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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
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FORM 10-Q

☒ **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2010

OR

☐ **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Commission File Number 1-15319

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or
Organization)

04-3445278
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

400 Centre Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

617-796-8350
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check One):

Large Accelerated Filer ☒

Accelerated Filer ☐

Non-Accelerated Filer ☐
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

Number of registrant's common shares outstanding as of August 2, 2010: 127,412,807.

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In this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, the terms “the Company”, “we”, “us” and “our” refer to Senior Housing Properties Trust and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless otherwise noted.

PART I. Financial Information**Item 1. Financial Statements.**

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(amounts in thousands, except share data)
(unaudited)

	June 30, 2010	December 31, 2009
ASSETS		
Real estate properties:		
Land	\$ 367,156	\$ 365,576
Buildings and improvements	2,981,596	2,952,407
	3,348,752	3,317,983
Less accumulated depreciation	496,728	454,317
	2,852,024	2,863,666
Cash and cash equivalents	25,230	10,494
Restricted cash	4,930	4,222
Deferred financing fees, net	16,478	14,882
Acquired real estate leases, net	41,855	42,769
Other assets	52,710	51,893
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,993,227</u>	<u>\$ 2,987,926</u>
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Unsecured revolving credit facility	\$ —	\$ 60,000
Senior unsecured notes due 2012, 2015 and 2020, net of discount	422,708	322,160
Secured debt and capital leases	658,285	660,059
Accrued interest	14,609	13,693
Acquired real estate lease obligations, net	9,621	9,687
Other liabilities	25,445	21,677
Total liabilities	<u>1,130,668</u>	<u>1,087,276</u>
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders' equity:		
Common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value: 149,700,000 shares authorized, 127,412,807 and 127,377,665 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively	1,274	1,273
Additional paid in capital	2,227,275	2,226,474
Cumulative net income	694,576	640,033
Cumulative distributions	(1,060,832)	(969,111)
Unrealized gain on investments	266	1,981
Total shareholders' equity	<u>1,862,559</u>	<u>1,900,650</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 2,993,227</u>	<u>\$ 2,987,926</u>

See accompanying notes.

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(amounts in thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Rental income	\$ 80,765	\$ 69,399	\$ 161,212	\$ 137,776
Expenses:				
Depreciation	22,345	18,635	44,634	37,024
General and administrative	5,413	5,056	10,914	9,807
Property operating expenses	4,144	3,219	8,519	6,174
Acquisition costs	404	1,282	439	1,394
Total expenses	32,306	28,192	64,506	54,399
Operating income	48,459	41,207	96,706	83,377
Interest and other income	243	186	500	394
Interest expense	(20,515)	(10,707)	(38,929)	(21,483)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(2,433)	—	(2,433)	—
Impairment of assets	(1,095)	—	(1,095)	—
Equity in losses of an investee	(24)	(109)	(52)	(109)
Income before income tax expense	24,635	30,577	54,697	62,179
Income tax expense	(76)	(66)	(154)	(135)
Net income	\$ 24,559	\$ 30,511	\$ 54,543	\$ 62,044
Weighted average shares outstanding	127,408	120,455	127,394	119,161
Net income per share	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.52

See accompanying notes .

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(amounts in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 54,543	\$ 62,044
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	44,634	37,024
Amortization of deferred financing fees and debt discounts	1,199	1,079
Amortization of acquired real estate leases	532	408
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	2,433	—
Impairment of assets	1,095	—
Equity in losses of equity investment	52	109
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Restricted cash	(708)	(245)
Other assets	(2,566)	(1,461)
Accrued interest	916	(255)
Other liabilities	4,572	9,217
Cash provided by operating activities	<u>106,702</u>	<u>107,920</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Acquisitions	(31,289)	(95,257)
Investment in Affiliates Insurance Company	(44)	(5,074)
Proceeds from sale of real estate	—	3,090
Cash used for investing activities	<u>(31,333)</u>	<u>(97,241)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of common shares, net	—	96,717
Proceeds from issuance of unsecured senior notes, net	195,352	—
Proceeds from borrowings on revolving credit facility	33,000	119,000
Repayments of borrowings on revolving credit facility	(93,000)	(141,000)
Redemption of senior notes	(98,780)	—
Repayment of other debt	(4,232)	(1,485)
Deferred financing fees	(1,252)	(2,279)
Distributions to shareholders	(91,721)	(82,249)
Cash used for financing activities	<u>(60,633)</u>	<u>(11,296)</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	14,736	(617)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	10,494	5,990
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u>\$ 25,230</u>	<u>\$ 5,373</u>
Supplemental cash flow information:		
Interest paid	\$ 38,013	\$ 20,659
Non-cash investing activities:		
Acquisitions funded by assumed debt	(2,458)	—
Non-cash financing activities:		
Assumption of mortgage notes payable	2,458	
Issuance of common shares	802	1,002

See accompanying notes.

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)
(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data or as otherwise stated)

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements of Senior Housing Properties Trust and its subsidiaries, or we, us, or our, have been prepared without audit. Certain information and disclosures required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, for complete financial statements have been condensed or omitted. We believe the disclosures made are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. However, the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, or our Annual Report. In the opinion of our management, all adjustments, which include only normal recurring adjustments, considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. All intercompany transactions and balances between us and our consolidated subsidiaries have been eliminated. Operating results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year. Reclassifications have been made to the prior year's financial statements to conform to the current year's presentation. These reclassifications were made to separately state on our condensed consolidated statements of income our (i) equity in losses of an investee and (ii) income tax expense, which were both previously included in general and administrative expenses. These reclassifications had no effect on net income or shareholders' equity.

Note 2. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2010, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, issued an accounting standards update requiring additional disclosures regarding fair value measurements. The update requires entities to disclose additional information regarding assets and liabilities that are transferred between levels within the fair value hierarchy. The update also clarifies the level of disaggregation at which fair value disclosures should be made and the requirements to disclose information about the valuation techniques and inputs used in estimating Level 2 and Level 3 fair values. The update is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009 except for the requirement to separately disclose purchases, sales, issuances and settlements in the Level 3 roll forward that becomes effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2010.

In February, the FASB issued an update to the disclosure requirements relating to subsequent events to exclude the requirement to disclose the date through which an entity has evaluated subsequent events and whether that date represents the date the financial statements were issued or available to be issued.

The adoption of these updates does not, and is not expected to, cause any material changes to the disclosures in our condensed consolidated financial statements.

Note 3. Real Estate Properties

At June 30, 2010, we owned 300 properties located in 35 states and Washington, D.C.

In April 2010, we acquired a medical office building located in Colorado with 14,695 rentable square feet for approximately \$4,450, excluding closing costs. We recorded intangible lease assets of \$775 and intangible lease liabilities of \$168 for this acquisition. We funded this acquisition using cash on hand and by assuming a mortgage loan for \$2,458 at interest of 6.73% per annum.

In June 2010, we acquired a medical office building located in Texas with approximately 55,800 rentable square feet for approximately \$12,175, excluding closing costs. We recorded intangible lease assets of \$1,783 and intangible lease liabilities of \$506 for this acquisition. We funded this acquisition using cash on hand.

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During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, pursuant to the terms of our existing leases with Five Star Quality Care, Inc., or Five Star, we purchased \$9,631 and \$15,810, respectively, of improvements made to our properties leased to Five Star, and, as a result, the annual rent payable to us by Five Star was increased by approximately \$772 and \$1,267, respectively.

As of June 30, 2010, six of our properties are classified as held for sale. These six properties are included in real estate properties on our condensed consolidated balance sheets and have a net carrying value of approximately \$3,242 at June 30, 2010.

We periodically evaluate our properties for impairment. Impairment indicators may include declining tenant occupancy, weak or declining tenant profitability, cash flow or liquidity, our decision to dispose of an asset before the end of its estimated useful life and legislative, market or industry changes that could permanently reduce the value of a property. If indicators of impairment are present, we evaluate the carrying value of the related property by comparing it to the expected future undiscounted cash flows to be generated from that property. If the sum of these expected future cash flows is less than the carrying value, we reduce the net carrying value of the property to its estimated fair value. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded impairment of assets charges of \$1,095 to reduce the carrying value of five of our held for sale properties to their estimated sale prices less costs to sell.

Note 4. Unrealized Gain on Investments

On June 30, 2010, we owned 1,000,000 common shares of CommonWealth REIT, or CWH, formerly known as HRPT Properties Trust, and 3,235,000 common shares of Five Star, which are carried at fair market value in other assets on our condensed consolidated balance sheets. The unrealized gain on investments shown on our condensed consolidated balance sheets represents the difference between the value at quoted market prices of our CWH and Five Star shares on June 30, 2010 (\$6.21 and \$3.02 per share, respectively) and our weighted average costs on the dates we acquired these shares (\$6.50 and \$2.85 per share, respectively). Effective July 1, 2010, CWH implemented a common share combination by which the number of its common shares outstanding was reduced by three quarters: every four existing common shares owned were combined into one common share. As a result of this common share combination, we now own 250,000 common shares of CWH at a weighted average cost basis of \$26.00 per share.

Note 5. Indebtedness

Our principal debt obligations at June 30, 2010 were our unsecured revolving credit facility, two public issues of unsecured senior notes totaling \$422,708 and \$643,539 of mortgages secured by 62 of our properties. These 62 collateralized properties had a carrying value of \$740,379 at June 30, 2010. We also have two properties recorded under capital leases totaling \$14,746 at June 30, 2010. These two properties had a carrying value of \$19,049 at June 30, 2010.

We have an unsecured revolving credit facility that matures on December 31, 2010. Our revolving credit facility permits borrowings up to \$550,000. The interest payable for amounts drawn under the facility is LIBOR plus a premium. We can borrow, repay and reborrow until maturity, and no principal repayment is due until maturity. The interest rate payable on borrowings under this revolving credit facility was 1.0% and 1.3% at June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. In addition to interest, we pay certain fees to maintain this credit facility and we amortize certain set up costs. Our revolving credit facility is available for acquisitions, working capital and general business purposes. As of June 30, 2010 and 2009, we had zero amounts and \$235,000 outstanding under this credit facility, respectively, and \$550,000 and \$315,000 available under this credit facility, respectively. Subject to certain conditions, this credit facility's maturity date can be extended at our option to December 31, 2011 upon payment of a fee. Our revolving credit facility contains financial covenants and requires us to maintain financial ratios and a minimum net worth. We believe we were in compliance with these covenants during the periods presented.

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In April 2010, we sold \$200,000 of senior unsecured notes. The notes require interest at a fixed rate of 6.75% per annum and are due in 2020. Net proceeds from the sale of the notes, after underwriting discounts and before other expenses, were approximately \$195,352. We incurred approximately \$400 of additional third party costs that are deferred over the term of the debt. Interest on the notes is payable semi-annually in arrears. No principal payments are due until maturity. We used a portion of the net proceeds of this offering to repay \$58,000 in borrowings under our revolving credit facility, to fund the redemption of all \$97,500 of our outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2015 and for general business purposes, including funding the acquisitions described in Note 3 above.

As described above, in April 2010, we called all of our outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2015 for redemption on May 17, 2010. As a result of this redemption, we recorded a loss on early extinguishment of debt of \$2,433 consisting of the debt prepayment premium of approximately \$1,280 and the write off of unamortized deferred financing fees and debt discount of approximately \$1,153.

Note 6. Shareholders' Equity

On May 13, 2010, we paid a \$0.36 per share, or \$45,865, distribution to our common shareholders for the quarter ended March 31, 2010. On July 2, 2010, we declared a distribution of \$0.36 per share, or \$45,869, to be paid to common shareholders of record on July 15, 2010, with respect to our results for the quarter ended June 30, 2010. We expect to pay this distribution on or about August 13, 2010. On August 14, 2009, we paid a \$0.36 per share, or \$43,400, distribution to our common shareholders for the quarter ended June 30, 2009.

On May 12, 2010, we granted 2,000 common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share, valued at \$22.22 per share, the closing price of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange, or the NYSE, on that day, to each of our five trustees. We made these grants pursuant to an exemption from registration contained in Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act.

Note 7. Comprehensive Income

The following is a reconciliation of net income to comprehensive income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Net income	\$ 24,559	\$ 30,511	\$ 54,543	\$ 62,044
Other comprehensive income:				
Change in net unrealized gain on investments	(1,667)	900	(1,715)	704
Comprehensive income	<u>\$ 22,892</u>	<u>\$ 31,411</u>	<u>\$ 52,828</u>	<u>\$ 62,748</u>

Note 8. Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

The table below presents certain of our assets and liabilities measured at fair value at June 30, 2010 categorized by the level of inputs used in the valuation of each asset or liability.

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Description	Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets held for sale ⁽¹⁾	\$ 3,242	\$ —	\$ 3,242	\$ —
Investments in available for sale securities ⁽²⁾	15,980	15,980	—	—
Senior notes ⁽³⁾	431,375	—	431,375	—

(1) Assets held for sale consist of six of our properties that we expect to sell that are reported at fair value. We used offers to purchase the properties made by third parties or comparable sales transactions (level 2 inputs) to determine fair value of these properties. We have recorded cumulative impairments of approximately \$10,532 to these properties in order to reduce their carrying value to fair value, or \$3,242 at June 30, 2010.

(2) Our investments in available for sale securities include our 1,000,000 common shares of CWH and 3,235,000 common shares of Five Star. The fair values of these shares are based on quoted prices at June 30, 2010 in active markets (level 1 inputs).

(3) We estimate the fair values of our senior notes by using an average of their bid and ask prices (level 2 inputs). As of June 30, 2010, the carrying value of our senior notes was \$422,708.

In addition to the assets and liabilities described in the above table, our financial instruments include rents receivable, cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, secured and unsecured debt and other liabilities. The fair values of these additional financial instruments approximate their carrying values at June 30, 2010 based upon their liquidity, short term maturity and / or variable rate pricing.

Note 9. Segment Reporting

We have two reportable operating segments: (i) short term and long term residential care facilities that offer dining for residents and (ii) properties where medical related activities occur but where residential overnight stays or dining services are not provided, or MOB. Properties in the short term and long term residential care facilities segment include independent living facilities, assisted living facilities, skilled nursing facilities and rehabilitation hospitals. Properties in the MOB segment include medical office, clinic and biotech laboratory buildings. The “All Other” category in the following table includes amounts related to corporate business activities and the operating results of certain properties that offer fitness, wellness and spa services to members.

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(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data or as otherwise stated)

	For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2010			
	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities	MOB	All Other	Consolidated
Rental income	\$ 57,147	\$ 19,683	\$ 3,935	\$ 80,765
Expenses:				
Depreciation expense	16,552	4,871	922	22,345
General and administrative	—	—	5,413	5,413
Property operating expenses	—	4,144	—	4,144
Acquisition costs	20	384	—	404
Total expenses	16,572	9,399	6,335	32,306
Operating income (loss)	40,575	10,284	(2,400)	48,459
Interest and other income	—	—	243	243
Interest expense	(10,485)	(232)	(9,798)	(20,515)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	—	(2,433)	(2,433)
Impairment of assets	(1,095)	—	—	(1,095)
Equity in losses of an investee	—	—	(24)	(24)
Income (loss) before income tax expense	28,995	10,052	(14,412)	24,635
Income tax expense	—	—	(76)	(76)
Net income (loss)	\$ 28,995	\$ 10,052	\$ (14,488)	\$ 24,559
Total assets	\$ 1,948,645	\$ 749,587	\$ 294,995	\$ 2,993,227

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	For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2009			
	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities	MOB	All Other	Consolidated
Rental income	\$ 54,484	\$ 11,004	\$ 3,911	\$ 69,399
Expenses:				
Depreciation expense	14,983	2,730	922	18,635
General and administrative	—	—	5,056	5,056
Property operating expenses	—	3,219	—	3,219
Acquisition costs	—	1,282	—	1,282
Total expenses	14,983	7,231	5,978	28,192
Operating income (loss)	39,501	3,773	(2,067)	41,207
Interest and other income	—	—	186	186
Interest expense	(2,039)	(190)	(8,478)	(10,707)
Equity in losses of an investee	—	—	(109)	(109)
Income (loss) before income tax expense	37,462	3,583	(10,468)	30,577
Income tax expense	—	—	(66)	(66)
Net income (loss)	\$ 37,462	\$ 3,583	\$ (10,534)	\$ 30,511
Total assets	\$ 1,881,050	\$ 439,545	\$ 239,603	\$ 2,560,198

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	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010			
	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities	MOB	All Other	Consolidated
Rental income	\$ 114,164	\$ 39,243	\$ 7,805	\$ 161,212
Expenses:				
Depreciation expense	33,013	9,776	1,845	44,634
General and administrative	—	—	10,914	10,914
Property operating expenses	—	8,519	—	8,519
Acquisition costs	20	419	—	439
Total expenses	33,033	18,714	12,759	64,506
Operating income (loss)	81,131	20,529	(4,954)	96,706
Interest and other income	—	—	500	500
Interest expense	(20,730)	(402)	(17,797)	(38,929)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	—	—	(2,433)	(2,433)
Impairment of assets	(1,095)	—	—	(1,095)
Equity in losses of an investee	—	—	(52)	(52)
Income (loss) before income tax expense	59,306	20,127	(24,736)	54,697
Income tax expense	—	—	(154)	(154)
Net income (loss)	\$ 59,306	\$ 20,127	\$ (24,890)	\$ 54,543
Total assets	\$ 1,948,645	\$ 749,587	\$ 294,995	\$ 2,993,227

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	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2009			
	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities	MOB	All Other	Consolidated
Rental income	\$ 108,520	\$ 21,451	\$ 7,805	\$ 137,776
Expenses:				
Depreciation expense	29,855	5,324	1,845	37,024
General and administrative	—	—	9,807	9,807
Property operating expenses	—	6,174	—	6,174
Acquisition costs	—	1,394	—	1,394
Total expenses	29,855	12,892	11,652	54,399
Operating income (loss)	78,665	8,559	(3,847)	83,377
Interest and other income	—	—	394	394
Interest expense	(4,069)	(374)	(17,040)	(21,483)
Equity in losses of an investee	—	—	(109)	(109)
Income (loss) before income tax expense	74,596	8,185	(20,602)	62,179
Income tax expense	—	—	(135)	(135)
Net income (loss)	\$ 74,596	\$ 8,185	\$ (20,737)	\$ 62,044
Total assets	\$ 1,881,050	\$ 439,545	\$ 239,603	\$ 2,560,198

Note 10. Significant Tenant

Rent from Five Star is 57% of our annualized rents as of June 30, 2010. The following tables present summary financial information for Five Star for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, as reported in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

**Summary Financial Information of Five Star Quality Care, Inc.
(unaudited)**

Operations	For the Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
Total revenues	\$ 311,866	\$ 294,965
Operating income	8,522	4,335
Income from continuing operations	8,211	9,311
Net income	8,153	8,578

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(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data or as otherwise stated)

	For the Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
Total revenues	\$ 620,212	\$ 587,146
Operating income	13,558	7,945
Income from continuing operations	12,616	34,524
Net income	12,238	33,950

Cash Flows

Cash provided by operating activities	61,323	24,002
Net cash (used in) provided by discontinued operations	(378)	570
Cash used in investing activities	(6,663)	(10,552)
Cash used in financing activities	(39,900)	(8,409)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	14,382	5,611
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	11,299	16,138
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	25,681	21,749

	As of June 30,	
	2010	2009
Financial Position		
Current assets	\$ 157,280	\$ 188,049
Non-current assets	229,179	227,337
Total indebtedness	60,617	119,545
Current liabilities	149,222	174,121
Non-current liabilities	84,751	117,032
Total shareholders' equity	152,486	124,233

The summary financial information of Five Star is presented to comply with applicable accounting regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC. References in these financial statements to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for Five Star are included as textual references only, and the information in Five Star's Quarterly Report is not incorporated by reference into these financial statements.

Five Star is our former subsidiary and both we and Five Star have management contracts with Reit Management & Research LLC, or RMR. For information about our dealings with Five Star and RMR and about the risks which may arise as a result of these related person transactions, please see our Annual Report, especially the section titled "Item 1A. Risk Factors".

Note 11. Related Person Transactions

Five Star is our largest tenant and it is our former subsidiary. We beneficially own more than 9% of Five Star's common shares. RMR provides management services to both us and Five Star. Five Star pays us minimum rent amounts plus percentage rent based on increases in gross revenues at certain properties. As of June 30, 2010, we leased 190 senior living communities and two rehabilitation hospitals to Five Star. Five Star's total minimum annual rent payable to us under those leases as of June 30, 2010 was \$185,643, excluding percentage rent based on increases in gross revenues at certain properties. Total rent recognized by us from Five Star for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 amounted to \$92,310 and \$86,751, respectively, and as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 our rents receivable from Five Star amounted to \$16,459 and \$16,468, respectively, which amounts are included in other assets on our condensed consolidated balance sheets. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, pursuant to the terms of our existing leases with Five Star, we purchased \$9,631 and \$15,810, respectively, of improvements made to our properties leased to Five Star, and, as a result, the annual rent payable to us by Five Star was increased by approximately \$772 and \$1,267, respectively.

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(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data or as otherwise stated)

In connection with our business management agreement with RMR, we recognized expenses of \$4,187 and \$8,405, and \$4,198 and \$7,927 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. These amounts are included in general and administrative expenses in our consolidated financial statements. In connection with our property management agreement with RMR, we recognized expenses of \$551 and \$1,104, and \$311 and \$606 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. These amounts are included in property operating expenses in our condensed consolidated financial statements.

As of June 30, 2010, we have invested \$5,177 in Affiliates Insurance Company, or Affiliates Insurance, concurrently with RMR and other companies to which RMR provides management services. All of our trustees are currently serving on the board of directors of Affiliates Insurance. At June 30, 2010, we owned approximately 14.29% of Affiliates Insurance. Although we own less than 20% of Affiliates Insurance, we use the equity method to account for this investment because we believe that we have significant influence over Affiliates Insurance because each of our trustees is a director of Affiliates Insurance. This investment is carried on our condensed consolidated balance sheets in other assets and had a carrying value of \$4,992 and \$5,000 as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, we invested an additional \$23 and \$44, respectively, in Affiliates Insurance. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, we recognized a loss of \$24 and \$52, respectively, related to this investment. In June 2010, we, RMR and other companies to which RMR provides management services purchased property insurance pursuant to an insurance program arranged by Affiliates Insurance. Our annual premiums for this property insurance are expected to be approximately \$275. We are currently investigating the possibilities to expand our insurance relationships with Affiliates Insurance to include other types of insurance.

For more information about our related person transactions, including our dealings with Five Star, RMR, Affiliates Insurance, our Managing Trustees and their affiliates and about the risks which may arise as a result of these and other related person transactions, please see our Annual Report and our other filings made with the SEC, and, in particular, the sections captioned “Risk Factors” and “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Related Person Transactions” in our Annual Report, and the section captioned “Related Person Transactions and the Company Review of Such Transactions” in our Proxy Statement dated February 22, 2010 relating to our 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and in Item 1.01 in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 13, 2010.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our Annual Report.

PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

The following tables present an overview of our portfolio (dollars in thousands except per unit/square foot):

<u>(As of June 30, 2010)</u>	<u>Number of Properties</u>	<u>Number of Units/Beds or Square Feet</u>	<u>Investment Carrying Value ⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>% of Investment</u>	<u>Annualized Current Rent ⁽²⁾</u>	<u>% of Annualized Current Rent</u>
Facility Type						
Independent living communities ⁽³⁾	43	11,524	\$ 1,129,200	33.7%	\$ 113,000	33.7%
Assisted living facilities ⁽³⁾	131	9,342	1,030,211	30.8%	95,467	28.5%
Skilled nursing facilities ⁽³⁾	56	5,707	227,483	6.8%	20,379	6.1%
Rehabilitation hospitals	2	364	67,246	2.0%	10,133	3.0%
Wellness centers	10	812,000 sq. ft.	180,017	5.4%	17,069	5.1%
MOBs	58	2,938,364 sq. ft.	714,595	21.3%	78,986	23.6%
Total	300		\$ 3,348,752	100.0%	\$ 335,034	100.0%

Tenant / Operator						
Five Star (Lease No. 1)	89	6,468	\$ 631,127	18.9%	\$ 54,067	16.1%
Five Star (Lease No. 2)	49	6,031	510,562	15.2%	50,161	15.0%
Five Star (Lease No. 3)	28	5,618	624,751	18.7%	62,457	18.6%
Five Star (Lease No. 4)	26	2,720	252,319	7.5%	23,129	6.9%
Sunrise / Marriott ⁽⁴⁾	14	4,091	325,165	9.7%	33,884	10.1%
Brookdale	18	894	61,122	1.8%	8,349	2.5%
6 private companies (combined)	8	1,115	49,094	1.5%	6,932	2.1%
Wellness centers	10	812,000 sq. ft.	180,017	5.4%	17,069	5.1%
Multi-tenant MOBs	58	2,938,364 sq. ft.	714,595	21.3%	78,986	23.6%
Total	300		\$ 3,348,752	100.0%	\$ 335,034	100.0%

Tenant Operating Statistics ⁽⁵⁾

	<u>Rent Coverage</u>		<u>Occupancy</u>		<u>Annualized Rental Income per Living Unit, Bed or Square Foot ⁽⁶⁾</u>	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Five Star (Lease No. 1)	1.30x	1.22x	87%	88%	\$ 8,359	\$ 7,635
Five Star (Lease No. 2) ⁽⁷⁾	1.31x	1.28x	82%	84%	\$ 7,063	\$ 6,878
Five Star (Lease No. 3)	1.48x	1.59x	88%	91%	\$ 11,117	\$ 10,890
Five Star (Lease No. 4)	1.05x	1.21x	84%	88%	\$ 8,503	\$ 8,556
Sunrise / Marriott ⁽⁴⁾	1.38x	1.43x	89%	91%	\$ 8,283	\$ 7,924
Brookdale	2.11x	2.11x	91%	93%	\$ 9,339	\$ 9,076
6 private companies (combined)	2.04x	1.85x	82%	82%	\$ 6,217	\$ 6,175
Wellness centers ⁽⁸⁾	2.23x	2.36x	100%	100%	NA	NA
Multi-tenant MOBs ⁽⁹⁾	NA	NA	97%	99%	\$ 27	\$ 27

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Tenant Operating Statistics (continued) ⁽⁵⁾

	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities Percentage of Operating Revenue Sources					
	Private Pay ⁽¹⁰⁾		Medicare		Medicaid	
	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009
Five Star (Lease No. 1)	63%	61%	13%	14%	24%	25%
Five Star (Lease No. 2)	52%	52%	32%	32%	16%	16%
Five Star (Lease No. 3)	87%	87%	12%	12%	1%	1%
Five Star (Lease No. 4)	67%	68%	14%	14%	19%	18%
Sunrise / Marriott ⁽⁴⁾	73%	66%	23%	31%	4%	3%
Brookdale	100%	99%	—	—	—	1%
6 private companies (combined)	23%	25%	24%	23%	53%	52%

(1) Amounts are before depreciation, but after impairment write downs, if any.

(2) Annualized rent is as of June 30, 2010.

(3) Properties are categorized by the type of living units / beds which constitute a majority of the living units / beds at the property.

(4) Marriott International, Inc. guarantees this lease.

(5) All tenant operating data presented are based upon the operating results provided by our tenants for the 12 months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, or the most recent prior period for which tenant operating results are available to us. Rent coverage is calculated as operating cash flow from our tenants' operations of our properties, before subordinated charges, divided by minimum rents payable to us. We have not independently verified our tenants' operating data. The table excludes data for periods prior to our ownership of some of these properties.

(6) Represents annualized rent by lease divided by the number of living units, beds or square feet leased at June 30, 2010 and 2009.

(7) Annualized rental income per living unit, bed or square foot excludes the two rehabilitation hospitals because these properties have extensive clinic space for services to both overnight patients and patients who receive treatment and do not stay overnight, and these properties are not comparable to residential senior living properties.

(8) Annualized rental income per living unit, bed or square foot excludes the wellness centers because these properties have extensive indoor and outdoor recreation space which is not comparable to properties where rent is based on interior space only.

(9) Our MOB leases include both triple net leases where, in addition to paying fixed rents, the tenants assume the obligation to operate and maintain the properties at their expense, and net and modified gross leases where we are responsible to operate and maintain the properties and we charge tenants for some or all of the property operating costs. A small percentage of our MOB leases are so-called "full-service" leases where we receive fixed rent from our tenants and no reimbursement for our property operating costs.

(10) Private pay excludes revenues from the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

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The following tables set forth information regarding our lease expirations as of June 30, 2010 (dollars in thousands):

Year	Annualized Rent				Percent of Total Annualized Current Rent Expiring	Cumulative Percentage of Annualized Current Rent Expiring
	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities	MOBs	Wellness Centers	Total		
2010	\$ 1,373	\$ 705	\$ —	\$ 2,078	0.6%	0.6%
2011	—	2,156	—	2,156	0.6%	1.2%
2012	—	6,000	—	6,000	1.8%	3.0%
2013	33,884	3,805	—	37,689	11.3%	14.3%
2014	—	3,765	—	3,765	1.1%	15.4%
2015	2,065	6,096	—	8,161	2.4%	17.8%
2016	2,895	6,897	—	9,792	2.9%	20.7%
2017	31,478	1,721	—	33,199	9.9%	30.6%
2018	—	1,906	—	1,906	0.6%	31.2%
2019 and thereafter	167,284	45,935	17,069	230,288	68.8%	100.0%
Total	<u>\$ 238,979</u>	<u>\$ 78,986</u>	<u>\$ 17,069</u>	<u>\$ 335,034</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	

Average remaining lease term for all properties (weighted by rent): 12.2 years

Year	Number of Tenants				Percent of Total Number of Tenants Expiring	Cumulative Percentage of Number of Tenants Expiring
	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities	MOBs	Wellness Centers	Total		
2010	1	17	—	18	8.2%	8.2%
2011	—	24	—	24	11.0%	19.2%
2012	—	38	—	38	17.4%	36.6%
2013	1	21	—	22	10.0%	46.6%
2014	—	25	—	25	11.4%	58.0%
2015	2	23	—	25	11.4%	69.4%
2016	2	18	—	20	9.1%	78.5%
2017	2	14	—	16	7.3%	85.8%
2018	—	6	—	6	2.7%	88.5%
2019 and thereafter	4	19	2	25	11.5%	100.0%
Total	<u>12</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>219</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	

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Number of Living Units/Beds or Square Feet with Leases Expiring

Year	Units/Beds			Square Feet				
	Short and Long Term Residential Care Facilities (Units/Beds)	Percent of Total Living Units or Beds Expiring	Cumulative Percentage of Total Living Units or Beds Expiring	MOBs (Square Feet)	Wellness Centers (Square Feet)	Total Square Feet	Percent of Total Square Feet Expiring	Cumulative Percent of Total Square Feet Expiring
2010	140	0.5%	0.5%	19,603	—	19,603	0.5%	0.5%
2011	—	0.0%	0.5%	65,702	—	65,702	1.8%	2.3%
2012	—	0.0%	0.5%	288,033	—	288,033	7.9%	10.2%
2013	4,091	15.2%	15.7%	146,688	—	146,688	4.0%	14.2%
2014	—	0.0%	15.7%	119,720	—	119,720	3.3%	17.5%
2015	283	1.1%	16.8%	261,693	—	261,693	7.2%	24.7%
2016	517	1.9%	18.7%	329,388	—	329,388	9.0%	33.7%
2017	3,614	13.4%	32.1%	47,866	—	47,866	1.3%	35.0%
2018	—	0.0%	32.1%	55,775	—	55,775	1.5%	36.5%
2019 and thereafter	18,292	67.9%	100.0%	1,509,375	812,000	2,321,375	63.5%	100.0%
Total	26,937	100.0%		2,843,843	812,000	3,655,843	100.0%	

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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 Compared to Three Months Ended June 30, 2009:

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
	(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)			
Rental Income:				
Short and long term residential care facilities	\$ 57,147	\$ 54,484	\$ 2,663	4.9%
MOB	19,683	11,004	8,679	78.9%
All Other	3,935	3,911	24	0.6%
Total rental income	<u>80,765</u>	<u>69,399</u>	<u>11,366</u>	<u>16.4%</u>
Expenses:				
Depreciation	22,345	18,635	3,710	19.9%
General and administrative	5,413	5,056	357	7.1%
Property operating expenses	4,144	3,219	925	28.7%
Acquisition costs	404	1,282	(878)	(68.5)%
Total expenses	<u>32,306</u>	<u>28,192</u>	<u>4,114</u>	<u>14.6%</u>
Operating income	48,459	41,207	7,252	17.6%
Interest and other income	243	186	57	30.6%
Interest expense	(20,515)	(10,707)	(9,808)	(91.6)%
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(2,433)	—	(2,433)	—
Impairment of assets	(1,095)	—	(1,095)	—
Equity in losses of an investee	(24)	(109)	85	78.0%
Income before income tax expense	24,635	30,577	(5,942)	(19.4)%
Income tax expense	(76)	(66)	(10)	(15.2)%
Net income	<u>\$ 24,559</u>	<u>\$ 30,511</u>	<u>\$ (5,952)</u>	<u>(19.5)%</u>
Weighted average shares outstanding	<u>127,408</u>	<u>120,455</u>	<u>6,953</u>	<u>5.8%</u>
Net income per share	<u>\$ 0.19</u>	<u>\$ 0.25</u>	<u>\$ (0.06)</u>	<u>(24.0)%</u>

Rental income. Rental income for our short and long term residential care facilities segment increased because of rents earned from our acquisitions of 11 facilities since April 1, 2009, offset by a reduction in rental income resulting from the sale of two facilities since April 1, 2009. Rental income for our MOB segment increased because of rents earned from our acquisitions of 21 MOBs since April 1, 2009, offset by a reduction in rental income resulting from the sale of two MOBs since April 1, 2009.

Total expenses. Depreciation expense for the period increased because of our property acquisitions since April 1, 2009. General and administrative expenses also increased in the second quarter of 2010 principally due to our acquisitions since April 1, 2009. The increase in property operating expenses for the quarter ended June 30, 2010 is the result of our acquisition of MOBs since April 1, 2009 and principally includes expenses related to real estate taxes, utilities, insurance, cleaning costs and property management fees paid to RMR.

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Interest expense. Interest expense increased because of interest on our \$512.9 million Federal National Mortgage Association, or FNMA, mortgage financing entered in August 2009, the amortization of \$13.5 million of deferred financing fees incurred in connection with this mortgage financing and the sale of \$200.0 million of unsecured senior notes with an interest rate of 6.75% in April 2010. These increases were offset by reduced interest because of the redemption of all \$97.5 million of our 7.875% unsecured senior notes due 2015 in May 2010 and lesser amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility at lower interest rates. Our weighted average balance outstanding and interest rate under our revolving credit facility was \$7.9 million and 1.0%, and \$200.1 million and 1.3%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Loss on early extinguishment of debt . In May 2010, we redeemed all \$97.5 million of our outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2015. As a result of this redemption, we recorded a loss on early extinguishment of debt of \$2.4 million consisting of the debt prepayment premium of approximately \$1.3 million and the write off of unamortized deferred financing fees of approximately \$1.1 million.

Impairment of assets . During the three months ended June 30, 2010, we recognized an impairment of assets charge of approximately \$1.1 million related to five properties to reduce the carrying value of these properties to their estimated sale prices less costs to sell.

Net income. Net income decreased because of the changes in revenues and expenses described above. Net income per share decreased due to the effect of an increase in our weighted average number of shares outstanding resulting from our issuances of common shares in February and September 2009 and by the net changes in revenues and expenses described above.

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Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2009:

	2010	2009	Change	% Change
	(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)			
Rental Income:				
Short and long term residential care facilities	\$ 114,164	\$ 108,520	\$ 5,644	5.2%
MOB	39,243	21,451	17,792	82.9%
All Other	7,805	7,805	—	—
Total rental income	161,212	137,776	23,436	17.0%
Expenses:				
Depreciation	44,634	37,024	7,610	20.6%
General and administrative	10,914	9,807	1,107	11.3%
Property operating expenses	8,519	6,174	2,345	38.0%
Acquisition costs	439	1,394	(955)	(68.5)%
Total expenses	64,506	54,399	10,107	18.6%
Operating income	96,706	83,377	13,329	16.0%
Interest and other income	500	394	106	26.9%
Interest expense	(38,929)	(21,483)	(17,446)	(81.2)%
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(2,433)	—	(2,433)	—
Impairment of assets	(1,095)	—	(1,095)	—
Equity in losses of an investee	(52)	(109)	57	52.3%
Income before income tax expense	54,697	62,179	(7,482)	(12.0)%
Income tax expense	(154)	(135)	(19)	(14.1)%
Net income	\$ 54,543	\$ 62,044	\$ (7,501)	(12.1)%
Weighted average shares outstanding	127,394	119,161	8,233	6.9%
Net income per share	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.52	\$ (0.09)	(17.3)%

Rental income. Rental income for our short and long term residential care facilities segment increased because of rents earned from our acquisitions of 11 facilities since January 1, 2009, offset by a reduction in rental income resulting from the sale of two facilities during 2009. Rental income for our MOB segment increased because of rents earned from our acquisitions of 22 MOBs since January 1, 2009, offset by a reduction in rental income resulting from the sale of two MOBs during 2009.

Total expenses. Depreciation expense for the period increased because of our property acquisitions since January 1, 2009. General and administrative expenses also increased during the six months ended June 30, 2010 principally due to our acquisitions since January 1, 2009. The increase in property operating expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2010 is the result of our acquisition of MOBs since January 1, 2009 and principally includes expenses related to real estate taxes, utilities, insurance, cleaning costs and property management fees paid to RMR.

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Interest expense. Interest expense increased because of interest on our \$512.9 million FNMA mortgage financing entered in August 2009, the amortization of \$13.5 million of deferred financing fees incurred in connection with this mortgage financing and the sale of \$200.0 million of unsecured senior notes with an interest rate of 6.75% in April 2010. These increases were offset by reduced interest because of the redemption of all \$97.5 million of our 7.875% unsecured senior notes due 2015 in May 2010 and lesser amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility at lower interest rates. Our weighted average balance outstanding and interest rate under our revolving credit facility was \$37.3 million and 1.0%, and \$209.3 million and 1.3%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Loss on early extinguishment of debt . In May 2010, we redeemed all \$97.5 million of our outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2015. As a result of this redemption, we recorded a loss on early extinguishment of debt of \$2.4 million consisting of the debt prepayment premium of approximately \$1.3 million and the write off of unamortized deferred financing fees of approximately \$1.1 million.

Impairment of assets . During the six months ended June 30, 2010, we recognized an impairment of assets charge of approximately \$1.1 million related to five properties to reduce the carrying value of these properties to their estimated sale prices less costs to sell.

Net income. Net income decreased because of the changes in revenues and expenses described above. Net income per share decreased due to the effect of an increase in our weighted average number of shares outstanding resulting from our issuances of common shares in February and September 2009 and by the net changes in revenues and expenses described above.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our principal source of funds to pay operating expenses, debt service and distributions to shareholders is rental income from our properties. We believe that our operating cash flow will be sufficient to meet our operating expenses and debt service and pay distributions on our shares for the foreseeable future. Our future cash flows from operating activities will depend primarily upon our ability to:

- maintain or improve the occupancy of, and the current rental rates at, our properties;
- control operating cost increases at our MOB properties; and
- purchase additional properties of any type which produce cash flows in excess of our cost of acquisition capital and property operating expenses.

Our Operating Liquidity and Resources

We generally receive minimum rents monthly or quarterly from our tenants and we receive percentage rents from our residential facility tenants monthly, quarterly or annually. During the six months ended June 30, 2010, we generated \$106.7 million of cash from operations and at June 30, 2010, we had \$25.2 million of cash and cash equivalents.

Our Investment and Financing Liquidity and Resources

At June 30, 2010, we had \$25.2 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$550.0 million available under our revolving credit facility. We expect to use cash balances, borrowings under our revolving credit facility and net proceeds of offerings of equity or debt securities to fund future working capital requirements, property acquisitions and expenditures related to the repair, maintenance or renovation of our properties.

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In order to fund acquisitions and to accommodate cash needs that may result from timing differences between our receipts of rents and our need or desire to pay operating expenses and distributions to our shareholders, we maintain a revolving credit facility with a group of institutional lenders. This revolving credit facility permits us to borrow up to \$550.0 million. Borrowings under our revolving credit facility are unsecured. We may borrow, repay and reborrow funds until maturity, and no principal repayment is due until maturity. We pay interest on borrowings under the revolving credit facility at LIBOR plus a premium. This facility matures in December 2010. Subject to certain conditions, this credit facility's maturity date can be extended at our option to December 31, 2011 upon our payment of a fee. We continue to monitor market conditions for comparable revolving credit facilities and other financing alternatives, and we have not yet decided whether to refinance the revolving credit facility when it comes due at December 2010 or to exercise the one year extension option. At June 30, 2010, the weighted average interest rate payable on our revolving credit facility was 1.03%. As of June 30, 2010 and August 2, 2010, we had zero amounts outstanding under this credit facility.

When significant amounts are outstanding under our revolving credit facility or as the maturity dates of our revolving credit facility and term debts approach, we will explore alternatives for the repayment of amounts due. Such alternatives may include incurring additional debt and issuing new equity securities. We have an effective shelf registration statement that allows us to issue public securities on an expedited basis, but it does not assure that there will be buyers for such securities.

In April 2010, we sold \$200.0 million of senior unsecured notes. The notes require interest at a fixed rate of 6.75% per annum and are due in 2020. Net proceeds from the sale of the notes, after underwriting discounts and other expenses, were approximately \$195.0 million. Interest on the notes is payable semi-annually in arrears. No principal payments are due until maturity. We used a portion of the net proceeds of this offering to repay \$58.0 million in borrowings under our revolving credit facility, to fund the redemption of all \$97.5 million of our outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2015 and for general business purposes, including funding the acquisitions described below.

As described above, in April 2010, we called all of our outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2015 for redemption on May 17, 2010. As a result of this redemption, we recorded a loss on early extinguishment of debt of approximately \$2.4 million consisting of the debt prepayment premium of approximately \$1.3 million and the write off of unamortized deferred financing fees of approximately \$1.1 million.

In April 2010, we acquired an MOB located in Colorado with 14,695 rentable square feet for approximately \$4.5 million, excluding closing costs. We funded this acquisition using cash on hand and by assuming a mortgage loan for approximately \$2.5 million at interest of 6.73% per annum.

In June 2010, we acquired an MOB located in Texas with approximately 55,800 rentable square feet for approximately \$12.2 million, excluding closing costs. We funded this acquisition using cash on hand.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, pursuant to the terms of our existing leases with Five Star, we purchased \$9.6 million and \$15.8 million, respectively, of improvements made to our properties leased to Five Star, and, as a result, the annual rent payable to us by Five Star was increased by approximately \$771,600 and \$1.3 million, respectively.

While we believe we will have access to various types of financings, including debt or equity, to fund our future acquisitions and to pay our debts and other obligations, there can be no assurance that we will be able to complete any debt or equity offerings or that our cost of any future financings will be reasonable. Also, the current market conditions have led to increased credit spreads which, if they continue, may result in increased interest costs when we renew our revolving credit facility. These interest cost increases could have a material and adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition.

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On July 2, 2010, we declared a quarterly distribution of \$0.36 per common share, or \$45.9 million, to our common shareholders for the quarter ended June 30, 2010. This distribution will be paid to shareholders on or about August 13, 2010, using cash on hand and borrowings under our revolving credit facility, if necessary.

As of August 2, 2010, we have no off balance sheet arrangements, commercial paper, derivatives, swaps, hedges, joint ventures or partnerships, other than interest rate caps in connection with our FNMA mortgage loan.

Debt Covenants

Our principal debt obligations at June 30, 2010 were our unsecured revolving credit facility, two public issues of unsecured senior notes totaling \$422.7 million and \$643.5 million of mortgages secured by 62 of our properties. Our unsecured senior notes are governed by an indenture. The indenture for our unsecured senior notes and related supplements and our revolving credit facility contain a number of covenants which restrict our ability to incur debts, including debts secured by mortgages on our properties in excess of calculated amounts, require us to maintain a minimum net worth, restrict our ability to make distributions under certain circumstances and generally require us to maintain certain other financial ratios. As of June 30, 2010, we believe we were in compliance with all of the covenants under our indenture and related supplements, our revolving credit facility and our other debt obligations.

None of our indenture and related supplements, our revolving credit facility or our other debt obligations contain provisions for acceleration which could be triggered by our debt ratings. However, in certain circumstances, our revolving credit facility uses our senior debt rating to determine the fees and the interest rate payable.

Our public debt indenture and related supplements contain cross default provisions to any other debts of at least \$10.0 million or, with respect to certain notes under such indenture and supplements, higher amounts. Similarly, our revolving credit facility contains a cross default provision to any other debts of \$25.0 million or more that are recourse debts and to any other debts of \$75.0 million or more that are non-recourse debts. Any termination of our business management agreement with RMR would cause a default under our revolving credit facility, if not approved by a majority of our lenders.

Related Person Transactions

Five Star is our largest tenant and it is our former subsidiary. We beneficially own more than 9% of Five Star's common shares. RMR provides management services to both us and Five Star. Five Star pays us minimum rent amounts plus percentage rent based on increases in gross revenues at certain properties. As of June 30, 2010, we leased 190 senior living communities and two rehabilitation hospitals to Five Star. Five Star's total minimum annual rent payable to us under those leases as of June 30, 2010 was \$185.6 million, excluding percentage rent based on increases in gross revenues at certain properties. Total rent recognized by us from Five Star for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 was \$92.3 million and \$86.8 million, respectively, and as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 our rents receivable from Five Star was \$16.5 million and \$16.5 million, respectively, which amounts are included in other assets on our condensed consolidated balance sheets. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, we purchased \$9.6 million and \$15.8 million, respectively, of improvements made to our properties that are leased to Five Star. We used cash on hand to fund these purchases. As a result of these purchases, the annual rent payable to us by Five Star increased by approximately \$772,000 and \$1.3 million, respectively. Additional information regarding our leases with Five Star appears in Item 1 of our Annual Report under the captions "Business — Tenants" and "Business — Lease Terms".

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We have no employees. Instead, services that might be provided to us by employees are provided to us by RMR. RMR provides both business and property management services to us under a business management agreement and a property management agreement. There have been no changes in the terms of our agreements with RMR as described in our Annual Report. During the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, our fees to RMR under these agreements were \$4.7 million and \$4.5 million, respectively. During the six month periods ended June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009, these fees totaled \$9.5 million and \$8.5 million, respectively.

As of June 30, 2010, we have invested approximately \$5.2 million in Affiliates Insurance, an Indiana licensed insurance company organized by RMR and other companies to which RMR provides management services. We own 14.29% of Affiliates Insurance. All of our trustees are also directors of Affiliates Insurance and RMR provides certain management services to Affiliates Insurance. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2010, we recognized a loss of approximately \$24,000 and \$52,000, respectively, related to this investment. In June 2010, we, RMR and other companies to which RMR provides management services purchased property insurance pursuant to an insurance program arranged by Affiliates Insurance. Our annual premiums for this property insurance are expected to be approximately \$275,000. We are currently investigating the possibilities to expand our insurance relationships with Affiliates Insurance.

For more information about our related person transactions, including our dealings with Five Star, Affiliates Insurance, RMR, our Managing Trustees and their affiliates and about the risks which may arise as a result of these and other related person transactions, please see our Annual Report and our other filings made with the SEC, and in particular, the sections captioned "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Related Person Transactions" in the Annual Report and the section captioned "Related Person Transactions and Company Review of Such Transactions" in our Proxy Statement dated February 22, 2010 relating to our 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Item 1.01 in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 13, 2010.

Impact of Government Reimbursement

Approximately 87% of our current annual rents at our senior living properties come from properties where approximately 80% or more of the operating revenues are derived from residents who pay from their own private resources. The remaining 13% of our rents from our senior living properties come from properties where the revenues are more dependent upon Medicare and Medicaid programs. The operations of these Medicare and Medicaid dependent senior living properties currently produce sufficient cash flow to support our rent. However, as discussed in Item 1 of our Annual Report under the caption, "Business — Government Regulation and Reimbursement", we expect that Medicare and Medicaid rates paid to our tenants may not increase in amounts sufficient to pay our tenants' increased operating costs, or that they may even decline. Also, the hospitals we lease to Five Star are heavily dependent upon Medicare revenues.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, or PPACA, enacted in March 2010, contains insurance changes, payment changes and healthcare delivery systems changes intended to expand access to health insurance coverage and reduce the growth of healthcare expenditures while simultaneously maintaining or improving the quality of healthcare. It is unclear how or if these somewhat contradictory goals can be achieved. Under PPACA, beginning in fiscal year 2012, the Medicare skilled nursing facility, or SNF, and inpatient rehabilitation facility, or IRF, market basket adjustments for inflation will be reduced by a productivity adjustment that may result in payment rates for a fiscal year being less than for the preceding fiscal year. PPACA also reduces the Medicare IRF market basket adjustment for inflation by 0.25% for fiscal year 2010, effective for discharges between April 1, 2010 and September 30, 2010. Future IRF Medicare market basket adjustments will also be reduced, by 0.25% for fiscal year 2011, by amounts ranging from 0.1% to 0.3% for fiscal years 2012 through 2016, and by 0.75% for fiscal years 2017 through 2019. PPACA also establishes an Independent Payment Advisory Board to submit legislative proposals to Congress and take other actions with a goal of reducing Medicare spending growth and includes various other provisions affecting Medicare and Medicaid providers, including enforcement reforms and increased funding for Medicare and Medicaid program integrity control initiatives.

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The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, or CMS, has recently adopted rules to be effective as of October 1, 2010 that it estimates will increase aggregate Medicare payment rates for SNFs by approximately 1.7% overall in federal fiscal year 2011, as the result of an annual market basket increase of approximately 2.3% to account for inflation, reduced by a forecast error adjustment of 0.6%. CMS has also recently adopted rules to be effective as of October 1, 2010 that it estimates will increase aggregate Medicare payment rates for IRFs by approximately 2.2% overall in federal fiscal year 2011, as a result of an annual market basket increase of approximately 2.5% to account for inflation, reduced by 0.25% in accordance with PPACA, and reduced by an 0.1% estimated decrease in IRF outlier payments for high cost cases.

We are unable to predict the impact on our tenants of the productivity adjustments or other PPACA provisions on future Medicare rates for SNFs and IRFs or the insurance, payment and healthcare delivery systems changes contained in and to be developed pursuant to PPACA. The changes implemented or to be implemented under PPACA could result in the failure of Medicare, Medicaid or private payment reimbursement rates to cover our tenants' increasing costs or other circumstances that could have a material adverse effect on our tenants' abilities to pay rent to us.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

We are exposed to risks associated with market changes in interest rates. We manage our exposure to this market risk by monitoring available financing alternatives. Our strategy to manage exposure to changes in interest rates is unchanged since December 31, 2009. Other than as described below, we do not foresee any significant changes in our exposure to fluctuations in interest rates or in how we manage this exposure in the future.

At June 30, 2010, our outstanding fixed rate debt included the following (dollars in thousands):

Debt ⁽¹⁾	Principal Balance	Annual Interest Rate	Annual Interest Expense	Maturity	Interest Payments Due
Unsecured senior notes	\$ 225,000	8.625%	\$ 19,406	2012	Semi-Annually
Unsecured senior notes ⁽²⁾	200,000	6.75%	13,500	2020	Semi-Annually
Mortgages ⁽³⁾	305,478	6.71%	20,498	2019	Monthly
Mortgages	48,983	6.54%	3,203	2017	Monthly
Mortgages	32,381	6.97%	2,257	2012	Monthly
Mortgage	14,616	6.91%	1,010	2013	Monthly
Mortgages	11,315	6.11%	691	2013	Monthly
Mortgage	4,346	6.50%	282	2013	Monthly
Mortgage	3,850	7.31%	281	2022	Monthly
Mortgage ⁽⁴⁾	2,448	6.73%	165	2012	Monthly
Mortgage	1,884	7.85%	148	2022	Monthly
Bonds	14,700	5.875%	864	2027	Semi-Annually
	<u>\$ 865,001</u>		<u>\$ 62,305</u>		

(1) In May 2010, we redeemed all \$97.5 million of our outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2015.

(2) In April 2010, we sold \$200.0 million of senior unsecured notes. The notes require interest at a fixed rate of 6.75% per annum and are due in 2020.

(3) Consists of fixed rate portion of our FNMA loan.

(4) In April 2010, we acquired one MOB and assumed a mortgage of approximately \$2.5 million at an interest rate of 6.73% per annum.

No principal payments are due under our unsecured notes or bonds until maturity. Our mortgages require principal and interest payments through maturity pursuant to amortization schedules. Because these debts bear interest at a fixed rate, changes in market interest rates during the term of these debts will not affect our operating results. If these debts are refinanced at interest rates which are 10% higher or lower than shown above, our per annum interest cost would increase or decrease by approximately \$6.2 million.

Changes in market interest rates affect the fair value of our fixed rate debt obligations; increases in market interest rates decrease the fair value of our fixed rate debt, while decreases in market interest rates increase the fair value of our fixed rate debt. Based on the balances outstanding at June 30, 2010, and discounted cash flow analysis through the maturity date of our fixed rate debt obligations, a hypothetical immediate 10% change in interest rates would change the fair value of those obligations by approximately \$29.7 million.

Our unsecured senior notes and mortgages generally contain provisions that allow us to make repayment at par plus premiums which is generally designed to preserve a stated yield to the debt holder. Also, as we have previously done on occasion, we occasionally have the opportunity to purchase our outstanding debt by open market purchases. These prepayment rights and purchases may afford us the opportunity to mitigate the risks arising from changes in interest rates.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk (continued)

Our unsecured revolving credit facility accrues interest at floating rates and matures in December 2010. Subject to certain conditions, we can extend the maturity for one year upon payment of a fee. At June 30 and August 2, 2010, we had zero amounts outstanding and \$550.0 million available for borrowing under our revolving credit facility. We may make repayments and drawings under our revolving credit facility at any time without penalty. We borrow in U.S. dollars and borrowings under our revolving credit facility accrue interest at LIBOR plus a spread. Accordingly, we are vulnerable to changes in U.S. dollar based short term rates, specifically LIBOR. In addition, upon renewal or refinancing of our revolving credit facility, we are vulnerable to increases in credit spreads due to market conditions. Generally, a change in interest rates would not affect the value of our floating rate debt but would affect our operating results. If interest rates were to change gradually over time, the impact would be spread over time. Our exposure to fluctuations in floating interest rates will increase or decrease in the future with increases or decreases in the outstanding amount under our revolving credit facility or other floating rate debt. The following table presents the impact a 10% change in interest rates would have on our annual floating rate interest expense at June 30, 2010 if we had fully drawn our revolving credit facility (dollars in thousands):

Impact of Changes in Interest Rates			
	Interest Rate	Outstanding Debt	Total Interest Expense Per Year
At June 30, 2010	1.03%	\$ 550,000	\$ 5,665
10% reduction	0.93%	\$ 550,000	\$ 5,115
10% increase	1.13%	\$ 550,000	\$ 6,215

On August 4, 2009, we closed a FNMA mortgage financing for approximately \$512.9 million. A part of this borrowing is at a fixed interest rate (\$307.7 million) and a part is at a floating rate (\$205.2 million) calculated as a spread above LIBOR. Generally, a change in market interest rates will not change the value of the floating rate part of this loan but will change the interest expense on the floating rate part of this loan. For example, at June 30, 2010, our effective weighted average annual interest rate payable on the outstanding variable amount of this loan was 6.48%. If interest rates increase by 10% of current rates, the impact upon us would be to change our interest expense as shown in the following table:

Impact of Changes in Interest Rates			
	Interest Rate ⁽¹⁾	Outstanding Debt	Total Interest Expense Per Year
At June 30, 2010	6.48%	\$ 203,538	\$ 13,189
10% reduction	6.44%	\$ 203,538	\$ 13,108
10% increase	6.51%	\$ 203,538	\$ 13,250

- (1) Our variable rate at June 30, 2010 consists of the one month LIBOR rate of 0.35% at June 30, 2010 plus a premium that remains constant. This table assumes a 10% interest rate change on the one month LIBOR rate.

Also, we have arranged with FNMA to cap, or limit, the interest rate increases which will impact the interest expense we will pay on the floating rate part of this loan. The net effect of this arrangement is that the maximum effective interest rate on the full amount of this loan we may be required to pay is 7.79% per annum.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk (continued)

We also have the option to prepay our FNMA obligations in order to mitigate the risks of refinancing or for other reasons. The fixed rate portion of this loan may be prepaid during the first 96 months of the loan term subject to our paying a standard make whole premium and thereafter for a declining fixed percent premium of the amount prepaid which is reduced to zero in the last six months of this ten year loan. The floating rate portion may be prepaid after one year for a fixed premium percent of the amount prepaid which is also reduced to zero in the last six months of this ten year loan. We may exercise these prepayment options to mitigate the risks inherent in this FNMA loan arising from changes in interest rates.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

As of the end of the period covered by this report, our management carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our Managing Trustees, President and Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15. Based upon that evaluation, our Managing Trustees, President and Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended June 30, 2010 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

WARNING CONCERNING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

THIS QUARTERLY REPORT ON FORM 10-Q CONTAINS STATEMENTS WHICH CONSTITUTE FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995 AND OTHER FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS. WHENEVER WE USE WORDS SUCH AS “BELIEVE”, “EXPECT”, “ANTICIPATE”, “INTEND”, “PLAN”, “ESTIMATE” OR SIMILAR EXPRESSIONS, WE ARE MAKING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS. THESE FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS ARE BASED UPON OUR PRESENT INTENT, BELIEFS OR EXPECTATIONS, BUT FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS ARE NOT GUARANTEED TO OCCUR AND MAY NOT OCCUR. FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS IN THIS REPORT RELATE TO VARIOUS ASPECTS OF OUR BUSINESS, INCLUDING :

- OUR ABILITY TO PURCHASE OR SELL PROPERTIES,
- OUR ABILITY TO RAISE DEBT OR EQUITY CAPITAL,
- OUR ABILITY TO PAY INTEREST AND DEBT PRINCIPAL AND MAKE DISTRIBUTIONS, AND PAY THE AMOUNT OF ANY SUCH DISTRIBUTIONS,
- OUR ABILITY TO RETAIN OUR EXISTING TENANTS AND MAINTAIN CURRENT RENTAL RATES,
- OUR POLICIES AND PLANS REGARDING INVESTMENTS AND FINANCINGS,
- THE FUTURE AVAILABILITY OF BORROWINGS UNDER, AND OUR ABILITY TO RENEW OR REFINANCE, OUR REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY,
- OUR TAX STATUS AS A REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, OR REIT,
- OUR BELIEF THAT FIVE STAR, OUR FORMER SUBSIDIARY, WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR 57% OF OUR CURRENT ANNUALIZED RENTS, HAS ADEQUATE FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND LIQUIDITY TO MEET ITS OBLIGATIONS TO US,
- OUR EXPECTATION THAT WE WILL BENEFIT FINANCIALLY BY PARTICIPATING IN THE INSURANCE COMPANY WITH RMR AND COMPANIES TO WHICH RMR PROVIDES MANAGEMENT SERVICES, AND
- OTHER MATTERS.

OUR ACTUAL RESULTS MAY DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE CONTAINED IN OR IMPLIED BY OUR FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS AS A RESULT OF VARIOUS FACTORS. FACTORS THAT COULD HAVE A MATERIAL ADVERSE EFFECT ON OUR FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS AND UPON OUR BUSINESS, RESULTS OF OPERATIONS, FINANCIAL CONDITION, FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS, CASH AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION, CASH FLOWS, LIQUIDITY AND PROSPECTS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- THE IMPACT OF CHANGES IN THE ECONOMY AND THE CAPITAL MARKETS ON US AND OUR TENANTS,
- ACTUAL AND POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST WITH FIVE STAR, OUR MANAGING TRUSTEES, AND RMR AND THEIR AFFILIATES,
- COMPLIANCE WITH, AND CHANGES TO, FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS, ACCOUNTING RULES, TAX RATES AND SIMILAR MATTERS,
- LIMITATIONS IMPOSED ON OUR BUSINESS AND OUR ABILITY TO SATISFY COMPLEX RULES IN ORDER FOR US TO QUALIFY AS A REIT FOR U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES, AND
- COMPETITION WITHIN THE HEALTHCARE AND REAL ESTATE INDUSTRIES.

FOR EXAMPLE:

- FIVE STAR MAY EXPERIENCE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES AS A RESULT OF A NUMBER OF FACTORS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:
 - CHANGES IN MEDICARE AND MEDICAID PAYMENTS WHICH COULD RESULT IN A REDUCTION OF RATES OR A FAILURE OF THESE RATES TO MATCH FIVE STAR'S COST INCREASES,
 - CHANGES IN REGULATIONS EFFECTING ITS OPERATIONS,
 - CHANGES IN THE ECONOMY GENERALLY OR GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES WHICH REDUCE THE DEMAND FOR THE SERVICES FIVE STAR OFFERS,
 - INCREASES IN INSURANCE AND TORT LIABILITY COSTS, AND
 - INEFFECTIVE INTEGRATION OF NEW ACQUISITIONS.
- IF FIVE STAR'S OPERATIONS BECOME UNPROFITABLE, FIVE STAR MAY BECOME UNABLE TO PAY OUR RENTS,
- OUR OTHER TENANTS MAY EXPERIENCE LOSSES AND BECOME UNABLE TO PAY OUR RENTS,
- OUR PARTICIPATION IN AFFILIATES INSURANCE INVOLVES POTENTIAL FINANCIAL RISKS AND REWARDS TYPICAL OF ANY START UP BUSINESS VENTURE AS WELL AS OTHER FINANCIAL RISKS AND REWARDS SPECIFIC TO INSURANCE COMPANIES. ACCORDINGLY, OUR EXPECTED FINANCIAL BENEFITS FROM OUR INITIAL OR FUTURE INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATES INSURANCE MAY BE DELAYED OR MAY NOT OCCUR,
- IF THE AVAILABILITY OF DEBT CAPITAL BECOMES RESTRICTED, WE MAY BE UNABLE TO RENEW, REFINANCE OR REPAY OUR REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY OR OUR OTHER DEBT OBLIGATIONS WHEN THEY BECOME DUE OR ON TERMS WHICH ARE AS FAVORABLE AS WE NOW HAVE,
- OUR ABILITY TO MAKE FUTURE DISTRIBUTIONS DEPENDS UPON A NUMBER OF FACTORS, INCLUDING OUR FUTURE EARNINGS. WE MAY BE UNABLE TO MAINTAIN OUR CURRENT RATE OF DISTRIBUTIONS AND FUTURE DISTRIBUTIONS MAY BE SUSPENDED OR PAID AT A LESSER RATE THAN THE DISTRIBUTIONS WE NOW PAY,
- OUR ABILITY TO GROW OUR BUSINESS AND INCREASE OUR DISTRIBUTIONS DEPENDS IN LARGE PART UPON OUR ABILITY TO BUY PROPERTIES AND LEASE THEM FOR RENTS WHICH EXCEED OUR CAPITAL COSTS. WE MAY BE UNABLE TO IDENTIFY PROPERTIES THAT WE WANT TO ACQUIRE OR TO NEGOTIATE ACCEPTABLE PURCHASE PRICES, ACQUISITION FINANCING OR LEASE TERMS FOR NEW PROPERTIES,
- SOME OF OUR TENANTS MAY NOT RENEW EXPIRING LEASES, AND WE MAY BE UNABLE TO LOCATE NEW TENANTS TO MAINTAIN THE HISTORICAL OCCUPANCY RATES OF, OR RENTS FROM, OUR PROPERTIES, AND
- RENTS THAT WE CAN CHARGE AT OUR PROPERTIES MAY DECLINE.

THESE RESULTS COULD OCCUR DUE TO MANY DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES, SOME OF WHICH ARE BEYOND OUR CONTROL, SUCH AS THE APPLICATION AND INTERPRETATION OF RECENTLY PASSED OR NEW LAWS AFFECTING OUR BUSINESS, NATURAL DISASTERS OR CHANGES IN OUR MANAGERS' OR TENANTS' REVENUES OR COSTS, OR CHANGES IN CAPITAL MARKETS OR THE ECONOMY GENERALLY.

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ELSEWHERE IN OUR ANNUAL REPORT AND SUBSEQUENT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC IDENTIFIES OTHER FACTORS THAT COULD CAUSE DIFFERENCES FROM OUR FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS. ALSO, OTHER IMPORTANT FACTORS THAT COULD CAUSE OUR ACTUAL RESULTS TO DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE IN OUR FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE DESCRIBED MORE FULLY UNDER “ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS” IN PART II OF THIS REPORT AND IN OUR ANNUAL REPORT.

YOU SHOULD NOT PLACE UNDUE RELIANCE UPON OUR FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS.

EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY LAW, WE DO NOT INTEND TO UPDATE OR CHANGE ANY FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS AS A RESULT OF NEW INFORMATION, FUTURE EVENTS OR OTHERWISE.

STATEMENT CONCERNING LIMITED LIABILITY

THE AMENDED AND RESTATED DECLARATION OF TRUST ESTABLISHING SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST, DATED SEPTEMBER 20, 1999, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, AS FILED WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION OF MARYLAND, PROVIDES THAT NO TRUSTEE, OFFICER, SHAREHOLDER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST SHALL BE HELD TO ANY PERSONAL LIABILITY, JOINTLY OR SEVERALLY, FOR ANY OBLIGATION OF, OR CLAIM AGAINST, SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST. ALL PERSONS DEALING WITH SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST IN ANY WAY SHALL LOOK ONLY TO THE ASSETS OF SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST FOR THE PAYMENT OF ANY SUM OR THE PERFORMANCE OF ANY OBLIGATION.

PART II . Other Information

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

The risk factors previously disclosed in Part I, “Item 1A. Risk Factors” in our Annual Report are revised in part below to address an insurance arrangement we recently entered and other insurance related matters. Otherwise, there have been no material changes during the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to the risk factors previously disclosed in Part I, “Item 1A. Risk Factors” in our Annual Report.

We may experience losses from our business dealings with Affiliates Insurance.

We have invested approximately \$5.2 million in Affiliates Insurance, we have purchased substantially all our property insurance in a program designed by Affiliates Insurance and we are currently investigating the possibilities to expand our relationship with Affiliates Insurance to other types of insurance. Our principal reasons for investing in Affiliates Insurance and in purchasing insurance in these programs is to improve our financial results by obtaining improved insurance coverages at lower costs than may be otherwise available to us and/or by participating in the profits which we may realize as an owner of Affiliates Insurance. These beneficial financial results may not occur. Affiliates Insurance’s business involves the risks typical of a start up business as well as the risks specific to insurance businesses. For example, if risks insured by Affiliates Insurance occur, Affiliates Insurance may incur losses; and these risks of insurance underwriting losses may be especially likely to occur in Affiliates Insurance’s early years of operation. Also, because the insurance amounts we and other shareholders and customers of Affiliates Insurance may require are large, Affiliates Insurance will generally design insurance programs which require participation by other, third party insurers as well as re-insurance by other insurers of certain risks underwritten by Affiliates Insurance. Such third party participation in these insurance programs is expected to be available only on market clearing terms which may limit the profits which Affiliates Insurance can achieve and the insurance cost savings we may realize. Accordingly, our anticipated financial benefits from our business dealings with Affiliates Insurance may be delayed or not achieved and we may experience losses from these dealings.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

On May 12, 2010, we granted 2,000 common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share, valued at \$22.22 per share, the closing price of our common shares on the NYSE on that day, to each of our five trustees. We made these grants pursuant to an exemption from registration contained in Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.

Item 6. Exhibits.

- 10.1 Summary of Trustee Compensation. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 14, 2010, filed with the SEC on May 14, 2010, File No. 001-15319)
- 10.2 Amendment No. 1 to Master Credit Facility Agreement, dated as of February 1, 2010 and executed on or about May 27, 2010, by and among SNH FM Financing LLC, Citibank, N.A. and Fannie Mae, and acknowledged and agreed to by SNH FM Financing Trust and Ellicott City Land I, LLC. *(Filed herewith)*
- 12.1 Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges. *(Filed herewith)*
- 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification. *(Filed herewith)*
- 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification. *(Filed herewith)*
- 31.3 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification. *(Filed herewith)*
- 31.4 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification. *(Filed herewith)*
- 32.1 Section 1350 Certification. *(Furnished herewith)*
- 101.1 The following materials from the Company’s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2010 formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) the Consolidated Statements of Income, (iii) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (iv) related notes to these financial statements, tagged as blocks of text. *(Furnished herewith)*

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.

SENIOR HOUSING PROPERTIES TRUST

By: /s/ David J. Hegarty
David J. Hegarty
President and Chief Operating Officer
Dated: August 2, 2010

By: /s/ Richard A. Doyle
Richard A. Doyle
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer
(principal financial and accounting officer)
Dated: August 2, 2010

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO MASTER CREDIT FACILITY AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO MASTER CREDIT FACILITY AGREEMENT (the “**Amendment**”) is made as of February 1, 2010 by and among (i) SNH FM FINANCING LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“**Borrower** ”); (ii) CITIBANK, N.A., a national banking association (“**Lender** ”); and (iii) Fannie Mae, that body corporate duly organized under the Federal National Mortgage Association Charter Act, as amended, 12 U.S.C. § 1716 et seq. and duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States, and its successors and assigns (“**Fannie Mae** ”).

RECITALS

A. Borrower and Lender are parties to that certain Master Credit Facility Agreement dated August 4, 2009 (as the same may be amended, restated, modified or supplemented from time to time, the “**Master Agreement**”).

B. Pursuant to the Master Agreement, Lender provided term loans in the aggregate amount of \$512,934,000 to Borrower, comprised of a \$205,174,000 Variable Loan, and a \$307,760,000 Fixed Loan.

C. Immediately after the execution of the Master Agreement, the Lender’s interests under the Master Agreement were assigned by the Lender to Fannie Mae pursuant to that certain Assignment of Master Credit Facility Agreement and Other Loan Documents dated as of August 4, 2009.

D. Borrower has requested and Lender has consented to the amendment of the Master Agreement. In connection therewith, Fannie Mae, Lender and Borrower desire to amend the Master Agreement in certain respects as set forth herein.

E. Fannie Mae, Lender and Borrower intend these Recitals to be a material part of this Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Capitalized Terms . All capitalized terms used in this Amendment which are not specifically defined herein shall have the respective meanings set forth in the Master Agreement.

Section 2. Amendment .

- (i) Section 8.03 (b)(i) is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“(i) Annual Financial Statements. As soon as available, and in any event within ninety (90) days after the close of its fiscal year during the Term of this Agreement, the balance sheet showing all assets and liabilities of Borrower and Key Principal as of the end of such fiscal year, the statement of income, expenses, equity and retained earnings of Borrower’s operation and Key Principal’s operation for such fiscal year, and the statement of changes in financial position and cash flows of Borrower and Key Principal for such fiscal year, all in reasonable detail and stating in comparative form the respective figures for the corresponding date and period in the prior fiscal year, prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied. The Borrower financial statements will be accompanied by a certificate of an authorized representative of Borrower acceptable to Lender stating that such financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP, consistently applied, and fairly present the results of its operations and financial condition for the periods and dates indicated. The Key Principal’s financial statements will be accompanied by an audit report of Key Principal’s independent certified public accountants to the effect that (a) such financial statements have been audited by such accountants, (b) such financial statements fairly present the results of its operations and financial condition for the periods and dates indicated, with such certification to be free of exceptions and qualifications as to the scope of the audit as to the going concern nature of the business. As soon as available, and in any event within ninety (90) days after the close of its fiscal year during the Term of this Agreement, Key Principal’s Chief Financial Officer will provide to Lender, a letter as of January 1 of each year, to the effect that such officer has reviewed the records and systems of the Borrower and the Key Principal and that Borrower is in compliance with subsections (v), (vi) and (xvi) of the Single- Purpose requirements (as set forth in the definition of Single-Purpose herein) (the “Compliance Letter”). If the Key Principal is no longer a publicly traded entity, such Compliance Letter will be provided by Borrower and Key Principal’s independent certified public accounting firm or any other nationally recognized accounting firm and such Compliance Letter will be based upon agreed upon procedures satisfactory to Lender. All financial statements required by this subsection (i) with respect to Key Principal shall be audited, and all financial statements required by this subsection (i) with respect to Borrower may be unaudited;”

Section 3. Full Force and Effect. Except as expressly modified hereby, the Master Agreement and all of the terms, conditions, covenants, agreements and provisions thereof remain in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 4. Reserved.

Section 5. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in counterparts by the parties hereto, and each such counterpart shall be considered an original and all such counterparts shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Section 6. Governing Law. The provisions of Section 15.06 of the Master Agreement (entitled “Choice of Law; Consent to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial”) are hereby incorporated into this Amendment by this reference to the fullest extent as if the text of such Section were set forth in its entirety herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment as of the day and year first above written.

BORROWER:

SNH FM Financing LLC, a Delaware
limited liability company

By: /s/ Richard A. Doyle
Name: Richard A. Doyle
Title: Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

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Amendment No. 1 to Master Credit Facility Agreement
(Senior Housing Properties Trust Credit Facility)

ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED TO BY IDOT GUARANTORS

SNH FM Financing Trust, a Maryland real
estate investment trust

By: /s/ Richard A. Doyle
Name: Richard A. Doyle
Title: Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Ellicott City Land I, LLC, a Delaware
limited liability company

By: /s/ Richard A. Doyle
Name: Richard A. Doyle
Title: Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

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Amendment No. 1 to Master Credit Facility Agreement
(Senior Housing Properties Trust Credit Facility)

LENDER:

Citibank, N.A., a national banking association

By: /s/ Kathy Millhouse

Name: Kathy Millhouse

Title: Vice President

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Amendment No. 1 to Master Credit Facility Agreement
(Senior Housing Properties Trust Credit Facility)

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By: /s/ Michael W. Dick
Name: Michael W. Dick
Title: Assistant Vice President

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Amendment No. 1 to Master Credit Facility Agreement
(Senior Housing Properties Trust Credit Facility)

Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
(dollars in thousands)

	<u>Six Months Ended</u> <u>June 30,</u>		<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>				
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Earnings:							
Net income	\$ 54,543	\$ 62,044	\$ 109,715	\$ 106,511	\$ 85,303	\$ 66,101	\$ 63,912
Fixed charges	38,929	21,483	56,404	40,154	37,755	47,020	46,633
Adjusted earnings	\$ 93,472	\$ 83,527	\$ 166,119	\$ 146,665	\$ 123,058	\$ 113,121	\$ 110,545
Fixed charges:							
Interest expense	\$ 38,929	\$ 21,483	\$ 56,404	\$ 40,154	\$ 37,755	\$ 47,020	\$ 46,633
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	<u>2.4x</u>	<u>3.9x</u>	<u>2.9x</u>	<u>3.7x</u>	<u>3.3x</u>	<u>2.4x</u>	<u>2.4x</u>

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a)

I, Barry M. Portnoy, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Senior Housing Properties Trust;
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 officer(s) 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 officer(s) 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: August 2, 2010

/s/ Barry M. Portnoy

Barry M. Portnoy
Managing Trustee

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a)

I, Adam D. Portnoy, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Senior Housing Properties Trust;
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 officer(s) 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 officer(s) 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: August 2, 2010

/s/ Adam D. Portnoy

Adam D. Portnoy
Managing Trustee

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a)

I, David J. Hegarty, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Senior Housing Properties Trust;
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 officer(s) 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 officer(s) 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: August 2, 2010

/s/ David J. Hegarty

David J. Hegarty
President and Chief Operating Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a)

I, Richard A. Doyle, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Senior Housing Properties Trust;
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 officer(s) 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;
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 - 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 officer(s) 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: August 2, 2010

/s/ Richard A. Doyle

Richard A. Doyle

Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SEC. 1350
(Section 906 of the Sarbanes — Oxley Act of 2002)

In connection with the filing by Senior Housing Properties Trust (the “Company”) of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2010 (the “Report”), each of the undersigned hereby certifies, to the best of his knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Barry M. Portnoy

Barry M. Portnoy
Managing Trustee

/s/ David J. Hegarty

David J. Hegarty
President and Chief Operating Officer

/s/ Adam D. Portnoy

Adam D. Portnoy
Managing Trustee

/s/ Richard A. Doyle

Richard A. Doyle
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 2, 2010
