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**Sterling Real Estate Trust Closes on Purchase of
Seven Multi-Family Properties in the
Minneapolis/St. Paul Metropolitan Region**

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FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA – Sterling Real Estate Trust (Sterling), formerly INREIT Real Estate Investment Trust, announced its operating partnership, Sterling Properties, LLLP, successfully acquired 7 multi-family properties for \$103.5 million. The properties purchased under the agreement are located in the greater Minneapolis / St. Paul area.

1. Brighton Village Apartments, New Brighton, MN (240 units)
2. Georgetown on the River, Fridley, MN (462 units)
3. Maplewood Apartments, Maplewood, MN (240 units)
4. Robinwood apartments, Coon Rapids, MN (120 units)
5. Rosedale Estates North, Roseville, MN (180 units)
6. Rosedale Estates South, Roseville, MN (180 units)
7. Valley View Apartments, Golden Valley, MN (72 units)

The acquisition brings Sterling's multi-family residential portfolio to more than 8,000 units.

ABOUT STERLING REAL ESTATE TRUST

Sterling Real Estate Trust is a registered, but unincorporated business trust formed in North Dakota to invest in a diversified portfolio primarily of commercial properties (such as retail, office and medical) and multi-family dwellings (such as apartment buildings and senior assisted or independent living centers). Sterling operates as an Umbrella Partnership Real Estate Investment Trust, and holds all of its assets through Sterling Properties, LLLP, which Sterling controls as general partner. For more company information, visit Sterling Real Estate Trust's website at www.sretrust.com or www.sec.gov.

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