under the facility, which can vary from 0.095% to 0.295% based upon the rating of our unsecured and unsubordinated long-term indebtedness. The Credit Facility contains a sustainability-linked pricing component which provides for interest rate margin and commitment fee reductions or increases by meeting or missing targets related to environmental

sustainability, specifically greenhouse gas emission reductions, with the adjustment determined annually. The first determination under the sustainability-linked pricing component occurred in July 2023, resulting in reductions of approximately 0.02% to the interest rate margin and 0.005% to the commitment fee due to our achievement of sustainability targets.

The availability on the Credit Facility as of October 31, 2023 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Octo	ober 31, 2023
Credit Facility commitment	\$	2,250,000
Credit Facility outstanding		_
Commercial paper outstanding		_
Letters of credit outstanding (1)		(1,914)
Total Credit Facility available	\$	2,248,086

⁽¹⁾ In addition, we had \$55,932 outstanding in additional letters of credit unrelated to the Credit Facility as of October 31, 2023.

Commercial Paper Program

We have a Commercial Paper Program with the maximum aggregate face or principal amount outstanding at any one time not to exceed \$500,000,000. The Commercial Paper Program is backstopped by our commitment to maintain available borrowing capacity under the Credit Facility in an amount equal to actual borrowings under the Commercial Paper Program.

Financial Covenants

We are subject to financial covenants contained in the Credit Facility and the Commercial Paper Program and the indentures under which our unsecured notes were issued. The principal financial covenants include the following:

- limitations on the amount of total and secured debt in relation to our overall capital structure;
- · limitations on the amount of our unsecured debt relative to the undepreciated basis of real estate assets that are not encumbered by property-specific financing; and
- · minimum levels of debt service coverage.

We were in compliance with these covenants at September 30, 2023.

In addition, some of our secured borrowings include yield maintenance, defeasance, or prepayment penalty provisions, which would result in us incurring an additional charge in the event of a full or partial prepayment of outstanding principal before the scheduled maturity. These provisions in our secured borrowings are generally consistent with other similar types of debt instruments issued during the same time period in which our borrowings were secured.

Continuous Equity Offering Program

Under the CEP, we may sell (and/or enter into forward sale agreements for the sale of) up to \$1,000,000,000 of our common stock from time to time. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and through October 31, 2023, we did not have any sales under this program. As of October 31, 2023, we had \$705,961,000 remaining authorized for issuance under this program.

Forward Equity Offering

In addition to the CEP, during the nine months ended September 30, 2023, we settled the Equity Forward issuing 2,000,000 shares of common stock, net of offering fees and discounts, for \$491,912,000 or \$245.96 per share.

Stock Repurchase Program

Under the Stock Repurchase Program, we may acquire shares of our common stock in open market or negotiated transactions up to an aggregate purchase price of \$500,000,000. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, we repurchased 11,800 shares of common stock, at an average price of \$161.96 per share. In October 2023 through October 31, 2023, we had no repurchases of shares under this program. As of October 31, 2023, we had \$314,237,000 remaining authorized for purchase under this program.

Interest Rate Swap Agreements

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, we entered into \$250,000,000 of new forward interest rate swap agreements to reduce the impact of variability in interest rates on a portion of our anticipated future debt issuance activity in 2023 and 2024. We expect to cash settle the swaps and either pay or receive cash for the then current fair value. Assuming that we issue the debt as expected, the hedging impact from these positions will then be recognized over the life of the issued debt as a yield adjustment.

Future Financing and Capital Needs — Debt Maturities and Material Obligations

One of our principal long-term liquidity needs is the repayment of long-term debt at maturity. For both our unsecured and secured notes, a portion of the principal of these notes may be repaid prior to maturity. Early retirement of our unsecured or secured notes could result in gains or losses on extinguishment. If we do not have funds on hand sufficient to repay our indebtedness as it becomes due, it will be necessary for us to refinance or otherwise provide liquidity to satisfy the debt at maturity. This refinancing may be accomplished by uncollateralized private or public debt offerings, equity issuances, additional debt financing that is secured by mortgages on individual communities or groups of communities or borrowings under our Credit Facility or Commercial Paper Program. In addition, to the extent we have amounts outstanding under the Commercial Paper Program, we are obligated to repay the short-term indebtedness at maturity through either current cash on hand or by incurring other indebtedness, including by way of borrowing under our Credit Facility. Although we believe we will have the capacity to meet our currently anticipated liquidity needs, we cannot assure you that capital from additional debt financing or debt or equity offerings will be available or, if available, that they will be on terms we consider satisfactory.

The following debt activity occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2023:

- In March 2023, we repaid \$250,000,000 principal amount of our 2.85% unsecured notes upon maturity.
- In September 2023, we repaid our \$150,000,000 Term Loan at par in advance of its February 2024 scheduled maturity.
- In September 2023, we utilized \$37,600,000 of restricted cash held in a principal reserve fund to repay a portion of the outstanding secured variable rate indebtedness of Avalon Clinton North and Avalon Clinton South.

In October 2023, in conjunction with the acquisition of Avalon West Plano, we assumed a \$63,041,000 fixed rate mortgage loan, with a contractual interest rate of 4.18%, maturing in May 2029.

The following table details our consolidated debt obligations, including the effective interest rate and contractual maturity dates, and principal payments for periodic amortization and maturities for the next five years, excluding our Credit Facility and Commercial Paper Program and amounts outstanding related to communities classified as held for sale, for debt outstanding at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 (dollars in thousands). We are not directly or indirectly (as borrower or guarantor) obligated in any material respect to pay principal or interest on the indebtedness of any unconsolidated entities in which we have an equity or other interest other than as disclosed related to the AVA Arts District construction loan (see "Unconsolidated Investments - Development Communities" for further discussion of the construction loan).

	All-In interest	Principal maturity		Balance Ou	tstar	nding (2)					Scheduled Maturities						
	rate (1)	date		12/31/2022		9/30/2023		2023		2024	2025		2026		2027		Thereafter
Tax-exempt bonds																	
Variable rate																	
Avalon Acton	5.02 %	Jul-2040	(3)	\$ 45,000	\$	45,000	\$	_	\$	_	s —	\$	_	\$	_	\$	45,000
Avalon Clinton North	5.67 %	Nov-2038	(3)	147,000		126,400		_		_	_		_		700		125,700
Avalon Clinton South	5.67 %	Nov-2038	(3)	121,500		104,500		_		_	_		_		600		103,90
Avalon Midtown West	5.62 %	May-2029	(3)	82,700		76,600		_		6,800	7,300		8,100		8,800		45,600
Avalon San Bruno I	5.56 %	Dec-2037	(3)	60,950		58,950		200		2,300	2,400		2,500		2,800		48,750
				457,150		411,450		200		9,100	9,700		10,600		12,900		368,950
Conventional loans													_				
Fixed rate																	
\$250 million unsecured notes	-%	Mar-2023	(4)	250,000		_		_		_	_		_		_		_
\$350 million unsecured notes	4.30 %	Dec-2023		350,000		350,000		350,000		_	_		_		_		_
\$300 million unsecured notes	3.66 %	Nov-2024		300,000		300,000		_		300,000	_		_		_		_
\$525 million unsecured notes	3.55 %	Jun-2025		525,000		525,000		_		_	525,000		_		_		_
\$300 million unsecured notes	3.62 %	Nov-2025		300,000		300,000		_		_	300,000		_		_		_
\$475 million unsecured notes	3.35 %	May-2026		475,000		475,000		_		_	_		475,000		_		_
\$300 million unsecured notes	3.01 %	Oct-2026		300,000		300,000		_		_	_		300,000		_		_
\$350 million unsecured notes	3.95 %	Oct-2046		350,000		350,000		_		_	_		_		_		350,000
\$400 million unsecured notes	3.50 %	May-2027		400,000		400,000		_		_	_		_		400,000		_
\$300 million unsecured notes	4.09 %	Jul-2047		300,000		300,000		_		_	_		_		_		300,000
\$450 million unsecured notes	3.32 %	Jan-2028		450,000		450,000		_		_	_		_		_		450,000
\$300 million unsecured notes	3.97 %	Apr-2048		300,000		300,000		_		_	_		_		_		300,000
\$450 million unsecured notes	3.66 %	Jun-2029		450,000		450,000		_		_	_		_		_		450,000
\$700 million unsecured notes	2.69 %	Mar-2030		700,000		700,000		_		_	_		_		_		700,000
\$600 million unsecured notes	2.65 %	Jan-2031		600,000		600,000		_		_	_		_		_		600,000
\$700 million unsecured notes	2.16 %	Jan-2032		700,000		700,000		_		_	_		_		_		700,000
\$400 million unsecured notes	2.03 %	Dec-2028		400,000		400,000		_		_	_		_		_		400,00
\$350 million unsecured notes	4.38 %	Feb-2033		350,000		350,000		_		_	_		_		_		350,000
Avalon Walnut Creek	4.00 %	Jul-2066		4,327		4,501		_		_	_		_		_		4,50
eaves Los Feliz	3.68 %	Jun-2027		41,400		41,400		_		_	_		_		41,400		_
eaves Woodland Hills	3.67 %	Jun-2027		111,500		111,500		_		_	_		_		111,500		-
Avalon Russett	3.77 %	Jun-2027		32,200		32,200		_		_	_		_		32,200		_
Avalon San Bruno III	2.38 %	Mar-2027		51,000		51,000		_		_	_		_		51,000		_
Avalon Cerritos	3.35 %	Aug-2029		30,250		30,250		_		_	_		_		_		30,250
				7,770,677		7,520,851	Ξ	350,000	_	300,000	825,000		775,000		636,100	_	4,634,75
Variable rate																	
Term Loan - \$150 million	— %	Feb-2024	(5)	150,000		_		_			_		_		_		
4.2.2	,,		(-)														
Total indebtedness - excluding Credit Facility and Commercial Paper				\$ 8,377,827	\$	7,932,301	\$	350,200	\$	309,100	\$ 834,700	\$	785,600	\$	649,000	\$	5,003,70

⁽¹⁾ Rates are as of September 30, 2023 and include credit enhancement fees, facility fees, trustees' fees, the impact of interest rate hedges, offering costs, mark-to-market amortization and other fees.

⁽²⁾ Balances outstanding represent total amounts due at maturity, and exclude deferred financing costs and debt discount for the unsecured notes of \$42,207 and \$47,695 as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, and deferred financing costs and debt discount associated with secured notes of \$13,089 and \$14,087 as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, as reflected on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets included elsewhere in this report.

⁽³⁾ Financed by variable rate debt, but interest rate is capped through an interest rate protection agreement.

⁽⁴⁾ During 2023, we repaid this borrowing at its scheduled maturity date.

⁽⁵⁾ During 2023, we repaid this borrowing in advance of its scheduled maturity date.

In addition to consolidated debt, we have scheduled contractual obligations associated with (i) ground leases for land underlying current operating or development communities and commercial and parking facilities and (ii) office leases for our corporate headquarters and regional offices. As of September 30, 2023, other than as discussed in this Form 10-Q, there have been no other material changes in our scheduled contractual obligations as disclosed in our Form 10-K.

Future Financing and Capital Needs — Portfolio and Capital Markets Activity

We invest in various real estate and real estate related investments, which include (i) the acquisition, development and redevelopment of communities both wholly-owned and through the formation of joint ventures, (ii) other indirect investments in real estate through the SIP, all as discussed further below and (iii) investments in other real estate-related ventures through direct and indirect investments in property technology and environmentally focused companies and investment management funds.

In 2023, we expect to continue to meet our liquidity needs from one or more of a variety of internal and external sources, which may include (i) real estate dispositions, (ii) cash balances on hand as well as cash generated from our operating activities, (iii) borrowing capacity under the Credit Facility, (iv) borrowings under the Commercial Paper Program and (v) secured and unsecured debt financings. Additional sources of liquidity in 2023 may include the issuance of common and preferred equity, including the issuance of shares of our common stock under the CEP. Our ability to obtain additional financing will depend on a variety of factors, such as market conditions, the general availability of credit, the overall availability of credit to the real estate industry, our credit ratings and credit capacity, as well as the perception of lenders regarding our long or short-term financial prospects.

Before beginning new construction or reconstruction activity, including activity related to communities owned by unconsolidated joint ventures, we plan to source sufficient capital to complete these undertakings, although we cannot assure you that we will be able to obtain such financing. In the event that financing cannot be obtained, we may abandon Development Rights, write-off associated pre-development costs that were capitalized and/or forego reconstruction activity. In such instances, we will not realize the increased revenues and earnings that we expected from such Development Rights or reconstruction activity and significant losses could be incurred.

From time to time we use joint ventures to hold or develop individual real estate assets. We generally employ joint ventures to mitigate asset concentration or market risk and secondarily as a source of liquidity. We may also use joint ventures related to mixed-use land development opportunities and new markets where our partners bring development and operational expertise and/or experience to the venture. Each joint venture or partnership agreement has been individually negotiated, and our ability to operate and/or dispose of a community in our sole discretion may be limited to varying degrees depending on the terms of the joint venture or partnership agreement. We cannot assure you that we will achieve our objectives through joint ventures.

In addition, we may invest, through mezzanine loans or other preferred equity investments, in multifamily development projects being undertaken by third parties. In these cases, we do not expect to acquire the underlying real estate but rather to earn a return on our investment (through interest or fixed rate preferred equity returns) and a return of the invested capital generally following completion of construction either on or before a set due date.

In evaluating our allocation of capital within our markets, we sell assets that do not meet our long-term investment criteria or when capital and real estate markets allow us to realize a portion of the value created over our ownership periods and redeploy the proceeds from those sales to develop and redevelop communities. Because the proceeds from the sale of communities may not be immediately redeployed into revenue generating assets that we develop, redevelop or acquire, the immediate effect of a sale of a community for a gain is to increase net income, but reduce future total revenues, total expenses and NOI until such time as the proceeds have been redeployed into revenue generating assets. We believe that the temporary absence of future cash flows from communities sold will not have a material impact on our ability to fund future liquidity and capital resource needs

Unconsolidated Real Estate Investments and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Unconsolidated Investments - Operating Communities

As of September 30, 2023, we had investments in the following unconsolidated real estate entities accounted for under the equity method of accounting, excluding development joint ventures. See Note 5, "Investments," of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this report. For joint ventures holding operating apartment communities as of September 30, 2023, detail of the real estate and associated indebtedness underlying our unconsolidated investments is presented in the following table (dollars in thousands).

	6					Debt (1)						
Unconsolidated Real Estate Investments	Company ownership percentage	# of apartment homes		otal ized cost		Principal Amount	Туре	Interest rate	Maturity date			
NYTA MF Investors, LLC												
1. Avalon Bowery Place I - New York, NY		206	\$	215,289	\$	93,800	Fixed	4.01 %	Jan 2029			
2. Avalon Bowery Place II - New York, NY		90		91,354		39,639	Fixed	4.01 %	Jan 2029			
3. Avalon Morningside - New York, NY (2)		295		212,313		111,530	Fixed	3.55 %	Jan 2029/May 2046			
4. Avalon West Chelsea - New York, NY (3)		305		129,147		66,000	Fixed	4.01 %	Jan 2029			
5. AVA High Line - New York, NY (3)		405		122,364		84,000	Fixed	4.01 %	Jan 2029			
Total NYTA MF Investors, LLC	20.0 %	1,301		770,467		394,969		3.88 %				
Other Operating Joint Ventures												
1. MVP I, LLC - Avalon at Mission Bay II - San Francisco, CA	25.0 %	313		129,571		103,000	Fixed	3.24 %	Jul 2025			
Brandywine Apartments of Maryland, LLC - Brandywine - Washington, D.C.	28.7 %	305		19,670		19,231	Fixed	3.40 %	Jun 2028			
3. Avalon Alderwood MF Member, LLC - Avalon Alderwood Place - Lynnwood, WA	50.0 %	328		108,846		_	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Total Other Joint Ventures		946		258,087		122,231		3.27 %				
Total Unconsolidated Real Estate Investments (4)		2,247	\$ 1	,028,554	\$	517,200		3.73 %				
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- (1) We have not guaranteed the debt of these unconsolidated investees and bear no responsibility for the repayment unless otherwise disclosed.
- (2) Borrowing on this community is comprised of two mortgage loans. The interest rate is the weighted average interest rate as of September 30, 2023.
- (3) Borrowing on this dual-branded community is comprised of a single mortgage loan. This dual-branded community is subject to a leasehold interest which is not included in the total capitalized cost.
- (4) In addition to leasehold assets, there were net other assets of \$32,189 as of September 30, 2023 associated with our unconsolidated real estate investments which are primarily cash and cash equivalents.

We have an equity interest of 28.6% in the U.S. Fund and upon achievement of a threshold return, we have a right to incentive distributions for our promoted interest based on the returns earned by the U.S. Fund. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, we recognized income of \$424,000 and \$1,496,000 for our promoted interest included in income from unconsolidated investments on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. The U.S. Fund sold its final three communities in 2022 and is in the process of being dissolved.

Unconsolidated Investments - Development Communities

The following table presents a summary of the Unconsolidated Development Communities.

	Inconsolidated Development Community	Company ownership percentage	# of apartment homes	Projected to capitalized co (\$ millions	st (1)	Construction start	Initial occupancy	Estimated completion	Estimated stabilized operations (4)	
1	. AVA Arts District (2)(3) Los Angeles, CA	25.0 %	475	S	288	O3 2020	O3 2023	O4 2023	O2 2024	

⁽¹⁾ Projected total capitalized cost includes all capitalized costs projected to be incurred to develop the respective Unconsolidated Development Community, determined in accordance with GAAP, including land acquisition costs, construction costs, real estate taxes, capitalized interest and loan fees, permits, professional fees and other regulatory fees, as well as costs incurred for first generation commercial tenants such as tenant improvements and leasing commissions. Projected total capitalized cost is the total projected joint venture amount.

⁽²⁾ AVA Arts District is expected to contain 56,000 square feet of commercial space.

⁽³⁾ As of September 30, 2023, we had contributed an equity investment in AVA Arts District of \$31,942. The remaining development costs are primarily expected to be funded by the venture's variable rate construction loan. The venture had drawn \$127,803 of the \$167,147 maximum borrowing capacity of the construction loan as of September 30, 2023. While we guarantee the construction loan on behalf of the venture, any amounts under the guarantee are obligations of the venture partners in proportion to ownership interest.

⁽⁴⁾ Stabilized operations is defined as the earlier of (i) attainment of 90% or greater physical occupancy or (ii) the one-year anniversary of completion of development.

Development Communities

As of September 30, 2023, we owned or held a direct interest in 16 Development Communities under construction. We expect these Development Communities, when completed, to add a total of 5,402 apartment homes and 59,000 square feet of commercial space to our portfolio for a total capitalized cost, including land acquisition costs, of approximately \$2,257,000,000. We cannot assure you that we will meet our schedule for construction completion or that we will meet our budgeted costs, either individually, or in the aggregate.

The following table presents a summary of the Development Communities.

		Number of apartment homes	Projected total capitalized cost (1) (\$ millions)	Construction start	Initial projected or actual occupancy	Estimated completion	Estimated stabilized operations (2)
1.	Avalon Amityville Amityville, NY	338	\$ 135	Q2 2021	Q3 2023	Q2 2024	Q4 2024
2.	Avalon Bothell Commons I Bothell, WA	467	236	Q2 2021	Q3 2023	Q3 2024	Q2 2025
3.	Avalon Westminster Promenade Westminster, CO	312	110	Q3 2021	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q2 2025
4.	Avalon West Dublin Dublin, CA	499	270	Q3 2021	Q4 2023	Q4 2024	Q2 2025
5.	Avalon Princeton Circle Princeton, NJ	221	88	Q4 2021	Q2 2023	Q4 2023	Q2 2024
6.	Avalon Montville Montville, NJ	349	127	Q4 2021	Q4 2023	Q3 2024	Q4 2024
7.	Avalon Redmond Campus (3) Redmond, WA	214	85	Q4 2021	Q4 2023	Q2 2024	Q4 2024
8.	Avalon Governor's Park Denver, CO	304	135	Q1 2022	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q2 2025
9.	Avalon West Windsor (4) West Windsor, NJ	535	201	Q2 2022	Q2 2025	Q3 2026	Q1 2027
10.	Avalon Durham (5) Durham, NC	336	125	Q2 2022	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q2 2025
11.	Avalon Annapolis Annapolis, MD	508	202	Q3 2022	Q3 2024	Q3 2025	Q2 2026
12.	Kanso Milford <i>Milford, MA</i>	162	65	Q4 2022	Q1 2024	Q3 2024	Q1 2025
13.	Avalon Lake Norman (5) Mooresville, NC	345	101	Q1 2023	Q4 2024	Q4 2025	Q2 2026
14.	Avalon Hunt Valley West Hunt Valley, MD	322	109	Q2 2023	Q1 2025	Q1 2026	Q3 2026
15.	Avalon South Miami (4) South Miami, FL	290	186	Q3 2023	Q3 2025	Q1 2026	Q3 2026
16.	Avalon Princeton Shopping Center Princeton, NJ	200	82	Q3 2023	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q4 2025
	Total	5,402	\$ 2,257				

⁽¹⁾ Projected total capitalized cost includes all capitalized costs projected to be or actually incurred to develop the respective Development Community, determined in accordance with GAAP, including land acquisition costs, construction costs, real estate taxes, capitalized interest and loan fees, permits, professional fees, allocated development overhead and other regulatory fees, as well as costs incurred for first generation commercial tenants such as tenant improvements and leasing commissions.

⁽²⁾ Stabilized operations is defined as the earlier of (i) attainment of 90% or greater physical occupancy or (ii) the one-year anniversary of completion of development.

⁽³⁾ Avalon Redmond Campus is a densification of the existing eaves Redmond Campus wholly-owned community, replacing 48 existing older apartment homes that were demolished.

⁽⁴⁾ Development Communities containing at least 10,000 square feet of commercial space include Avalon West Windsor (19,000 square feet) and Avalon South Miami (32,000 square feet).

⁽⁵⁾ Communities being developed through our Developer Funding Program ("DFP"). The DFP utilizes third-party multifamily developers to source and construct communities which we own and operate.

During the three months ended September 30, 2023, we completed the development of the following wholly-owned communities:

		Number of apartment homes	Total capitalized cost (1) (\$ millions)	Approximate rentable area (sq. ft.)	Total capitalized cost per sq. ft.
1.	Avalon Somerville Station Somerville, NJ	374	\$ 121	368,396	\$ 328
2.	Avalon North Andover North Andover, MA	221	77	216,545	\$ 356
3.	Avalon Merrick Park (2) Miami, FL	254	104	218,742	\$ 475
	Total	849	\$ 302		

- (1) Total capitalized cost is as of September 30, 2023. We generally anticipate incurring additional costs associated with these communities that are customary for new developments.
- (2) Community was developed through our DFP.

Development Rights

At September 30, 2023, we had \$183,158,000 in acquisition and related capitalized costs for direct interests in seven land parcels we own. In addition, we had \$64,147,000 in capitalized costs (including legal fees, design fees and related overhead costs) related to (i) 27 Development Rights for which we control the land parcel, typically through a conditional agreement or option to purchase or lease the land, as well as (ii) costs incurred for four Development Rights that we expect to construct as additional phases of our existing stabilized operating communities on land we own. Collectively, the land held for development and associated costs for deferred development rights relate to 38 Development Rights for which we expect to develop new apartment communities in the future. The Development Rights range from those beginning design and architectural planning to those that have completed site plans and drawings and can begin construction almost immediately. We estimate that the successful completion of all of these communities would ultimately add approximately 13,449 apartment homes to our portfolio. Substantially all of these apartment homes will offer features like those offered by the communities we currently own.

The Development Rights are in different stages of the due diligence and regulatory approval process. The decisions as to which of the Development Rights to invest in, if any, or to continue to pursue once an investment in a Development Right is made, are business judgments that we make after we perform financial, demographic and other analyses. In the event that we do not proceed with a Development Right, we generally would not recover any of the capitalized costs incurred in the pursuit of those communities, unless we were to recover amounts in connection with the sale of land; however, we cannot guarantee a recovery. Pre-development costs incurred in the pursuit of Development Rights for which future development is not yet considered probable are expensed as incurred. In addition, if the status of a Development Right changes, making future development no longer probable, any unrecoverable capitalized pre-development costs are charged to expense. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, we incurred a charge of \$18,959,000 and \$23,212,000, respectively, for expensed transaction, development and other pursuit costs, net of recoveries, which include development pursuits that were not yet probable of future development at the time incurred, or for pursuits that we determined were no longer probable of being developed. The amounts for 2023 include write-offs of \$17,111,000 related to three Development Rights in Northern and Southern California and the Mid-Atlantic that we determined are no longer probable.

Structured Investment Program

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, we entered into two additional commitments, agreeing to provide an aggregate investment of up to \$51,660,000 in multifamily development projects in North Carolina and Florida. As of October 31, 2023, we had five commitments to fund up to \$144,035,000 in the aggregate under the SIP in our existing markets. As of October 31, 2023, our investment commitments had a weighted average rate of return of 10.9% and have initial maturity dates between September 2025 and August 2027. As of October 31, 2023, we had funded \$82,604,000 of these commitments. See Note 5, "Investments," of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this report.

You should carefully review Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of our Form 10-K, as well as the discussion under Part II, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in this report, for a discussion of the risks associated with our investment activity.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Form 10-Q contains "forward-looking statements" as that term is defined under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify forward-looking statements by our use of the words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "assume," "project," "plan," "may," "shall," "will," "pursue" and other similar expressions in this Form 10-Q, that predict or indicate future events and trends and that do not report historical matters. These statements include, among other things, statements regarding our intent, belief or expectations with respect to:

- our potential development, redevelopment, acquisition or disposition of communities;
- the timing and cost of completion of apartment communities under construction, reconstruction, development or redevelopment;
- the timing of lease-up, occupancy and stabilization of apartment communities;
- · the pursuit of land on which we are considering future development;
- the anticipated operating performance of our communities;
- cost, yield, revenue, NOI and earnings estimates;
- · the impact of landlord-tenant laws and rent regulations;
- · our expansion into new markets;
- · our declaration or payment of dividends;
- · our joint venture and discretionary fund activities;
- · our policies regarding investments, indebtedness, acquisitions, dispositions, financings and other matters;
- our qualification as a REIT under the Code;
- the real estate markets in Metro New York/New Jersey, Northern and Southern California, Denver, Colorado, Southeast Florida, Dallas and Austin, Texas and Charlotte
 and Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina, and markets in selected states in the Mid-Atlantic, New England and Pacific Northwest regions of the United States and in
 general;
- · the availability of debt and equity financing;
- interest rates;
- general economic conditions, including the potential impacts from current economic conditions, including rising interest rates and general price inflation;
- · trends affecting our financial condition or results of operations;
- · regulatory changes that may affect us;
- the impact of a pandemic or other public health event on our business, results of operations and financial condition; and
- · the impact of legal proceedings.

We cannot assure the future results or outcome of the matters described in these statements; rather, these statements merely reflect our current expectations of the approximate outcomes of the matters discussed. We do not undertake a duty to update these forward-looking statements, and therefore they may not represent our estimates and assumptions after the date of this report. You should not rely on forward-looking statements because they involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, some of which are beyond our control. These risks, uncertainties and other factors may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from the anticipated future results, performance or achievements expressed or

implied by these forward-looking statements. You should carefully review the discussion under Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" of our Form 10-K and Part II, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in this report, for further discussion of risks associated with forward-looking statements.

Some of the factors that could cause our actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- we may fail to secure development opportunities due to an inability to reach agreements with third parties to obtain land at attractive prices or to obtain desired zoning and other local approvals;
- we may abandon or defer development opportunities for a number of reasons, including changes in local market conditions which make development less desirable, increases in costs of development, increases in the cost of capital or lack of capital availability, resulting in losses;
- · construction costs of a community may exceed our original estimates;
- we may not complete construction and lease-up of communities under development or redevelopment on schedule, resulting in increased interest costs and construction costs and a decrease in our expected rental revenues;
- · occupancy rates and market rents may be adversely affected by competition and local economic and market conditions which are beyond our control;
- financing may not be available on favorable terms or at all, and our cash flows from operations and access to cost effective capital may be insufficient for the
 development of our pipeline, which could limit our pursuit of opportunities;
- the impact of new landlord-tenant laws and rent regulations may be greater than we expect;
- an outbreak of disease or other public health event may affect the multifamily industry and general economy, including from measures taken by businesses and the
 government and the preferences of consumers and businesses for living and working arrangements both during and after such an event;
- our cash flows may be insufficient to meet required payments of principal and interest, and we may be unable to refinance existing indebtedness or the terms of such refinancing may not be as favorable as the terms of existing indebtedness;
- · we may be unsuccessful in our management of joint ventures and the REIT vehicles that are used with certain joint ventures;
- laws and regulations implementing rent control or rent stabilization, or otherwise limiting our ability to increase rents, charge fees or evict tenants, may impact our revenue or increase our costs;
- · our expectations, estimates and assumptions as of the date of this filing regarding legal proceedings are subject to change;
- the possibility that we may choose to pay dividends in our stock instead of cash, which may result in stockholders having to pay taxes with respect to such dividends in excess of the cash received, if any; and
- investments made under the SIP in either mezzanine debt or preferred equity of third-party multifamily development may not be repaid as expected or the development may not be completed on schedule, which could require us to engage in litigation, foreclosure actions, and/or first party project completion to recover our investment, which may not be recovered in full or at all in such event.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to use judgment in the application of accounting policies, including making estimates and assumptions. If our judgment or interpretation of the facts and circumstances relating to various transactions had been different, or different assumptions were made, it is possible that different accounting policies would have been applied, resulting in different financial results or a different presentation of our financial statements. Our critical accounting policies consist of the following: (i) cost capitalization and (ii) abandoned pursuit costs and asset impairment. Our critical accounting policies and estimates have not changed materially from the discussion of our significant accounting policies found in Part II, Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our Form 10-K.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

There have been no material changes to our exposures to market risk as disclosed in Part II, Item 7A. "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

The Company carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of September 30, 2023. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

We continue to review and document our disclosure controls and procedures, including our internal controls and procedures for financial reporting, and may from time to time make changes aimed at enhancing their effectiveness and to ensure that our systems evolve with our business.

(b) Changes in internal controls over financial reporting.

None.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

As disclosed in Note 1, "Organization, Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies" and Note 12, "Subsequent Events" of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Part I, Item 1 of this report, we are engaged in certain legal proceedings, and the disclosure set forth in Note 1, "Organization, Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies" and Note 12, "Subsequent Events" relating to legal and other contingencies is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the risk factors that could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 in Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors." The risks described in our Form 10-K are not the only risks that could affect the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results in the future. There have been no material changes to our risk factors since December 31, 2022.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES, USE OF PROCEEDS, AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

- (a) None.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Period	(a) Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)	(b) Average Price Paid Per Share	(c) Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs		(d) Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that May Yet be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (in thousands) (2)		
July 1 - July 31, 2023	71	\$ 189.27	<u> </u>	\$	314,237		
August 1 - August 31, 2023	91	\$ 184.39	_	\$	314,237		
September 1 - September 30, 2023	105	\$ 183.82	-	\$	314,237		
Total	267	\$ 185.46					

⁽¹⁾ Consists of (i) shares surrendered to the Company in connection with exercise of stock options as payment of exercise price, as well as for taxes associated with the vesting of restricted share grants and the conversion of performance awards to shares of common stock and (ii) activity under the Stock Repurchase Program, if any, as indicated under Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

During the three months ended September 30, 2023, none of the Company's directors or officers (as defined in Rule 16a-1(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) adopted, terminated or modified a Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement or non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement (as such terms are defined in Item 408 of Regulation S-K).

⁽²⁾ The Board of Directors approved the Stock Repurchase Program in July 2020, under which the Company may acquire shares of its common stock in open market or negotiated transactions up to an aggregate purchase price of \$500,000,000. Purchases of common stock under the Stock Repurchase Program may be exercised from time to time in the Company's discretion and in such amounts as market conditions warrant. The timing and actual number of shares repurchased will depend on a variety of factors including price, corporate and regulatory requirements, market conditions and other corporate liquidity requirements and priorities. The Stock Repurchase Program does not have an expiration date and may be suspended or terminated at any time without prior notice.

ITEM 6. **EXHIBITS** Exhibit No. Description Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Articles of Incorporation of the Company, dated as of June 4, 1998, (Incorporated by reference 3(i).1 to Exhibit 3(i).1 to Form 10-K of the Company filed March 1, 2007.) Articles of Amendment, dated as of October 2, 1998. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(i), 2 to Form 10-K of the Company filed March 3(i).2<u>1, 2007.)</u> Articles of Amendment, dated as of May 22, 2013. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(i).3 to Form 8-K of the Company filed May 22, 3(i).3<u>2013.)</u> Articles of Amendment, dated as of May 14, 2020. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(i).4 to Form 8-K of the Company filed May 15, 3(i).4 Composite restatement of Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Articles of Incorporation of the Company, dated as of June 4, 1998, as 3(i).5amended by the Articles of Amendment, dated as of October 2, 1998, the Articles of Amendment, dated as of May 22, 2013, and the Articles of Amendment, dated as of May 14, 2020. (Filed herewith.) Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, as adopted by the Board of Directors on October 30, 2023. (Incorporated by reference to 3(ii).1 Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K of the Company filed October 30, 2023.) 31.1 Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Chief Executive Officer), (Filed herewith,) Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Chief Financial Officer), (Filed herewith,) 31.2 Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer), (Furnished 32 herewith.) 101 Financial materials from AvalonBay Communities, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2023 formatted in Inline XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language) including: (i) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (iv) Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. (Filed herewith.) Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document). (Filed herewith.) 104

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC.

Date: November 3, 2023 /s/ Benjamin W. Schall

Benjamin W. Schall

Chief Executive Officer and President (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 3, 2023 /s/ Kevin P. O'Shea

Kevin P. O'Shea Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) This composite copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company reflects the provisions of the Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Articles of Incorporation of the Company, dated as of June 4, 1998, as amended by the Articles of Amendment, dated as of October 2, 1998, the Articles of Amendment, dated as of May 22, 2013, and the Articles of Amendment, dated as of May 14, 2020

ARTICLES OF

AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT

OF

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

BAY APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC.

Dated: June 4, 1998

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF BAY APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC.

ARTICLE I

PREAMBLE

Bay Apartment Communities, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland (the "Corporation"), hereby certifies as follows:

- 1.1 The name of the Corporation is Bay Apartment Communities, Inc. The date of the filing of its Articles of Incorporation with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland (the "Department") was March 13, 1995 (as thereafter amended from time to time prior to the date hereof, the "Original Charter").
- 1.2 The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation has authority to issue (the "Stock") prior to the date of this Amendment and Restatement is eighty-five million (85,000,000) shares, consisting of (i) twenty-five million (25,000,000) shares of preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Preferred Stock"); (ii) forty million (40,000,000) shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Common Stock"); and (iii) twenty million (20,000,000) shares of excess common stock, par value \$.01 per share. The aggregate par value of all of the shares of all classes of Stock prior to the date of this Amendment and Restatement is \$850,000.
- 1.3 The total number of shares of Stock which the Corporation has authority to issue is three hundred fifty million (350,000,000) shares, consisting of (i) fifty million (50,000,000) shares of Preferred Stock; (ii) two hundred eighty million (280,000,000) shares of Common Stock; and (iii) twenty million (20,000,000) shares of excess stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Excess Stock"). The aggregate par value of all the shares of all classes of stock is \$3,500,000.
- 1.4 These Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Articles of Incorporation (the "Articles"), which amend, restate and integrate the provisions of the Original Charter were deemed advisable and approved by a majority of the Board of Directors of the Corporation and were approved by the stockholders of the Corporation in accordance with the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL").
- 1.5 The Corporation desires to amend and restate the Original Charter as currently in effect, and upon acceptance for record by the Department the provisions set forth in these Articles shall be all of the provisions of the charter of the Corporation.

ARTICLE II

NAME

The name of the Corporation is:

"AvalonBay Communities, Inc."

ARTICLE III

PURPOSES

Purpose and Powers. The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are to engage in business as a real estate investment trust (a "REIT") (as that phrase is defined under Section 856 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")) and to engage in any other lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Maryland General Corporation Law. The foregoing purposes shall be in no way limited or restricted by reference to, or inference from, the terms of any other clause of these Articles, as amended from time to time, and each shall be regarded as independent. The foregoing purposes are also to be construed as powers of the Corporation, and shall be in addition to and not in limitation of the general powers of corporations under the laws of the State of Maryland.

ARTICLE IV

PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS

The address of the principal office of the Corporation in Maryland is c/o The Corporation Trust Incorporated, 300 East Lombard Street, Suite 1400, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

ARTICLE V

THE RESIDENT AGENT

The resident agent of the Corporation in Maryland is The Corporation Trust Incorporated, whose address is 300 East Lombard Street, Suite 1400, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

ARTICLE VI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 6.1 General Powers; Action by Committee. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors and, except as otherwise expressly provided by law, these Articles or the bylaws, as amended from time to time (the "Bylaws"), of the Corporation, all of the powers of the Corporation shall be vested in such Board. Any action which the Board of Directors is empowered to take may be taken on behalf of the Board of Directors by a duly authorized committee thereof except (i) to the extent limited by Maryland law, these Articles or the Bylaws and (ii) for any action which requires the affirmative vote or approval of a majority of all Directors then in office (unless, in such case, these Articles or the Bylaws specifically provide that a duly authorized committee can take such action on behalf of the Board of Directors). A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum and, except as otherwise specifically provided in these Articles, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors.
- 6.2 Number. The number of Directors of the Corporation shall be fixed from time to time by a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that the total number of Directors shall be not fewer than three (3). No reduction in the number of Directors shall cause the removal of any Director from office prior to the expiration of his or her term.

Immediately following the effectiveness of this Amendment and Restatement the Corporation shall have twelve (12) Directors, whose names shall be as follows:

Gilbert M. Meyer Charles H. Berman Bruce A. Choate Michael A. Futterman John J. Healy, Jr. Christopher B. Leinberger Richard L. Michaux Richard W. Miller Brenda J. Mixson Thomas H. Nielsen Lance R. Primis Allan D. Schuster

6.3 Term; Election. The term of office of each Director shall expire at the next succeeding annual meeting of stockholders. The Directors elected at each annual meeting of stockholders shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified or until their earlier resignation or removal.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, whenever, pursuant to the provisions of Article VII or Article XIV of these Articles, the holders of any one or more series of Stock shall have the right, voting separately as a series or together with holders of other such series, to elect Directors at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, the election, term of office, filling of vacancies and other features of such directorships shall be governed by the terms of these Articles and any articles supplementary applicable thereto.

During any period when the holders of any series of Stock have the right to elect additional Directors as provided for or fixed pursuant to the provisions of Article VII or Article XIV of these Articles, then upon commencement and for the duration of the period during which such right continues: (a) the then otherwise total authorized number of Directors of the Corporation shall automatically be increased by such specified number of Directors, and the holders of such Stock shall be entitled to elect the additional Directors so provided for or fixed pursuant to said provisions and (b) each such additional Director shall serve until such Director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified, or until such Director's right to hold such office terminates pursuant to said provisions, whichever occurs earlier, subject to such Director's earlier death, disqualification, resignation or removal. Except as otherwise provided by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions establishing such series, whenever the holders of any series of Stock having such right to elect additional Directors are divested of such right pursuant to the provisions of such Stock, the terms of office of all such additional Directors elected by the holders of such Stock, or elected to fill any vacancies resulting from the death, resignation, disqualification or removal of such additional Directors, shall forthwith terminate and the total authorized number of Directors of the Corporation shall be reduced accordingly.

6.4 Resignation or Removal of Directors. Any Director may resign from the Board of Directors or any committee thereof at any time by written notice to the Board of Directors, effective upon execution and delivery to the Corporation of such notice or upon any future date specified in the notice. Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of any series of Stock to elect Directors and to remove any Director whom such holders have the right to elect, any Director (including persons elected by Directors to fill vacancies in the Board of Directors) may be removed from office (a) only with cause and (b) only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75% of the shares then entitled to vote at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose. At least 30 days prior to any meeting of stockholders at which it is proposed that any

Director be removed from office, written notice of such proposed removal shall be sent to the Director whose removal will be considered at the meeting. For purposes of these Articles, "cause," with respect to the removal of any Director, shall mean only (i) conviction of a felony, (ii) declaration of unsound mind by order of a court, (iii) gross dereliction of duty, (iv) commission of any act involving moral turpitude or (v) commission of an act that constitutes intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law if such action in either event results both in an improper substantial personal benefit to such Director and a material injury to the Corporation.

- 6.5 Vacancies. Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of any class or series of Stock to elect Directors and to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors relating thereto, any vacancy on the Board of Directors which results from the removal of a Director for cause shall be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast by the stockholders normally entitled to vote in the election of Directors at a meeting of stockholders. Any vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors for any other reason, except as a result of an increase in the number of Directors, may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Directors, notwithstanding that such majority is less than a quorum; provided, however, that any Director appointed to fill the vacancy for an Independent Director (as hereinafter defined) shall also require the vote affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Independent Directors. Any vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors as a result of an increase in the number of Directors may be filled by a majority vote of the entire Board of Directors. A Director elected by the Board of Directors or the stockholders to fill a vacancy shall hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until his or her successor is elected and qualified. In the event of a vacancy in the Board of Directors, the remaining Directors, except as otherwise provided by law, may exercise the powers of the full Board of Directors until such vacancy is filled.
- 6.6 Independent Directors. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, at all times (except during a period not to exceed sixty (60) days following the death, resignation, incapacity, or removal from office of a Director prior to the expiration of the Director's term of office), a majority of the Board of Directors shall be comprised of persons ("Independent Directors") who are not officers or employees of the Corporation or any affiliate thereof and who do not have a material business or professional relationship with the Corporation or any affiliate thereof.
- 6.7 Powers. Subject to the express limitations herein or in the Bylaws, the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors. These Articles, as amended or supplemented from time to time, shall be construed with a presumption in favor of the grant of power and authority to the Directors. The determination as to any of the following matters, made in good faith by or pursuant to the direction of the Board of Directors consistent with these Articles and in the absence of actual receipt of an improper benefit in money, property or services or active and deliberate dishonesty established by a court, shall be final and conclusive and shall be binding upon the Corporation and every holder of shares of its Stock: the amount of the net income of the Corporation for any period and the amount of assets at any time legally available for the payment of dividends, redemption of its Stock or the payment of other distributions on its Stock; the amount of paid-in surplus, net assets, other surplus, annual or other net profit, net assets in excess of capital, undivided profits or excess of profits over losses on sales of assets; the amount, purpose, time of creation, increase or decrease, alteration or cancellation of any reserves or charges and the propriety thereof (whether or not any obligation or liability for which such reserves or charges shall have been created shall have been paid or discharged); the fair value, or any sale, bid or asked price to be applied in determining the fair value, of any asset owned or held by the Corporation; any matter relating to the acquisition, holding and disposition of any assets by the Corporation; or any other matter relating to the business and affairs of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VII

STOCK

- 7.1 Authorized Stock. The total number of shares of Stock which the Corporation has authority to issue is three hundred fifty million (350,000,000) shares, consisting of (i) fifty million (50,000,000) shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$.01 per share; (ii) two hundred eighty million (280,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share; and (iii) twenty million (20,000,000) shares of Excess Stock, par value \$.01 per share. The aggregate par value of all the shares of all classes of Stock is \$3,500,000. If shares of one class of Stock are classified or reclassified into shares of another class of Stock pursuant to this Article VII, the number of authorized shares of the former class shall be automatically decreased and the number of shares of the latter class shall be automatically increased, in each case by the number of shares so classified or reclassified, so that the aggregate number of shares of Stock of all classes that the Corporation has authority to issue shall not be more than the total number of shares of Stock set forth in the first sentence of this paragraph.
- 7.2 Preferred Stock. Subject to any limitations prescribed by law, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to classify any unissued shares of Preferred Stock and reclassify any previously classified but unissued shares of Preferred Stock of any series from time to time, in one or more classes or series of such Stock and, by filing articles supplementary with the Department, to establish or change from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such class or series, and to fix the preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of each class or series. Any action by the Board of Directors under this Section 7.2 of Article VII shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors then in office; provided, however, that by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors then in office, the Board of Directors may appoint a committee to act on behalf of the Board of Directors under this Section 7.2, and in such event the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of such committee then in office shall be required for any action under this Section

At the time of acceptance for record of these Articles, the Board of Directors had duly divided and classified 18,238,800 shares of Preferred Stock into seven series of Preferred Stock. The rights, preferences and privileges of these series are set forth herein in Article XIV.

- 7.3 Common Stock. Subject to all of the rights, powers and preferences of the Preferred Stock and except as provided by law or in this Article VII or Article XIV (or in any articles supplementary regarding any class or series of Preferred Stock):
 - 7.3.1 Voting Rights. The holders of shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to vote for the election of Directors and on all other matters requiring stockholder action, and each holder of shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share of Common Stock held by such stockholder.
 - 7.3.2 Dividend Rights. Holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends and other distributions in cash, Stock or property of the Corporation as may be authorized and declared by the Board of Directors upon the Common Stock and, if any Excess Stock resulting from the conversion of Common Stock is then outstanding, such Excess Stock out of any assets or funds of the Corporation legally available therefor, but only when and as authorized by the Board of Directors or any authorized committee thereof from time to time, and shall share ratably with the holders of such Excess Stock resulting from the conversion of Common Stock in any such dividend or distribution.

Before payment of any dividends or other distributions, there may be set aside out of any assets of the Corporation available for dividends or other distributions such sum or sums as the Board of Directors may from to time, in its absolute discretion, think proper as a reserve fund for contingencies, for equalizing dividends or other distributions, for repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation or for such other purpose as the Board of Directors shall determine to be in the best interest of the Corporation, and the Board of Directors may modify or abolish any such reserve in the manner in which it was created.

- 7.3.3 Rights Upon Liquidation. Upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, subject to the rights of holders of any shares of Preferred Stock and Excess Stock resulting from the conversion of Preferred Stock, the net assets of the Corporation available for distribution to the holders of Common Stock, and, if any Excess Stock resulting from the conversion of Common Stock is then outstanding, such Excess Stock, shall be distributed pro rata to such holders in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock and such Excess Stock held by each.
- 7.4 Excess Stock. For the purposes of this Section 7.4, terms not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in Article IX.
- 7.4.1 Conversion into Excess Stock.
 - If, notwithstanding the other provisions contained in these Articles, prior to the Restriction Termination Date, there is a purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event such that any Person (other than a Look-Through Entity) would Beneficially Own shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit, or such that any Person that is a Look-Through Entity would Beneficially Own shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Look-Through Limit, then, (i) except as otherwise provided in Section 9.4 of Article IX, the purported transferee shall be deemed to be a Prohibited Owner and shall acquire no right or interest (or, in the case of a Non-Transfer Event, the Person holding record title to the shares of Equity Stock Beneficially Owned by such Beneficial Owner shall cease to own any right or interest) in such number of shares of Equity Stock which would cause such Beneficial Owner to Beneficially Own shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit or the Look-Through Limit, as the case may be, (ii) such number of shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit or the Look-Through Limit, as the case may be (rounded up to the nearest whole share), shall be automatically converted into an equal number of shares of Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust in accordance with Section 7.4.4 of this Article VII and (iii) the Prohibited Owner shall submit the certificates representing such number of shares of Equity Stock to the Corporation, accompanied by all requisite and duly executed assignments of transfer thereof, for registration in the name of the Trustee of the Trust. If the shares of Equity Stock that are converted into Excess Stock are not shares of Common Stock, then the Excess Stock into which they are converted shall be deemed to be a separate series of Excess Stock with a designation and title corresponding to the designation and title of the shares that have been converted into the Excess Stock, Such conversion into Excess Stock and transfer to a Trust shall be effective as of the close of trading on the Trading Day prior to the date of the purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event, as the case may be, even though the certificates

- representing the shares of Equity Stock so converted may be submitted to the Corporation at a later date.
- (b) If, notwithstanding the other provisions contained in these Articles, prior to the Restriction Termination Date there is a purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event that, if effective, would (i) result in the Corporation being "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code, (ii) cause the Corporation to Constructively Own 10% or more of the ownership interest in a tenant of the Corporation's or a Subsidiary's real property within the meaning of Section 856(d)(2) (B) of the Code or (iii) result in the shares of Equity Stock being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons within the meaning of Section 856(a)(5) of the Code, then (x) the purported transferee shall be deemed to be a Prohibited Owner and shall acquire no right or interest (or, in the case of a Non-Transfer Event, the Person holding record title of the shares of Equity Stock with respect to which such Non-Transfer Event occurred shall cease to own any right or interest) in such number of shares of Equity Stock, the ownership of which by such purported transferee or record holder would (A) result in the Corporation being "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code. (B) cause the Corporation to Constructively Own 10% or more of the ownership interests in a tenant of the Corporation's or a Subsidiary's real property within the meaning of Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code or (c) result in the shares of Equity Stock being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons within the meaning of Section 856(a)(5) of the Code, (y) such number of shares of Equity Stock (rounded up to the nearest whole share) shall be automatically converted into an equal number of shares of Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust in accordance with Section 7.4.4 of this Article VII and (z) the Prohibited Owner shall submit such number of shares of Equity Stock to the Corporation, accompanied by all requisite and duly executed assignments of transfer thereof, for registration in the name of the Trustee of the Trust. If the shares of Equity Stock that are converted into Excess Stock are not shares of Common Stock, then the Excess Stock into which they are converted shall be deemed to be a separate series of Excess Stock with a designation and title corresponding to the designation and title of the shares that have been converted into the Excess Stock. Such conversion into Excess Stock and transfer to a Trust shall be effective as of the close of trading on the Trading Day prior to the date of the purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event, as the case may be, even though the certificates representing the shares of Equity Stock so converted may be submitted to the Corporation at a later date.
- (c) Upon, the occurrence of such a conversion of shares of Equity Stock into an equal number of shares of Excess Stock, such shares of Equity Stock shall be automatically retired and canceled, without any action required by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, and shall thereupon be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of the particular class or series of Equity Stock from which such Excess Stock was converted and may be reissued by the Corporation as that particular class or series of Equity Stock.

7.4.2 Remedies for Breach. If the Corporation, or its designees, shall at any time determine in good faith that a Transfer has taken place in violation of Section 9.2 of Article IX or that a Person intends to acquire or has attempted to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of any shares of Equity Stock in violation of Section 9.2 of Article IX, the Corporation shall take such action as it deems advisable to refuse to give effect to or to

prevent such Transfer or acquisition, including, but not limited to, refusing to give effect to such Transfer on the stock transfer books of the Corporation or instituting proceedings to enjoin such Transfer or acquisition, but the failure to take any such action shall not affect the automatic conversion of shares of Equity Stock into Excess Stock and their transfer to a Trust in accordance with Section 7.4.4.

- 7.4.3 Notice of Restricted Transfer. Any Person who acquires or attempts to acquire shares of Equity Stock in violation of Section 9.2 of Article IX, or any Person who owns shares of Equity Stock that were converted into shares of Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust pursuant to Sections 7.4.1 and 7.4.4 of this Article VII, shall immediately give written notice to the Corporation of such event and shall provide to the Corporation such other information as the Corporation may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such Transfer or Non-Transfer Event, as the case may be, on the Corporation's status as a REIT.
- 7.4.4 Ownership in Trust. Upon any purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event that results in Excess Stock pursuant to Section 7.4.1 of this Article VII, (i) the Corporation shall create, or cause to be created, a Trust, and shall designate a Trustee and name a Beneficiary thereof and (ii) such Excess Stock shall be automatically transferred to such Trust to be held for the exclusive benefit of the Beneficiary. Any conversion of shares of Equity Stock into shares of Excess Stock and transfer to a Trust shall be effective as of the close of trading on the Trading Day prior to the date of the purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event that results in the conversion. Shares of Excess Stock so held in trust shall remain issued and outstanding shares of Stock of the Corporation.
- 7.4.5 Dividend Rights. Each share of Excess Stock shall be
- entitled to the same dividends and distributions (as to both timing and amount) as may be authorized by the Board of Directors with respect to shares of the same class and series as the shares of Equity Stock that were converted into such Excess Stock. The Trustee, as record holder of the shares of Excess Stock, shall be entitled to receive all dividends and distributions and shall hold all such dividends or distributions in trust for the benefit of the Beneficiary. The Prohibited Owner with respect to such shares of Excess Stock shall repay to the Trust the amount of any dividends or distributions received by it that are (i) attributable to any shares of Equity Stock that have been converted into shares of Excess Stock and (ii) dividends or distributions which were distributed by the Corporation to stockholders of record on a record date which was on or after the date that such shares were converted into shares of Excess Stock. The Corporation shall take all measures that it determines reasonably necessary to recover the amount of any such dividend or distribution paid to a Prohibited Owner, including, if necessary, withholding any portion of future dividends or distributions payable on shares of Equity Stock Beneficially Owned by the Person who, but for the provisions of Articles VII and IX, would Constructively Own or Beneficially Own the shares of Equity Stock that were converted into shares of Excess Stock; and, as soon as reasonably practicable following the Corporation's receipt or withholding thereof, shall pay over to the Trust for the benefit of the Beneficiary the dividends so received or withheld, as the case may be.
- 7.4.6 Rights upon Liquidation. In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation of, or winding up of, or any distribution of the assets of, the Corporation, each holder of shares of Excess Stock shall be entitled to receive, ratably with each other holder of shares of Equity Stock of the same class and series as the shares which were converted into such Excess Stock and other holders of such Excess Stock, that portion of the assets of the Corporation that is available for distribution to the holders of shares of such class and series of Equity Stock and such Excess Stock. The Trust shall distribute to the Prohibited Owner the amounts received upon such liquidation, dissolution, or winding up, or distribution; provided, however, that the Prohibited Owner shall not be entitled to receive amounts in excess of, in the case of a purported

Transfer in which the Prohibited Owner gave value for shares of Equity Stock and which Transfer resulted in the conversion of the shares into shares of Excess Stock, the product of (x) the price per share, if any, such Prohibited Owner paid for the shares of Equity Stock and (y) the number of shares of Equity Stock which were so converted into Excess Stock, and, in the case of a Non-Transfer Event or purported Transfer in which the Prohibited Owner did not give value for such shares (e.g., if the shares were received through a gift or devise) and which Non-Transfer Event or purported Transfer, as the case may be, resulted in the conversion of the shares into shares of Excess Stock, the product of (x) the price per share equal to the Market Price on the date of such Non-Transfer Event or purported Transfer and (y) the number of shares of Equity Stock which were so converted into Excess Stock. Any remaining amount in such Trust shall be distributed to the Beneficiary.

7.4.7 Voting Rights. Each share of Excess Stock shall entitle the holder to no voting rights other than those voting rights which must accompany a class of Stock under Maryland law. The Trustee, as record holder of the Excess Stock, shall be entitled to vote all shares of Excess Stock in the event voting rights are mandated by Maryland law. Any vote by a Prohibited Owner as a purported holder of shares of Equity Stock prior to the discovery by the Corporation that such shares of Equity Stock have been converted into shares of Excess Stock shall, subject to applicable law, (i) be rescinded and shall be void ab initio with respect to such shares of Excess Stock and (ii) be recast in accordance with the desires of the Trustee acting for the benefit of the Beneficiary; provided, however, that if the Corporation has already taken irreversible corporate action, then the Trustee shall not have the authority to rescind and recast such vote.

7.4.8 Designation of Permitted Transferee.

- (a) As soon as practicable after the Trustee acquires Excess Stock, but in an orderly fashion so as not to materially adversely affect the trading price of Common Stock, the Trustee shall designate one or more Persons as Permitted Transferees and sell to such Permitted Transferees any shares of Excess Stock held by the Trustee; provided, however, that (i) any Permitted Transferee so designated purchases for valuable consideration (whether in a public or private sale) the shares of Excess Stock and (ii) any Permitted Transferee so designated may acquire such shares of Excess Stock without violating any of the restrictions set forth in Section 9.2 of Article IX and without such acquisition resulting in the conversion of the shares of Equity Stock so acquired into shares of Excess Stock and the transfer of such shares to a Trust pursuant to Sections 7.4.1 and 7.4.4 of this Article VII. The Trustee shall have the exclusive and absolute right to designate Permitted Transferees of any and all shares of Excess Stock. Prior to any transfer by the Trustee of shares of Excess Stock to a Permitted Transferee, the Trustee shall give not less than five Trading Days' prior written notice to the Corporation of such intended transfer and the Corporation must have waived in writing its purchase rights, if any, under Section 7.4.10 of this Article VII.
- (b) Subject to Section 7.4.8, upon the designation by the Trustee of a Permitted Transferee in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7.4.8, the Trustee shall cause to be transferred to the Permitted Transferee shares of Excess Stock acquired by the Trustee pursuant to Section 7.4.4 of this Article VII. Upon such transfer of shares of Excess Stock to the Permitted Transferee, such shares of Excess Stock shall be automatically converted into an equal number of shares of Excess Stock of the same class and series which was converted into such Excess Stock. Upon the occurrence of such a conversion of shares of Excess Stock into an equal number of shares of Equity Stock, such shares of Excess Stock shall be automatically retired and canceled, without any action required by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, and shall thereupon be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Excess Stock and may be reissued by the Corporation as Excess Stock. The Trustee shall (i) cause to be recorded on the stock transfer books of the Corporation that the Permitted Transferee is the holder of record of

such number of shares of Equity Stock, and (ii) distribute to the Beneficiary any and all amounts held with respect to such shares of Excess Stock after making payment to the Prohibited Owner pursuant to Section 7.4.9 of this Article VII.

- (c) If the Transfer of shares of Excess Stock to a purported Permitted Transferee would or does violate any of the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 9.2 of Article IX, such Transfer shall be void ab initio as to that number of shares of Excess Stock that cause the violation of any such restriction when such shares are converted into shares of Equity Stock (as described in clause (b) above) and the purported Permitted Transferee shall be deemed to be a Prohibited Owner and shall acquire no rights in such shares of Excess Stock or Equity Stock. Such shares of Equity Stock shall be automatically re-converted into Excess Stock and transferred to the Trust from which they were originally Transferred. Such conversion and transfer to the Trust shall be effective as of the close of trading on the Trading Day prior to the date of the Transfer to the purported Permitted Transferee and the provisions of this Article VII shall apply to such shares, including, without limitation, the provisions of Sections 7.4.8 through 7.4.10 with respect to any future Transfer of such shares by the Trust.
- 7.4.9 Compensation to Record Holder of Shares of Equity Stock That Are Converted into Shares of Excess Stock. Any Prohibited Owner shall be entitled (following acquisition of the shares of Excess Stock and subsequent designation of and sale of Excess Stock to a Permitted Transferee in accordance with Section 7.4.8 of this Article VII or following the purchase of such shares in accordance with Section 7.4.10 of this Article VII) to receive from the Trustee following the sale or other disposition of such shares of Excess Stock the lesser of (i) (a) in the case of a purported Transfer in which the Prohibited Owner gave value for shares of Equity Stock and which Transfer resulted in the conversion of such shares into shares of Excess Stock, the product of (x) the price per share, if any, such Prohibited Owner paid for the shares of Equity Stock and (y) the number of shares of Equity Stock which were so converted into Excess Stock and (b) in the case of a Non-Transfer Event or purported Transfer in which the Prohibited Owner did not give value for such shares (e.g., if the shares were received through a gift or devise) and which Non-Transfer Event or purported Transfer, as the case may be, resulted in the conversion of such shares into shares of Excess Stock, the product of (x) the price per share equal to the Market Price on the date of such Non-Transfer Event or purported Transfer and (y) the number of shares of Equity Stock which were so converted into Excess Stock or (ii) the proceeds received by the Trustee from the sale or other disposition of such shares of Excess Stock in accordance with Section 7.4.8 or Section 7.4.10 of this Article VII. Any amounts received by the Trustee in respect of such shares of Excess Stock and in excess of such amounts to be paid to the Prohibited Owner pursuant to this Section 7.4.9 shall be distributed to the Beneficiary in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.4.8 of this Article VII. Each Beneficiary and Prohibited Owner shall be deemed to have waived any and all claims that it may have against the Trustee and the Trust arising out of the disposition of shares of Excess Stock, except for claims arising out of the gross negligence or willful misconduct of, or any failure to make payments in accordance with this Section 7.4 of this Article VII, by such Trustee.
- 7.4.10 Purchase Right in Excess Stock. Except for shares of Excess Stock which may result from the conversion of shares of Series A Preferred Stock and Series B Preferred Stock which are outstanding as of the acceptance for record of these Articles, which shares shall not be subject to this Section 7.4.10, shares of Excess Stock shall be deemed to have been offered for sale to the Corporation or its designee, at a price per share equal to the lesser of (i) the price per share in the transaction that created such shares of Excess Stock (or, in the case of a Non-Transfer Event or Transfer in which the Prohibited Owner did not give value for the shares (e.g., if the shares were received through a gift or devise), the Market Price on the date of such Non-Transfer Event or Transfer in which the Prohibited Owner did not give value for the shares) or (ii) the Market Price on the date the Corporation, or its designee, accepts such offer. The Corporation shall have the right to accept such offer for a period of 90 days following the later of

- (a) the date of the Non-Transfer Event or purported Transfer which results in such shares of Excess Stock or (b) the date the Board of Directors first determines that a Transfer or Non-Transfer Event resulting in shares of Excess Stock has occurred, if the Corporation does not receive a notice of such Transfer or Non-Transfer Event pursuant to Section 7.4.3 of this Article VII.
- 7.5 Classification of Stock. The Board of Directors may classify or reclassify any unissued shares of Stock from time to time by setting or changing the preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends and other distributions, qualifications, and terms and conditions of redemption for each class or series, including, but not limited to, the reclassification of unissued shares of Common Stock to shares of Preferred Stock or unissued shares of Preferred Stock to shares of Common Stock or the issuance of any rights plan or similar plan.
- 7.6 Issuance of Stock. The Board of Directors may authorize the issuance from time to time of shares of Stock of any class or series, whether now or hereafter authorized, or securities or rights convertible into shares of Stock, for such consideration as the Board of Directors may deem advisable (or without consideration in the case of a share split or dividend), subject to such restrictions or limitations, if any, as may be set forth in these Articles or the Bylaws of the Corporation.
- 7.7 Dividends or Distributions. The Directors may from time to time authorize and declare and pay to stockholders such dividends or distributions in cash, property or other assets of the Corporation or in securities of the Corporation or from any other source as the Directors in their discretion shall determine.
- 7.8 Ambiguity. In the case of an ambiguity in the application of any of the provisions of this Article VII, the Board of Directors shall have the power to determine the application of the provisions of this Article VII with respect to any situation based on the facts known to it.
- 7.9 Legend. Except as otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, each certificate for shares of Equity Stock shall bear substantially the following legend: "The shares of Avalon Bay Communities, Inc. (the "Corporation") represented by this certificate are subject to restrictions set forth in the Corporation's charter, as the same may be amended from time to time, which prohibit in general (a) any Person (other than a Look-Through Entity) from Beneficially Owning shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit, (b) any Look-Through Entity from Beneficially Owning shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Look-Through Ownership Limit and (c) any Person from acquiring or maintaining any ownership interest in the stock of the Corporation that is inconsistent with (i) the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, pertaining to real estate investment trusts or (ii) the charter of the Corporation, and the holder of this certificate by his, her or its acceptance hereof consents to be bound by such restrictions. Capitalized terms used in this paragraph and not defined herein are defined in the Corporation's charter, as the same may be amended from time to time. The Corporation will furnish without charge, to each stockholder who so requests, a copy of the relevant provisions of the charter and the bylaws, each as amended, of the Corporation, a copy of the provisions setting forth the designations, preferences, privileges and rights of each class of stock or series thereof that the Corporation is authorized to issue and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such preferences and/or rights. Any such request may be addressed to the Secretary of the Corporation or to the transfer agent named on the face hereof."
- 7.10 Severability. Each provision of this Article VII shall be severable and an adverse determination as to any such provision shall in no way affect the validity of any other provision.

7.11 Articles and Bylaws. All persons who shall acquire Stock in the Corporation shall acquire the same subject to the provisions of these Articles and the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII

LIMITATION ON PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

No holder of any Stock or any other securities of the Corporation, whether now or hereafter authorized, shall have any preferential or preemptive rights to subscribe for or purchase any Stock or any other securities of the Corporation other than such rights, if any, as the Board of Directors, in its sole discretion, may fix by articles supplementary, by contract or otherwise; and any Stock or other securities which the Board of Directors may determine to offer for subscription may, within the Board of Directors' sole discretion, be offered to the holders of any class, series or type of Stock or other securities at the time outstanding to the exclusion of holders of any or all other classes, series or types of Stock or other securities at the time outstanding.

ARTICLE IX

LIMITATIONS ON TRANSFER AND OWNERSHIP OF EQUITY STOCK

9.1 Definitions. For purposes of this Article IX, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below: "Beneficial Ownership," when used with respect to ownership of shares of Equity Stock by any Person, shall mean all shares of Equity Stock which are (i) directly owned by such Person, (ii) indirectly owned by such Person (if such Person is an "individual" as defined in Section 542(a)(2) of the Code) taking into account the constructive ownership rules of Section 544 of the Code, as modified by Section 856(h)(1)(B) of the Code, or (iii) beneficially owned by such Person pursuant to Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; provided, however, that in determining the number of shares Beneficially Owned by a Person or group, no share shall be counted more than once although applicable to two or more of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of this definition or (in the case of a group) although Beneficially Owned by more than one Person in such group. (If a Person Beneficially Owns shares of Equity Stock that are not actually outstanding (e.g., shares issuable upon the exercise of an option or convertible security) ("Option Shares"), then, whenever these Articles require a determination of the percentage of outstanding shares of a class of Equity Stock Beneficially Owned by that Person, the Option Shares Beneficially Owned by that Person shall also be deemed to be outstanding.)

"Beneficiary" shall mean, with respect to any Trust, one or more organizations described in each of Section 170(b)(1)(A) (other than clauses (vii) and (viii) thereof) and Section 170(c)(2) of the Code that are named by the Corporation as the beneficiary or beneficiaries of such Trust, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.4.4 of Article VII.

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Constructive Ownership" shall mean ownership of shares of Equity Stock by a Person who is or would be treated as a direct or indirect owner of such shares of Equity Stock through the application of Section 318 of the Code, as modified by Section 856(d)(5) of the Code. The terms "Constructive Owner," "Constructively Owns" and "Constructively Owned" shall have correlative meanings.

"Equity Stock" shall mean a particular class (other than Excess Stock) or series of stock of the Corporation. The use of the term "Equity Stock" or any term defined by reference to

the term "Equity Stock" shall refer to the particular class or series of stock which is appropriate under the context.

"Look-Through Entity" shall mean a Person that is either (i) a trust described in Section 401(a) of the Code and exempt from tax under Section 501(a) of the Code as modified by Section 856(h)(3) of the Code or (ii) registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

"Look-Through Ownership Limit" shall mean, with respect to a class or series of Equity Stock, 15% of the number of outstanding shares of such Equity Stock.

"Market Price" of Equity Stock on any date shall mean the average of the Closing Price for shares of such Equity Stock for the five consecutive Trading Days ending on such date. The "Closing Price" on any date shall mean (A) where there exists a public market for the Corporation's Equity Stock, the last sale price, regular way, or, in case no such sale takes place on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices, regular way, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the New York Stock Exchange, as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed on the Principal national securities exchange on which the shares of Equity Stock are listed or admitted to trading or, if the shares of Equity Stock are not listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, the last quoted price, or if not so quoted, the average of the high bid and low asked prices in the over-the-counter market, as reported by the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or, if such system is no longer in use, the principal other automated quotation system that may then be in use or (B) if no public market for the Equity Stock exists, the Closing Price will be determined by a single, independent appraiser selected by a committee composed of Independent Directors which appraiser shall appraise the Market Price for such Equity Stock within such guidelines as shall be determined by the committee of Independent Directors.

"Non-Transfer Event" shall mean an event other than a purported Transfer that would cause (a) any Person (other than a Look-Through Entity) to Beneficially Own shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit or (b) any Look-Through Entity to Beneficially Own shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Look-Through Ownership Limit. Non-Transfer Events include but are not limited to (i) the granting of any option or entering into any agreement for the sale, transfer or other disposition of shares (or of Beneficial Ownership of shares) of Equity Stock or (ii) the sale, transfer, assignment or other disposition of interests in any Person or of any securities or rights convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Equity Stock or for interests in any Person that results in changes in Beneficial Ownership of shares of Equity Stock.

"Ownership Limit" shall mean, with respect to a class or series of Equity Stock, 9.8% of the number of outstanding shares of such Equity Stock.

"Permitted Transferee" shall mean any Person designated as a Permitted Transferee in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.4.8 of Article VII.

"Person" shall mean (a) an individual or any corporation, partnership, estate, trust, association, private foundation, joint stock company or any other entity and (b) a "group" as that term is used for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act; but shall not include an underwriter that participates in a public offering of Equity Stock for a period of 90 days following purchase by such underwriter of such Equity Stock.

"Prohibited Owner" shall mean, with respect to any purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event, any Person who is prevented from becoming or remaining the owner of record title to shares of Equity Stock by the provisions of Section 7.4.1 of Article VII.

"Restriction Termination Date" shall mean the first day on which the Board of Directors, in accordance with Article VI hereof, determines that it is no longer in the best interests of the Corporation to attempt to, or continue to, qualify under the Code as a REIT.

"Trading Day" shall mean a day on which the principal national securities exchange on which any of the shares of Equity Stock are listed or admitted to trading is open for the transaction of business or, if none of the shares of Equity Stock are listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

"Transfer" (as a noun) shall mean any sale, transfer, gift, assignment, devise or other disposition of shares (or of Beneficial Ownership of shares) of Equity Stock, whether voluntary or involuntary, whether of record, constructively or beneficially and whether by operation of law or otherwise. "Transfer" (as a verb) shall have the correlative meaning.

"Trust" shall mean any separate trust created and administered in accordance with the terms of Section 7.4 of Article VII, for the exclusive benefit of any Beneficiary.

"Trustee" shall mean any Person or entity, unaffiliated with both the Corporation and any Prohibited Owner (and, if different than the Prohibited Owner, the Person who would have had Beneficial Ownership of the Shares that would have been owned of record by the Prohibited Owner), designated by the Corporation to act as trustee of any Trust, or any successor trustee thereof.

- 9.2 Restriction on Ownership and Transfer.
- (a) (I) Except as provided in Section 9.4 of this Article IX, until the Restriction Termination Date, (i) no Person (other than a Look-Through Entity) shall Beneficially Own shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit and (ii) no Look-Through Entity shall Beneficially Own shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Look-Through Ownership Limit.
- (II) Except as provided in Section 9.4 of this Article IX, until the Restriction Termination Date, any purported Transfer (whether or not the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange or any other national securities exchange or the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or any other automated quotation system) that, if effective, would result in any Person (other than a Look-Through Entity) Beneficially Owning shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit shall be void ab initio as to the Transfer of that number of shares of Equity Stock which would be otherwise Beneficially Owned by such Person in excess of the Ownership Limit, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Equity Stock.
- (III) Except as provided in Section 9.4 of this Article IX, until the Restriction Termination Date, any purported Transfer (whether or not the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange or any other national securities exchange or the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or any other automated quotation system) that, if effective, would result in any Look-Through Entity Beneficially Owning shares of Equity Stock in excess of the Look-Through Ownership Limit shall be void ab initio as to the Transfer of that number of shares of Equity Stock which would be otherwise Beneficially Owned by such Look-Through Ownership Entity in excess of the Look-Through Ownership Limit, and the intended transferee Look-Through Entity shall acquire no rights in such shares of Equity Stock.

- (b) Until the Restriction Termination Date, any purported Transfer (whether or not the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange or any other national securities exchange or the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or any other automated quotation system) of shares of Equity Stock that, if effective, would result in the Corporation being "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code shall be void ab initio as to the Transfer of that number of shares of Equity Stock that would cause the Corporation to be "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Equity Stock.
- (c) Until the Restriction Termination Date, any purported Transfer (whether or not the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange or any other national securities exchange or the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or any other automated quotation system) of shares of Equity Stock that, if effective, would cause the Corporation to Constructively Own 10% or more of the ownership interests in a tenant of the real property of the Corporation or any direct or indirect subsidiary (whether a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity) of the Corporation (a "Subsidiary"), within the meaning of Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code, shall be void ab initio as to the Transfer of that number of shares of Equity Stock that would cause the Corporation to Constructively Own 10% or more of the ownership interests in a tenant of the real property of the Corporation or a Subsidiary within the meaning of Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Equity Stock.
- (d) Until the Restriction Termination Date, any purported Transfer (whether or not the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange or any other national securities exchange or the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or any other automated quotation system) that, if effective, would result in shares of Equity Stock being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons within the meaning of Section 856(a)(5) of the Code shall be void ab initio and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Equity Stock.
- 9.3 Owners Required to Provide Information. Until the Restriction Termination Date:
- (a) Every Beneficial Owner of more than 5%, or such lower percentages as are then required pursuant to regulations under the Code, of the outstanding shares of any class or series of Equity Stock of the Corporation as of any dividend record date on the Corporation's Equity Stock shall, within 30 days after January 1 of each year, provide to the Corporation a written statement or affidavit stating the name and address of such Beneficial Owner, the number of shares of Equity Stock Beneficially Owned by such Beneficial Owner as of each such dividend record date, and a description of how such shares are held. Each such Beneficial Owner shall provide to the Corporation such additional information as the Corporation may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such Beneficial Ownership on the Corporation's status as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the Ownership Limit.
- (b) Each Person who is a Beneficial Owner of shares of Equity Stock and each Person (including the stockholder of record) who is holding shares of Equity Stock for a Beneficial Owner shall provide to the Corporation a written statement or affidavit stating such information as the Corporation may request in order to determine the Corporation's status as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the Ownership Limit.
- 9.4. Exception. The Board of Directors, upon receipt of a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service or an opinion of counsel or other evidence or undertakings acceptable to it, may, in its sole discretion, waive the application of the Ownership Limit or the Look-Through Ownership Limit to a Person subject, as the case may be, to any such limit, provided that (A) the Board of Directors obtains such representations and undertakings from such Person as are reasonably necessary to ascertain that such Person's Beneficial Ownership or Constructive

Ownership of shares of Equity Stock will now and in the future (i) not result in the Corporation being "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code, (ii) not cause the Corporation to Constructively Own 10% or more of the ownership interests of a tenant of the Corporation or a Subsidiary within the meaning of Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code and to violate the 95% gross income test of Section 856(c)(2) of the Code, and (iii) not result in the shares of Equity Stock of the Corporation being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons within the meaning of Section 856(a)(5) of the Code, and (B) such Person agrees in writing that any violation or attempted violation of (x) such other limitation as the Board of Directors may establish at the time of such waiver with respect to such Person or (y) such other restrictions and conditions as the Board of Directors may in its sole discretion impose at the time of such waiver with respect to such Person, will result, as of the time of such violation even if discovered after such violation, in the conversion of such shares in excess of the original limit applicable to such Person into shares of Excess Stock pursuant to Section 7.4.1 of Article VII.

- 9.5 New York Stock Exchange Transactions. Notwithstanding any provision contained herein to the contrary, nothing in these Articles shall preclude the settlement of any transaction entered into through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange or any other national securities exchange or the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or any other automated quotation system. In no event shall the existence or application of the preceding sentence have the effect of deterring or preventing the conversion of Equity Stock into Excess Stock as contemplated herein.
- 9.6 Ambiguity. In the case of an ambiguity in the application of any of the provisions of this Article IX, including any definition contained in Section 9.1 of this Article IX, the Board of Directors shall have the power to determine the application of the provisions of this Article IX with respect to any situation based on the facts known to it.
- 9.7 Remedies Not Limited. Except as set forth in Section 9.5 of this Article IX, nothing contained in this Article IX or Article VII shall limit the authority of the Corporation to take such other action as it deems necessary or advisable to protect the Corporation and the interests of its stockholders by preservation of the Corporation's status as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the Ownership Limit or the Look-Through Ownership Limit.

ARTICLE X

RIGHTS AND POWERS OF CORPORATION, BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

In carrying on its business, or for the purpose of attaining or furthering any of its objects, the Corporation shall have all of the rights, powers and privileges granted to corporations by the laws of the State of Maryland, as well as the power to do any and all acts and things that a natural person or partnership could do as now or hereafter authorized by law, either alone or in partnership or conjunction with others. In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the powers of the Corporation and of the Directors and stockholders shall include the following:

10.1 Conflicts of Interest. Any Director or officer individually, or any firm of which any Director or officer may be a member, or any corporation or association of which any Director or officer may be a director or officer or in which any Director or officer may be interested as the holder of any amount of its Stock or otherwise, may be a party to, or may be pecuniarily or otherwise interested in, any contract or transaction of the Corporation, and, in the absence of fraud, no contract or other transaction shall be thereby affected or invalidated; provided, however, that (a) such fact shall have been disclosed or shall have been known to the Board of Directors or the committee thereof that approved such contract or transaction and such contract or transaction shall have been approved or ratified by the affirmative vote of a majority of the

disinterested Directors, or (b) such fact shall have been disclosed or shall have been known to the stockholders entitled to vote, and such contract or transaction shall have been approved or ratified by a majority of the votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote, other than the votes of shares owned of record or beneficially by the interested Director or corporation, firm or other entity, or (c) the contract or transaction is fair and reasonable to the Corporation. Any Director of the Corporation who is also a director or officer of or interested in such other corporation or association, or who, or the firm of which he is a member, is so interested, may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation which shall authorize any such contract or transaction, with like force and effect as if he were not such director or officer of such other corporation or association or were not so interested or were not a member of a firm so interested.

10.2 Amendment of Articles. The Corporation reserves the right, from time to time, to make any amendment of its Articles, now or hereafter authorized by law, including any amendment which alters the contract rights, as expressly set forth in its Articles, of any outstanding Stock.

No amendment or repeal of these Articles shall be made unless the same is first approved by the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors in accordance with the MGCL, and, except as otherwise provided by law, thereafter approved by the stockholders.

10.3 Extraordinary Actions. Except as specifically provided in Section 6.4 of Article VI (relating to removal of Directors), notwithstanding any provision of law requiring any action to be taken or approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders entitled to cast a greater number of votes, any such action shall be effective and valid if declared advisable by the Board of Directors and taken or approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter.

ARTICLE XI

INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation (which for the purpose of this Article XI shall include predecessor entities of the Corporation as set forth in Section 2-418 of the MGCL) shall have the power to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law in effect from time to time, to obligate itself to indemnify, and to pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to, (a) any individual who is a present or former Director or officer of the Corporation or (b) any individual who, while a Director of the Corporation and at the request of the Corporation, serves or has served as a director, officer, partner or trustee of another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or any other enterprise from and against any claim or liability to which such person may become subject or which such person may incur by reason of his status as a present or former Director or officer of the Corporation. The Corporation shall have the power, with the approval of the Board of Directors, to provide such indemnification and advancement of expenses to a person who served a predecessor of the Corporation in any of the capacities described in (a) or (b) above and to any employee or agent of the Corporation or a predecessor of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XII

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

To the fullest extent permitted under the MGCL as in effect on the date of filing these Articles or as the MGCL is thereafter amended from time to time, no Director or officer shall be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for money damages. Neither the amendment or the repeal of this Article, nor the adoption of any other provision in the Corporation's Articles inconsistent with this Article, shall eliminate or reduce the protection afforded by this Article to a Director or officer of the Corporation with respect to any matter which occurred, or any cause of action, suit or claim which but for this Article would have accrued or arisen, prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption.

ARTICLE XIII

MISCELLANEOUS

- 13.1 Provisions in Conflict with Law or Regulations.
- (a) The provisions of these Articles are severable, and if the Directors shall determine that any one or more of such provisions are in conflict with the REIT provisions of the Code, or other applicable federal or state laws, the conflicting provisions shall be deemed never to have constituted a part of these Articles, even without any amendment of these Articles pursuant to Section 10.2 hereof; provided, however, that such determination by the Directors shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions of these Articles or render invalid or improper any action taken or omitted prior to such determination. No Director shall be liable for making or failing to make such a determination.
- (b) If any provision of these Articles or any application of such provision shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any federal or state court having jurisdiction, such holding shall not in any manner affect or render invalid or unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction, and the validity of the remaining provisions of these Articles shall not be affected. Other applications of such provision shall be affected only to the extent necessary to comply with the determination of such court.

ARTICLE XIV

DESIGNATED SERIES OF PREFERRED STOCK

- 14.1 Series A Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors has duly divided and classified 2,308,800 shares of the Preferred Stock of the Corporation into a series designated Series A Preferred Stock and has provided for the issuance of such series. Subject in all cases to the provisions of Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles with respect to Excess Stock, the following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of the Series A Preferred Stock of the Corporation:
- 14.1.1 Designation and Amount. The designation of the Preferred Stock described in Section 14.1 hereof shall be "Series A Preferred Stock (par value \$.01 per share)" (hereinafter "Series A Preferred Stock"). The number of authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock is 2,308,800. The Series A Preferred Stock shall rank (a) senior to the Corporation's Series E Preferred Stock (as defined in Section 14.5 hereof) and Common Stock, (b) on a pari passu basis with the Corporation's Series B Preferred Stock (as defined in Section 14.2 hereof), and (c) junior to the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock (as defined in Section

14.3 hereof), Series D Preferred Stock (as defined in Section 14.4 hereof), Series F Preferred Stock (as defined in Section 14.6 hereof) and Series G Preferred Stock (as defined in Section 14.7 hereof), with respect to the payment of dividends.

14.1.2 Dividend Rights.

- (a) The holders of record of outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when and as authorized by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available therefor, cash dividends which are (i) cumulative, (ii) preferential to the dividends paid on the Corporation's Series E Preferred Stock and Common Stock, on a pari passu basis to the dividends paid on the Corporation's Series B Preferred Stock, and junior to the dividends paid on the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock and Series G Preferred Stock, and (iii) payable at an annual rate equal to the Series A Dividend Amount, and no more, on the fifteenth day of each February, May, August and November following the date of original issuance of the Series A Preferred Stock (the "Series A Original Issue Date"). Each calendar quarter immediately preceding the fifteenth day of February, May, August and November (or if the Series A Original Issue Date is not on the first day of a calendar quarter, the period beginning on the date of issuance and ending on the last day of the calendar quarter of issuance) is referred to hereinafter as a "Series A Dividend Period." The initial per share Series A Dividend Amount per annum shall be equal to \$1.6068. The amount of dividends payable for each full Series A Dividend Period for the Series A Preferred Stock shall be computed by dividing the Series A Dividend Amount by four. The amount of dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock payable for the initial Series A Dividend Period, or any other period shorter or longer than a full Series A Dividend Period, shall be computed ratably on the basis of the actual number of days in such Series A Dividend Period. In the event of any change in the quarterly cash dividend per share applicable to the Common Stock, the quarterly cash dividend per share on the Series A Preferred Stock shall be adjusted for the same dividend period by an amount computed by multiplying the amount of the change in the Common S
- (b) In the event the Corporation shall declare a distribution payable in (i) securities of other persons, (ii) evidences of indebtedness issued by the Corporation or other persons, (iii) assets (excluding cash dividends) or (iv) options or rights to purchase capital stock or evidences of indebtedness in the Corporation or other persons, then, in each such case for the purpose of this Section 14.1.2(b), the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to a proportionate share of any such distribution as though they were the holders of the number of shares of Common Stock of the Corporation into which their shares of Series A Preferred Stock are or would be convertible (assuming such shares of Series A Preferred Stock were then convertible).
- (c) The Corporation shall not (i) declare or pay or set apart for payment any dividends or distributions on any Stock ranking as to dividends junior to the Series A Preferred Stock (other than dividends paid in shares of such junior Stock) or (ii) make any purchase or redemption of, or any sinking fund payment for the purchase or redemption of, any Stock ranking as to dividends junior to the Series A Preferred Stock (other than a purchase or redemption made by issue or delivery of such junior Stock) unless all dividends payable on all outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock for all past Series A Dividend Periods shall have been paid in full or declared and a sufficient sum set apart for payment thereof, provided, however, that any moneys theretofore deposited in any sinking fund with respect to any Preferred Stock of the Corporation in compliance with the provisions of such sinking fund may thereafter be applied to the purchase or redemption of such Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms of such sinking fund.

(d) All dividends declared on shares of Series A Preferred Stock and any other class of Preferred Stock or series thereof ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series A Preferred Stock shall be declared pro rata, so that the amounts of dividends declared per share on the Series A Preferred Stock for the Series A Dividend Period of the Series A Preferred Stock ending either on the same day or within the dividend period of such other Stock shall, in all cases, bear to each other the same ratio that accrued dividends per share on the shares of Series A Preferred Stock and such other Stock bear to each other.

14.1.3 Liquidation Rights.

- (a) Subject to the prior rights of the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock and any class or series of Stock the terms of which specifically provide that such Stock ranks senior to the Series A Preferred Stock, in the event of any liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the Corporation, either voluntary or involuntary, the holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis with the holders of the Corporation's Series B Preferred Stock and prior and in preference to any distribution of any of the assets or surplus funds of the Corporation to the holders of Common Stock by reason of their ownership of such Stock, an amount equal to all accrued but unpaid dividends for each share of Series A Preferred Stock then held by them. If upon the occurrence of such event, the assets and funds thus distributed among the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to permit the payment to such holders of the full amounts to which they are entitled under the preceding sentence, then, subject to any prior rights of any classes or series of Stock, the entire assets and funds of the Corporation legally available for distribution shall be distributed ratably to the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and the holders of any other shares of Stock on a parity for liquidation purposes with the Series A Preferred Stock in proportion to the aggregate amounts owed to each such holder.
- (b) Subject to any prior rights of any other class or series of Stock, after the payment or setting apart of payment to the holders of Series A Preferred Stock of the full preferential amounts to which they shall be entitled pursuant to Section 14.1.3(a) above, the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock shall be treated pari passu with the holders of the record of Common Stock, with each holder of record of Series A Preferred Stock being entitled to receive in addition to the amounts payable pursuant to Section 14.1.3(a) above, that amount which such holder would be entitled to receive if such holder had converted all its Series A Preferred Stock into Common Stock immediately prior to the liquidating distribution in question.

14.1.4 Conversion.

- (a) Right to Convert. Beginning on the third anniversary of the Series A Original Issue Date, the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall have the right, at their option, to convert each such share, at any time and from time to time, into one (the "Series A Conversion Ratio," which shall be subject to adjustment as hereinafter provided) fully paid and nonassessable share of Common Stock; provided, however, that no holder of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to convert shares of such Series A Preferred Stock into Common Stock pursuant to the foregoing provision, if, as a result of such conversion, such person would become the Beneficial Owner of more than 4.9% of the Corporation's outstanding Common Stock (the "4.9% Limitation"). As used in Section 14.1 and 14.2 hereof, Beneficial Owner shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (or any successor provision thereto). Notwithstanding the foregoing, such conversion right may be exercised at any time after the Series A Original Issue Date and irrespective of the 4.9% Limitation (and no such limit shall apply) if any of the following circumstances occurs:
- (i) For any two consecutive fiscal quarters, the aggregate amount outstanding as of the end of the quarter under (1) all mortgage indebtedness of the Corporation and its consolidated

entities and (2) unsecured indebtedness of the Corporation and its consolidated entities exceeds sixty-five percent (65%) of the amount arrived at by (A) taking the Corporation's consolidated gross revenues less property-related expenses, including real estate taxes, insurance, maintenance and utilities, but excluding depreciation, amortization, interest and corporate general and administrative expenses, for the quarter in question and the immediately preceding quarter, (B) multiplying the amount in clause (A) by two (2), and (C) dividing the resulting product in clause (B) by nine percent (9%) (all as such items of indebtedness, revenues and expenses are reported in consolidated financial statements contained in the Corporation's Forms 10-K and Forms 10-Q as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission); or

- (ii) Gilbert M. Meyer has ceased to be an executive officer of the Corporation, unless the holders of a majority of the shares of the Series A Preferred Stock then outstanding have voted on and approved a replacement for Mr. Meyer and the replacement remains an executive officer of the Corporation; or
- (iii) If (A) the Corporation shall be party to, or shall have entered into an agreement for, any transaction (including, without limitation, a merger, consolidation, statutory share exchange or sale of all or substantially all of its assets (each of the foregoing a "Series A Transaction")), in each case as a result of which shares of Common Stock shall have been or will be converted into the right to receive stock, securities or other property (including cash or any combination thereof) or which has resulted or will result in the holders of Common Stock immediately prior to the Series A Transaction owning less than 50% of the Common Stock after the Series A Transaction, or (B) a "change of control" as defined in the next sentence occurs with respect to the Corporation. A change of control shall mean the acquisition (including by virtue of a merger, share exchange or other business combination) by one stockholder or a group of stockholders acting in concert of the power to elect a majority of the Corporation's Board of Directors. The Corporation shall notify the holders of Series A Preferred Stock promptly if any of the events listed in this Section 14.1.4(a)(iii) shall occur. Calculations set forth in Section 14.1.4(a)(i) shall be made without regard to unconsolidated indebtedness incurred as a joint venture partner, and the effect of any unconsolidated joint venture, including any income from such unconsolidated joint venture, shall be excluded for purposes of the calculation set forth in Section 14.1.4(a)(i).
- (b) Mandatory Conversion. On the tenth anniversary of the Series A Original Issue Date (the "Series A Mandatory Conversion Date"), each issued and outstanding share of Series A Preferred Stock which has not been converted to Common Stock shall mandatorily convert to that number of fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock equal to the Series A Conversion Ratio, as adjusted, regardless of the 4.9% Limitation. From and after the Series A Mandatory Conversion Date, certificates representing shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be deemed to represent the shares of Common Stock into which they have been converted. Following the Series A Mandatory Conversion Date, the holder of certificates for Series A Preferred Stock may surrender those certificates at the office of any transfer agent for the Common Stock, or if there is no such transfer agent, at the principal offices of the Corporation, or at such other office as may be designated by the Corporation, accompanied by instructions from the holder as to the name(s) and address(es) in which such holder wishes the certificate(s) for the shares of Common Stock issuable upon such conversion to be issued. Promptly following surrender of certificates for Series A Preferred Stock after the Series A Mandatory Conversion Date, the Corporation shall issue and deliver at such office a certificate or certificates for the number of whole shares of Common Stock issuable upon mandatory conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock to the person(s) entitled to receive the same. For purposes of Sections 14.1.4(d) and 14.1.4(e) below, the Series A Mandatory Conversion Date shall constitute the Series A Conversion Date.

- (c) Procedure for Conversion. In order to exercise its right to convert shares of Series A Preferred Stock into Common Stock, the holder of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall surrender the certificate(s) therefor, duly endorsed if the Corporation shall so require, or accompanied by appropriate instruments of transfer satisfactory to the Corporation, at the office of any transfer agent for the Series A Preferred Stock, or if there is no such transfer agent, at the principal offices of the Corporation, or at such other office as may be designated by the Corporation, together with written notice that such holder elects to convert such shares. Such notice shall also state the name(s) and address(es) in which such holder wishes the certificate(s) for the shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion to be issued. As soon as practicable after a conversion, the Corporation shall issue and deliver at said office a certificate or certificates for the number of whole shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock duly surrendered for conversion, to the person(s) entitled to receive the same. Shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be deemed to have been converted immediately prior to the close of business on the date on which the certificates therefor and notice of intention to convert the same are duly received by the Corporation in accordance with the foregoing provisions, and the person(s) entitled to receive the Common Stock issuable upon such conversion shall be deemed for all purposes as record holder(s) of such Common Stock as of the close of business on such date (hereinafter, the "Series A Conversion Date").
- (d) Fractional Shares. No fractional shares shall be issued upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock into Common Stock, and the number of shares of Common Stock to be issued shall be rounded to the nearest whole share. As to any final fraction of a share which the holder of one or more shares of Series A Preferred Stock would be entitled to receive upon exercise of his conversion right the Corporation shall pay a cash adjustment in an amount equal to the same fraction of the last sale price (or bid price if there were no sales) per share of Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on the business day which next precedes the Series A Conversion Date or, if such Common Stock is not then listed on the New York Stock Exchange, of the market price per share (as determined in a manner prescribed by the Board of Directors of the Corporation) at the close of business on the business day which next precedes the Series A Conversion Date.
- (e) Payment of Adjusted Accrued Dividends Upon Conversion. On the next dividend payment date (or such later date as is permitted in this Section 14.1.4(e)) following any Series A Conversion Date hereunder, the Corporation shall pay in cash Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends (as defined below) on shares of Series A Preferred Stock so converted. The holder shall be entitled to receive accrued and unpaid dividends accrued to and including the Series A Conversion Date on the shares of Series A Preferred Stock converted (assuming that such dividends accrue ratably each day that such shares are outstanding), less an amount equal to the pre-conversion portion of the dividends paid on the shares of Common Stock issued upon such conversion (the "Series A Conversion Stock"). (The record date for the Series A Conversion Stock which occurs after the Series A Conversion Date is hereinafter referred to as the "Series A Subsequent Record Date.") The pre-conversion portion of such Series A Conversion Stock dividend means that portion of such dividend as is attributable to the period that (i) begins on the day after the last Series A Conversion Stock dividends accrue ratably during the period. The term "Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends" means the amount arrived at through the application of the foregoing formula. Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall not be less than zero. The formula for Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall be applied to effectuate the Corporation's intent that the holder converting shares of Series A Preferred Stock to Series A Conversion Date and shall be entitled to the dividends on the shares of Series A Conversion Stock issued upon such conversion which are deemed to accrue beginning on the first day after the Series A Conversion Date, but shall not be entitled to dividends attributable to

the same period for both the shares of Series A Preferred Stock converted and the shares of Series A Conversion Stock issued upon such conversion. The Corporation shall be entitled to withhold (to the extent consistent with the intent to avoid double dividends for overlapping portions of Series A Preferred and Series A Conversion Stock dividend periods) the payment of Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends until the applicable Series A Subsequent Record Date, even though such date occurs after the applicable dividend payment date with respect to the Series A Preferred Stock, in which event the Corporation shall mail to each holder who converted Series A Preferred Stock a check for the Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends thereon within five (5) business days after such Series A Subsequent Record Date. Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall be accompanied by an explanation of how such Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends have been calculated. Series A Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall not bear interest.

(f) Adjustments.

- (i) In the event the Corporation shall at any time (i) pay a dividend or make a distribution to holders of Common Stock in shares of Common Stock, (ii) subdivide its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a larger number of shares, or (iii) combine its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, the Series A Conversion Ratio shall be adjusted on the effective date of the dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination by multiplying the Series A Conversion Ratio by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination and the denominator of which shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination.
- (ii) Whenever the Series A Conversion Ratio shall be adjusted as herein provided, the Corporation shall cause to be mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, as soon as practicable to each holder of record of shares of Series A Preferred Stock a notice stating that the Series A Conversion Ratio has been adjusted and setting forth the adjusted Series A Conversion Ratio, together with an explanation of the calculation of the same.
- (iii) If the Corporation shall be party to any Series A Transaction in each case as a result of which shares of Common Stock shall be converted into the right to receive stock, securities or other property (including cash or any combination thereof), the holder of each share of Series A Preferred Stock shall have the right in connection with such Series A Transaction to convert such share, pursuant to the optional conversion provisions hereof, into the number and kind of shares of stock or other securities and the amount and kind of property receivable upon such Series A Transaction by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of such share of Series A Preferred Stock immediately prior to such Series A Transaction. The Corporation shall not be party to any Series A Transaction unless the terms of such Series A Transaction are consistent with the provisions of this Section 14.1.4(f)(iii), and it shall not consent to or agree to the occurrence of any Series A Transaction until the Corporation has entered into an agreement with the successor or purchasing entity, as the case may be, for the benefit of the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock, thereby enabling the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock to receive the benefits of this Section 14.1.4(f)(iii) and the other provisions of the Articles. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, provision shall be made for adjustments in the Series A Conversion Ratio which shall be as nearly equivalent as may be practicable to the adjustments provided for in Section 14.1.4(f)(iii). The provisions of this Section 14.1.4(f)(iii) shall similarly apply to successive Series A Transactions.
- (iv) In the event that the Corporation shall propose to effect any Series A Transaction which would result in an adjustment under Section 14.1.4(f) (iii), the Corporation shall cause to be mailed to the holders of record of Series A Preferred Stock at least 20 days prior

to the record date for such Series A Transaction a notice stating the date on which such Series A Transaction is expected to become effective, and the date as of which it is expected that holders of Common Stock of record shall be entitled to exchange their shares of Common Stock for securities or other property deliverable upon such Series A Transaction. Failure to give such notice, or any defect therein, shall not affect the legality or validity of such Series A Transaction.

(g) Other.

- (i) The Corporation shall at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized but unissued Common Stock the maximum number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon the conversion of all shares of Series A Preferred Stock then outstanding, and if at any time the number of authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock shall not be sufficient to effect the conversion of all then outstanding shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, in addition to such other remedies as shall be available to the holder of such Series A Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall take such corporate action as may, in the opinion of its counsel, be necessary to increase its authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock to such number of shares as shall be sufficient for such purposes.
- (ii) The Corporation shall pay any taxes that may be payable in respect of the issuance of shares of Common Stock upon conversion of shares of Series A Preferred Stock, but the Corporation shall not be required to pay any taxes which may be payable in respect of any transfer of shares of Series A Preferred Stock or any transfer involved in the issuance of shares of Common Stock in a name other than that in which the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so converted are registered, and the Corporation shall not be required to transfer any such shares of Series A Preferred Stock or to issue or deliver any such shares of Common Stock unless and until the person(s) requesting such transfer or issuance shall have paid to the Corporation the amount of any such taxes, or shall have established to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such taxes have been paid.
- (iii) The Corporation will not, by amendment of the Articles or through any reorganization, recapitalization, transfer of assets, consolidation, merger, dissolution, issue or sale of securities or any other voluntary action, avoid or seek to avoid the observance or performance of any of the terms to be observed or performed hereunder by the Corporation, but will at all times in good faith assist in carrying out of all the provisions of the Articles and in the taking of all such action as may be necessary or appropriate to protect the conversion rights of the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock against impairment.
- (iv) Holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive copies of all communications by the Corporation to its holders of Common Stock, concurrently with the distribution to such shareholders.
- 14.1.5 Voting Rights. Except as indicated in this Section 14.1.5, or except as otherwise from time to time required by applicable law, the holders of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to vote on any matter on which the holders of shares of Common Stock are entitled to vote, except that the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock, voting as a separate class, shall be required to vote on and approve any material adverse change in the rights, preferences or privileges of the Series A Preferred Stock. For purposes of the foregoing, the creation of a new class of Stock having rights, preferences or privileges senior to, in parity with or junior to the rights, preferences or privileges of the Series A Preferred Stock shall not be treated as a material adverse change in the rights, preferences or privileges of the Series A Preferred Stock, and the holders of Series A Preferred Stock shall not have any right to vote on the creation of such new class of Stock. Except as provided above and as required by law, the holders of Series A Preferred Stock are not entitled to vote on any merger

or consolidation involving the Corporation, on any share exchange or on a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation.

- 14.1.6 Reacquired Shares. Shares of Series A Preferred Stock converted, redeemed or otherwise purchased or acquired by the Corporation shall be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock without designation as to series.
- 14.2 Series B Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors has duly divided and classified 425,000 shares of the Preferred Stock of the Corporation into a series designated Series B Preferred Stock and has provided for the issuance of such series. Subject in all cases to the provisions of Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles with respect to Excess Stock, the following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of the Series B Preferred Stock of the Corporation:
- 14.2.1 Designation and Amount. The designation of the Preferred Stock described in Section 14.2 hereof shall be "Series B Preferred Stock (par value \$.01 per share)" (hereinafter, the "Series B Preferred Stock"). The number of shares of the Series B Preferred Stock is 425,000. The Series B Preferred Stock shall rank (a) senior to the Corporation's Series E Preferred Stock and Common Stock, (b) on a pari passu basis with the Corporation's Series A Preferred Stock, and (c) junior to the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock and Series G Preferred Stock, with respect to the payment of dividends. The Series B Preferred Stock shall have identical preferences, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, terms and conditions of redemption, conversion and other rights as the Series A Preferred Stock.

14.2.2 Dividend Rights.

(a) The holders of record of outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available therefor, cash dividends which are (1) cumulative (2) preferential to the dividends paid on the Corporation's Series E Preferred Stock and Common Stock, on a pari passu basis with the dividends paid on the Corporation's Series A Preferred Stock, and junior to the dividends paid on the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock and Series G Preferred Stock, and (3) payable at an annual rate equal to the Series B Dividend Amount (as defined below) and no more, on the fifteenth day of each February, May, August and November following the date of original issuance of the Series B Preferred Stock (the "Series B Original Issue Date"). Each calendar quarter immediately preceding the fifteenth day of February, May, August and November (or if the Series B Original Issue Date is not on the first day of a calendar quarter, the period beginning on the date of issuance and ending on the last day of the calendar quarter of issuance) is referred to hereinafter as a "Series B Dividend Period." The initial per share Series B Dividend Amount per annum shall be equal to \$1.648. The amount of dividends payable for each full Series B Dividend Period for each share of the Series B Preferred Stock shall be computed by dividing the per share Series B Dividend Amount by four. The amount of dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock payable for the initial Series B Dividend Period, or any other period shorter or longer than a full Series B Dividend Period, shall be computed ratably on the basis of the actual number of days in such Series B Dividend Period. In the event of any change in the quarterly cash dividend per share declared on the Common Stock, the quarterly cash dividend per share on the Series B Preferred Stock shall be adjusted for the same Series B Dividend Period by an amount computed by mu

- (b) In the event the Corporation shall declare a distribution payable in (i) securities of other persons, (ii) evidences of indebtedness issued by the Corporation or other persons, (iii) assets (excluding cash dividends) or (iv) options or rights to purchase capital stock or evidences of indebtedness in the Corporation or other persons, then, in each such case for the purpose of this Section 14.2.2(b), the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to a proportionate share of any such distribution as though they were the holders of the number of shares of Common Stock of the Corporation into which their shares of Series B Preferred Stock are or would be convertible (assuming such shares of Series B Preferred Stock were then convertible).
- (c) The Corporation shall not (i) declare or pay or set apart for payment any dividends or distributions on any Stock ranking as to dividends junior to the Series B Preferred Stock (other than dividends paid in shares of such junior Stock) or (ii) make any purchase or redemption of, or any sinking fund payment for the purchase or redemption of, any Stock ranking as to dividends junior to the Series B Preferred Stock (other than a purchase or redemption made by issue or delivery of such junior Stock) unless all dividends payable on all outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock for all past Series B Dividend Periods shall have been paid in full or declared and a sufficient sum set apart for payment thereof, provided, however, that any moneys theretofore deposited in any sinking fund with respect to any Preferred Stock of the Corporation in compliance with the provisions of such sinking fund may thereafter be applied to the purchase or redemption of such Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms of such sinking fund.
- (d) All dividends declared on shares of Series B Preferred Stock and any other class of Preferred Stock or series thereof ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series B Preferred Stock and the Series A Preferred Stock shall be declared pro rata, so that the amounts of dividends declared per share on the Series B Preferred Stock and Series A Preferred Stock for the Series B Dividend Period of the Series B Preferred Stock and Series A Preferred Stock ending either on the same day or within the dividend period of such other Stock, shall, in all cases, bear to each other the same ratio that accrued dividends per share on the shares of Series B Preferred Stock, Series A Preferred Stock and such other Stock bear to each other.

14.2.3 Liquidation Rights.

- (a) Subject to any prior rights of any class or series of Stock, in the event of any liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the Corporation, either voluntary or involuntary, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis with the holders of the Corporation's Series A Preferred Stock and prior and in preference to any distribution of any of the assets or surplus funds of the Corporation to the holders of Common Stock by reason of their ownership of such Stock, an amount equal to all accrued but unpaid dividends for each share of Series B Preferred Stock then held by them. If upon the occurrence of such event, the assets and funds thus distributed among the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to permit the payment to such holders of the full aforesaid amounts to which they are entitled, then, subject to any prior rights of any classes or series of Stock, the entire assets and funds of the Corporation legally available for distribution shall be distributed ratably to the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and Series B Preferred Stock, and any other shares of Stock on a parity for liquidation purposes in proportion to the aggregate amounts owed to each such holder.
- (b) Subject to any prior rights of any other class or series of Stock, after the payment or setting apart of payment to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock of the full preferential amounts to which they shall be entitled pursuant to Section 14.2.3(a) above, the holders of record of the Series B Preferred Stock shall be treated pari passu with the holders of record of Series A Preferred Stock and Common Stock, with each holder of record of Series B

Preferred Stock being entitled to receive, in addition to the amounts payable pursuant to Section 14.2.3(a) above, that amount which such holder would be entitled to receive if such holder had converted all its Series B Preferred Stock into Common Stock immediately prior to the liquidating distribution in question.

14.2.4 Conversion.

- (a) Right to Convert. Beginning on October 2, 1998, the holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall have the right, at their option, to convert each such share, at any time and from time to time, into one (the "Series B Conversion Ratio," which shall be subject to adjustment as hereinafter provided) fully paid and nonassessable share of Common Stock; provided, however, that no holder of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to convert shares of such Series B Preferred Stock into Common Stock pursuant to the foregoing provision, if, immediately after such conversion, such person would be the Beneficial Owner of the Corporation's outstanding Common Stock in an amount exceeding the 4.9% Limitation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such conversion right may be exercised at any time after the Series B Original Issue Date and irrespective of the 4.9% Limitation (and no such limit shall apply) if any of the following circumstances occurs:
- (i) For any two consecutive fiscal quarters, the aggregate amount outstanding as of the end of the quarter under (1) all mortgage indebtedness of the Corporation and its consolidated entities and (2) unsecured indebtedness of the Corporation and its consolidated entities exceeds sixty-five percent (65%) of the amount arrived at by (A) taking the Corporation's consolidated gross revenues less property-related expenses, including real estate taxes, insurance, maintenance and utilities, but excluding depreciation, amortization, interest and corporate general and administrative expenses, for the quarter in question and the immediately preceding quarter, (B) multiplying the amount in clause (A) by two (2), and (C) dividing the resulting product in clause B by nine percent (9%) (all as such items of indebtedness, revenues and expenses are reported in consolidated financial statements contained in the Corporation's Forms 10-K and Forms 10-Q as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission); or
- (ii) Gilbert M. Meyer has ceased to be an executive officer of the Corporation, unless the holders of a majority of the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock then outstanding have voted on and approved a replacement for Mr. Meyer and the replacement remains an executive officer of the Corporation; or
- (iii) If (A) the Corporation shall be party to, or shall have entered into an agreement for, any transaction (including, without limitation, a merger, consolidation, statutory share exchange or sale of all or substantially all of its assets (each of the foregoing a "Series B Transaction")), in each case as a result of which shares of Common Stock shall have been or will be converted into the right to receive stock, securities or other property (including cash or any combination thereof) or which has resulted or will result in the holders of Common Stock immediately prior to the Series B Transaction owning less than 50% of the Common Stock after the Series B Transaction, or (B) a "change of control" as defined in the next sentence occurs with respect to the Corporation. A change of control shall mean the acquisition (including by virtue of a merger, share exchange or other business combination) by one stockholder or a group of stockholders acting in concert of the power to elect a majority of the Corporation's Board of Directors. The Corporation shall notify the holders of Series B Preferred Stock promptly if any of the events listed in this Section 14.2.4(a)(iii) shall occur. Calculations set forth in Section 14.2.4(a)(i) shall be made without regard to unconsolidated indebtedness incurred as a joint venture partner, and the effect of any unconsolidated joint venture, including any income from such unconsolidated joint venture, shall be excluded for purposes of the calculation set forth in Section 14.2.4(a)(i).

- (b) Mandatory Conversion. On October 2, 2005 (the "Series B Mandatory Conversion Date"), each issued and outstanding share of Series B Preferred Stock which has not been converted to Common Stock shall mandatorily convert to that number of fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock equal to the Series B Conversion Ratio, as adjusted, regardless of the 4.9% Limitation. From and after the Series B Mandatory Conversion Date, certificates representing shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be deemed to represent the shares of Common Stock into which they have been converted. Following the Series B Mandatory Conversion Date, the holder of certificates for Series B Preferred Stock may surrender those certificates at the office of any transfer agent for the Common Stock, or if there is no such transfer agent, at the principal offices of the Corporation, or at such other office as may be designated by the Corporation, accompanied by instructions from the holder as to the name(s) and address(es) in which such holder wishes the certificate(s) for the shares of Common Stock issuable upon such conversion to be issued. Promptly following surrender of certificates for Series B Preferred Stock after the Series B Mandatory Conversion Date, the Corporation shall issue and deliver at such office a certificate or certificates for the number of whole shares of Common Stock issuable upon mandatory conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock to the person(s) entitled to receive the same. For purposes of Sections 14.2.4(d) and 14.2.4(e) below, the Series B Mandatory Conversion Date shall constitute the Series B Conversion Date.
- (c) Procedure for Conversion. In order to exercise its right to convert shares of Series B Preferred Stock into Common Stock, the holder of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall surrender the certificate(s) therefor, duly endorsed if the Corporation shall so require, or accompanied by appropriate instruments of transfer satisfactory to the Corporation, at the office of any transfer agent for the Series B Preferred Stock or if there is no such transfer agent, at the principal offices of the Corporation, or at such other office as may be designated by the Corporation, together with written notice that such holder elects to convert such shares. Such notice shall also state the name(s) and address(es) in which such holder wishes the certificate(s) for the shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion to be issued. As soon as practicable after a conversion, the Corporation shall issue and deliver at said office a certificate or certificates for the number of whole shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock duly surrendered for conversion, to the person(s) entitled to receive the same. Shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be deemed to have been converted immediately prior to the close of business on the date on which the certificates therefor and notice of intention to convert the same are duly received by the Corporation in accordance with the foregoing provisions, and the person(s) entitled to receive the Common Stock issuable upon such conversion shall be deemed for all purposes as record holder(s) of such Common Stock as of the close of business on such date (hereinafter, the "Series B Conversion Date").
- (d) No Fractional Shares. No fractional shares shall be issued upon conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock into Common Stock, and the number of shares of Common Stock to be issued shall be rounded to the nearest whole share. As to any final fraction of a share which the holder of one or more shares of Series B Preferred Stock would be entitled to receive upon exercise of his conversion right, the Corporation shall pay a cash adjustment in an amount equal to the same fraction of the last sale price (or bid price if there were no sales) per share of Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on the business day which next precedes the Series B Conversion Date or, if such Common Stock is not then listed on the New York Stock Exchange, of the market price per share (as determined in a manner prescribed by the Board of Directors of the Corporation) at the close of business on the business day which next precedes the Series B Conversion Date.
- (e) Payment of Adjusted Accrued Dividends Upon Conversion. On the next dividend payment date (or such later date as is permitted in this Section 14.2.4(e)) following any Series B Conversion Date hereunder, the Corporation shall pay in cash Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends (as defined below) on shares of Series B Preferred Stock so converted. The

holder shall be entitled to receive accrued and unpaid dividends, if any, accrued to and including the Series B Conversion Date on the shares of Series B Preferred Stock converted (assuming that such dividends accrue ratably each day that such shares are outstanding based on the Series B Dividend Amount for such quarter), less an amount equal to the pre-conversion portion of the dividends paid on the shares of Common Stock issued upon such conversion (the "Series B Conversion Stock"). (The record date for the Series B Conversion Stock which occurs after the Series B Conversion Date is hereinafter referred to as the "Series B Subsequent Record Date.") The pre-conversion portion of such Series B Conversion Stock dividend means that portion of such dividend as is attributable to the period that (i) begins on the day after the last Series B Conversion Stock dividend record date occurring before such Subsequent Record Date and (ii) ends on such Series B Conversion Date, assuming that such dividends accrue ratably during the period. The term "Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends" means the amount arrived at through the application of the foregoing formula. Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall not be less than zero. The formula for Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall be applied to effectuate the Corporation's intent that the holder converting shares of Series B Preferred Stock to Series B Conversion Stock shall be entitled to receive dividends on such shares of Series B Preferred Stock up to and including the Series B Conversion Date and shall be entitled to the dividends on the shares of Series B Conversion Stock issued upon such conversion which are deemed to accrue beginning on the first day after the Series B Conversion Date, but shall not be entitled to dividends attributable to the same period for both the shares of Series B Preferred Stock converted and the shares of Series B Conversion Stock issued upon such conversion. The Corporation shall be entitled to withhold (to the extent consistent with the intent to avoid double dividends for overlapping portions of Series B Preferred Stock and the Series B Conversion Stock dividend periods) the payment of Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends until the applicable Subsequent Record Date, even though such date occurs after the applicable dividend payment date with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock, in which event the Corporation shall mail to each holder who converted Series B Preferred Stock a check for the Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends thereon within five (5) business days after such Series B Subsequent Record Date. Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall be accompanied by an explanation of how such Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends have been calculated. Series B Adjusted Accrued Dividends shall not bear interest.

(f) Adjustments.

- (i) In the event the Corporation shall at any time (i) pay a dividend or make a distribution to holders of Common Stock in shares of Common Stock, (ii) subdivide its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a larger number of shares, or (iii) combine its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, the Series B Conversion Ratio shall be adjusted on the effective date of the dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination by multiplying the Series B Conversion Ratio by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination and the denominator of which shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination.
- (ii) Whenever the Series B Conversion Ratio shall be adjusted as herein provided, the Corporation shall cause to be mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, as soon as practicable to each holder of record of shares of Series B Preferred Stock a notice stating that the Series B Conversion Ratio has been adjusted and setting forth the adjusted Series B Conversion Ratio, together with an explanation of the calculation of the same.
- (iii) If the Corporation shall be party to any Series B Transaction in each case as a result of which shares of Common Stock shall be converted into the right to receive stock, securities or other property (including cash or any combination thereof), the holder of each share

of Series B Preferred Stock shall have the right in connection with such Series B Transaction to convert such share, pursuant to the optional conversion provisions hereof, into the number and kind of shares of stock or other securities and the amount and kind of property receivable upon such Series B Transaction by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of such share of Series B Preferred Stock immediately prior to such Series B Transaction. The Corporation shall not be party to any Series B Transaction unless the terms of such Series B Transaction are consistent with the provisions of this Section 14.2.4(f)(iii), and it shall not consent to or agree to the occurrence of any Series B Transaction until the Corporation has entered into an agreement with the successor or purchasing entity, as the case may be, for the benefit of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock, thereby enabling the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock to receive the benefits of this Section 14.2.4(f)(iii) and the other provisions of the Articles. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, provision shall be made for adjustments in the Conversion Ratio which shall be as nearly equivalent as may be practicable to the adjustments provided for in Section 14.2.4(f) (ii) shall similarly apply to successive Series B Transactions.

(iv) In the event that the Corporation shall propose to effect any Series B Transaction which would result in an adjustment under Section 14.2.4(f) (iii), the Corporation shall cause to be mailed to the holders of record of Series B Preferred Stock at least 20 days prior to the record date for such Series B Transaction a notice stating the date on which such Series B Transaction is expected to become effective, and the date as of which it is expected that holders of Common Stock of record shall be entitled to exchange their shares of Common Stock for securities or other property deliverable upon such Series B Transaction. Failure to give such notice, or any defect therein, shall not affect the legality or validity of such Series B Transaction.

(g) Other.

- (i) The Corporation shall at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized but unissued Common Stock the maximum number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon the conversion of all shares of Series B Preferred Stock then outstanding, and if at any time the number of authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock shall not be sufficient to effect the conversion of all then outstanding shares of the Series B Preferred Stock, in addition to such other remedies as shall be available to the holders of such Series B Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall take such corporate action as may, in the opinion of its counsel, be necessary to increase its authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock to such number of shares as shall be sufficient for such purposes.
- (ii) The Corporation shall pay any taxes that may be payable in respect of the issuance of shares of Common Stock upon conversion of shares of Series B Preferred Stock, but the Corporation shall not be required to pay any taxes which may be payable in respect of any transfer of shares of Series B Preferred Stock or any transfer involved in the issuance of shares of Common Stock in a name other than that in which the shares of Series B Preferred Stock so converted are registered, and the Corporation shall not be required to transfer any such shares of Series B Preferred Stock or to issue or deliver any such shares of Common Stock unless and until the person(s) requesting such transfer or issuance shall have paid to the Corporation the amount of any such taxes, or shall have established to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such taxes have been paid.
- (iii) The Corporation will not, by amendment of the Articles or through any reorganization, recapitalization, transfer of assets, consolidation, merger, dissolution, issue or sale of securities or any other voluntary action, avoid or seek to avoid the observance or performance of any of the terms to be observed or performed hereunder by the Corporation, but will at all times in good faith assist in carrying out of all the provisions of the Articles and in the

taking of all such action as may be necessary or appropriate to protect the conversion rights of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock against impairment.

- (iv) Holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive copies of all communications by the Corporation to its holders of Common Stock, concurrently with the distribution to such shareholders.
- 14.2.5 Voting Rights.
- (a) Except as indicated in this Section 14.2.5, or except as otherwise from time to time required by applicable law, the holders of shares of Series B Preferred Stock will have no voting rights.
- (b) If six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on shares of Series B Preferred Stock or on any series of Preferred Stock which ranks pari passu with the Series B Preferred Stock as to dividends (the "Series B Parity Stock") are in arrears, the number of Directors then constituting the Board of Directors of the Corporation will be increased by two, and the holders of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock, voting together as a class with the holders of shares of any other series of Series B Parity Stock entitled to such voting rights (any such other series, the "Series B Voting Preferred Stock"), will have the right to elect two additional Directors to serve on the Corporation's Board of Directors at any annual meeting of stockholders or a properly called special meeting of the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and such other Series B Voting Preferred Stock until all such dividends have been declared and paid or set aside for payment. The term of office of all Directors so elected will terminate with the termination of such voting rights.
- (c) The approval of holders of two-thirds of the outstanding Series B Preferred Stock and all other series of Series B Voting Preferred Stock similarly affected, voting as a single class, is required in order to amend the Articles to affect materially and adversely the rights, preferences or voting power of the holder of shares of Series B Preferred Stock or the Series B Voting Preferred Stock. For purposes of the foregoing, the creation of a new class of Stock having rights, preferences or privileges senior to, on a parity with or junior to the rights, preferences or privileges of the Series B Preferred Stock shall not be treated as a material adverse change in the rights, preferences or privileges of the Series B Preferred Stock, and the holders of Series B Preferred Stock shall not have any right to vote on the creation of such new class of Stock.
- (d) Except as provided above and as required by law, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock are not entitled to vote on any merger or consolidation involving the Corporation, on any share exchange or on a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation.
- 14.2.6 Reacquired Shares. Shares of Series B Preferred Stock converted, redeemed or otherwise purchased or acquired by the Corporation shall be restored to the status of authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock without designation as to series.
- 14.3 8.50% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors has, by resolution, duly divided and classified 2,300,000 shares of the Preferred Stock of the Corporation into a series designated 8.50% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock and has provided for the issuance of such series. Subject in all cases to the provisions of the Articles, including without limitation, Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX with respect to limitations on the transfer and ownership of Stock, the following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of the 8.50% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock of the Corporation:

- 14.3.1 Designation and Number. A series of Preferred Stock, designated the "8.50% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock" (the "Series C Preferred Stock"), has been established. The number of authorized shares of the Series C Preferred Stock is 2,300,000.
- 14.3.2 Rank. The Series C Preferred Stock shall, with respect to dividend rights and rights upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, rank (a) senior to the Corporation's Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock and all classes or series of Common Stock of the Corporation, and to all equity securities issued by the Corporation ranking junior to such Series C Preferred Stock; (b) on a parity with the Corporation's Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock and all other equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock; and (c) junior to all equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank senior to the Series C Preferred Stock. The term "equity securities" shall not include convertible debt securities.

14.3.3 Dividends.

- (a) Holders of the then outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when and as authorized by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends, cumulative preferential cash dividends at the rate of 8.50% of the \$25.00 liquidation preference per annum (equivalent to a fixed annual amount of \$2.125 per share). Such dividends shall be cumulative from the first date on which any Series C Preferred Stock is issued and shall be payable quarterly in arrears on or before March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year or, if not a business day, the next succeeding business day (each, a "Series C Dividend Payment Date"). The first dividend, which will be paid on September 15, 1997, will be for less than a full quarter. Such dividend and any dividend payable on the Series C Preferred Stock for any partial dividend period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends will be payable to holders of record as they appear in the stock records of the Corporation at the close of business on the applicable record date, which shall be the first day of the calendar month in which the applicable Series C Dividend Payment Date falls or on such other date designated by the Board of Directors of the Corporation as the record date for the payment of dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock that is not more than 30 nor less than 10 days prior to such Series C Dividend Payment Date (each, a "Series C Dividend Record Date").
- (b) No dividends on shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation or paid or set apart for payment by the Corporation at such time as the terms and provisions of any agreement of the Corporation, including any agreement relating to its indebtedness, prohibits such authorization, payment or setting apart for payment or provides that such authorization, payment or setting apart for payment would constitute a breach thereof or a default thereunder, or if such authorization or payment shall be restricted or prohibited by law.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock shall accrue whether or not the terms and provisions set forth in Section 14.3.3(b) hereof at any time prohibit the current payment of dividends, whether or not the Corporation has earnings, whether or not there are funds legally available for the payment of such dividends and whether or not such dividends are declared. Accrued but unpaid dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock will accumulate as of the Series C Dividend Payment Date on which they first become payable.
- (d) Except as provided in Section 14.3.3(e) below, no dividends will be declared or paid or set apart for payment on any Stock of the Corporation or any other series of Preferred

Stock ranking, as to dividends, on a parity with or junior to the Series C Preferred Stock (other than a dividend in shares of the Corporation's Common Stock or in any other class of Stock ranking junior to the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for such payment on the Series C Preferred Stock for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period.

- (e) When dividends are not paid in full (and a sum sufficient for such full payment is not so set apart) upon the Series C Preferred Stock and the shares of any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series C Preferred Stock, all dividends declared upon the Series C Preferred Stock and any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series C Preferred Stock shall be declared pro rata so that the amount of dividends declared per share of Series C Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock shall in all cases bear to each other the same ratio that accrued dividends per share on the Series C Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock (which shall not include any accrual in respect of unpaid dividends for prior dividend periods if such Preferred Stock does not have a cumulative dividend) bear to each other. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on Series C Preferred Stock which may be in arrears.
- (f) Except as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph, unless full cumulative dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no dividends (other than in shares of Common Stock or other shares of Stock ranking junior to the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) shall be declared or paid or set aside for payment, nor shall any other distribution be declared or made, upon the Common Stock or any other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, nor shall any shares of Common Stock, or any other shares of Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired for any consideration (or any moneys be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation (except by conversion into or exchange for other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation).
- (g) Any dividend payment made on shares of the Series C Preferred Stock shall first be credited against the earliest accrued but unpaid dividend due with respect to such shares which remains payable. Holders of the Series C Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividend, whether payable in cash, property or stock in excess of full cumulative dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock as described above.

14.3.4 Liquidation Preference.

- (a) Upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, the holders of shares of Series C Preferred Stock then outstanding are entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Corporation legally available for distribution to its stockholders a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share, plus an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends to the date of payment, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of Common Stock or any other class or series of Stock of the Corporation that ranks junior to the Series C Preferred Stock as to liquidation rights.
- (b) In the event that, upon any such voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the available assets of the Corporation are insufficient to pay the

amount of the liquidating distributions on all outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock and the corresponding amounts payable on all shares of other classes or series of Stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock in the distribution of assets, then the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock and all other such classes or series of Stock shall share ratably in any such distribution of assets in proportion to the full liquidating distributions to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled.

- (c) After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distributions to which they are entitled, the holders of Series C Preferred Stock will have no right or claim to any of the remaining assets of the Corporation.
- (d) Written notice of any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, stating the payment date or dates when, and the place or places where, the amounts distributable in such circumstances shall be payable, shall be given by first class mail, postage pre-paid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to each record holder of the Series C Preferred Stock at the respective addresses of such holders as the same shall appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation.
- (e) The consolidation or merger of the Corporation with or into any other corporation, trust or entity or of any other corporation with or into the Corporation, or the sale, lease or conveyance of all or substantially all of the property or business of the Corporation, shall not be deemed to constitute a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation.

14.3.5 Redemption.

- (a) Right of Optional Redemption. The Series C Preferred Stock is not redeemable prior to June 20, 2002. However, in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, shares of Series C Preferred Stock which have been converted into Excess Stock shall be subject to repurchase by the Corporation in accordance with Section 7.4.10 of Article VII. On and after June 20, 2002, the Corporation, at its option and upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' written notice, may redeem shares of the Series C Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption (except as provided in Section 14.3.5(c) below), without interest. If less than all of the outstanding Series C Preferred Stock is to be redeemed, the Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected pro rata (as nearly as may be practicable without creating fractional shares) or by any other equitable method determined by the Corporation.
- (b) Limitations on Redemption.
- (i) The redemption price of the Series C Preferred Stock (other than the portion thereof consisting of accrued and unpaid dividends) is payable solely out of the sale proceeds of other capital stock of the Corporation, which may include other series of Preferred Stock, and from no other source. For purposes of the preceding sentence, "capital stock" means any equity securities (including Common Stock and Preferred Stock), shares, interest, participation or other ownership interests (however designated) and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into or exchangeable for equity securities) or options to purchase any of the foregoing.
- (ii) Unless full cumulative dividends on all shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be redeemed unless all outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock are simultaneously redeemed, and the Corporation shall not purchase or otherwise acquire directly or indirectly any shares of Series C Preferred Stock (except by

exchange for Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation); provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the purchase by the Corporation of shares of Excess Stock in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes or the purchase or acquisition of shares of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to a purchase or exchange offer made on the same terms to holders of all outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock.

- (c) Immediately prior to any redemption of Series C Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay, in cash, any accumulated and unpaid dividends through the redemption date, unless a redemption date falls after a Series C Dividend Record Date and prior to the corresponding Series C Dividend Payment Date, in which case each holder of Series C Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Series C Dividend Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series C Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such shares before such Series C Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation will make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series C Preferred Stock which is redeemed.
- (d) Procedures for Redemption.
- (i) Notice of redemption will be (A) given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of New York, such publication to be made once a week for two successive weeks commencing not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, and (B) mailed by the Corporation, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed at their respective addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation. No failure to give such notice or any defect thereto or in the mailing thereof shall affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any shares of Series C Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given.
- (ii) In addition to any information required by law or by the applicable rules of any exchange upon which Series C Preferred Stock may be listed or admitted to trading, such notice shall state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (D) the place or places where the Series C Preferred Stock is to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (E) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date. If less than all of the Series C Preferred Stock held by any holder is to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder shall also specify the number of shares of Series C Preferred Stock held by such holder to be redeemed.
- (iii) If notice of redemption of any shares of Series C Preferred Stock has been given and if the funds necessary for such redemption have been set aside by the Corporation in trust for the benefit of the holders of any shares of Series C Preferred Stock so called for redemption, then from and after the redemption date dividends will cease to accrue on such shares of Series C Preferred Stock, such shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall no longer be deemed outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares will terminate, except the right to receive the redemption price. Holders of Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall surrender such Series C Preferred Stock at the place designated in such notice and, upon surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for shares of Series C Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and the notice shall so state), such shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by the Corporation at the redemption price plus any accrued and unpaid dividends payable upon such redemption. In case less than all the shares of Series C Preferred Stock represented by any such certificate are redeemed, a new certificate or certificates shall be issued representing the unredeemed shares of Series C Preferred Stock without cost to the holder thereof.

- (iv) The deposit of funds with a bank or trust corporation for the purpose of redeeming Series C Preferred Stock shall be irrevocable except that:
- (A) the Corporation shall be entitled to receive from such bank or trust corporation the interest or other earnings, if any, earned on any money so deposited in trust, and the holders of any shares redeemed shall have no claim to such interest or other earnings; and
- (B) any balance of monies so deposited by the Corporation and unclaimed by the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock entitled thereto at the expiration of two years from the applicable redemption dates shall be repaid, together with any interest or other earnings thereon, to the Corporation, and after any such repayment, the holders of the shares entitled to the funds so repaid to the Corporation shall look only to the Corporation for payment without interest or other earnings.
- (e) The shares of Series C Preferred Stock are subject to the provisions of Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles relating to Excess Stock. Excess Stock issued upon exchange of shares of Series C Preferred Stock pursuant to such provisions may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at any time when outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock are being redeemed, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends on the shares of Series C Preferred Stock, which were exchanged for such Excess Stock, through the date of such exchange, without interest. If the Corporation elects to redeem Excess Stock pursuant to the redemption right set forth in the preceding sentence, such Excess Stock shall be redeemed in such proportion and in accordance with such procedures as shares of Series C Preferred Stock are being redeemed.
- (f) Any shares of Series C Preferred Stock that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued Preferred Stock, without designation as to series until such shares are thereafter designated as part of a particular series by the Board of Directors.
- 14.3.6 Voting Rights.
- (a) Holders of the Series C Preferred Stock will not have any voting rights, except as set forth below or as otherwise from time to time required by law.
- (b) Whenever dividends on any shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be in arrears for six or more quarterly periods (a "Series C Preferred Dividend Default"), the Board of Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to increase the number of Directors of the Corporation by two and the holders of such shares of Series C Preferred Stock (voting separately as a class with the holders of all other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity with the Series C Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation ("Series C Parity Preferred") upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable) will be entitled to vote for the election of a total of two Directors of the Corporation (the "Series C Preferred Stock Directors") at a special meeting called by the holders of record of at least 20% of the Series C Preferred Stock or the holders of any other series of Series C Parity Preferred so in arrears (unless such request is received less than 90 days before the date fixed for the next annual or special meeting of stockholders) or at the next annual meeting of stockholders, and at each subsequent annual meeting until all dividends accumulated on such shares of Series C Preferred Stock for the past dividend periods and the dividend for the then current dividend period shall have been fully paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set aside for payment.
- (c) If and when all accumulated dividends and the dividend for the then current dividend period on the Series C Preferred Stock shall have been paid in full or set aside for payment in full, the holders of shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall be divested of the voting

rights set forth in Section 14.3.6(b) hereof (subject to revesting in the event of each and every Series C Preferred Dividend Default) and, if all accumulated dividends and the dividend for the current dividend period have been paid in full or set aside for payment in full on all other series of Series C Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable, the term of office of each Series C Preferred Stock Director so elected shall terminate and the Board of Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to reduce the number of Directors by two. Any Series C Preferred Stock Director may be removed at any time with or without cause by the vote of, and shall not be removed otherwise than by the vote of, the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Series C Preferred Stock when they have the voting rights set forth in Section 14.3.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series C Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). So long as a Series C Preferred Dividend Default shall continue, any vacancy in the office of a Series C Preferred Stock Director may be filled by written consent of the Series C Preferred Stock Director remaining in office, or if none remains in office, by a vote of the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock when they have the voting rights set forth in Section 14.3.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series C Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). The Series C Preferred Stock Directors shall each be entitled to one vote per director on any matter.

- (d) So long as any shares of Series C Preferred Stock remain outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the shares of the Series C Preferred Stock outstanding at the time, given in person or by proxy, either in writing or at a meeting (voting separately as a class), (i) authorize or create, or increase the authorized or issued amount of, any class or series of Stock ranking senior to the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up or reclassify any authorized Stock of the Corporation into any such shares, or create, authorize or issue any obligation or security convertible into or evidencing the right to purchase any such shares or (ii) amend, alter or repeal the provisions of the Articles, whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, so as to materially and adversely affect any right, preference, privilege or voting power of the Series C Preferred Stock or the holders thereof; provided, however, that with respect to the occurrence of any event set forth in (ii) above, so long as the Series C Preferred Stock remains outstanding with the terms thereof materially unchanged or, if the Corporation is not the surviving entity in such transaction, is exchanged for a security of the surviving entity with terms that are materially the same as the Series C Preferred Stock, the occurrence of any such event shall not be deemed to materially and adversely affect such rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of the holders of the Series C Preferred Stock; and, provided further, that any increase in the amount of the authorized Preferred Stock or the creation or issuance of any other series of Preferred Stock, or any increase in the amount of authorized shares of such series, in each case ranking on a parity with or junior to the Series C Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or windin
- (e) The foregoing voting provisions will not apply if, at or prior to the time when the act with respect to which such vote would otherwise be required shall be effected, all outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock shall have been redeemed or called for redemption upon proper notice and sufficient funds shall have been deposited in trust to effect such redemption.
- 14.3.7 Conversion. The Series C Preferred Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except that the shares of Series C Preferred Stock will automatically be converted by the Corporation into shares of Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust in accordance with Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article

IX of the Articles in the same manner that Common Stock is converted into Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust pursuant thereto, in order to ensure that the Company remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes.

- 14.4 8.00% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors has, by resolution, duly divided and classified 3,450,000 shares of the Preferred Stock of the Corporation into a series designated 8.00% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock and has provided for the issuance of such series. Subject in all cases to the provisions of the Articles, including without limitation, Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX with respect to limitations on the transfer and ownership of Stock, the following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of the 8.00% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock of the Corporation:
- 14.4.1 Designation and Number. A series of Preferred Stock, designated the "8.00% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock" (the "Series D Preferred Stock"), has been established. The number of authorized shares of the Series D Preferred Stock is 3,450,000.
- 14.4.2 Rank. The Series D Preferred Stock shall, with respect to dividend rights and rights upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, rank (a) senior to the Corporation's Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, all classes or series of Common Stock of the Corporation, and to all equity securities issued by the Corporation ranking junior to such Series D Preferred Stock; (b) on a parity with the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock and all other equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock; and (c) junior to all equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank senior to the Series D Preferred Stock. The term "equity securities" shall not include convertible debt securities.

14.4.3 Dividends.

- (a) Holders of the then outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when and as authorized by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends, cumulative preferential cash dividends at the rate of 8.00% of the \$25.00 liquidation preference per annum (equivalent to a fixed annual amount of \$2.00 per share). Such dividends shall be cumulative from the first date on which any Series D Preferred Stock is issued and shall be payable quarterly in arrears on or before March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 of each year or, if not a business day, the next succeeding business day (each, a "Series D Dividend Payment Date"). The first dividend, which will be paid on March 15, 1998, will be for less than a full quarter. Such dividend and any dividend payable on the Series D Preferred Stock for any partial dividend period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends will be payable to holders of record as they appear in the stock records of the Corporation at the close of business on the applicable record date, which shall be the first day of the calendar month in which the applicable Series D Dividend Payment Date falls or on such other date designated by the Board of Directors of the Corporation as the record date for the payment of dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock that is not more than 30 nor less than 10 days prior to such Series D Dividend Payment Date (each, a "Series D Dividend Record Date").
- (b) No dividends on shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation or paid or set apart for payment by the Corporation at such time as the terms and provisions of any agreement of the Corporation, including any agreement relating to its indebtedness, prohibits such authorization, payment or setting apart for payment or

provides that such authorization, payment or setting apart for payment would constitute a breach thereof or a default thereunder, or if such authorization or payment shall be restricted or prohibited by law.

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock shall accrue whether or not the terms and provisions set forth in Section 14.4.3(b) hereof at any time prohibit the current payment of dividends, whether or not the Corporation has earnings, whether or not there are funds legally available for the payment of such dividends and whether or not such dividends are declared. Accrued but unpaid dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock will accumulate as of the Series D Dividend Payment Date on which they first become payable.
- (d) Except as provided in Section 14.4.3(e) below, no dividends will be declared or paid or set apart for payment on any Stock of the Corporation or any other series of Preferred Stock ranking, as to dividends, on a parity with or junior to the Series D Preferred Stock (other than a dividend in shares of the Corporation's Common Stock or in any other class of Stock ranking junior to the Series D Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for such payment on the Series D Preferred Stock for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period.
- (e) When dividends are not paid in full (and a sum sufficient for such full payment is not so set apart) upon the Series D Preferred Stock and the shares of any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series D Preferred Stock, all dividends declared upon the Series D Preferred Stock and any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series D Preferred Stock shall be declared pro rata so that the amount of dividends declared per share of Series D Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock shall in all cases bear to each other the same ratio that accrued dividends per share on the Series D Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock (which shall not include any accrual in respect of unpaid dividends for prior dividend periods if such Preferred Stock does not have a cumulative dividend) bear to each other. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on Series D Preferred Stock which may be in arrears.
- (f) Except as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph, unless full cumulative dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no dividends (other than in shares of Common Stock or other shares of Stock ranking junior to the Series D Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) shall be declared or paid or set aside for payment, nor shall any other distribution be declared or made, upon the Common Stock or any other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, nor shall any shares of Common Stock, or any other shares of Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired for any consideration (or any monies be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation (except by conversion into or exchange for other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series D Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation).
- (g) Any dividend payment made on shares of the Series D Preferred Stock shall first be credited against the earliest accrued but unpaid dividend due with respect to such shares which remains payable. Holders of the Series D Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividend, whether payable in cash, property or stock in excess of full cumulative dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock as described above.

14.4.4 Liquidation Preference.

- (a) Upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, the holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock then outstanding are entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Corporation legally available for distribution to its stockholders a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share, plus an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends to the date of payment, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of Common Stock or any other class or series of Stock of the Corporation that ranks junior to the Series D Preferred Stock as to liquidation rights.
- (b) In the event that, upon any such voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the available assets of the Corporation are insufficient to pay the amount of the liquidating distributions on all outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock and the corresponding amounts payable on all shares of other classes or series of Stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock in the distribution of assets, then the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock and all other such classes or series of Stock shall share ratably in any such distribution of assets in proportion to the full liquidating distributions to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled.
- (c) After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distributions to which they are entitled, the holders of Series D Preferred Stock will have no right or claim to any of the remaining assets of the Corporation.
- (d) Written notice of any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, stating the payment date or dates when, and the place or places where, the amounts distributable in such circumstances shall be payable, shall be given by first class mail, postage pre-paid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to each record holder of the Series D Preferred Stock at the respective addresses of such holders as the same shall appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation.
- (e) The consolidation or merger of the Corporation with or into any other corporation, trust or entity or of any other corporation with or into the Corporation, or the sale, lease or conveyance of all or substantially all of the property or business of the Corporation, shall not be deemed to constitute a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation.

14.4.5 Redemption.

(a) Right of Optional Redemption. The Series D Preferred Stock is not redeemable prior to December 15, 2002. However, in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, shares of Series D Preferred Stock which have been converted into Excess Stock shall be subject to repurchase by the Corporation in accordance with Section 7.4.10 of Article VII. On and after December 15, 2002, the Corporation, at its option and upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' written notice, may redeem shares of the Series D Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption (except as provided in Section 14.4.5(c) below), without interest. If less than all of the outstanding Series D Preferred Stock is to be redeemed, the Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected pro rata (as nearly as may be practicable without creating fractional shares) or by any other equitable method determined by the Corporation.

- (b) Limitations on Redemption.
- (i) The redemption price of the Series D Preferred Stock (other than the portion thereof consisting of accrued and unpaid dividends) is payable solely out of the sale proceeds of other capital stock of the Corporation, which may include other series of Preferred Stock, and from no other source. For purposes of the preceding sentence, "capital stock" means any equity securities (including Common Stock and Preferred Stock), shares, interest, participation or other ownership interests (however designated) and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into or exchangeable for equity securities) or options to purchase any of the foregoing.
- (ii) Unless full cumulative dividends on all shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be redeemed unless all outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock are simultaneously redeemed, and the Corporation shall not purchase or otherwise acquire directly or indirectly any shares of Series D Preferred Stock, (except by exchange for Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series D Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation); provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the purchase by the Corporation of shares of Excess Stock in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes or the purchase or acquisition of shares of Series D Preferred Stock pursuant to a purchase or exchange offer made on the same terms to holders of all outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock.
- (c) Immediately prior to any redemption of Series D Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay, in cash, any accumulated and unpaid dividends through the redemption date, unless a redemption date falls after a Series D Dividend Record Date and prior to the corresponding Series D Dividend Payment Date, in which case each holder of Series D Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Series D Dividend Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series D Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such shares before such Series D Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation will make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series D Preferred Stock which is redeemed.
- (d) Procedures for Redemption.
- (i) Notice of redemption will be (A) given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of New York, such publication to be made once a week for two successive weeks commencing not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, and (B) mailed by the Corporation, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed at their respective addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation. No failure to give such notice or any defect thereto or in the mailing thereof shall affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any shares of Series D Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given.
- (ii) In addition to any information required by law or by the applicable rules of any exchange upon which Series D Preferred Stock may be listed or admitted to trading, such notice shall state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (D) the place or places where the Series D Preferred Stock is to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (E) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date. If less than all of the Series D Preferred Stock held by any holder is to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder shall also specify the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock held by such holder to be redeemed.

- (iii) If notice of redemption of any shares of Series D Preferred Stock has been given and if the funds necessary for such redemption have been set aside by the Corporation in trust for the benefit of the holders of any shares of Series D Preferred Stock so called for redemption, then from and after the redemption date dividends will cease to accrue on such shares of Series D Preferred Stock, such shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall no longer be deemed outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares will terminate, except the right to receive the redemption price. Holders of Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall surrender such Series D Preferred Stock at the place designated in such notice and, upon surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for shares of Series D Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and the notice shall so state), such shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by the Corporation at the redemption price plus any accrued and unpaid dividends payable upon such redemption. In case less than all the shares of Series D Preferred Stock represented by any such certificate are redeemed, a new certificate or certificates shall be issued representing the unredeemed shares of Series D Preferred Stock without cost to the holder thereof.
- (iv) The deposit of funds with a bank or trust corporation for the purpose of redeeming Series D Preferred Stock shall be irrevocable except that:
- (A) the Corporation shall be entitled to receive from such bank or trust corporation the interest or other earnings, if any, earned on any money so deposited in trust, and the holders of any shares redeemed shall have no claim to such interest or other earnings; and
- (B) any balance of monies so deposited by the Corporation and unclaimed by the holders of the Series D Preferred Stock entitled thereto at the expiration of two years from the applicable redemption dates shall be repaid, together with any interest or other earnings thereon, to the Corporation, and after any such repayment, the holders of the shares entitled to the funds so repaid to the Corporation shall look only to the Corporation for payment without interest or other earnings.
- (e) The shares of Series D Preferred Stock are subject to the provisions of Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles relating to Excess Stock. Excess Stock issued upon exchange of shares of Series D Preferred Stock pursuant to such provisions may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at any time when outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock are being redeemed, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends on the shares of Series D Preferred, which were exchanged for such Excess Stock, through the date of such exchange, without interest. If the Corporation elects to redeem Excess Stock pursuant to the redemption right set forth in the preceding sentence, such Excess Stock shall be redeemed in such proportion and in accordance with such procedures as shares of Series D Preferred Stock are being redeemed.
- (f) Any shares of Series D Preferred Stock that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued Preferred Stock, without designation as to series until such shares are thereafter designated as part of a particular series by the Board of Directors.
- 14.4.6 Voting Rights.
- (a) Holders of the Series D Preferred Stock will not have any voting rights, except as set forth below or as otherwise from time to time required by law.
- (b) Whenever dividends on any shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be in arrears for six or more quarterly periods (a "Series D Preferred Dividend Default"), the Board of

Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to increase the number of Directors of the Corporation by two and the holders of such shares of Series D Preferred Stock (voting separately as a class with the holders of all other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity with the Series D Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation ("Series D Parity Preferred") upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable) will be entitled to vote for the election of a total of two Directors of the Corporation (the "Series D Preferred Stock Directors") at a special meeting called by the holders of record of at least 20% of the Series D Preferred Stock or the holders of any other series of Parity Preferred so in arrears (unless such request is received less than 90 days before the date fixed for the next annual or special meeting of stockholders) or at the next annual meeting of stockholders, and at each subsequent annual meeting until all dividends accumulated on such shares of Series D Preferred Stock for the past dividend periods and the dividend for the then current dividend period shall have been fully paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set aside for payment.

- (c) If and when all accumulated dividends and the dividend for the then current dividend period on the Series D Preferred Stock shall have been paid in full or set aside for payment in full, the holders of shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall be divested of the voting rights set forth in Section 14.4.6(b) hereof (subject to revesting in the event of each and every Series D Preferred Dividend Default) and, if all accumulated dividends and the dividend for the current dividend period have been paid in full or set aside for payment in full on all other series of Series D Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable, the term of office of each Series D Preferred Stock Director so elected shall terminate and the Board of Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to reduce the number of Directors by two. Any Series D Preferred Stock Director may be removed at any time with or without cause by the vote of, and shall not be removed otherwise than by the vote of, the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Series D Preferred Stock when they have the voting rights set forth in Section 14.4.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series D Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). So long as a Series D Preferred Dividend Default shall continue, any vacancy in the office of a Series D Preferred Stock Director may be filled by written consent of the Series D Preferred Stock Director remaining in office, or if none remains in office, by a vote of the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock when they have the voting rights set forth in Section 14.4.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series D Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). The Series D Preferred Stock Directors shall each be entitled to one vote per director on any matter.
- (d) So long as any shares of Series D Preferred Stock remain outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the shares of the Series D Preferred Stock outstanding at the time, given in person or by proxy, either in writing or at a meeting (voting separately as a class), (i) authorize or create, or increase the authorized or issued amount of, any class or series of Stock ranking senior to the Series D Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up or reclassify any authorized Stock of the Corporation into any such shares, or create, authorize or issue any obligation or security convertible into or evidencing the right to purchase any such shares or (ii) amend, alter or repeal the provisions of the Articles, whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, so as to materially and adversely affect any right, preference, privilege or voting power of the Series D Preferred Stock or the holders thereof; provided, however, that with respect to the occurrence of any event set forth in (ii) above, so long as the Series D Preferred Stock remains outstanding with the terms thereof materially unchanged or, if the Corporation is not the surviving entity in such transaction, is exchanged for a security of the surviving entity with terms that are materially the same as the Series D Preferred Stock, the occurrence of any such event shall not be deemed to materially and adversely affect such rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers of the holders of the Series

- D Preferred Stock; and, provided further, that any increase in the amount of the authorized Preferred Stock or the creation or issuance of any other series of Preferred Stock, or any increase in the amount of authorized shares of such series, in each case ranking on a parity with or junior to the Series D Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, shall not be deemed to materially and adversely affect such rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers.
- (e) The foregoing voting provisions will not apply if, at or prior to the time when the act with respect to which such vote would otherwise be required shall be effected, all outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock shall have been redeemed or called for redemption upon proper notice and sufficient funds shall have been deposited in trust to effect such redemption.
- 14.4.7 Conversion. The Series D Preferred Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except that the shares of Series D Preferred Stock will automatically be converted by the Corporation into shares of Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust in accordance with Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles in the same manner that Common Stock is converted into Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust pursuant thereto, in order to ensure that the Company remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes.
- 14.5 Series E Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors has duly divided and classified 1,000,000 shares of the Preferred Stock of the Corporation into a series designated Series E Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock and has provided for the issuance of such series. Subject in all cases to the provisions of Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles with respect to Excess Stock, the following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of the Series E Junior Cumulative Preferred Stock of the Corporation:
- 14.5.1 Designation and Amount. The designation of the Preferred Stock described in Section 14.5 hereof shall be "Series E Junior Participating Cumulative Preferred Stock," par value \$.01 per share (hereinafter called "Series E Preferred Stock"), and the number of shares constituting such series shall be 1,000,000. Such number of shares may be increased or decreased by resolution of the Board of Directors and by the filing of articles of amendment pursuant to the provisions of the MGCL stating that such increase or reduction has been so authorized; provided, however, that no decrease shall reduce the number of shares of Series E Preferred Stock to a number less than that of the shares then outstanding plus the number of shares of Series E Preferred Stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding rights, options or warrants or upon conversion of outstanding securities issued by the Corporation.

14.5.2 Dividends and Distributions.

(a) (i) Subject to the rights of the holders of any shares of any series of Preferred Stock (or any similar Stock) ranking prior and superior to the Series E Preferred Stock with respect to dividends, the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock, in preference to the holders of shares of Common Stock and of any other junior Stock, shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if authorized by the Board of Directors out of funds legally available for the purpose, quarterly dividends payable in cash on the first day of March, June, September and December in each year (each such date being referred to herein as a "Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date"), commencing on the first Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date after the first issuance of a share or fraction of a share of Series E Preferred Stock, in an amount per share (rounded to the nearest cent) equal to the greater of (x) \$1.00 or (y) subject to the provisions for adjustment hereinafter set forth, 1,000 times the aggregate per share amount of all

cash dividends, and 1,000 times the aggregate per share amount (payable in kind) of all non-cash dividends or other distributions other than a dividend payable in shares of Common Stock or a subdivision of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise), declared on the shares of Common Stock since the immediately preceding Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, or, with respect to the first Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, since the first issuance of any share or fraction of a share of Series E Preferred Stock. The multiple of cash and non-cash dividends declared on the Common Stock to which holders of the Series E Preferred Stock are entitled, which shall be 1,000 initially but which shall be adjusted from time to time as hereinafter provided, is hereinafter referred to as the "Series E Dividend Multiple." In the event the Corporation shall at any time after March 9, 1998 (the "Series E Rights Declaration Date") (i) declare or pay any dividend on the shares of Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, or (ii) effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise than by payment of a dividend in shares of Common Stock) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the Series E Dividend Multiple thereafter applicable to the determination of the amount of dividends which holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive shall be the Series E Dividend Multiple applicable immediately prior to such event multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such event.

- (ii) Notwithstanding anything else contained in this paragraph (a), the Corporation shall, out of funds legally available for that purpose, declare a dividend or distribution on the Series E Preferred Stock as provided in this paragraph:
- (a) immediately after it declares a dividend or distribution on the shares of Common Stock (other than a dividend payable in shares of Common Stock); provided that, in the event no dividend or distribution shall have been declared on the shares of Common Stock during the period between any Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date and the next subsequent Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, a dividend of \$1.00 per share on the Series E Preferred Stock shall nevertheless be payable on such subsequent Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date.
- (b) Dividends shall begin to accrue and be cumulative on outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock from the Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date next preceding the date of issue of such shares of Series E Preferred Stock, unless the date of issue of such shares is prior to the record date for the first Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, in which case dividends on such shares shall begin to accrue from the date of issue of such shares, or unless the date of issue is a Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date or is a date after the record date for the determination of holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock entitled to receive a quarterly dividend and before such Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date, in either of which events such dividends shall begin to accrue and be cumulative from such Series E Quarterly Dividend Payment Date. Accrued but unpaid dividends shall not bear interest. Dividends paid on the shares of Series E Preferred Stock in an amount less than the total amount of such dividends at the time accrued and payable on such shares shall be allocated pro rata on a share-by-share basis among all such shares at the time outstanding. The Board of Directors may fix in accordance with applicable law a record date for the determination of holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock entitled to receive payment of a dividend or distribution declared thereon, which record date shall be not more than such number of days prior to the date fixed for the payment thereof as may be allowed by applicable law.
- 14.5.3 Voting Rights. In addition to any other voting rights required by law, the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall have the following voting rights:

- (a) Subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, each share of Series E Preferred Stock shall entitle the holder thereof to 1,000 votes on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders of the Corporation. The number of votes which a holder of a share of Series E Preferred Stock is entitled to cast, which shall initially be 1,000 but which may be adjusted from time to time as hereinafter provided, is hereinafter referred to as the "Vote Multiple." In the event the Corporation shall at any time after the Series E Rights Declaration Date (i) declare or pay any dividend on shares of Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, or (ii) effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise than by payment of a dividend in shares of Common Stock) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the Vote Multiple thereafter applicable to the determination of the number of votes per share to which holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled shall be the Vote Multiple immediately prior to such event multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such event and the denominator of which is the number of Sock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided herein or by law, the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock and the holders of shares of Common Stock and the holders of shares of any other Stock of this Corporation having general voting rights, shall vote together as one class on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders of the Corporation.
- (c) (i) Whenever, at any time or times, dividends payable on any shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall be in arrears in an amount equal to at least two full quarter dividends (whether or not declared and whether or not consecutive), the holders of record of the outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall have the exclusive right, voting separately as a single class, to elect two Directors of the Corporation at a special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation or at the Corporation's next annual meeting of stockholders, and at each subsequent annual meeting of shareholders, as provided below. At elections for such Directors, each Series E Preferred Share shall entitle the holder thereof to 1,000 votes in such elections.
- (ii) Upon the vesting of such right of the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock, the maximum authorized number of members of the Board of Directors shall automatically be increased by two and the two vacancies so created shall be filled by vote of the holders of the outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock as hereinafter set forth. A special meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation then entitled to vote shall be called by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President or the Secretary of the Corporation, if requested in writing by the holders of record of not less than 10% of the shares of Series E Preferred Stock then outstanding. At such special meeting, or, if no such special meeting shall have been called, then at the next annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation, the holders of the shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall elect, voting as above provided, two Directors of the Corporation to fill the aforesaid vacancies created by the automatic increase in the number of members of the Board of Directors. At any and all such meetings for such election, the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for such election, whether present in person or proxy, and such two Directors shall be elected by the vote of at least a majority of the shares of Series E Preferred Stock held by such stockholders present or represented at the meeting. Any director elected by holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section may be removed at any annual or special meeting, by vote of a majority of the shareholders voting as a class who elected such Director, with or without cause. In case any vacancy shall occur among the Directors elected by the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section, such vacancy may be filled by the remaining director so elected, or his successor then in office, and the director so elected to fill such vacancy shall serve until the next meeting of

Directors in any default period and during the continuance of such period, the number of Directors shall not be further increased or decreased except by vote of the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock as herein provided or pursuant to the rights of any equity securities ranking senior to or pari passu with the Series E Preferred Stock.

- (iii) The right of the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class, to elect two members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation as aforesaid shall continue until, and only until, such time as all arrears in dividends (whether or not declared) on the Series E Preferred Stock shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, at which time such right shall terminate, except as herein or by law expressly provided subject to revesting in the event of each and every subsequent default of the character above-mentioned. Upon any termination of the right of the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock as a class to vote for Directors as herein provided, the term of office of all Directors then in office elected by the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section shall terminate immediately. Whenever the term of office of the Directors elected by the holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section shall terminate and the special voting powers vested in the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock pursuant to this Section shall have expired, the maximum number of members of this Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be such number as may be provided for in the By-laws of the Corporation, irrespective of any increase made pursuant to the provisions of this Section.
- (d) Except as otherwise required by applicable law or as set forth herein, holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall have no special voting rights and their consent shall not be required (except to the extent they are entitled to vote with holders of shares of Common Stock as set forth herein) for taking any corporate action.

14.5.4 Certain Restrictions.

- (a) Whenever dividends or distributions payable on the Series E Preferred Stock as provided in Section 14.5.2 are in arrears, thereafter and until all accrued and unpaid dividends and distributions, whether or not declared, on shares of Series E Preferred Stock outstanding shall have been paid in full, the Corporation shall not:
- (i) declare or pay dividends on, make any other distributions on, or redeem or purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration any shares of Stock ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to the Series E Preferred Stock;
- (ii) declare or pay dividends on or make any other distributions on any shares of Stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series E Preferred Stock, except dividends paid ratably on the Series E Preferred Stock and all such parity Stock on which dividends are payable or in arrears in proportion to the total amounts to which the holders of all such shares are then entitled;
- (iii) except as permitted in subsection 14.5.4(a)(iv) below, redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration shares of any Stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series E Preferred Stock, provided that the Corporation may at any time redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire shares of any such parity Stock in exchange for shares of any Stock of the Corporation ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon dissolution, liquidation or winding up) to the Series E Preferred Stock; or
- (iv)purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration any shares of Series E Preferred Stock, or any shares of any Stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series E Preferred Stock, except in accordance

with a purchase offer made in writing or by publication (as determined by the Board of Directors) to all holders of such shares upon such terms as the Board of Directors, after consideration of the respective annual dividend rates and other relative rights and preferences of the respective series and classes, shall determine in good faith will result in fair and equitable treatment among the respective series or classes.

- (b) The Corporation shall not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to purchase or otherwise acquire for consideration any shares of Stock of the Corporation unless the Corporation could, under subsection (a) of this Section 14.5.4, purchase or otherwise acquire such shares at such time and in such manner.
- 14.5.5 Reacquired Shares. Any shares of Series E Preferred Stock purchased or otherwise acquired by the Corporation in any manner whatsoever shall be retired and canceled promptly after the acquisition thereof. All such shares shall upon their cancellation become authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock and may be reissued as part of a new series of Preferred Stock to be created by resolution or resolutions of the Board of Directors, subject to the conditions and restrictions on issuance set forth herein.
- 14.5.6 Liquidation, Dissolution or Winding Up. Upon any liquidation (voluntary or otherwise), dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, no distribution shall be made (x) to the holders of shares of Stock ranking junior (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) to the Series E Preferred Stock unless, prior thereto, the holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall have received an amount equal to accrued and unpaid dividends and distributions thereon, whether or not declared, to the date of such payment, plus an amount equal to the greater of (1) \$1,000.00 per share or (2) an aggregate amount per share, subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth, equal to 1,000 times the aggregate amount to be distributed per share to holders of shares of Common Stock, or (y) to the holders of Stock ranking on a parity (either as to dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up) with the Series E Preferred Stock, except distributions made ratably on the Series E Preferred Stock and all other such parity Stock in proportion to the total amounts to which the holders of all such shares are entitled upon such liquidation, dissolution or winding up. In the event the Corporation shall at any time after the Series E Rights Declaration Date (i) declare or pay any dividend on shares of Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, or (ii) effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise than by payment of a dividend in shares of Common Stock) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the aggregate amount per share to which holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock were entitled immediately prior to such event under clause (x) of the preceding sentence shall be adjusted by multiplying such amount by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event. Neither the consolidation of nor merging of the Corporation with or into any other corporation or corporations, nor the sale or other transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation, shall be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation within the meaning of this Section 14.5.6.
- 14.5.7 Consolidation, Merger, etc. In case the Corporation shall enter into any consolidation, merger, combination or other transaction in which the shares of Common Stock are exchanged for or changed into other stock or securities, cash and/or any other property, then in any such case the shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall at the same time be similarly exchanged or changed in an amount per share (subject to the provision for adjustment hereinafter set forth) equal to 1,000 times the aggregate amount of stock, securities, cash and/or any other property (payable in kind), as the case may be, into which or for which each share of Common Stock is changed or exchanged, plus accrued and unpaid dividends, if any, payable with respect

to the Series E Preferred Stock. In the event the Corporation shall at any time after the Series E Rights Declaration Date (i) declare or pay any dividend on shares of Common Stock payable in shares of Common Stock, or (ii) effect a subdivision or combination or consolidation of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (by reclassification or otherwise than by payment of a dividend in shares of Common Stock) into a greater or lesser number of shares of Common Stock, then in each such case the amount set forth in the preceding sentence with respect to the exchange or change of shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall be adjusted by multiplying such amount by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event and the denominator of which is the number of shares of Common Stock that were outstanding immediately prior to such event.

- 14.5.8 Redemption. The shares of Series E Preferred Stock shall not be redeemable; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not limit the ability of the Corporation to purchase or otherwise deal in such shares to the extent otherwise permitted hereby and by law.
- 14.5.9 Ranking. Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Articles or Articles Supplementary relating to any other series of Preferred Stock of the Corporation, the Series E Preferred Stock shall rank junior to every other series of the Corporation's Preferred Stock previously or hereafter authorized, as to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets on liquidation, dissolution or winding up and shall rank senior to the Common Stock.
- 14.5.10 Amendment. The Articles may not be amended in any manner which would materially alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the Series E Preferred Stock so as to affect them adversely without the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority or more of the outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock, voting separately as a class.
- 14.5.11 Fractional Shares. Shares of Series E Preferred Stock may be issued in whole shares or in any fraction of a share that is one ten-thousandth (1/1,000th) of a share or any integral multiple of such fraction, which shall entitle the holder, in proportion to such holder's fractional shares, to exercise voting rights, receive dividends, participate in distributions and to have the benefit of all other rights of holders of shares of Series E Preferred Stock. In lieu of fractional shares, the Corporation may elect to make a cash payment as provided in the Rights Agreement for fractions of a share other than one ten-thousandth (1/1,000th) of a share or any integral multiple thereof.
- 14.6 9.00% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors has, by resolution, duly divided and classified 4,455,000 shares of the Preferred Stock of the Corporation into a series designated 9.00% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock and has provided for the issuance of such series. Subject in all cases to the provisions of the Articles, including, without limitation, Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX with respect to limitations on the transfer and ownership of Stock, the following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of the 9.00% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock of the Corporation:
- 14.6.1 Designation and Number. A series of Preferred Stock, designated the "9.00% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock" (the "Series F Preferred Stock"), has been established. The number of authorized shares of the Series F Preferred Stock shall be 4,455,000.
- 14.6.2 Rank. The Series F Preferred Stock shall, with respect to dividend rights and rights upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, rank (a) senior to the Corporation's Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, and all classes or series of Common Stock of the Corporation, and to all equity securities issued by

the Corporation ranking junior to such Series F Preferred Stock; (b) on a parity with the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series G Preferred Stock and all equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank on a parity with the Series F Preferred Stock; and (c) junior to all equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank senior to the Series F Preferred Stock. The term "equity securities" shall not include convertible debt securities.

14.6.3 Dividends.

- (a) Holders of the then outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when and as authorized by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends, cumulative preferential cash dividends at the rate of 9.00% of the \$25.00 liquidation preference per annum (equivalent to a fixed annual amount of \$2.25 per share). Such dividends shall be cumulative from the first date on which any Series F Preferred Stock is issued and shall be payable quarterly in arrears on or before the fifteenth day of February, May, August and November or, if not a business day, the next succeeding business day (each, a "Series F Dividend Payment Date"). Any dividend payable on the Series F Preferred Stock for any partial dividend period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends will be payable to holders of record as they appear in the stock records of the Corporation at the close of business on the applicable record date, which shall be the first day of the calendar month in which the applicable Series F Dividend Payment Date falls or on such other date designated by the Board of Directors of the Corporation as the record date for the payment of dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock that is not more than 30 nor less than 10 days prior to such Series F Dividend Payment Date (each, a "Series F Dividend Record Date").
- (b) No dividends on shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall be authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation or paid or set apart for payment by the Corporation at such time as the terms and provisions of any agreement of the Corporation, including any agreement relating to its indebtedness, prohibits such authorization, payment or setting apart for payment would constitute a breach thereof or a default thereunder, or if such authorization or payment shall be restricted or prohibited by law.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock shall accrue whether or not the terms and provisions set forth in Section 14.6.3(b) hereof at any time prohibit the current payment of dividends, whether or not the Corporation has earnings, whether or not there are funds legally available for the payment of such dividends and whether or not such dividends are declared. Accrued but unpaid dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock will accumulate as of the Series F Dividend Payment Date on which they first become payable.
- (d) Except as provided in Section 14.6.3(e) below, no dividends will be declared or paid or set apart for payment on any Stock of the Corporation or any other series of Preferred Stock ranking, as to dividends, on a parity with or junior to the Series F Preferred Stock (other than a dividend in shares of the Corporation's Common Stock or in any other class of Stock ranking junior to the Series F Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) for any period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for such payment on the Series F Preferred Stock for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period.
- (e) When dividends are not paid in full (and a sum sufficient for such full payment is not so set apart) upon the Series F Preferred Stock and the shares of any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series F Preferred Stock, all

dividends declared upon the Series F Preferred Stock and any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series F Preferred Stock shall be declared pro rata so that the amount of dividends declared per share of Series F Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock shall in all cases bear to each other the same ratio that accrued dividends per share on the Series F Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock (which shall not include any accrual in respect of unpaid dividends for prior dividend periods if such Preferred Stock does not have a cumulative dividend) bear to each other. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on Series F Preferred Stock which may be in arrears.

- (f) Except as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph, unless full cumulative dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no dividends (other than in shares of Common Stock or other shares of Stock ranking junior to the Series F Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) shall be declared or paid or set aside for payment nor shall any other distribution be declared or made upon the Common Stock, or any other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series F Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, nor shall any shares of Common Stock, or any other shares of Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series F Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired for any consideration (or any monies be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation (except by conversion into or exchange for other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series F Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation).
- (g) Any dividend payment made on shares of the Series F Preferred Stock shall first be credited against the earliest accrued but unpaid dividend due with respect to such shares which remains payable. Holders of the Series F Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividend, whether payable in cash, property or Stock in excess of full cumulative dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock as described above.

14.6.4 Liquidation Preference.

- (a) Upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, the holders of shares of Series F Preferred Stock then outstanding are entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Corporation legally available for distribution to its stockholders a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share, plus an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends to the date of payment, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of Common Stock or any other class or series of Stock of the Corporation that ranks junior to the Series F Preferred Stock as to liquidation rights.
- (b) In the event that, upon any such voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the available assets of the Corporation are insufficient to pay the amount of the liquidating distributions on all outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock and the corresponding amounts payable on all shares of other classes or series of Stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series F Preferred Stock in the distribution of assets, then the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock and all other such classes or series of Stock shall share ratably in any such distribution of assets in proportion to the full liquidating distributions to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled.
- (c) After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distributions to which they are entitled, the holders of Series F Preferred Stock will have no right or claim to any of the remaining assets of the Corporation.

- (d) Written notice of any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, stating the payment date or dates when, and the place or places where, the amounts distributable in such circumstances shall be payable, shall be given by first class mail, postage pre-paid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to each record holder of the Series F Preferred Stock at the respective addresses of such holders as the same shall appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation.
- (e) The consolidation or merger of the Corporation with or into any other corporation, trust or entity or of any other corporation with or into the Corporation, or the sale, lease or conveyance of all or substantially all of the property or business of the Corporation, shall not be deemed to constitute a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation.

14.6.5 Redemption.

- (a) Right of Optional Redemption. The Series F Preferred Stock is not redeemable prior to February 15, 2001. However, in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, shares of Series F Preferred Stock which have been converted into Excess Stock shall be subject to repurchase by the Corporation in accordance with Section 7.4.10 of Article VII. On and after February 15, 2001, the Corporation, at its option and upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' written notice, may redeem shares of the Series F Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption (except as provided in Section 14.6.5(c) below), without interest. If less than all of the outstanding Series F Preferred Stock is to be redeemed, the Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected pro rata (as nearly as may be practicable without creating fractional shares) or by any other equitable method determined by the Corporation.
- (b) Limitations on Redemption.
- (i) The redemption price of the Series F Preferred Stock (other than the portion thereof consisting of accrued and unpaid dividends) is payable solely out of the sale proceeds of other capital stock of the Corporation, which may include other series of Preferred Stock, and from no other source. For purposes of the preceding sentence, "capital stock" means any equity securities (including Common Stock and Preferred Stock), shares, interest, participation or other ownership interests (however designated) and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into or exchangeable for equity securities) or options to purchase any of the foregoing.
- (ii) Unless full cumulative dividends on all shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall be redeemed unless all outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock are simultaneously redeemed, and the Corporation shall not purchase or otherwise acquire directly or indirectly any shares of Series F Preferred Stock (except by exchange for Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series F Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation); provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the purchase by the Corporation of shares of Excess Stock in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes or the purchase or acquisition of shares of Series F Preferred Stock pursuant to a purchase or exchange offer made on the same terms to holders of all outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock.
- (c) Rights to Dividends on Shares Called for Redemption. Immediately prior to any redemption of Series F Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay, in cash, any accumulated and unpaid dividends through the redemption date, unless a redemption date falls after a Series F

Dividend Record Date and prior to the corresponding Series F Dividend Payment Date, in which case each holder of Series F Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Series F Dividend Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series F Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such shares before such Series F Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation will make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series F Preferred Stock which is redeemed.

- (d) Procedures for Redemption.
- (i) Notice of redemption will be (A) given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of New York, such publication to be made once a week for two successive weeks commencing not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, and (B) mailed by the Corporation, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed at their respective addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation. No failure to give such notice or any defect thereto or in the mailing thereof shall affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any shares of Series F Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given.
- (ii) In addition to any information required by law or by the applicable rules of any exchange upon which Series F Preferred may be listed or admitted to trading, such notice shall state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (D) the place or places where the Series F Preferred Stock is to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (E) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date. If less than all of the Series F Preferred Stock held by any holder is to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder shall also specify the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock held by such holder to be redeemed.
- (iii) If notice of redemption of any shares of Series F Preferred Stock has been given and if the funds necessary for such redemption have been set aside by the Corporation in trust for the benefit of the holders of any shares of Series F Preferred Stock so called for redemption, then from and after the redemption date dividends will cease to accrue on such shares of Series F Preferred Stock, such shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall no longer be deemed outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares will terminate, except the right to receive the redemption price. Holders of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall surrender such Series F Preferred Stock at the place designated in such notice and, upon surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for shares of Series F Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and the notice shall so state), such shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by the Corporation at the redemption price plus any accrued and unpaid dividends payable upon such redemption. In case less than all the shares of Series F Preferred Stock represented by any such certificate are redeemed, a new certificate or certificates shall be issued representing the unredeemed shares of Series F Preferred Stock without cost to the holder thereof.
- (iv) The deposit of funds with a bank or trust corporation for the purpose of redeeming Series F Preferred Stock shall be irrevocable except that:
- (A) the Corporation shall be entitled to receive from such bank or trust corporation the interest or other earnings, if any, earned on any money so deposited in trust, and the holders of any shares redeemed shall have no claim to such interest or other earnings; and
- (B) any balance of monies so deposited by the Corporation and unclaimed by the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock entitled thereto at the expiration of two

years from the applicable redemption dates shall be repaid, together with any interest or other earnings thereon, to the Corporation, and after any such repayment, the holders of the shares entitled to the funds so repaid to the Corporation shall look only to the Corporation for payment without interest or other earnings.

- (e) The shares of Series F Preferred Stock are subject to the provisions of Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles relating to Excess Stock. Excess Stock issued upon exchange of shares of Series F Preferred Stock pursuant to such provisions may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at any time when outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock are being redeemed, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends on the shares of Series F Preferred Stock, which are exchanged for such Excess Stock, through the date of such exchange, without interest. If the Corporation elects to redeem Excess Stock pursuant to the redemption right set forth in the preceding sentence, such Excess Stock shall be redeemed in such proportion and in accordance with such procedures as shares of Series F Preferred Stock are being redeemed.
- (f) Any shares of Series F Preferred Stock that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued Preferred Stock, without designation as to series until such shares are thereafter designated as part of a particular series by the Board of Directors.

14.6.6 Voting Rights.

- (a) Holders of the Series F Preferred Stock will not have any voting rights, except as set forth below or as otherwise from time to time required by law.
- (b) Whenever dividends on any shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall be in arrears for six or more quarterly periods (a "Series F Preferred Dividend Default"), the Board of Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to increase the number of Directors of the Corporation by two and the holders of such shares of Series F Preferred Stock (voting separately as a class with the holders of all other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity with the Series F Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation ("Series F Parity Preferred") upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable) will be entitled to vote for the election of a total of two Directors of the Corporation (the "Series F Preferred Stock Directors") at a special meeting called by the holders of record of at least 10% of the Series F Parity Preferred or the holders of any other series of Series F Parity Preferred so in arrears (unless such request is received less than 90 days before the date fixed for the next annual or special meeting of the stockholders) or at the next annual meeting of stockholders, and at each subsequent annual meeting until all dividends accumulated on such shares of Series F Preferred Stock for the past dividend periods and the dividends for the then current dividend period shall have been fully paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set aside for payment.
- (c) If and when all accumulated dividends and the dividend for the then current dividend period on the Series F Preferred Stock shall have been paid in full or set aside for payment in full, the holders of shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall be divested of the voting rights set forth in Section 14.6.6(b) hereof (subject to revesting in the event of each and every Series F Preferred Dividend Default) and the term of office of each Series F Preferred Stock Director so elected shall terminate and the Board of Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to reduce the number of Directors by two. Any Series F Preferred Stock Director may be removed at any time with or without cause by the vote of, and shall not be removed otherwise than by the vote of, the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Series F Preferred Stock when they have the voting rights set forth in Section 14.6.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series F Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). So long as a Series F Preferred Dividend Default shall

continue, any vacancy in the office of a Series F Preferred Stock Director may be filled by written consent of the Series F Preferred Stock Director remaining in office, or if none remains in office, by a vote of the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock when they have voting rights as set forth in Section 14.6.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series F Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). The Series F Preferred Stock Directors shall each be entitled to one vote per director on any matter.

- (d) So long as any shares of Series F Preferred Stock remain outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two thirds of the shares of the Series F Preferred Stock outstanding at the time given in person or by proxy, either in writing or at a meeting (voting separately as a class), (i) authorize or create, or increase the authorized or issued amount of, any class or series of Stock ranking senior to the Series F Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up or reclassify any authorized Stock of the Corporation into any such shares, or create, authorize or issue any obligation or security convertible into or evidencing the right to purchase any such shares, or (ii) amend, alter or repeal the provisions of the Articles, whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, so as to materially and adversely affect any right, preference, privilege or voting power of the Series F Preferred Stock or the holders thereof; provided, however, that any increase in the amount of the authorized Preferred Stock or the creation or issuance of any other series of Preferred Stock, or any increase in the amount of authorized shares of such series, in each case ranking on a parity with or junior to the Series F Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, shall not be deemed to materially and adversely affect such rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers.
- (e) The foregoing voting provisions will not apply if, at or prior to the time when the act with respect to which such vote would otherwise be required shall be effected, all outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock shall have been redeemed or called for redemption upon proper notice and sufficient funds shall have been deposited in trust to effect such redemption.
- 14.6.7 Conversion. The Series F Preferred Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except that the shares of Series F Preferred Stock will automatically be converted by the Corporation into shares of Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust in accordance with Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles in the same manner that Common Stock is converted into Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust pursuant thereto, in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes.
- 14.7 8.96% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock. The Board of Directors has, by resolution, duly divided and classified 4,300,000 shares of the Preferred Stock of the Corporation into a series designated 8.96% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock and has provided for the issuance of such series. Subject in all cases to the provisions of the Articles, including, without limitation, Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX with respect to limitations on the transfer and ownership of Stock, the following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications and terms and conditions of redemption of the 8.96% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock of the Corporation:
- 14.7.1 Designation and Number. A series of Preferred Stock, designated the "8.96% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock" (the "Series G Preferred Stock"), has been established. The number of authorized shares of the Series G Preferred Stock shall be 4,300,000.

14.7.2 Rank. The Series G Preferred Stock shall, with respect to dividend rights and rights upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, rank (a) senior to the Corporation's Series A Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, and all classes or series of Common Stock of the Corporation, and to all equity securities issued by the Corporation ranking junior to such Series G Preferred Stock; (b) on a parity with the Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock and all equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank on a parity with the Series G Preferred Stock; and (c) junior to all equity securities issued by the Corporation the terms of which specifically provide that such equity securities rank senior to the Series G Preferred Stock. The term "equity securities" shall not include convertible debt securities.

14.7.3 Dividends.

- (a) Holders of the then outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, when and as authorized by the Board of Directors, out of funds legally available for the payment of dividends, cumulative preferential cash dividends at the rate of 8.96% of the \$25.00 liquidation preference per annum (equivalent to a fixed annual amount of \$2.24 per share). Such dividends shall be cumulative from the first date on which any Series G Preferred Stock is issued and shall be payable quarterly in arrears on or before the fifteenth day of February, May, August and November or, if not a business day, the next succeeding business day (each, a "Series G Dividend Payment Date"). Any dividend payable on the Series G Preferred Stock for any partial dividend period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends will be payable to holders of record as they appear in the stock records of the Corporation at the close of business on the applicable record date, which shall be the first day of the calendar month in which the applicable Series G Dividend Payment Date falls or on such other date designated by the Board of Directors of the Corporation as the record date for the payment of dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock that is not more than 30 nor less than 10 days prior to such Series G Dividend Payment Date (each, a "Series G Dividend Record Date").
- (b) No dividends on shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall be authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation or paid or set apart for payment by the Corporation at such time as the terms and provisions of any agreement of the Corporation, including any agreement relating to its indebtedness, prohibits such authorization, payment or setting apart for payment or provides that such authorization, payment or setting apart for payment would constitute a breach thereof or a default thereunder, or if such authorization or payment shall be restricted or prohibited by law.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock shall accrue whether or not the terms and provisions set forth in Section 14.7.3(b) hereof at any time prohibit the current payment of dividends, whether or not the Corporation has earnings, whether or not there are funds legally available for the payment of such dividends and whether or not such dividends are declared. Accrued but unpaid dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock will accumulate as of the Series G Dividend Payment Date on which they first become payable.
- (d) Except as provided in Section 14.7.3(e) below, no dividends will be declared or paid or set apart for payment on any Stock of the Corporation or any other series of Preferred Stock ranking, as to dividends, on a parity with or junior to the Series G Preferred Stock (other than a dividend in shares of the Corporation's Common Stock or in any other class of Stock ranking junior to the Series G Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) for any

period unless full cumulative dividends have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for such payment on the Series G Preferred Stock for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period.

- (e) When dividends are not paid in full (and a sum sufficient for such full payment is not so set apart) upon the Series G Preferred Stock and the shares of any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series G Preferred Stock, all dividends declared upon the Series G Preferred Stock and any other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity as to dividends with the Series G Preferred Stock shall be declared pro rata so that the amount of dividends declared per share of Series G Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock shall in all cases bear to each other the same ratio that accrued dividends per share on the Series G Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock (which shall not include any accrual in respect of unpaid dividends for prior dividend periods if such Preferred Stock does not have a cumulative dividend) bear to each other. No interest, or sum of money in lieu of interest, shall be payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on Series G Preferred Stock which may be in arrears.
- (f) Except as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph, unless full cumulative dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof is set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no dividends (other than in shares of Common Stock or other shares of Stock ranking junior to the Series G Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation) shall be declared or paid or set aside for payment nor shall any other distribution be declared or made upon the Common Stock, or any other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series G Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, nor shall any shares of Common Stock, or any other shares of Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series G Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired for any consideration (or any monies be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any such shares) by the Corporation (except by conversion into or exchange for other Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series G Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation).
- (g) Any dividend payment made on shares of the Series G Preferred Stock shall first be credited against the earliest accrued but unpaid dividend due with respect to such shares which remains payable. Holders of the Series G Preferred Stock shall not be entitled to any dividend, whether payable in cash, property or Stock, in excess of full cumulative dividends on the Series G Preferred Stock as described above.

14.7.4 Liquidation Preference.

- (a) Upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, the holders of shares of Series G Preferred Stock then outstanding are entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Corporation legally available for distribution to its stockholders a liquidation preference of \$25.00 per share, plus an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends to the date of payment, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of Common Stock or any other class or series of Stock of the Corporation that ranks junior to the Series G Preferred Stock as to liquidation rights.
- (b) In the event that, upon any such voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the available assets of the Corporation are insufficient to pay the amount of the liquidating distributions on all outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock and the corresponding amounts payable on all shares of other classes or series of Stock of the Corporation ranking on a parity with the Series G Preferred Stock in the distribution of assets, then the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock and all other such classes or series of Stock shall

share ratably in any such distribution of assets in proportion to the full liquidating distributions to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled.

- (c) After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distributions to which they are entitled, the holders of Series G Preferred Stock will have no right or claim to any of the remaining assets of the Corporation.
- (d) Written notice of any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, stating the payment date or dates when, and the place or places where, the amounts distributable in such circumstances shall be payable, shall be given by first class mail, postage pre-paid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to each record holder of the Series G Preferred Stock at the respective addresses of such holders as the same shall appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation.
- (e) The consolidation or merger of the Corporation with or into any other corporation, trust or entity or of any other corporation with or into the Corporation, or the sale, lease or conveyance of all or substantially all of the property or business of the Corporation, shall not be deemed to constitute a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation.

14.7.5 Redemption.

- (a) Right of Optional Redemption. The Series G Preferred Stock is not redeemable prior to October 15, 2001. However, in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, shares of Series G Preferred Stock which have been converted into Excess Stock shall be subject to repurchase by the Corporation in accordance with Section 7.4.10 of Article VII. On and after October 15, 2001, the Corporation, at its option and upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' written notice, may redeem shares of the Series G Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption (except as provided in Section 14.7.5(c) below), without interest. If less than all of the outstanding Series G Preferred Stock is to be redeemed, the Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall be selected pro rata (as nearly as may be practicable without creating fractional shares) or by any other equitable method determined by the Corporation.
- (b) Limitations on Redemption.
- (i) The redemption price of the Series G Preferred Stock (other than the portion thereof consisting of accrued and unpaid dividends) is payable solely out of the sale proceeds of other capital stock of the Corporation, which may include other series of Preferred Stock, and from no other source. For purposes of the preceding sentence, "capital stock" means any equity securities (including Common Stock and Preferred Stock), shares, interest, participation or other ownership interests (however designated) and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into or exchangeable for equity securities) or options to purchase any of the foregoing.
- (ii) Unless full cumulative dividends on all shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall have been or contemporaneously are declared and paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart for payment for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period, no shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall be redeemed unless all outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock are simultaneously redeemed, and the Corporation shall not purchase or otherwise acquire directly or indirectly any shares of Series G Preferred Stock (except by exchange for Stock of the Corporation ranking junior to the Series G Preferred Stock as to dividends and upon liquidation); provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the purchase by the Corporation of shares of Excess Stock in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes or the purchase or acquisition of

shares of Series G Preferred Stock pursuant to a purchase or exchange offer made on the same terms to holders of all outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock.

- (c) Rights to Dividends on Shares Called for Redemption. Immediately prior to any redemption of Series G Preferred Stock, the Corporation shall pay, in cash, any accumulated and unpaid dividends through the redemption date, unless a redemption date falls after a Series G Dividend Record Date and prior to the corresponding Series G Dividend Payment Date, in which case each holder of Series G Preferred Stock at the close of business on such Series G Dividend Record Date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding Series G Dividend Payment Date notwithstanding the redemption of such shares before such Series G Dividend Payment Date. Except as provided above, the Corporation will make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series G Preferred Stock which is redeemed.
- (d) Procedures for Redemption.
- (i) Notice of redemption will be (A) given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of New York, such publication to be made once a week for two successive weeks commencing not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, and (B) mailed by the Corporation, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date, addressed to the respective holders of record of the Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed at their respective addresses as they appear on the stock transfer records of the Corporation. No failure to give such notice or any defect thereto or in the mailing thereof shall affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any shares of Series G Preferred Stock except as to the holder to whom notice was defective or not given.
- (ii) In addition to any information required by law or by the applicable rules of any exchange upon which Series G Preferred may be listed or admitted to trading, such notice shall state: (A) the redemption date; (B) the redemption price; (C) the number of shares of Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (D) the place or places where the Series G Preferred Stock is to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (E) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such redemption date. If less than all of the Series G Preferred Stock held by any holder is to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder shall also specify the number of shares of Series G Preferred Stock held by such holder to be redeemed.
- (iii) If notice of redemption of any shares of Series G Preferred Stock has been given and if the funds necessary for such redemption have been set aside by the Corporation in trust for the benefit of the holders of any shares of Series G Preferred Stock so called for redemption, then from and after the redemption date dividends will cease to accrue on such shares of Series G Preferred Stock, such shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall no longer be deemed outstanding and all rights of the holders of such shares will terminate, except the right to receive the redemption price. Holders of Series G Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall surrender such Series G Preferred Stock at the place designated in such notice and, upon surrender in accordance with said notice of the certificates for shares of Series G Preferred Stock so redeemed (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Corporation shall so require and the notice shall so state), such shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by the Corporation at the redemption price plus any accrued and unpaid dividends payable upon such redemption. In case less than all the shares of Series G Preferred Stock represented by any such certificate are redeemed, a new certificate or certificates shall be issued representing the unredeemed shares of Series G Preferred Stock without cost to the holder thereof.

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- (A) the Corporation shall be entitled to receive from such bank or trust corporation the interest or other earnings, if any, earned on any money so deposited in trust, and the holders of any shares redeemed shall have no claim to such interest or other earnings; and
- (B) any balance of monies so deposited by the Corporation and unclaimed by the holders of the Series G Preferred Stock entitled thereto at the expiration of two years from the applicable redemption dates shall be repaid, together with any interest or other earnings thereon, to the Corporation, and after any such repayment, the holders of the shares entitled to the funds so repaid to the Corporation shall look only to the Corporation for payment without interest or other earnings.
- (e) The shares of Series G Preferred Stock are subject to the provisions of Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles relating to Excess Stock. Excess Stock issued upon exchange of shares of Series G Preferred Stock pursuant to such provisions may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at any time when outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock are being redeemed, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus all accrued and unpaid dividends on the shares of Series G Preferred Stock, which are exchanged for such Excess Stock, through the date of such exchange, without interest. If the Corporation elects to redeem Excess Stock pursuant to the redemption right set forth in the preceding sentence, such Excess Stock shall be redeemed in such proportion and in accordance with such procedures as shares of Series G Preferred Stock are being redeemed.
- (f) Any shares of Series G Preferred Stock that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued Preferred Stock, without designation as to series until such shares are thereafter designated as part of a particular series by the Board of Directors.
- 14.7.6 Voting Rights.
- (a) Holders of the Series G Preferred Stock will not have any voting rights, except as set forth below or as otherwise from time to time required by law.
- (b) Whenever dividends on any shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall be in arrears for six or more quarterly periods (a "Series G Preferred Dividend Default"), the Board of Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to increase the number of Directors of the Corporation by two and the holders of such shares of Series G Preferred Stock (voting separately as a class with the holders of all other series of Preferred Stock ranking on a parity with the Series G Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation ("Series G Parity Preferred") upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable) will be entitled to vote for the election of a total of two Directors of the Corporation (the "Series G Preferred Stock Directors") at a special meeting called by the holders of record of at least 10% of the Series G Parity Preferred or the holders of any other series of Series G Parity Preferred so in arrears (unless such request is received less than 90 days before the date fixed for the next annual or special meeting of the stockholders) or at the next annual meeting of stockholders, and at each subsequent annual meeting until all dividends accumulated on such shares of Series G Preferred Stock for the past dividend periods and the dividends for the then current dividend period shall have been fully paid or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set aside for payment.
- (c) If and when all accumulated dividends and the dividend for the then current dividend period on the Series G Preferred Stock shall have been paid in full or set aside for payment in full, the holders of shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall be divested of the voting rights set forth in Section 14.7.6(b) hereof (subject to revesting in the event of each and every Series G Preferred Dividend Default) and the term of office of each Series G Preferred Stock

Director so elected shall terminate and the Board of Directors shall take such action as may be necessary to reduce the number of Directors by two. Any Series G Preferred Stock Director may be removed at any time with or without cause by the vote of, and shall not be removed otherwise than by the vote of, the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Series G Preferred Stock when they have the voting rights set forth in Section 14.7.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series G Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). So long as a Series G Preferred Dividend Default shall continue, any vacancy in the office of a Series G Preferred Stock Director may be filled by written consent of the Series G Preferred Stock Director remaining in office, or if none remains in office, by a vote of the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock when they have voting rights as set forth in Section 14.7.6(b) (voting separately as a class with all other series of Series G Parity Preferred upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable). The Series G Preferred Stock Directors shall each be entitled to one vote per director on any matter.

- (d) So long as any shares of Series G Preferred Stock remain outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two thirds of the shares of the Series G Preferred Stock outstanding at the time given in person or by proxy, either in writing or at a meeting (voting separately as a class), (i) authorize or create, or increase the authorized or issued amount of, any class or series of Stock ranking senior to the Series G Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up or reclassify any authorized Stock of the Corporation into any such shares, or create, authorize or issue any obligation or security convertible into or evidencing the right to purchase any such shares, or (ii) amend, alter or repeal the provisions of the Articles, whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, so as to materially and adversely affect any right, preference, privilege or voting power of the Series G Preferred Stock or the holders thereof; provided, however, that any increase in the amount of the authorized Preferred Stock or the creation or issuance of any other series of Preferred Stock, or any increase in the amount of authorized shares of such series, in each case ranking on a parity with or junior to the Series G Preferred Stock with respect to payment of dividends or the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, shall not be deemed to materially and adversely affect such rights, preferences, privileges or voting powers.
- (e) The foregoing voting provisions will not apply if, at or prior to the time when the act with respect to which such vote would otherwise be required shall be effected, all outstanding shares of Series G Preferred Stock shall have been redeemed or called for redemption upon proper notice and sufficient funds shall have been deposited in trust to effect such redemption.
- 14.7.7 Conversion. The Series G Preferred Stock is not convertible into or exchangeable for any other property or securities of the Corporation, except that the shares of Series G Preferred Stock will automatically be converted by the Corporation into shares of Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust in accordance with Section 7.4 of Article VII and Article IX of the Articles in the same manner that Common Stock is converted into Excess Stock and transferred to a Trust pursuant thereto, in order to ensure that the Corporation remains qualified as a REIT for federal income tax purposes.

CERTIFICATION

- I, Benjamin W. Schall, certify that:
 - 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of AvalonBay Communities, Inc.;
 - 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
 - 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
 - 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
 - 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 3, 2023

/s/ BENJAMIN W. SCHALL

Benjamin W. Schall Chief Executive Officer and President (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Kevin P. O'Shea, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of AvalonBay Communities, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 3, 2023

/s/ KEVIN P. O'SHEA

Kevin P. O'Shea Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned officers of AvalonBay Communities, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certify that the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q to which this certification is attached (the "Report"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 3, 2023

/s/ BENJAMIN W. SCHALL

Benjamin W. Schall Chief Executive Officer and President (Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ KEVIN P. O'SHEA

Kevin P. O'Shea Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

This certification is being furnished and not filed, and shall not be incorporated into any document for any purpose, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Securities Act of 1933.