

## Mack-Cali and Winthrop Acquire Senior Mezzanine Position on Stamford Portfolio

Edison, New Jersey and Boston, Massachusetts-February 21, 2012-Mack-Cali Realty Corporation (NYSE: CLI), along with Winthrop Realty Trust (NYSE:FUR), today announced that they have formed a joint venture that acquired a senior mezzanine loan position in the capital stack of a 1.7 million-square-foot class A portfolio in Stamford, Conn. for \$40 million.

The senior mezzanine loan has a face value of \$50 million and is secured by the equity interests in a premier seven-building portfolio containing 1.67 million square feet of class A office space and 106 residential rental units totaling 70,500 square feet, all located in the Stamford, Connecticut Central Business District.

Mitchell E. Hersh, Mack-Cali president and chief executive officer, commented, "We believe this acquisition will yield an attractive return while providing the opportunity to work with an exceptionally talented partner in participating in a significant portfolio within Mack-Cali's existing footprint."

Winthrop Realty Trust chairman and chief executive officer, Michael L. Ashner, commented, "This acquisition combines Winthrop's expertise in commercial real estate debt investments with Mack-Cali's core expertise. Partnering with Mack-Cali represents an opportunity to forge a sustainable alliance with the potential to participate in any recapitalization of this portfolio."

## **About Mack-Cali Realty Corporation**

Mack-Cali Realty Corporation is a fully integrated, self-administered, self-managed real estate investment trust (REIT) providing management, leasing, development, construction and other tenant-related services for its class A real estate portfolio. Mack-Cali owns or has interests in 278 properties, primarily office and office/flex buildings located in the Northeast, totaling approximately 32.4 million square feet. The properties enable the Company to provide a full complement of real estate opportunities to its diverse base of over 2,000 tenants. Additional information on Mack-Cali Realty Corporation is available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.mack-cali.com">www.mack-cali.com</a>.

## **About Winthrop Realty Trust**

Winthrop Realty Trust is a NYSE-listed real estate investment trust (REIT) headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts. Additional information on Winthrop Realty Trust is available on its website at <a href="https://www.winthropreit.com">www.winthropreit.com</a>.

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