



Winthrop Realty Increases Occupancy to 89% at Its Deer Valley Office and Medical Center Property

Sells Knoxville, Tennessee Property for \$2.3 Million

BOSTON, Aug. 10, 2011 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Winthrop Realty Trust (NYSE:FUR) announced today that it has executed a new 10-year lease for approximately 9,200 square feet of space at its Deer Valley Office and Medical Center located in Phoenix, Arizona. The space is expected to be occupied in January 2012. As a result of this lease, Deer Valley Office and Medical Center is 89% leased compared to 61% leased at Winthrop's acquisition on August 6, 2010.

In addition, Winthrop also announced that it has sold its vacant Knoxville, Tennessee property formerly leased to The Kroger Co. which had a carrying value of \$2,209,000 at June 30, 2011 for a gross sales price of \$2,300,000.

Winthrop Realty Trust, headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, is a NYSE-listed real estate investment trust (REIT) focused on acquiring, owning, operating and investing in real property as well as real estate financial instruments including CMBS, Bonds, REIT Preferred and common stock. For more information, please visit our web-site at www.winthropreit.com.

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