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## **Winthrop Realty Trust Announces Sale of Mentor Building in Chicago, Illinois**

### **Today Is Last Day On Which Common Shares Will Be Traded**

BOSTON, Aug. 01, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Winthrop Realty Trust (NYSE:FUR) ("Winthrop") announced today the sale of the Mentor Building in Chicago, Illinois which was held by a venture in which Winthrop holds a 49.9% interest. In addition, Winthrop held the mortgage loan on the property. After satisfying all closing costs associated with the sale, Winthrop received an aggregate of approximately \$6.35 million from the loan repayment and its equity investment. The amount received is consistent with the most recently reported liquidation value attributable to this asset.

Shareholders are reminded that, as previously reported, today, August 1, 2016, is the last day on which Winthrop's common shares will be traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

### **About Winthrop Realty Trust**

Winthrop, headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, is a NYSE-listed real estate investment trust (REIT). Winthrop's shareholders have adopted a plan of liquidation pursuant to which Winthrop is liquidating and winding down and, in connection therewith, is seeking to sell its assets in an orderly fashion to maximize shareholder value. For more information, please visit our web-site at [www.winthropreit.com](http://www.winthropreit.com).

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