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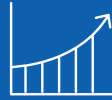
AT A GLANCE

True North Commercial REIT has demonstrated a solid track record



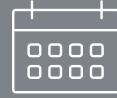
\$1.4 B

Total Assets



\$569 M

Market Capitalization⁽¹⁾



4.7 YR

Weighted Average Lease Term



47

Properties



98%

Occupancy



75%

Revenues Generated from Government & Credit rated Tenants

(1) Based on December 31, 2020 closing price of \$6.31

BEER STORE

**Stable
Contractual
Cash flow**



**High Quality
Tenant Base**



**Focus on
Urban Areas**



MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of the consolidated financial results of True North Commercial Real Estate Investment Trust (the "REIT") is intended to provide readers with an assessment of the performance of the REIT for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 and should be read in conjunction with the REIT's annual audited consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and accompanying notes thereto. These documents can be found on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval ("SEDAR") website at www.sedar.com and on the REIT's website at <https://truenorthreit.com/> under the tab "Financial Reports" in the "Investor" section.

CAUTION REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in this MD&A constitute forward-looking information within the meaning of Canadian securities laws. Forward-looking statements are provided for the purposes of assisting the reader in understanding the REIT's financial performance, financial position and cash flows as at and for the periods ended on certain dates and to present information about management's current expectations and plans relating to the future. Readers are cautioned that such statements may not be appropriate for other purposes. Forward-looking information may relate to future results, performance, achievements, events, prospects or opportunities for the REIT or the real estate industry and may include statements regarding the financial position, business strategy, budgets, projected costs, capital expenditures, financial results, taxes, plans and objectives of or involving the REIT. In some cases, forward-looking information can be identified by such terms as "may", "might", "will", "could", "should", "would", "expect", "plan", "anticipate", "believe", "intend", "seek", "aim", "estimate", "target", "goal", "project", "predict", "forecast", "potential", "continue", "likely", or the negative thereof or other similar expressions suggesting future outcomes or events.

This MD&A, and the documents incorporated by reference herein, contain forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including statements regarding the outlook for the REIT's business and results of operations and the effect of the coronavirus (SARS- CoV-2) ("COVID-19") pandemic on the REIT's business and operations. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which may be general or specific and which give rise to the possibility that expectations, forecasts, predictions, projections or conclusions will not prove to be accurate, assumptions may not be correct and objectives, strategic goals and priorities may not be achieved. A variety of factors, many of which are beyond the REIT's control, affect the operations, performance and results of the REIT and its business, and could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations of estimated or anticipated events or results. These factors include, but are not limited to, risks and uncertainties related to the trust units of the REIT ("Units"), risks related to the REIT and its business, and any risks related to the uncertainties surrounding the duration and the direct and indirect impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the business, operations and financial condition of the REIT and its tenants, as well as on consumer behavior and the economy in general, including the ability to enforce leases, perform capital expenditure work, increase rents, raise capital through the issuance of Units or other securities of the REIT and obtain mortgage financing on the REIT's properties. The foregoing is not an exhaustive list of factors that may affect the REIT's forward-looking statements. Other risks and uncertainties not presently known to the REIT could also cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed in its forward-looking statements. The reader is cautioned to consider these and other factors, uncertainties and potential events carefully and not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements as there can be no assurance actual results will be consistent with such forward-looking statements.

Information contained in forward-looking statements is based upon certain material assumptions applied in drawing a conclusion or making a forecast or projection, including management's perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other considerations believed to be appropriate in the circumstances. There can be no assurance regarding: (a) the breadth of impact of COVID-19 on the REIT's business, operations and performance, including the performance of its Units; (b) the REIT's ability to mitigate any impacts related to COVID-19; (c) credit, market, operational, and liquidity risks generally; (d) Starlight Group Property Holdings Inc., or any of its affiliates ("Starlight"), continuing as asset manager of the REIT in accordance with its current asset management agreement; and (e) other risks inherent to the REIT's business and/or factors beyond its control which could have a material adverse effect on the REIT.

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The forward-looking statements made relate only to events or information as of the date on which the statements are made in this MD&A. Except as specifically required by applicable Canadian law, the REIT undertakes no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, after the date on which the statements are made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

NON-IFRS FINANCIAL MEASURES

Certain terms used in this MD&A such as funds from operations ("FFO"), adjusted funds from operations ("AFFO"), net operating income ("NOI"), same property net operating income ("Same Property NOI"), indebtedness ("Indebtedness"), gross book value ("GBV"), Indebtedness to GBV ratio, net earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization and fair value gain (loss) on financial instruments and investment properties ("Adjusted EBITDA"), interest coverage ratio, and adjusted cash provided by operating activities are not measures defined by International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as prescribed by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), do not have standardized meanings prescribed by IFRS and should not be compared to or construed as alternatives to profit/loss, cash flow from operating activities or other measures of financial performance calculated in accordance with IFRS. FFO, AFFO, NOI, Same Property NOI, Indebtedness, GBV, Indebtedness to GBV ratio, Adjusted EBITDA, interest coverage ratio and adjusted cash provided by operating activities as computed by the REIT may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers.

FFO is a measure of operating performance based on the funds generated from the business of the REIT before reinvestment or provision for capital needs. The REIT calculates FFO in accordance with the guidelines set out by the Real Property Association of Canada ("Realpac"). Management considers this non-IFRS measure to be an important measure of the REIT's operating performance.

AFFO is an important performance measure to determine the sustainability of future distributions paid to holders of Units ("Unitholders"). In calculating AFFO, the REIT makes certain non-cash adjustments to FFO such as: amortization of fair value mark-to-market adjustments on assumed mortgages, amortization of deferred financing costs, straight-line rent, instalment note receipts and non-cash Unit-based compensation expense and a deduction of a reserve for capital expenditures, tenant inducements, and leasing costs. The method applied by the REIT to calculate AFFO differs from the definition of AFFO as defined by Realpac. Management considers this non-IFRS measure to be an important measure of the REIT's operating performance.

For the purposes of calculating FFO and AFFO per Unit, class B limited partnership units ("Class B LP Units") of True North Commercial Limited Partnership are included as Units outstanding on both a basic and diluted basis. Diluted amounts assume the conversion of any vested, unexercised and in the money Unit options. Diluted amounts also include Incentive Units (as defined herein) of the REIT.

NOI is defined by the REIT as rental revenue from property operations less property operating costs and realty taxes. NOI is presented in this MD&A because management considers this non-IFRS measure to be a valuable measure for evaluating the operating performance of the REIT's properties.

Same Property NOI is defined by the REIT as NOI for properties owned for an entire quarter or annual reporting period in both the current and comparative period. Adjustments are made to Same Property NOI to exclude non-cash items such as amortization of tenant inducements, leasing costs and straight-line rent. Same Property NOI is presented in this MD&A because management considers this non-IFRS measure to be a valuable measure for evaluating the operating performance of the REIT's properties excluding the impact attributable to property acquisitions and dispositions.

Indebtedness is defined in the REIT's second amended and restated declaration of trust ("DOT") and is a measure of the amount of leverage utilized by the REIT. GBV is defined in the DOT and is a measure of the value of the REIT's total assets. The Indebtedness to GBV ratio is a compliance measure in the DOT and establishes the limit of financial leverage for the REIT. The Indebtedness to GBV ratio is presented in this MD&A as management considers this non-IFRS measure to be an important measure of the REIT's financial position.

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Adjusted EBITDA is defined by the REIT as net earnings before, where applicable, interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and fair value gain (loss) on financial instruments and investment properties and excludes non-recurring items such as transaction costs on the sale of investment properties.

The interest coverage ratio is used by the REIT to monitor the REIT's ability to service interest requirements of its outstanding debt. The ratio is calculated by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by the REIT's interest obligations for the period. Management considers this non-IFRS measure useful in assessing the REIT's ability to service its debt.

Adjusted cash provided by operating activities measures the amount of sustainable cash provided by operating activities less interest expense. Adjusted cash provided by operating activities is presented in this MD&A because management considers this non-IFRS measure to be an important measure in assessing the REIT's availability of cash flow for distribution.



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BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The REIT's annual audited consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 have been prepared in accordance with IFRS. The REIT's presentation currency is the Canadian dollar. Unless otherwise stated, dollar amounts expressed in this MD&A are in thousands of dollars, except for Unit and per Unit information.

Certain time periods used in this MD&A are used interchangeably such as three months and year ended December 31, 2020 ("Q4-2020") and ("YTD-2020"), respectively, three months and year ended December 31, 2019 ("Q4-2019") and ("YTD-2019"), respectively, and three months ended September 30, 2020 ("Q3-2020").

OVERVIEW AND STRATEGY

The REIT is an unincorporated, open-ended real estate investment trust established pursuant to the DOT, and governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario. The registered head office of the REIT is 1400 – 3280 Bloor Street West, Centre Tower, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M8X 2X3. The Units are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") under the symbol TNT.UN. As at December 31, 2020, the REIT owned and operated a portfolio of 47 office properties across Canada consisting of approximately 4.8 million square feet.

The objectives of the REIT are to:

- generate stable cash distributions on a tax-efficient basis;
- expand the asset base of the REIT and increase its distributable cash flow through acquisitions of commercial rental properties across Canada and such other jurisdictions where opportunities exist; and
- enhance the value of the REIT's assets to maximize long-term Unit value through active management of its assets.

The REIT seeks to identify potential acquisitions using investment criteria that focus on the security of cash flow, capital appreciation, value enhancement through more efficient management of the assets being acquired and growth of FFO and AFFO per Unit.

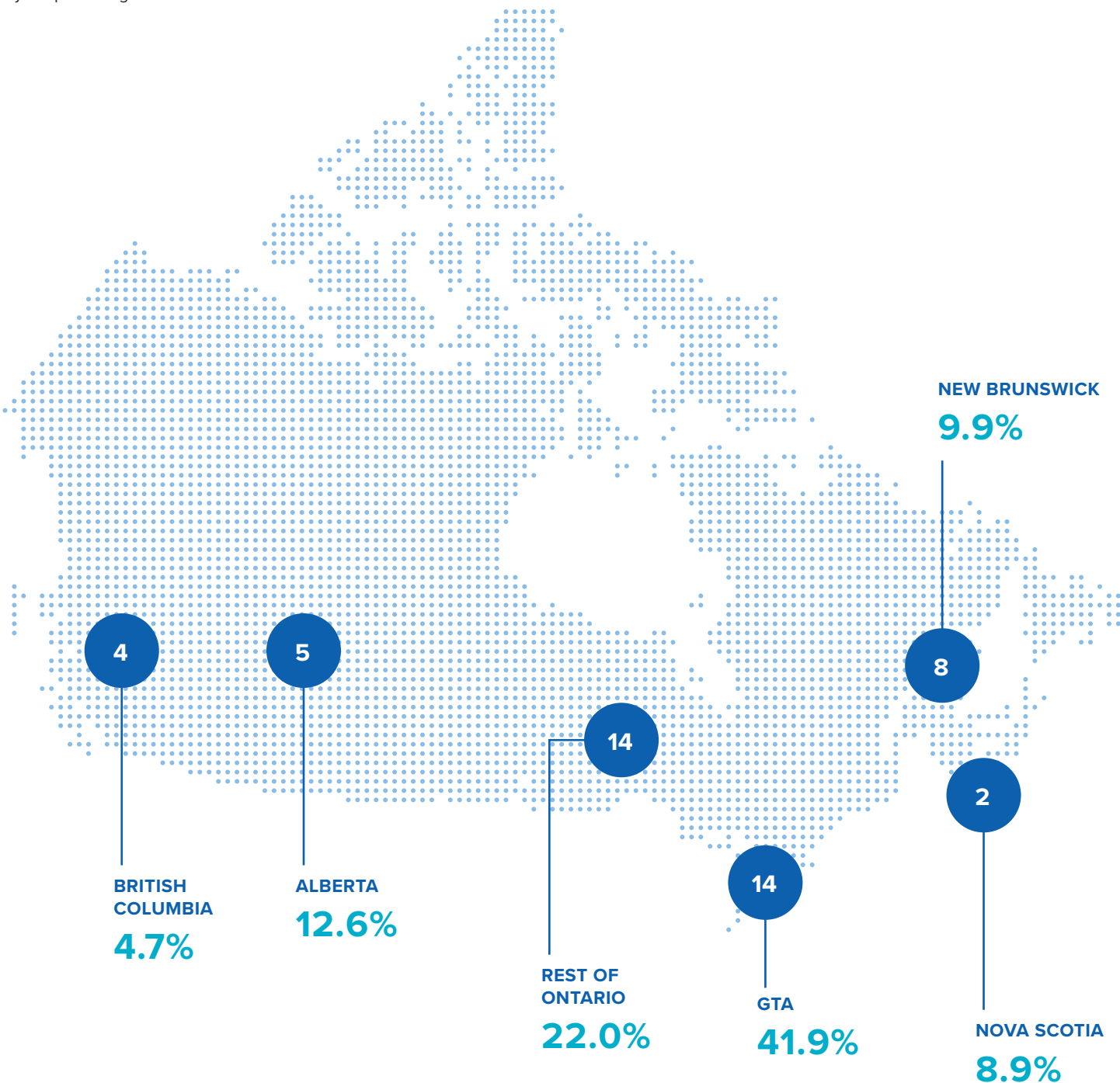


PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

As at December 31, 2020, the REIT's portfolio was comprised of 47 office properties totaling approximately 4.8 million square feet of gross leasable area ("GLA"). See Appendix A for a detailed listing of the REIT's properties.

Current Portfolio & Geographic Diversification

GLA by province as at December 31, 2020 is denoted by the percentages below.



Number of properties

TENANT PROFILE

Top 20 tenants account for 69% of revenue. Approximately 75% of the REIT's portfolio revenue is generated by government and credit rated tenants.

35%
government tenants

+

40%
credit rated tenants

=

75%
total government and credit rated tenants

The REIT's top 20 tenants as at December 31, 2020:

| TENANT | % OF GROSS REVENUE | GLA | REMAINING LEASE TERM ⁽¹⁾ |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Federal Government of Canada | 14.6% | 666,100 | 5.7 years |
| Province of Alberta | 9.6% | 412,800 | 5.4 years |
| Province of Ontario | 6.9% | 288,200 | 2.5 years |
| TD Insurance | 5.7% | 275,600 | 4.1 years |
| Golder Associates Ltd. | 3.8% | 148,300 | 7.2 years |
| General Motors of Canada Company | 3.5% | 154,800 | 5.7 years |
| Province of New Brunswick | 2.4% | 172,400 | 1.8 years |
| Stantec Consulting Ltd. | 2.3% | 105,100 | 1.7 years |
| Lumentum Ottawa Inc. | 2.2% | 148,100 | 2.1 years |
| LMI Technologies Inc. | 2.1% | 90,600 | 6.1 years |
| Intact Insurance Co. | 1.9% | 77,800 | 4.4 years |
| Province of British Columbia | 1.9% | 81,600 | 6.8 years |
| Staples Canada ULC | 1.9% | 122,000 | 12.8 years |
| General Dynamics Land Systems | 1.8% | 148,400 | 3.0 years |
| EMS Technologies Canada, Ltd. | 1.6% | 107,200 | 3.7 years |
| Ceridian Canada Ltd. | 1.5% | 49,800 | 5.2 years |
| Smucker Foods of Canada Corporation | 1.4% | 60,800 | 8.9 years |
| Paymentus (Canada) Corporation | 1.3% | 55,800 | 10.2 years |
| ADP Canada Co. | 1.2% | 65,600 | 0.5 years |
| Trans Union Of Canada Inc. | 1.1% | 41,500 | 1.8 years |
| Total | 68.6% | 3,272,500 | 5.0 years |

(1) Weighted by annualized gross revenue.

The following sets out the percentage of annualized gross revenue from the REIT's tenants by industry:



Public Administration
36%



Services
26%



Finance, Insurance, Real Estate
17%



Manufacturing
12%



Other
9%

LEASING ACTIVITY

As of December 31, 2020, the REIT's occupancy remained unchanged from Q3-2020 at 98% with a weighted average remaining lease term of 4.7 years.

Approximately 96% of tenants with lease maturities during 2020 were renewed or replaced. The REIT considers tenant retention a key to success. It is mutually beneficial to maintain long-term relationships with quality tenants and generally results in lower leasing costs. The REIT continues to outperform industry averages with a tenant retention rate of approximately 81% since its inception.

The following table summarizes leasing activity for Q4-2020 and year ended December 31, 2020:

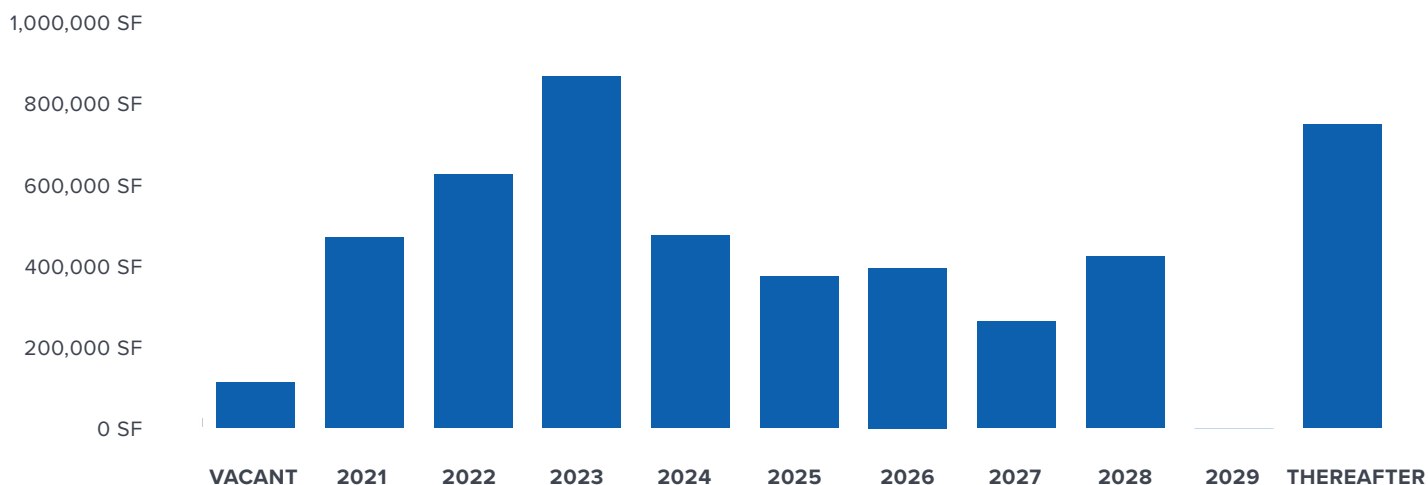
| | New Lease Deals | | Lease Renewals and Replacements | | |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| | Leasable Area | Weighted Average Lease Term | Leasable Area | Weighted Average Lease Term | % Increase In Rents |
| QTD 2020 | 3,600 SF | 4.0 YR | 56,700 SF | 6.0 YR | 8.3% |
| YTD 2020 | 56,500 SF | 5.7 YR | 489,100 SF | 8.1 YR | 6.4% |

Despite the continued uncertainty, duration and impact of COVID-19, the REIT successfully completed 3,600 square feet (YTD-2020 - 56,500 square feet) of new lease deals with a weighted average lease term of 4.0 years (YTD-2020 - 5.7 years) in Q4-2020. The largest leasing transactions completed in 2020 included 23,300 square feet in Alberta and 13,600 square feet in New Brunswick.

During the quarter, the REIT renewed and replaced 56,700 square feet with a weighted average lease term of 6.0 years. This included lease renewals of approximately 51,200 square feet in Ontario of which approximately 32,500 square feet is with the Federal Government of Canada. The REIT's renewal activity for the year ended December 31, 2020 achieved a 6.4% increase over expiring rental rates with a weighted average lease term of 8.1 years. This included a key ten year renewal with the Federal Government of Canada, the anchor tenant at 340 Laurier Avenue West in Ottawa, Ontario totaling 272,700 square feet.

LEASE ROLLOVER PROFILE

Lease maturities are based on the square footages of the REIT's leases. As at December 31, 2020, the lease rollover profile was as follows:



IMPACT OF COVID-19

The REIT completed another strong quarter backed by its covenant tenant roster as it continues to navigate the uncertainty relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. As of March 3, 2021, the REIT had collected, on average approximately 99% of its 2020 contractual rent, a trend which continues in the first two months of 2021. This is reflective of the REIT's high quality tenant base given approximately 35% of revenue is generated from the Federal Government of Canada and the Provincial Governments of Alberta, British Columbia, New Brunswick and Ontario. Additionally, 40% of revenue is generated from credit rated tenants that are well capitalized and possess the financial resources to meet their rental obligations.

At the end of Q4-2020, the REIT had access to approximately \$84,580 of cash and an undrawn credit facility. With a weighted average maturity of 4.06 years for its mortgage portfolio, the REIT also has minimal refinancing exposure with only 2.0% of its portfolio maturing in 2021. All 2020 mortgage maturities were successfully refinanced.

In addition to short-term rent deferrals, the REIT supported eligible tenants by participating in the Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance ("CECRA") program, which ended on September 30, 2020. CECRA provided qualifying small businesses with a 75% rent subsidy for six months commencing on April 1, 2020, of which 25% was forgone by landlords and 50% was funded by the Federal or Provincial Governments by way of a forgivable loan. As of the date hereof, the REIT's involvement with the CECRA program had a minimal impact on the REIT's financial performance as only 19 of the REIT's tenants participated in the CECRA program (representing approximately 46,000 square feet of leased space, 1% of total GLA). The 25% rental contribution granted to tenants pursuant to the CECRA program during 2020 resulted in a \$187 expense recognized in property operating costs.

On October 9, 2020, the Federal Government announced a new Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy ("CERS") program to replace the CECRA program, to assist businesses experiencing a significant drop in revenue as a result of COVID-19. Businesses that qualify for CERS will receive a subsidy for rent or mortgage interest payments, as applicable. CERS is effective retroactively from September 27, 2020 through to June 30, 2021 and subsidizes, on a sliding scale, up to a maximum of 65% of eligible expenses (including rent), as well as an additional 25% to businesses that have been temporarily shut down by a mandatory public health order issued by a qualified public health authority. As of the date hereof, five of the REIT's tenants have applied to receive the CERS subsidy. The REIT has recognized a \$20 expense in property operating costs, representing a 35% rental provision granted to tenants as part of the CERS program for the year ended December 31, 2020.

In addition, the REIT agreed to defer approximately \$438 of rental payments for certain tenants. As of March 3, 2021, \$420 of rent deferrals have been received in accordance with those deferral agreements.

While vaccination programs have begun to be implemented throughout Canada, industries, including retail and commercial real estate, continue to be affected in varying degrees by COVID-19. It continues to be difficult to predict the duration and extent of the impact of COVID-19 on the REIT's business and operations, both in the short and long-term. Certain aspects of the REIT's business and operations that could potentially be impacted include, without limitation, rental income, occupancy, future demand for space and market rents, all of which ultimately impact the underlying valuation of the REIT's investment properties and its ability to maintain its distributions. See "Risks and Uncertainties" for a discussion about the risks associated with COVID-19.

With a close to fully occupied portfolio of predominantly government and credit rated tenants, the REIT is well positioned to maintain stability through these times of uncertainty. The REIT is confident the strategic measures implemented to date will help to ensure its continued success and its ability to provide value to Unitholders.

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FOURTH QUARTER AND YEAR TO DATE HIGHLIGHTS AND KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Towards the end of 2019, the REIT increased its portfolio by approximately 1.1 million square feet through acquisitions totaling \$395,800, which was the main contributor to the increases in Q4-2020 revenue and NOI of 23% and 21%, respectively, compared to the same period in 2019. Q4-2020 occupancy was 98% with an average remaining lease term of 4.7 years and 75% of revenue is generated from government and credit rated tenants.

| | Three months ended | | Years ended | | |
|--|--------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | December 31 | | December 31 | | |
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 |
| Portfolio | | | | | |
| Number of properties | | | 47 | 49 | 45 |
| Portfolio GLA | | | 4,798,300 sf | 4,836,400 sf | 3,615,050 sf |
| Occupancy | | | 98 % | 97% | 97% |
| Remaining weighted average lease term | | | 4.7 years | 4.7 years | 4.3 years |
| Revenue from government and credit rated tenants | | | 75 % | 76% | 79% |
| Financial | | | | | |
| Revenue | \$ 36,189 | \$ 29,533 | \$ 139,431 | \$ 106,457 | \$ 87,068 |
| NOI | 20,741 | 17,122 | 83,742 | 62,065 | 51,307 |
| Net income and comprehensive income | 8,299 | 1,425 | 39,752 | 24,178 | 49,620 |
| Same Property NOI | 15,314 | 15,670 | 59,756 | 60,935 | 45,056 |
| Same Property NOI growth | (2.3)% | 1.9 % | (1.9)% | 1.2 % | (2.5)% |
| FFO | \$ 13,213 | \$ 11,110 | \$ 53,207 | \$ 39,122 | \$ 32,747 |
| FFO per Unit - basic | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.60 | 0.58 | 0.59 |
| FFO per Unit - diluted | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.59 | 0.57 | 0.59 |
| AFFO | \$ 12,743 | \$ 10,886 | \$ 51,089 | \$ 38,214 | \$ 31,575 |
| AFFO per Unit - basic | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.57 |
| AFFO per Unit - diluted | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.57 | 0.56 | 0.57 |
| AFFO payout ratio - diluted | 105 % | 112 % | 104 % | 106 % | 105 % |
| Distributions declared | \$ 13,382 | \$ 12,449 | \$ 53,139 | \$ 40,609 | \$ 33,045 |

FFO and AFFO increased 19% and 17%, respectively, when compared to Q4-2019. The favourable increase in operating metrics is attributable to Q4-2019 acquisition activity which was partially offset by lower Same Property NOI and higher finance costs. FFO basic and diluted per Unit increased \$0.01 to \$0.15 in Q4-2020 and increased \$0.02 to \$0.60 and \$0.59, respectively in YTD-2020. AFFO basic and diluted per Unit increased \$0.01 to \$0.14 in Q4-2020 and remained stable and increased \$0.01 to \$0.57, respectively in YTD-2020.

While Same Property NOI has experienced an overall decline of 2.3% during the quarter (1.9% - YTD-2020), the majority of the decline can be attributed to the REIT's sole asset in Edmonton, Alberta, which is located at 13140 St. Albert Trail. The Ontario portfolio continues to be negatively impacted by a decrease in parking revenue at certain properties due to lower tenant utilization as well as downtime associated with a 78,000 square foot lease expiry, the majority of which has been subsequently re-leased at significantly higher market rents. Properties located in British Columbia, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia continue to contribute positive results to Same Property NOI from occupancy increases and/or contractual rent step ups.

The REIT contractually leased and renewed 60,300 square feet during the quarter with an average increase of a 8.3% over expiring rates on renewals. This included lease renewals of 51,200 square feet in Ontario of which 32,500 square feet is with the Federal Government of Canada.

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Overall in 2020, the REIT contractually leased and renewed approximately 545,600 square feet with a weighted average lease term of 7.8 years and an average increase of approximately 6.4% over expiring rates. YTD-2020 includes a key ten year renewal with the Federal Government of Canada at 340 Laurier Avenue West in Ottawa, Ontario totaling 272,700 square feet.

On September 30, 2020 and November 5, 2020 the REIT completed the sale of 534 Queens Avenue and 197-199 Dundas Street, both located in London, Ontario for a sale price of \$2,250 and \$1,400, respectively. Together these properties comprised a total of 39,200 square feet. These dispositions are in line with the REIT's strategy to focus on office properties in larger urban markets.

KEY DEBT METRICS

| | December 31, 2020 | December 31, 2019 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Indebtedness to GBV ratio | 57.8 % | 57.6 % |
| Interest coverage ratio | 2.96 x | 3.01 x |
| Indebtedness - weighted average fixed interest rate | 3.37 % | 3.38 % |
| Indebtedness - weighted average term to maturity | 4.06 years | 3.87 years |

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the REIT refinanced fourteen mortgages totaling \$152,700 with a weighted average fixed interest rate of 3.07% and weighted average term to maturity of 7.6 years providing the REIT with additional liquidity of approximately \$42,100. The REIT's weighted average term to maturity of its mortgage portfolio is 4.06 years with a weighted average fixed interest rate of 3.37%.

On December 11, 2020, the REIT entered into a new \$60,000 floating rate revolving credit facility ("Credit Facility") for a two-year term maturing on December 1, 2022. See "Debt" for more details relating to the Credit Facility.

QUARTERLY INFORMATION

| | Q4-20 | Q3-20 | Q2-20 | Q1-20 | Q4-19 | Q3-19 | Q2-19 | Q1-19 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Revenue | \$36,189 | \$33,914 | \$33,999 | \$35,329 | \$29,533 | \$25,668 | \$25,489 | \$25,767 |
| Property operating costs | (15,448) | (13,013) | (13,008) | (14,220) | (12,411) | (10,696) | (10,338) | (10,947) |
| NOI | 20,741 | 20,901 | 20,991 | 21,109 | 17,122 | 14,972 | 15,151 | 14,820 |
| General and administration expenses | (1,662) | (1,412) | (1,495) | (1,196) | (1,498) | (1,387) | (1,041) | (1,608) |
| Finance costs | (7,200) | (7,233) | (7,261) | (7,182) | (5,698) | (5,053) | (5,181) | (5,100) |
| Transaction costs on sale of investment properties | (73) | (160) | — | — | — | (581) | — | — |
| Distributions on Class B LP Units | (573) | (573) | (572) | (573) | (613) | (634) | (634) | (634) |
| Fair value adjustment of Class B LP Units | (2,314) | (579) | (2,699) | 9,370 | (1,555) | (1,323) | 171 | (4,226) |
| Fair value adjustment of investment properties | (1,115) | (1,806) | (3,967) | 1,176 | (6,081) | 3,195 | 3,891 | (1,620) |
| Unrealized gain (loss) on change in fair value of derivative instruments | 495 | 243 | (535) | (5,094) | (252) | (44) | (101) | (280) |
| Net income and comprehensive income for the period | \$ 8,299 | \$ 9,381 | \$ 4,462 | \$ 17,610 | \$ 1,425 | \$ 9,145 | \$12,256 | \$ 1,352 |
| FFO per Unit - basic | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.15 |
| AFFO per Unit - basic | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.13 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.14 |
| AFFO per Unit - diluted | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.13 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.14 |
| AFFO payout ratio - basic | 105 % | 104 % | 103 % | 105 % | 111 % | 101 % | 100 % | 106 % |
| AFFO payout ratio - diluted | 105 % | 104 % | 103 % | 105 % | 112 % | 102 % | 102 % | 108 % |
| Number of investment properties | 47 | 48 | 49 | 49 | 49 | 45 | 46 | 46 |
| Occupancy rate | 98 % | 98 % | 97 % | 97 % | 97 % | 97 % | 96 % | 96 % |

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Q4-2020 revenue increased compared to the previous quarter mainly due to higher recovery revenue directly attributable to increased repairs and maintenance and seasonal costs such as snow removal. NOI decreased \$160 during the quarter mainly due to decreased project management fees and the dispositions completed in 2020.

Excluding the changes in the fair value of Unit-based compensation, general and administration expenses remained consistent quarter over quarter. Transaction costs on the sale of investment properties include legal and brokerage fees.

Occupancy for the property portfolio remained stable at 98% quarter over quarter.

ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Revenue | \$ 36,189 | \$ 29,533 | \$ 139,431 | \$ 106,457 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| Property operating costs | (10,316) | (7,860) | (35,062) | (27,394) |
| Realty taxes | (5,132) | (4,551) | (20,627) | (16,998) |
| NOI | \$ 20,741 | \$ 17,122 | \$ 83,742 | \$ 62,065 |
| Other income (expenses): | | | | |
| General and administration expenses | (1,662) | (1,498) | (5,765) | (5,534) |
| Finance costs | (7,200) | (5,698) | (28,876) | (21,032) |
| Transaction costs on sale of investment properties | (73) | — | (233) | (581) |
| Distributions on Class B LP Units | (573) | (613) | (2,291) | (2,515) |
| Fair value adjustment of Class B LP Units | (2,314) | (1,555) | 3,778 | (6,933) |
| Fair value adjustment of investment properties | (1,115) | (6,081) | (5,712) | (615) |
| Unrealized gain (loss) on change in fair value of derivative instruments | 495 | (252) | (4,891) | (677) |
| Net income and comprehensive income | \$ 8,299 | \$ 1,425 | \$ 39,752 | \$ 24,178 |

Revenue includes all income earned from the REIT's properties, including rental income and all other miscellaneous income paid by the tenants under the terms of their existing leases, such as base rent, parking, operating costs and realty tax recoveries, as well as adjustments for the straight-lining of rent and amortization of tenant inducements.

Property operating costs include building maintenance, heating, ventilation and air-conditioning, elevator, insurance, utilities, management fees and other operational costs.

Revenue for Q4-2020 and NOI increased by 23% and 21%, respectively, compared to Q4-2019 due to the acquisitions completed in the latter part of 2019, offset by a Same Property NOI decrease of 2.3%.

Q4-2019 acquisitions totaling \$395,800 were also the main contributor to the YTD-2020 revenue and NOI increase of 31% and 35%, respectively, compared to 2019. This increase was offset by the impact of the disposition of 417 Exeter Road, London, Ontario on July 25, 2019, a decline in parking revenue at certain properties due to significantly lower tenant utilization resulting from COVID-19 and related work-from-home measures, contributions to the CECRA program and a Same Property NOI decrease of 1.9%.

Occupancy for the portfolio increased to 98% in Q4-2020 compared to 97% in Q4-2019 mainly due to the positive leasing activity completed in New Brunswick and Alberta.

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SAME PROPERTY ANALYSIS

Same Property NOI includes investment properties owned for the entire current and comparative reporting period.

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Number of properties | 43 | 43 | 42 | 42 |
| Revenue | \$ 24,978 | \$ 25,737 | \$ 94,183 | \$ 98,704 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| Property operating | (7,392) | (7,184) | (25,425) | (25,748) |
| Realty taxes | (4,053) | (4,149) | (15,617) | (15,932) |
| | \$ 13,533 | \$ 14,404 | \$ 53,141 | \$ 57,024 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Amortization of leasing costs and tenant inducements | 1,143 | 668 | 4,128 | 2,223 |
| Straight-line rent | 638 | 598 | 2,487 | 1,688 |
| Same Property NOI | \$ 15,314 | \$ 15,670 | \$ 59,756 | \$ 60,935 |

| Same Property Occupancy | | | Same Property NOI | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------|----------|------------|
| | As at December 31 | | Three months ended December 31 | | Variance | Variance % |
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 | | |
| Alberta | 94.1 % | 91.4 % | \$ 1,848 | \$ 2,080 | \$ (232) | (11.2)% |
| British Columbia | 100.0 % | 100.0 % | 1,263 | 1,240 | 23 | 1.9 % |
| New Brunswick | 93.7 % | 90.7 % | 1,256 | 1,188 | 68 | 5.7 % |
| Nova Scotia | 92.8 % | 92.4 % | 1,591 | 1,567 | 24 | 1.5 % |
| Ontario | 98.7 % | 99.2 % | 9,356 | 9,595 | (239) | (2.5)% |
| Total | 96.9 % | 96.5 % | \$ 15,314 | \$ 15,670 | \$ (356) | (2.3)% |

Q4-2020 Same Property NOI decreased 2.3% and 1.9% YTD-2020.

A reduction in parking revenue due to lower utilization at certain properties, rent concessions associated with the CECRA program, lower one-time termination payments and project management fees along with vacancy and lower rental rates at 13140 St. Albert Trail were the main contributors to the decline in the REIT's Same Property NOI.

13140 St. Albert Trail continues to account for the majority of the decline in Same Property NOI (1.1% - Q4-2020 and 2.4% - YTD-2020). During the third quarter, the REIT was successful in securing a new one-year short term 15,900 square foot lease with the Province of Alberta. Additionally, during the fourth quarter, the REIT secured and commenced a 10 year lease for 7,744 square feet increasing occupancy at this property to 97% at the end of Q4-2020.

Increased revenue from contractual rent step ups have been the main driver of Same Property NOI growth in British Columbia and Nova Scotia. Favourable Same Property NOI in New Brunswick is attributed to new lease deals and expansions resulting in increased occupancy of 93.7%.

Ontario Same Property NOI declined due to a reduction in parking revenue at certain properties and downtime associated with a lease expiry the majority of which has been subsequently re-leased at significantly higher market rents with rents commencing in the first half of 2021. This decline was partially offset by new lease deals and an increase in expiring rates on renewals at certain properties.

Excluding 13140 St. Albert Trail, rent concessions associated with the CECRA and CERS programs, lower parking revenue from reduced foot traffic and downtime noted in the Ontario portfolio, Same Property NOI increased 2.7% (YTD-2020 - 2.4%).

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GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

General and administration expenses include items such as legal and audit fees, trustee fees, investor relations expenses, trustees' and officers' insurance premiums, costs associated with the REIT's Incentive Unit Plan (as defined herein) and Unit Option Plan (as defined herein) and other general and administrative expenses. Also included in general and administration expenses are asset management fees payable to Starlight. See "Related Party Transactions and Arrangements – Arrangements with Starlight".

Excluding the changes in the fair value of Unit-based compensation, general and administration expenses increased \$486 or 49% Q4-2020 and \$1,640 or 39% YTD-2020 when compared to the same period in 2019 due to increased asset management fees from portfolio growth and a decrease in interest income earned on invested cash as a result of lower interest rates.

FINANCE COSTS

The REIT's finance costs for the three months and years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 are summarized below. Finance costs exclude cash distributions and fair value adjustments on Class B LP Units.

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Interest on mortgages payable | \$ 6,882 | \$ 5,362 | \$ 27,620 | \$ 19,353 |
| Other interest expense and standby fees | 26 | 68 | 126 | 636 |
| Amortization of mortgage premiums | (14) | (6) | (31) | (29) |
| Amortization of financing costs | 306 | 274 | 1,161 | 1,072 |
| | \$ 7,200 | \$ 5,698 | \$ 28,876 | \$ 21,032 |

The increase in interest on mortgages payable in Q4-2020 and YTD-2020 was due to additional borrowings associated with Q4-2019 acquisitions and refinancings completed in 2020.

Other interest expense and standby fees relate to costs incurred on the REIT's Credit Facility. The Credit Facility was undrawn in Q4-2020 and for the majority of YTD-2020, resulting in lower expenses compared to the same period in 2019.

DISTRIBUTIONS ON CLASS B LP UNITS

The REIT currently pays monthly distributions of \$0.0495 per Class B LP Unit or \$0.594 per Class B LP Unit on an annualized basis. Distributions declared were \$573 in Q4-2020 (\$613 - Q4-2019) and \$2,291 YTD-2020 (\$2,515 - YTD-2019). The decrease in distributions was due to the conversion of 412,655 Class B LP Units to Units on December 17, 2019.

FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENT OF CLASS B LP UNITS

The fair value change in Class B LP Units represents the change in the trading price of the Units (given the Class B LP Units have economic and voting rights equivalent, in all material aspects, to Units). Any resulting change in the fair value of the Class B LP Units is reported in the period such change occurs. The fair value loss of \$2,314 in Q4-2020 was due to an increase in the trading price of the Units from \$5.71 at September 30, 2020 to \$6.31 at December 31, 2020. The fair value gain of \$3,778 in YTD-2020 was due to a decrease in the trading price of the Units from \$7.29 at December 31, 2019 to \$6.31 at December 31, 2020.

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FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENT OF INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The REIT has selected the fair value method to account for real estate classified as investment property and records properties at their purchase price (less any purchase price adjustments) in the quarter of acquisition. Any changes in the fair value of investment properties are recognized as fair value adjustments in the statement of income and comprehensive income in the quarter in which they occur.

The REIT determines the fair value of investment properties by developing a range of acceptable values based on the discounted cash flow method and direct capitalization method, both of which are generally accepted appraisal methodologies. Fair value is based on, among other things, assumptions of future cash flows in respect of current and future leases, capitalization rates, terminal capitalization rates, discount rates, market rents, tenant inducements and leasing cost assumptions and expected lease renewals. Fair values are supported by a combination of internal financial information, market data and external independent valuations. Properties are independently appraised at the time of acquisition. In addition, the majority of the portfolio will be independently appraised at least once over a three-year period.

The REIT continues to monitor the value of its properties affected by COVID-19. The REIT revises its estimates concerning rental growth and lease renewal assumptions to reflect expected market conditions, and currently, future cash flows are expected to remain relatively stable as government and credit rated tenants comprise the majority of the REIT's tenant base. It is not possible however, to forecast with certainty how COVID-19 will continue to impact the REIT's investment properties. Regardless, the REIT remains committed to owning high-quality assets with long term value propositions.

For the three months and year ended December 31, 2020, the REIT had a fair value loss of \$1,115 and \$5,712, respectively. The fair value loss was primarily impacted by updated leasing and market rent assumptions on certain properties to reflect current market conditions, which was partially offset by the increase in value of certain properties which reflect external appraisals and positive leasing activity and contractual rent step-ups.

The key valuation assumptions for the REIT's investment properties as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

| | 2020 | 2019 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Terminal and direct capitalization rates - range | 4.75% to 10.25% | 4.75% to 10.25% |
| Terminal and direct capitalization rate - weighted average | 6.26% | 6.36% |
| Discount rates - range | 5.75% to 10.25% | 5.75% to 10.25% |
| Discount rate - weighted average | 7.07% | 7.13% |

UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE OF DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

The REIT enters interest rate swap agreements to effectively fix the interest rate on certain mortgages. These derivative instruments are measured at fair value on each reporting date and changes in the fair value are recognized as an unrealized gain or loss in the statements of income and comprehensive income.

The notional principal amounts of the outstanding interest rate swap contracts at December 31, 2020 were \$78,619 (December 31, 2019 - \$129,488). Unrealized gain on change in the fair value of the derivative instruments totaled \$495 in Q4-2020 compared to an unrealized loss of \$4,891 YTD-2020.

With the expectation that interest rates will not increase quickly or significantly, the future projected monthly Canadian Dollar Offer Rate has remained low which has increased the monthly projected payable on the interest rate swap. Given the interest rate swap removes the floating rate exposure on the REIT's debt and replaces it with a fixed rate, the unrealized loss in YTD-2020 is not a loss in itself, but represents the opportunity cost of not maintaining the floating rate debt.

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FFO AND AFFO

The REIT calculates FFO in accordance with the guidelines set out by Realpac. Reconciliation of net income and comprehensive income determined in accordance with IFRS, to FFO and AFFO is as follows:

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Net income and comprehensive income | \$ 8,299 | \$ 1,425 | \$ 39,752 | \$ 24,178 |
| Add (deduct): | | | | |
| Fair value adjustment of Unit-based compensation | 188 | 510 | (44) | 1,365 |
| Fair value adjustment of investment properties | 1,115 | 6,081 | 5,712 | 615 |
| Fair value adjustment of Class B LP Units | 2,314 | 1,555 | (3,778) | 6,933 |
| Transaction costs on sale of investment property | 73 | — | 233 | 581 |
| Distributions on Class B LP Units | 573 | 613 | 2,291 | 2,515 |
| Unrealized loss on change in fair value of derivative instruments | (495) | 252 | 4,891 | 677 |
| Amortization of leasing costs and tenant inducements | 1,146 | 674 | 4,150 | 2,258 |
| FFO | \$ 13,213 | \$ 11,110 | \$ 53,207 | \$ 39,122 |
| Add (deduct): | | | | |
| Non-cash compensation expense | 91 | 43 | 256 | 142 |
| Amortization of financing costs | 306 | 274 | 1,161 | 1,072 |
| Amortization of mortgage discounts | (14) | (6) | (31) | (29) |
| Instalment note receipts | 27 | 30 | 115 | 153 |
| Straight-line rent | 328 | 467 | 1,211 | 1,556 |
| Capital reserve ⁽¹⁾ | (1,208) | (1,032) | (4,830) | (3,802) |
| AFFO | \$ 12,743 | \$ 10,886 | \$ 51,089 | \$ 38,214 |
| FFO per Unit: | | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.60 | \$ 0.58 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.15 | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.59 | \$ 0.57 |
| AFFO per Unit: | | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.13 | \$ 0.57 | \$ 0.57 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.14 | \$ 0.13 | \$ 0.57 | \$ 0.56 |
| AFFO payout ratio: | | | | |
| Basic | 105 % | 111 % | 104 % | 105 % |
| Diluted | 105 % | 112 % | 104 % | 106 % |
| Distributions declared | \$ 13,382 | \$ 12,449 | \$ 53,139 | \$ 40,609 |
| Weighted average Units outstanding (000s): | | | | |
| Basic | 90,044 | 81,244 | 89,392 | 67,344 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Unit options and Incentive Units | 428 | 983 | 389 | 1,054 |
| Diluted | 90,472 | 82,227 | 89,781 | 68,398 |

Notes:

⁽¹⁾ Based on an estimate of \$1.00 (2019 - \$1.00) per square foot per annum and represents a reserve for capital expenditures, tenant inducements and leasing costs.

The REIT's FFO and AFFO increased \$2,103, or 19% and \$1,857, or 17%, respectively in Q4-2020 over the comparable period in the prior year. The increase in FFO and AFFO was a result of higher NOI from acquisitions completed in Q4-2019, partially offset by lower Same Property NOI and higher finance costs. FFO and AFFO basic and diluted per Unit increased \$0.01 to \$0.15 and \$0.14, respectively.

YTD-2020 FFO and AFFO increased \$14,085 or 36% and 12,875 or 34%, respectively compared to YTD-2019. The increase in FFO and AFFO was a result of higher NOI from the Q4-2019 acquisitions, partially offset by the dispositions in 2020, the decrease in Same Property NOI and higher finance costs. FFO basic and diluted per Unit increased \$0.02 to \$0.60 and \$0.59, respectively in YTD-2020 and AFFO basic and diluted per Unit remained stable and increased \$0.01 to \$0.57, respectively.

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DISTRIBUTIONS

The REIT currently pays monthly distributions of \$0.0495 per Unit or \$0.594 per Unit on an annualized basis.

The trustees of the REIT (“Trustees”) determine the level of cash distributions based on the level of cash flow from operations before working capital changes, less actual and planned capital expenditures. In any given period, distributions may differ from cash provided by operating activities, primarily due to fluctuations in working capital. It is expected that normal fluctuations in working capital will be funded from the REIT’s cash resources as described in “Liquidity and Capital Investment”. In addition, the distributions declared include a component funded by the REIT’s amended and restated distribution reinvestment plan (“DRIP”). Effective October 30, 2020, Unitholders may elect to reinvest cash distributions into additional Units at a 1% discount to the weighted average closing price of the Units for the five trading days immediately preceding the applicable date of distribution.

The following table shows the amount of distributions declared, non-cash distributions under the DRIP and cash distributions paid by the REIT on both Units and Class B LP Units.

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|------|
| | 2020 | 2020 | 2019 | 2019 | 2018 |
| Distributions declared | \$ 13,382 | \$ 53,139 | \$ 40,609 | \$ 33,045 | |
| Less: DRIP | (2,068) | (9,014) | (5,850) | (3,616) | |
| Cash distributions paid | \$ 11,314 | \$ 44,125 | \$ 34,759 | \$ 29,429 | |

The following table provides a reconciliation of the REIT’s cash flow and adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities to its declared and cash distributions:

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|------|
| | 2020 | 2020 | 2019 | 2019 | 2018 |
| Net income and comprehensive income | \$ 8,299 | \$ 39,752 | \$ 24,178 | \$ 49,620 | |
| Cash flow provided by operating activities | 20,723 | 91,384 | 58,594 | 53,311 | |
| Less: Interest paid | (7,002) | (27,418) | (19,805) | (14,811) | |
| Adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities | 13,721 | 63,966 | 38,789 | 38,500 | |
| <i>Declared basis:</i> | | | | | |
| Excess (shortfall) of net income and comprehensive income over distributions | (5,083) | (13,387) | (16,431) | 16,575 | |
| Excess (shortfall) of adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities over distributions | 339 | 10,827 | (1,820) | 5,455 | |
| <i>Cash basis:</i> | | | | | |
| Excess (shortfall) of net income and comprehensive income over distributions | (3,015) | (4,373) | (10,581) | 20,191 | |
| Excess of adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities over distributions | 2,407 | 19,841 | 4,030 | 9,071 | |

Net income and comprehensive income was lower than distributions declared during the quarter by \$5,083 (YTD-2020 - \$13,387) and cash distributions by \$3,015 (YTD-2020 - \$4,373). The shortfall was primarily due to the fair value adjustments on Class B LP Units, investment properties and derivative instruments which are non-cash adjustments. Adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities in Q4-2020 exceeded declared distributions by \$339 (YTD-2020 -\$10,827) and cash distributions by \$2,407 (YTD-2020 - \$19,841). The REIT has not been required to fund distributions from alternate sources such as debt, mortgages and other financing instruments.

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RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED CASH FLOW PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO AFFO

Adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities represents cash provided by operating activities less interest paid. The reconciliation of adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities to AFFO measures the amount of cash generated by operations and available for distribution to Unitholders. See "Distributions".

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Adjusted cash flow provided by operating activities | \$ 13,721 | \$ 13,008 | \$ 63,966 | \$ 38,789 |
| Non-cash compensation expense | (3) | 123 | 72 | 65 |
| Change in finance costs payable | 94 | (180) | (328) | (184) |
| Instalment note receipts | 27 | 30 | 115 | 153 |
| Capital reserve | (1,208) | (1,032) | (4,830) | (3,802) |
| Change in non-cash operating working capital | 113 | (1,063) | (7,905) | 3,193 |
| AFFO | \$ 12,744 | \$ 10,886 | \$ 51,090 | \$ 38,214 |

Q4-2020 AFFO was less than distributions declared by \$638 (YTD-2020 - \$2,049) and exceeded distributions paid by \$1,430 (YTD-2020 - \$6,965). The REIT expects to be able to fund distributions from AFFO on a go forward basis.

CAPITAL RESERVE

The REIT's capital reserve represents a reserve for capital expenditures, tenant inducements and leasing costs. The REIT considers many factors when determining an appropriate capital reserve. Items such as, property age and asset class, tenant mix, prior capital investment, lease term, recoverability from tenants and current market conditions are all considered. The REIT also engages independent expert consulting firms to perform a comprehensive property condition assessment prior to the acquisition of a property. The report contains a five or ten year projection of estimated sustaining capital expenditures. The detailed analysis considers the quality of construction, age of the building, use of the property, recent capital expenditures and anticipated future maintenance requirements. The estimates generated by the independent consultants help form the basis for estimating the REIT's on-going reserve.

The REIT includes a normalized capital reserve adjustment based on historical experience when arriving at AFFO as recoverable and non-recoverable capital expenditures, tenant inducements and leasing costs are fundamental to the operating activities of a real estate company and are not considered discretionary investments. These expenditures are required to preserve rental income and should be taken into consideration when determining the amount of sustainable cash available to fund future distributions. The capital reserve adjustment is an estimate and there is no guarantee that future capital expenditures will reflect historical trends. The REIT reviews its capital reserve estimate on an annual basis and makes appropriate adjustments based on the above factors.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT

LIQUIDITY

Cash flow from operating activities represents the primary source of liquidity to fund distributions, debt service, capital improvements, tenant inducements and leasing costs. The REIT's cash flow from operating activities is dependent upon the occupancy level of its investment properties, the rental rates on its leases, the collectability of rent from its tenants, and other factors. Material changes in these factors may adversely affect the REIT's cash flow from operating activities and hence its liquidity. A more detailed discussion of these risks can be found under the "Risks and Uncertainties" section in the annual information form of the REIT dated March 3, 2021 (the "AIF"). Also see "Risks and Uncertainties".

The contractual maturities and repayment obligations of the REIT's financial liabilities, excluding Class B LP Units as at December 31, 2020 were as follows:

| | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025+ | Total |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Mortgages payable | \$ 37,648 | \$ 169,990 | \$ 157,903 | \$ 94,102 | \$ 356,706 | \$ 816,349 |
| Mortgages interest payable | 26,937 | 24,466 | 17,333 | 14,226 | 19,147 | 102,109 |
| Tenant rental deposits and prepayments | 7,595 | — | — | — | — | 7,595 |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 30,254 | — | — | — | — | 30,254 |
| | \$ 102,434 | \$ 194,456 | \$ 175,236 | \$ 108,328 | \$ 375,853 | \$ 956,307 |

As at December 31, 2020, the REIT had access to approximately \$84,580 of cash and undrawn credit facilities. With a weighted average maturity of 4.06 years for its mortgage portfolio, the REIT also had limited refinancing exposure with only 2.0% of its portfolio maturing in 2021.

The REIT's available funds are as follows:

| | December 31, 2020 | December 31, 2019 |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Cash | \$ 24,580 | \$ 5,669 |
| Undrawn Credit Facility | 60,000 | 55,000 |
| Available funds | \$ 84,580 | \$ 60,669 |

The REIT expects to be able to meet all of its obligations, including distributions to Unitholders, and capital expenditure requirements as they become due and to provide for the future growth of the business. Management's strategy to managing liquidity risk is to ensure, to the extent possible, it always has sufficient financial assets to meet its financial liabilities when they come due, by forecasting cash flows from operations and anticipated investing and financing activities. To mitigate the risk associated with the refinancing of maturing debt, the REIT staggers the maturity dates of its mortgage portfolio over a number of years. The REIT has a number of financing sources available to fulfill its commitments including: (i) cash flow from operating activities; (ii) mortgage debt secured by investment properties; (iii) Credit Facility; and (iv) issuances of debt and equity.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

The REIT's properties require ongoing capital and leasing expenditures. Leasing expenditures include tenant inducements, leasing commissions and leasehold improvements incurred in connection with the leasing of vacant space and the renewal or replacement of current tenants. Capital expenditure projects were delayed in the first half of 2020 due to COVID-19 and stay at home orders. New projects that were slated to start in Q2-2020 were completed in the second half of 2020. The REIT plans to continue to invest capital in its properties throughout 2021 and beyond. Future expenditures are expected to be funded through cash flow generated by operations, the Credit Facility and cash on hand. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the REIT invested \$19,999 and \$14,441 respectively, in capital and leasing expenditures.

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ASSET PROFILE

INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The following table summarizes changes in the REIT's investment properties for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019:

| | | |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Balance at December 31, 2018 | \$ | 928,137 |
| Acquisitions | | 430,794 |
| Additions | | 14,441 |
| Dispositions | | (8,700) |
| Amortization of leasing costs, tenant inducements and straight-line rent | | (1,540) |
| Fair value adjustment | | (615) |
| Balance at December 31, 2019 | | 1,362,517 |
| Additions | | 19,999 |
| Dispositions | | (3,650) |
| Amortization of leasing costs, tenant inducements and straight-line rent | | (970) |
| Fair value adjustment | | (5,712) |
| Balance at December 31, 2020 | \$ | 1,372,184 |

ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS

On September 30, 2020 and November 5, 2020 the REIT completed the sale of 534 Queens Avenue and 197-199 Dundas Street, both located in London, Ontario for a sale price of \$2,250 and \$1,400 respectively. The proceeds from these dispositions net of costs were \$2,090 and \$1,327 and included interest-only vendor take-back mortgages of \$1,725 and \$1,120 which are included in the deposits and other assets balance as at December 31, 2020. Together these properties comprised a total of 39,200 square feet. These dispositions are in line with the REIT's strategy to focus on office properties in larger urban markets.

There were no acquisitions completed during the year ended December 31, 2020.

ADDITIONS

Additions to investment properties for the year ended December 31, 2020 were \$19,999, consisting of the following:

- Capital expenditures of \$6,371 mainly for common area renovations, lighting upgrades, and roof replacements at certain properties; and
- Tenant inducements and leasing costs of \$13,628 which include costs incurred to improve space and leasing commissions paid to renew and obtain new tenants.

PREPAID EXPENSES AND DEPOSITS

At December 31, 2020, the REIT had \$1,523 in prepaid expenses and deposits, compared to \$3,202 at December 31, 2019. The decrease was due to a decrease in prepaid realty taxes.

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DEBT

MORTGAGES PAYABLE

The following table sets out, as at December 31, 2020, scheduled principal repayments and amounts maturing over each of the next five fiscal years:

| | Scheduled principal payments | Debt maturing during the year | Total mortgages payable | Percentage of total mortgages payable | Weighted average interest rate of maturing debt | Scheduled interest payments |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 2021 | \$ 23,438 | \$ 14,210 | \$ 37,648 | 4.6 % | 2.68 % | \$ 26,937 |
| 2022 | 22,123 | 147,867 | 169,990 | 20.8 % | 3.33 % | 24,466 |
| 2023 | 16,307 | 141,596 | 157,903 | 19.3 % | 3.65 % | 17,333 |
| 2024 | 14,703 | 79,399 | 94,102 | 11.5 % | 3.39 % | 14,226 |
| 2025 | 7,426 | 190,497 | 197,923 | 24.2 % | 3.15 % | 6,830 |
| Thereafter | 16,103 | 142,680 | 158,783 | 19.6 % | 3.47 % | 12,317 |
| | \$ 100,100 | \$ 716,249 | \$ 816,349 | 100.0 % | 3.37 % | \$ 102,109 |
| Unamortized mark to market mortgage adjustments | | | 257 | | | |
| Unamortized financing costs | | | (4,117) | | | |
| | | | \$ 812,489 | | | |

Mortgages payable have a weighted average fixed interest rate of 3.37% (December 31, 2019 – 3.38%) and a weighted average term to maturity of 4.06 years (December 31, 2019 – 3.87 years).

CREDIT FACILITY

On December 11, 2020, the REIT entered into a new \$60,000 floating rate revolving credit facility with a Canadian chartered bank which is comprised of two tranches: (i) up to \$30,000 secured, bearing interest on cash advances at 95 basis points per annum above the prime rate or 195 basis points per annum over the floating banker's acceptance rate, secured by second charges on certain investment properties; and (ii) \$30,000 unsecured, bearing interest on cash advances at 190 basis points per annum above the prime rate or 290 basis points per annum over the floating banker's acceptance rate.

The Credit Facility matures on December 1, 2022 and was undrawn as at December 31, 2020. The REIT's previous credit facilities matured during 2020 and were undrawn as at December 31, 2019.

INDEBTEDNESS TO GBV

As at December 31, 2020, the REIT's overall leverage, as represented by Indebtedness to GBV was 57.8% compared to 57.6% at December 31, 2019. The maximum allowable ratio under the DOT is 75%. Below is a calculation of the REIT's Indebtedness to GBV ratio as at December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

| | December 31, 2020 | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Total assets | \$ 1,404,882 | \$ 1,375,556 | \$ 939,353 |
| Deferred financing costs | 6,300 | 5,578 | 4,158 |
| GBV | \$ 1,411,182 | \$ 1,381,134 | \$ 943,511 |
| Mortgages payable | 812,489 | 792,583 | 527,196 |
| Credit Facility | — | — | 3,800 |
| Unamortized financing costs and mark to market mortgage adjustments | 3,860 | 3,273 | 2,464 |
| Indebtedness | \$ 816,349 | \$ 795,856 | \$ 533,460 |
| Indebtedness to GBV | 57.8 % | 57.6 % | 56.5 % |

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The REIT's objectives are to maintain a combination of short, medium and long-term financing appropriate for the overall debt level of the REIT, to extend the current weighted average term to maturity and achieve staggered debt maturities while taking into account the availability of financing, market conditions and the financial characteristics of each property. Per the DOT, at no time shall the REIT incur debt aggregating more than 20% of GBV at floating interest rates or having maturities less than one year (excluding debt with an original maturity of one year or more falling due in the next 12 months or variable rate debt for which the REIT has entered into interest rate swap agreements to fix the interest rate for a one year period or more).

Financing costs on mortgages and the Credit Facility are netted against the related debt and amortized on an effective interest basis over the expected life of the debt.

As at December 31, 2020, 0% (December 31, 2019 - 0%) of the REIT's debt was at floating rates.

ADJUSTED EBITDA AND INTEREST COVERAGE RATIO

The interest coverage ratio is useful in determining the REIT's ability to service the interest requirements of its outstanding debt. The ratio is calculated by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by the REIT's interest obligations for the period. Adjusted EBITDA removes the non-cash impact of fair value changes and non-recurring items such as transaction costs on sale of investment properties from net income and comprehensive income.

The following is the reconciliation of net income and comprehensive income to Adjusted EBITDA:

| | Years ended December 31 | |
|---|----------------------------|------------------|
| | 2020 | 2019 |
| Net income and comprehensive income | \$ 39,752 | \$ 24,178 |
| Add (deduct): | | |
| Interest expense | 27,746 | 19,989 |
| Fair value adjustment of Unit-based compensation | (44) | 1,365 |
| Transaction costs on sale of investment property | 233 | 581 |
| Fair value adjustment of investment properties | 5,712 | 615 |
| Fair value adjustment of Class B LP Units | (3,778) | 6,933 |
| Distributions on Class B LP Units | 2,291 | 2,515 |
| Unrealized loss on change in fair value of derivative instruments | 4,891 | 677 |
| Amortization of leasing costs, tenant inducements, mortgage premium (discounts) and financing costs | 5,280 | 3,301 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 82,083 | \$ 60,154 |

| | Years ended December 31 | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| | 2020 | 2019 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 82,083 | \$ 60,154 |
| Interest expense | 27,746 | 19,989 |
| Interest coverage ratio | 2.96 x | 3.01 x |

Interest coverage ratio in 2020 decreased slightly compared to 2019 due to higher interest expense from additional borrowing associated with Q4-2019 acquisitions and refinancings completed in 2020. This increase was partially offset by lower interest expense on the REIT's Credit Facility.

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CLASS B LP UNITS

The Class B LP Units meet the definition of a financial liability under IAS 32, Financial Instruments – Presentation (“IAS 32”) and are classified as fair value through profit or loss financial liabilities under IAS 32. The Class B LP Units are measured at fair value at each reporting period with any changes in fair value recorded in the statements of income and comprehensive income.

The Class B LP Units, together with the related special voting units, have economic and voting rights equivalent, in all material aspects, to Units. They are exchangeable at the option of the holder on a one-for-one basis for Units. Each Class B LP Unit entitles the holder to receive distributions from True North Commercial Limited Partnership equivalent to the distributions such holder would have received if they were holding Units.

As at December 31, 2020, there were 3,856,182 Class B LP Units issued and outstanding valued at \$24,333 compared to \$28,111 as at December 31, 2019. The change in value was due to a decrease in the Unit price from \$7.29 at December 31, 2019 to \$6.31 at December 31, 2020.

The number of Class B LP Units outstanding as of March 3, 2021 is as follows:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | 3,856,182 |
| Class B LP Units exchanged to Units | (697,380) |
| Balance, March 3, 2021 | 3,158,802 |

UNITHOLDERS' EQUITY

OUTSTANDING UNITS

The REIT is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Units and an unlimited number of special voting units in the capital of the REIT.

The following table summarizes changes in the Unit capital of the REIT for the year ended December 31, 2020:

| | Units | Amount |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Balance, December 31, 2019 | 84,762,429 | \$ 519,197 |
| Issue of Units – DRIP | 1,548,478 | 9,014 |
| Issue of Units – options exercised | 35,112 | 271 |
| Issuance costs | — | (307) |
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | 86,346,019 | \$ 528,175 |

The number of Units outstanding as of March 3, 2021 is as follows:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | 86,346,019 |
| Class B LP Units exchanged to Units | 697,380 |
| Issuance of Units - DRIP | 169,885 |
| Balance, March 3, 2021 | 87,213,284 |

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INCENTIVE UNIT PLAN

On June 10, 2019, the REIT established an incentive trust unit plan (the "Incentive Unit Plan"). Under the Incentive Unit Plan, the REIT may issue two types of units: (i) deferred Units ("Deferred Units"); and (ii) restricted Units ("Restricted Units", and collectively with the Deferred Units, the "Incentive Units").

Incentive Units granted under the Incentive Unit Plan are classified as liabilities and Unit-based compensation expense is recognized in general and administration expenses over the vesting period of the Incentive Units. Incentive Unit are revalued at each reporting period and fair value adjustments recorded in general and administration expenses.

Deferred Units

Deferred Units are granted to the non-executive Trustees as part of a Trustee's annual fees and vest immediately. The Trustees are required to receive a portion of their annual retainer in the form of Deferred Units and may also elect to receive up to 100% of the remaining fees in Deferred Units.

The following table summarizes the changes in Deferred Units:

| | Deferred Units | Amount |
|----------------------------|----------------|--------|
| Balance, January 1, 2019 | — | \$ — |
| Granted and reinvested | 16,977 | 117 |
| Fair value adjustments | — | 4 |
| Balance, December 31, 2019 | 16,977 | 121 |
| Granted and reinvested | 33,997 | 192 |
| Fair value adjustments | — | 8 |
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | 50,974 | \$ 321 |

The number of Deferred Units outstanding as at March 3, 2021 is as follows:

| | |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | 50,974 |
| Deferred Units granted | 803 |
| Balance, March 3, 2021 | 51,777 |

Restricted Units

The Trustees may, at their discretion, grant Restricted Units to certain Trustees, officers of the REIT and its subsidiaries and certain eligible service providers, subject to such restrictions including vesting requirements the Trustees may impose. The Trustees may not extend any vesting conditions beyond November 30 of the third calendar year following the grant date.

The following table summarizes the changes in Restricted Units:

| | Restricted Units | Amount |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------|
| Balance, December 31, 2019 | — | — |
| Granted and reinvested | 44,252 | 64 |
| Fair value adjustments | — | 7 |
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | 44,252 | \$ 71 |

The number of Restricted Units outstanding as at March 3, 2021 is as follows:

| | |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | 44,252 |
| Restricted Units reinvested | 697 |
| Balance, March 3, 2021 | 44,949 |

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UNIT OPTION PLAN

Prior to June 10, 2019, the Trustees had the discretion to grant certain Trustees, officers of the REIT and its subsidiaries and certain eligible service providers, non-transferable options to purchase Units pursuant to the REIT's unit option plan (the "Unit Option Plan"). This plan was suspended and no further options have since been granted. Options that have or will vest are eligible to be exercised prior to the applicable expiry dates.

Options outstanding as at December 31, 2020 consist of the following:

| Exercise price ⁽¹⁾ | Unit Options Outstanding | Unit Options exercisable | Expiry Date |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| \$6.04 | 85,000 | 85,000 | August 5, 2021 |
| \$6.28 | 120,834 | 120,834 | November 14, 2021 |
| \$6.17 | 176,669 | 176,669 | August 11, 2022 |
| \$6.44 | 199,501 | 199,501 | November 16, 2022 |
| \$6.43 | 260,835 | 156,661 | March 9, 2023 |
| \$6.66 | 292,334 | 184,327 | September 20, 2023 |
| | 1,135,173 | 922,992 | |

⁽¹⁾In actual dollars.

SHORT FORM BASE SHELF PROSPECTUS

On January 23, 2020, the REIT filed a short-form base shelf prospectus ("Prospectus"). The Prospectus was filed with the securities regulatory authorities in each of the provinces and territories of Canada and is valid for a 25 month period, during which time the REIT may issue the following securities: (i) Units; (ii) preferred Units; (iii) unsecured debt securities; (iv) subscription receipts exchangeable for Units and/or other securities of the REIT; (v) warrants exercisable to acquire Units and/or other securities of the REIT; and (vi) securities comprised of more than one of Units, debt securities, subscription receipts and/or warrants offered together as a unit, or any combination thereof in amounts, at prices and on terms based on market conditions at the time of sale and set forth in an accompanying prospectus supplement, for an aggregate offering amount of up to \$500,000.

No Units were issued pursuant to the prospectus for the year ended December 31, 2020.

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

From time to time in the normal course of business, the REIT is involved in litigation and claims in relation to its investment properties. In the opinion of management, none of these, individually or in aggregate, could result in a liability that would have a significant adverse effect on the financial position of the REIT. The REIT has agreed to indemnify, in certain circumstances, the Trustees and officers of the REIT. As at December 31, 2020, the REIT had entered into commitments for building renovations, capital upgrades and Landlord work at certain properties relating to leases that commence in the first half of 2021 totaling \$3,190 (December 31, 2019 - \$1,347). As at December 31, 2020, \$1,649 (December 31, 2019 - \$501) of this amount was included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS

Starlight is considered a related party to the REIT as Starlight is controlled by Daniel Drimmer, the Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) of the REIT, who is also a significant Unitholder.

ARRANGEMENTS WITH STARLIGHT

Pursuant to the asset management agreement dated December 14, 2012 (“Asset Management Agreement”), Starlight provides advisory, asset management and administrative services to the REIT. The REIT is administered and operated by the REIT’s CEO and Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) and an experienced team of real estate professionals at Starlight.

The Asset Management Agreement has an initial term of ten years and is renewable for successive five-year terms, unless and until the Asset Management Agreement is terminated in accordance with its termination provisions.

Starlight is entitled to the following fees pursuant to the Asset Management Agreement:

- (a) Base annual management fee calculated and payable on a monthly basis, equal to 0.35% of the sum of:
 - the historical purchase price of properties owned by the REIT; and
 - the cost of capital expenditures incurred by the REIT or any of its affiliates in respect of the properties owned by the REIT.
- (b) Acquisition fee equal to:
 - 1.0% of the purchase price of a property, on the first \$100,000 of properties acquired in each fiscal year;
 - 0.75% of the purchase price of a property on the next \$100,000 of properties acquired in each fiscal year; and
 - 0.50% of the purchase price of properties acquired in excess of \$200,000 in each fiscal year.
- (c) An annual incentive fee is payable by the REIT equal to 15% of the REIT’s FFO per Unit in excess of FFO per Unit for fiscal 2013 plus 50% of the annual increase in the weighted average consumer price index (or other similar metric, as determined by the Trustees) of the jurisdictions in which the investment properties are located.
- (d) Capital expenditures fee equal to 5% of all hard construction costs incurred on each capital project with costs in excess of \$1,000 excluding work done on behalf of tenants or any maintenance capital expenditures.

In addition, the REIT is required to reimburse Starlight for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the performance of the services described in the Asset Management Agreement or such other services which the REIT and Starlight agree in writing are to be provided from time to time.

| | Three months ended December 31 | | Years ended December 31 | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2020 | 2019 |
| Asset management fees | \$ 1,144 | \$ 922 | \$ 4,545 | \$ 3,280 |
| Acquisition fees | — | 2,607 | — | 2,852 |
| Other expenses | 45 | 36 | 218 | 155 |
| Total | \$ 1,189 | \$ 3,565 | \$ 4,763 | \$ 6,287 |

At December 31, 2020, \$416 (December 31, 2019 - \$370) was included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities. No incentive fees were earned or capital expenditure fees were charged for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

There are certain risks inherent in an investment in the securities of the REIT and in the activities of the REIT. Risks and uncertainties are disclosed below and in the REIT's AIF. The AIF is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. Current and prospective Unitholders of the REIT should carefully consider such risk factors.

RISKS RELATED TO THE REAL ESTATE INDUSTRY

REAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND TENANT RISKS

All real property investments are subject to elements of risk. The value of real property and any improvements thereto depend on the credit and financial stability of tenants and upon the vacancy rates of such properties. The properties generate revenue through rental payments made by the tenants thereof. The ability to rent vacant space in properties will be affected by many factors, including changes in general economic conditions (such as the availability and cost of mortgage funds), local conditions (such as an oversupply of space or a reduction in demand for real estate in the area), government regulations, changing demographics, competition from other available properties, and various other factors.

If a significant number of tenants are unable to meet their obligations under their leases or if a significant amount of available space in the properties becomes vacant and cannot be re-leased on economically favourable terms, the properties may not generate revenues sufficient to meet operating expenses, including debt service payments and capital expenditures.

Upon the expiry of any lease, there can be no assurance the lease will be renewed or the tenant will be replaced. The terms of any subsequent lease may be less favourable to the REIT than those of an existing lease. Historical occupancy rates and revenues are not necessarily an accurate prediction of the future occupancy rates for the properties or revenues to be derived from them. There can be no assurance that, upon the expiry or termination of existing leases, the average occupancy rates and revenues will be higher than historical occupancy rates and revenues, and it may take a significant amount of time for market rents to be recognized by the REIT due to internal and external limitations on its ability to charge these new market based rents in the short term.

FLUCTUATIONS IN CAPITALIZATION RATES

As interest rates fluctuate in the lending market, capitalization rates affecting the underlying value of real estate generally fluctuate as well. As such, when interest rates rise, generally capitalization rates should be expected to rise. Over the period of investment, capital gains and losses at the time of disposition can occur due to the increase or decrease of these capitalization rates.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE RISKS

The REIT is subject to various requirements (including federal, provincial and municipal laws, as applicable,) relating to environmental matters. Such requirements provide that the REIT could be, or become, liable for environmental or other harm, damage or costs, including with respect to the release of hazardous, toxic or other regulated substances into the environment and/or affecting persons, and the removal or other remediation of hazardous, toxic or other regulated substances that may be present at or under the properties, including lead-based paint, asbestos, polychlorinated biphenyls, petroleum-based fuels, mercury, volatile organic compounds, underground storage tanks, pesticides and other miscellaneous materials. Such requirements often impose liability without regard to whether the owner or operator knew of, or was responsible for, the release or presence of such materials.

Additional liability may be incurred by the REIT with respect to the release of such substances from the REIT's properties to properties owned by third parties, including properties adjacent to the REIT's properties or with respect to the exposure of persons to regulated substances. The failure to remove or otherwise address such substances may materially adversely affect the REIT's ability to sell a property, maximize the value of such property or borrow using such property as collateral security, and could potentially result in claims or other proceedings against the REIT.

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It is the REIT's operating policy to obtain or be entitled to rely on an environmental site assessment prior to acquiring a property. Where an environmental site assessment warrants further investigation, it is the REIT's operating policy to conduct further environmental assessments (see "Declaration of Trust and Description of Voting Units - Investment Guidelines" and "Operating Policies - Operating Policies" in the AIF). Although such environmental assessments provide the REIT with some level of assurance about the condition of the properties, the REIT may become subject to liability for undetected contamination or other environmental conditions of its properties against which it cannot insure, or against which the REIT may elect not to insure where insurance premium costs are considered to be disproportionate to the assessed risk, which could have a material adverse effect on the REIT's business, cash flows, financial condition and results of operations and ability to make distributions to holders of Units. Environmental laws and other requirements can change and the REIT may become subject to more stringent environmental laws and other requirements in the future. Compliance with more stringent environmental requirements, the identification of currently unknown environmental issues or an increase in the costs required to address a currently known condition may have a material adverse effect on the REIT's business, cash flows, financial condition and results of operations and ability to make distributions to holders of Units.

Natural disasters and severe weather such as floods, blizzards and rising temperatures may result in damage to the properties. The extent of the REIT's casualty losses and loss in operating income in connection with such events is a function of the severity of the event and the total amount of exposure in the affected area. The REIT is also exposed to risks associated with inclement winter weather, including increased need for maintenance and repair of the REIT's buildings. In addition, climate change, to the extent it causes changes in weather patterns, could have effects on the REIT's business by increasing the cost of property insurance, and/or energy at the properties. As a result, the consequences of natural disasters, severe weather and climate change could increase the REIT's costs and reduce the REIT's cash flow.

COMPETITION

The real estate business is competitive. Numerous developers, managers and owners of properties compete with the REIT in seeking tenants. The existence of competing developers, managers and owners and competition for the REIT's tenants could have an impact on the REIT's ability to lease space in the properties and on the rents charged.

The REIT is subject to competition for suitable real property investments with individuals, corporations and institutions (both Canadian and foreign) and other real estate investment trusts which are presently seeking, or which may seek in the future, real property investments similar to those targeted by the REIT. A number of these investors may have greater financial resources than those of the REIT, or operate without the investment or operating restrictions of the REIT. An increase in the availability of the investment funds, and an increase in interest in real property investments, may tend to increase competition for real property investments, thereby increasing purchase prices and reducing the yield on them.

The REIT seeks to locate and complete property purchases that are accretive to AFFO per Unit. There is a risk that continuing increased competition for real property acquisitions may increase purchase prices to levels that are not accretive to AFFO per Unit.

ILLIQUIDITY OF REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS

Real estate investments tend to be relatively illiquid, with the degree of liquidity generally fluctuating in relation to demand for, and the perceived desirability of, such investments. Such illiquidity may limit the REIT's ability to promptly adjust its portfolio in response to changing economic or other conditions. If the REIT were required to quickly liquidate its properties, the proceeds might be significantly less than the aggregate carrying value of its properties or less than what could be expected to be realized under normal circumstances. In addition, by concentrating on commercial rental properties, the REIT is exposed to the adverse effects on that segment of the real estate market.

INTEREST RATE RISK

The REIT may be subject to higher interest rates in the future, given the current economic climate. The REIT may also be unable to renew its maturing debt either with an existing or a new lender, and if it's able to renew its maturing debt, significantly lower loan-to-value ratios may be used. The REIT will seek to manage this risk by negotiating fixed interest rates where possible. As required by the DOT, at no time will the REIT incur debt aggregating more than 20% of GBV of the REIT at floating interest rates or having maturities less than one year (excluding debt with an original maturity of one year or more falling due in the next 12 months or variable rate debt for which the REIT has entered into interest rate swap agreements to fix the interest rate for a one year period or more).

UNINSURED LOSSES

The DOT requires that the REIT obtain and maintain at all times insurance coverage in respect of its potential liabilities and the accidental loss of value of its assets from risks, in amounts, with such insurers, and on such terms as the Trustees consider appropriate, taking into account all relevant factors including the practices of owners of comparable properties. There are, however, certain types of risks, generally of a catastrophic nature, such as wars or environmental contamination, which are either uninsurable or not insurable on an economically viable basis. Should an uninsured or under-insured loss occur, the REIT could lose its investment in, and anticipated profits and cash flows from, the affected property, but the REIT would continue to be obliged to repay any recourse mortgage indebtedness on such property. There can be no assurance that a claim in excess of the insurance coverage or claims not covered by insurance coverage will not arise or that the liability coverage will continue to be available on acceptable terms. A successful claim against the REIT not covered by, or in excess of, the insurance coverage could have a material adverse effect on the REIT's business, financial condition or results of operations and distributions.

RISKS RELATED TO INSURANCE RENEWALS

Certain events could make it more difficult and expensive to obtain property and casualty insurance, including coverage for terrorism. The REIT's current insurance policies expire annually and the REIT may encounter difficulty in obtaining or renewing property or casualty insurance on its properties at the same levels of coverage and under similar terms. Such insurance may be more limited and, for catastrophic risks (for example, earthquake, hurricane, flood and terrorism), may not be generally available to fully cover potential losses. Even if the REIT is able to renew its policies at levels and with limitations consistent with its current policies, the REIT cannot be sure that it will be able to obtain such insurance at premium rates that are commercially reasonable. If the REIT were unable to obtain adequate insurance on the properties for certain risks, it could cause the REIT to be in default under specific covenants on certain of its indebtedness or other contractual commitments it has that require the REIT to maintain adequate insurance on its properties to protect against the risk of loss. If this were to occur or if the REIT were unable to obtain adequate insurance and the properties experience damage that would otherwise have been covered by insurance, it could adversely affect the REIT's financial condition and the operations of the properties.

CREDIT RISK AND TENANT CONCENTRATION

The REIT is exposed to risk as tenants may be unable to pay their contracted rents. Management mitigates this risk by seeking to acquire properties with strong tenant covenants in place. The REIT's portfolio includes over 200 tenant leases with a weighted-average term to maturity of approximately 4.7 years. Approximately 75% of the REIT's annualized gross revenue are government and other credit rated tenants.

RISKS RELATED TO REIT AND ITS BUSINESS

COVID-19 AND OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization classified COVID-19 as a global pandemic. While the REIT continues to monitor related developments, there still remains a great deal of uncertainty regarding the full scope, duration and impact of COVID-19. It is not possible at this time to accurately assess the length, impact and severity the pandemic will have on the REIT's operations, financial condition or results, and Unit price. While vaccination programs have begun to be implemented throughout Canada, industries, including retail and commercial real estate, continue to be affected in varying degrees by COVID-19. In December 2020, several Canadian provinces declared a second provincial emergency requiring various restrictions such as stay at home orders, mandatory closures of certain types of businesses and reduced limits on social gatherings. While restrictions have not yet had a significant impact on the REIT's operations, the REIT cannot predict the extent to which they may affect the REIT. While the REIT continues to monitor related developments, there still remains a great deal of uncertainty regarding COVID-19 and it continues to be difficult to predict the full scope, duration and extent of the impact of COVID-19 on the REIT's business and operations, and to accurately assess the length, impact and severity the pandemic will have on the REIT's operations, financial condition or results, and Unit price in both the short and long-term.

The REIT is required and continues to comply with the directives provided by the Federal and Provincial governments and public health authorities to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19. These changes and any additional changes in operations in response to COVID-19 could materially impact, among other things, the operations and financial results of the REIT. Specifically, such changes may impact tenants' ability to pay rent in full or at all. In response, the REIT has assessed rent collectability when determining future cash flows and has determined the current risk of default to be low given the quality of the REIT's tenant base, which largely consists of government and credit rated tenants. Certain tenants have been identified to be in need of financial assistance either in the form of short-term rent deferrals or through the CECRA and CERS programs. As a result, the REIT has recognized \$187 expense representing the REIT's 25% rental contribution granted to tenants pursuant to the CECRA program and \$20 expense in property operating costs representing 35% rental provision granted to tenants as part of the CERS program. There can be no assurance that expenses incurred by the REIT under the CERS program will not continue or increase in future periods or that additional programs will be instituted causing increased or additional expenses to be incurred by the REIT.

In addition, the REIT agreed to defer approximately \$438 of rental payments for certain tenants. As of March 3, 2021, \$420 of rent deferrals have been received in accordance with those deferral agreements. There can be no assurance that current outstanding rent deferrals or future rent deferrals, if granted, will be repaid in whole or in part.

The current public health crisis has also resulted in general economic slowdown and extreme volatility in financial markets. In addition to impacting the REIT's Unit price, this may create difficulty in raising capital in debt and equity markets, which could in turn adversely impact the REIT's strategy. In response to the global economic slowdown, governments and central banks have reacted with significant monetary and fiscal interventions designed to stabilize economic conditions. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, the extent to which COVID-19 and any other pandemic or public health crisis impacts the REIT's business, affairs, operations, financial condition (including the REIT's ability to raise capital), liquidity, availability of credit and results of operations will depend on future developments that are highly uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted, including new information which may emerge concerning the severity of and the actions required to contain the COVID-19 pandemic or remedy its impact, among others. At this time, the duration and impact of COVID-19 is unknown, as is the efficacy of the government and central bank interventions. It is not possible at this time to predict the overall long term impact on the REIT's financial performance. The wide ranging disruptions caused by COVID-19 may materially adversely affect the REIT's performance. The economic uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic may, in the short and/or long term, materially adversely impact the REIT's tenants and/or the debt and equity markets as well as Unit price, both of which could materially adversely affect the REIT's operations and financial performance.

In response to the work-from-home measures implemented due to COVID-19, the REIT has enhanced its processes, procedures and controls in an effort to mitigate any potential cybersecurity risks that may stem from working remotely. Certain initiatives taken

by the REIT include the addition of software programs that search, monitor and analyze machine data to identify unusual activity, protect against malware, detect malicious traffic and report on widely known vulnerabilities and threat data in connection with connected assets. The REIT has also increased its firewall protections and implemented desktop administration software that aids in the tracking of inventory and allows the REIT to remotely control applications. There can be no assurance that such measures will deter, mitigate or prevent any cyber-attacks.

The REIT has taken actions to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 on its operations, liquidity, financial condition and results, keeping in mind the interests of its employees, tenants and other stakeholders. As COVID-19 continues to impact the well-being of individuals and the global economy, the REIT has implemented appropriate cautionary measures to ensure it is conducting business in a safe and effective manner (including, without limitation, limiting visits to the REIT's corporate offices to essential personnel and ensuring proper protocols around sanitation and social distancing), and continues to diligently work with its service providers to remain operational through the pandemic. The REIT has an evolving response plan and a crisis management team that is in regular communication with our tenants. There can be no assurance that the response plan will mitigate any or all of the potential impact of COVID-19.

The REIT is actively focused on allowing its employees and tenants to safely return to the office in accordance with public health guidelines. Certain initiatives taken by the REIT include increased cleaning and sanitization of common touchpoints in populated or high-traffic areas, increased security measures, additional hand sanitization stations throughout its properties, installation of automatic wave sensors and clean air initiatives such as HVAC filtration upgrades. As occupancy rates and traffic patterns shift, the REIT has added directional signage for flow of traffic within its buildings in accordance with prescribed social distancing guidelines. The REIT continues to monitor this evolving situation and will take actions and implement any further measures as may be required by federal, provincial or local authorities, or that management considers to be in the best interests of its employees, tenants, suppliers or other stakeholders, as necessary. There can be no assurance that any actions taken will prevent the impact of COVID-19 on the REIT or its employees or tenants.

Further, public health crises, including the ongoing health crisis related to the COVID-19 pandemic, or relating to any other virus, flu, epidemic, pandemic or any other similar disease or illness (each, a "Health Crisis") could adversely impact the REIT, including through: a general or acute decline in economic activity in regions in which the REIT's investment properties are located; increased unemployment, supply shortages, mobility restrictions and other quarantine measures; increased government regulation, inability to access governmental programs or processes on a timely basis, efficacy of governmental relief efforts; and the quarantine or contamination of one or more of the REIT's investment properties. Contagion in a property or market in which the REIT operates could negatively impact its occupancy, reputation or attractiveness of that market. Furthermore, increased government regulation relating to a Health Crisis could result in legislation or regulations that may restrict the REIT's ability to enforce material provisions under its leases, including in respect of the collection of rent or other payment obligations, among other potential adverse impacts. All of these occurrences may have a material adverse effect on the business, cash flows, financial condition and results of operations of the REIT, including, but not limited to: the ability to implement rent increases; rent collection and receivables; vacancy levels; mortgage renewals and refinancings; deferral of certain capital expenditures; valuation of investment properties; the REIT's ability to meet any applicable debt covenant restrictions; and the REIT's ability to raise capital and to maintain its distributions.

ACQUISITIONS

The REIT's strategy includes growth through identifying suitable acquisition opportunities, pursuing such opportunities, completing acquisitions and effectively operating and leasing such properties. There can be no assurance as to the pace of growth through property acquisitions or that the REIT will be able to acquire assets on an accretive basis.

Acquisitions of properties by the REIT are subject to the normal commercial risks and satisfaction of closing conditions that may include, among other things, lender approval, Competition Act (Canada) approval, receipt of estoppel certificates and obtaining

title insurance. Such acquisitions may not be completed or, if completed, may not be on terms that are exactly the same as initially negotiated.

A risk associated with acquisitions is there may be an undisclosed or unknown liability relating to the acquired property, and the REIT may not be indemnified for some or all of these liabilities. Following an acquisition, the REIT may discover that it has acquired undisclosed liabilities, which may be material. The due diligence procedures by management are designed to address this risk. The REIT performs what it believes to be an appropriate level of investigation in connection with its acquisition of properties and seeks through contract to ensure that risks lie with the appropriate party.

ACCESS TO CAPITAL AND FINANCING RISK

The real estate industry is highly capital intensive. The REIT requires access to capital to maintain the properties, as well as to fund its growth strategy and significant capital expenditures from time to time. There can be no assurance the REIT will have access to sufficient capital or access to capital on terms favourable to the REIT for future property acquisitions, financing or refinancing of properties, funding operating expenses or other purposes. Further, the REIT may not be able to borrow funds due to the limitations set forth in the DOT.

In addition, financial markets have experienced a sharp increase in volatility during recent years. The underlying market conditions may continue or become worse and unexpected volatility and illiquidity in financial markets may inhibit the REIT's access to long-term financing in the Canadian capital market. As a result, it is possible that financing which the REIT may require in order to grow and expand its operations, upon the expiry of the term of financing, or upon refinancing of any particular property, may not be available or, if it is available, may not be available on favourable terms to the REIT.

The REIT is subject to the risks associated with debt financing, including the risk the mortgages and banking facilities secured by the properties will not be able to be refinanced or the terms of such refinancing will not be as favourable as the terms of existing indebtedness due to, for instance, higher interest rates. To the extent the REIT utilizes variable rate debt, such debt will result in fluctuations in the REIT's cost of borrowing as interest rates change.

As at December 31, 2020 and 2019, none of the REIT's debt was at floating rates.

REGULATIONS

The REIT is subject to laws and regulations governing the ownership and leasing of real property, employment standards, environmental matters, taxes and other matters. It is possible that future changes in applicable federal, provincial, state, local or common laws or regulations or changes in their enforcement or regulatory interpretation could result in changes in the legal requirements affecting the REIT (including with retroactive effect). Any changes in the laws to which the REIT is subject could materially adversely affect the rights and title to the properties. It is not possible to predict whether there will be any further changes in the regulatory regimes to which the REIT is subject or the effect of any such change on its investments.

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST WITH TRUSTEES

Certain of our Trustees and officers are also Trustees, directors and/or officers of other entities, or are otherwise engaged, and may continue to be engaged, in activities that may put them in conflict with the REIT's business strategy. Consequently, these positions could create, or appear to create, conflicts of interest with respect to matters involving the REIT. Pursuant to the DOT, all decisions to be made by the Trustees which involve the REIT are required to be made in accordance with the Trustee's duties and obligations to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the REIT and the Unitholders. In addition, the Trustees and officers of the REIT are required to declare their interests in, and such Trustees are required to refrain from voting on, any matter in which they may have a conflict of interest. However, there can be no assurance that the provisions in the DOT will adequately address potential conflicts of interest or that such actual or potential conflicts of interest will be resolved in the REIT's favour.

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Starlight acts as the asset manager for the REIT and also provides management services to other public and private companies. As asset manager for other entities and on its own behalf, Starlight may pursue other business opportunities, including but not limited to, real estate and development business opportunities outside of the REIT. These multiple responsibilities to public entities and other businesses could create competition for the time and efforts of Starlight which may materially adversely affect the REIT's cash flows, operating results and financial condition.

LITIGATION RISKS

In the normal course of the REIT's operations, it may become involved in, named as a party to or the subject of, various legal proceedings, including regulatory proceedings, tax proceedings and legal actions relating to personal injuries, property damage, property taxes, land rights, the environment and contract disputes. The outcome with respect to outstanding, pending or future proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty and may be determined adversely to the REIT. Even if the REIT prevails in any such legal proceeding, the proceedings could be costly and time-consuming and would divert the attention of management and key personnel from the REIT's business operations.

TAXATION MATTERS

Management of the REIT believes the REIT currently qualifies as a mutual fund trust and a real estate investment trust for income tax purposes. If the REIT were not to so qualify, the consequences could be material and adverse.

The *Income Tax Act* (Canada) ("Tax Act") contains rules, which tax certain publicly traded or listed trusts in a manner similar to corporations and taxes certain distributions from such trusts as taxable dividends from a taxable Canadian corporation. Distributions paid by a specified investment flow-through ("SIFT") trusts as returns of capital will generally not be subject to the tax.

The rules in the Tax Act applicable to SIFT trusts or partnerships ("SIFT Rules") are not applicable to a real estate investment trust that meets prescribed conditions relating to the nature of its assets and revenue.

Unless the REIT qualifies for the exclusion from the definition of SIFT trusts in the Tax Act ("REIT Exception"), the SIFT Rules could impact the level of cash distributions which would otherwise be made by the REIT and the taxation of such distributions to Unitholders.

If the REIT were to no longer qualify for the REIT Exception, it would not be able to flow through its taxable income to Unitholders and the REIT would therefore be subject to tax. The REIT Exception is applied on an annual basis. As such, it will not be possible to determine if the REIT will satisfy the conditions of the REIT Exception for 2021 or any subsequent year until the end of the particular year. Management of the REIT has determined that the REIT is not subject to the SIFT tax as it meets the REIT Exception for 2020.

SIGNIFICANT OWNERSHIP BY STARLIGHT

As of the date hereof, Daniel Drimmer and his affiliates hold an approximate 8.8% effective interest in the REIT through ownership of Units, Class B LP Units and Unit options. For so long as Starlight maintains a significant effective interest in the REIT, Starlight benefits from certain contractual rights regarding the REIT and Starlight has the ability to exercise influence with respect to the affairs of the REIT and significantly affect the outcome of Unitholder votes, including the ability to prevent certain fundamental transactions, and may discourage transactions involving a change of control of the REIT, including transactions in which an investor might otherwise receive a premium for its Units over the then current market price. The Units may also be less liquid and worth less than they would if Starlight did not have the ability to influence matters affecting the REIT.

Pursuant to the exchange agreement dated December 14, 2012, each Class B LP Unit is exchangeable at the option of the holder for one Unit of the REIT (subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments). See "Material Contracts - Exchange Agreement" in the AIF. If Daniel Drimmer and his affiliates exchange LP Units for Units and sells Units in the public market, the market price of the Units could fall. The perception among the public that these sales will occur could also produce such effect.

DEPENDENCE ON STARLIGHT

The REIT is dependent upon Starlight for operational and administrative services relating to the REIT's business. Should Starlight terminate the Asset Management Agreement, the REIT may be required to engage the services of an external asset manager. The REIT may be unable to engage an asset manager on acceptable terms, in which case the REIT's operations and cash available for distribution may be adversely affected.

CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The REIT maintains information systems, procedures and controls to ensure all information disclosed externally is as complete, reliable and timely as possible. Such internal controls over financial reporting are designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, including well-designed and operated systems, no control system can provide complete assurance that the objectives of the control system will be met. Furthermore, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues, including instances of fraud, if any, will be detected or prevented. These inherent limitations include the possibility that management's assumptions and judgments may ultimately prove to be incorrect under varying conditions and circumstances and the impact of isolated errors.

Additionally, controls may be circumvented by the unauthorized acts of individuals, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override. The design of any system of controls is also based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential conditions.

CYBER-SECURITY RISK

A cyber incident is considered to be any adverse event that threatens the confidentiality, integrity or availability of the REIT's information resources. More specifically, a cyber-incident is an intentional attack or an unintentional event that can include gaining unauthorized access to information systems to disrupt operations, corrupt data or steal confidential information. The REIT's primary risks that could directly result from the occurrence of a cyber-incident include operational interruption, damage to its reputation and damage to the REIT's business relationships with its tenants. The REIT has implemented processes, procedures and controls to help mitigate these risks, including installing firewalls and antivirus programs on its networks, servers and computers, but these measures, as well as its increased awareness of a risk of a cyber-incident, do not guarantee that its financial results will not be negatively impacted by such an incident. The REIT has secured cyber insurance coverage, however there can be no guarantee that such coverage will respond or be sufficient to all threats incurred by the REIT.

BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND DISASTER RECOVERY

The REIT's ability to continue critical operations and processes could be negatively impacted by a weather disaster, prolonged IT failure, terrorist activity, power failures or other national or international catastrophes. Ineffective contingency planning, business interruptions, crises or potential disasters could adversely affect the reputation, operations and financial performance of the REIT. The REIT has a business continuity plan in place, however there can be no assurance it will mitigate all losses.

RISKS RELATED TO THE UNITS

VOLATILE MARKET PRICE FOR THE REIT'S SECURITIES

The market price for the REIT's securities may be volatile and subject to wide fluctuations in response to numerous factors, many of which are beyond the REIT's control, including the following: (a) actual or anticipated fluctuations in the REIT's financial performance and future prospects; (b) recommendations by securities research analysts; (c) changes in the economic performance

or market valuations of other issuers that investors deem comparable to the REIT; (d) addition or departure of the REIT's officers; (e) release or expiration of lock-up or other transfer restrictions on outstanding Units or Class B LP Units; (f) sales or perceived sales of additional Units; (g) significant acquisitions or business combinations, strategic partnerships, joint ventures or capital commitments by or involving the REIT or its competitors; (h) news reports relating to trends, concerns, technological or competitive developments, regulatory changes and other related issues in the REIT's industry or target markets; (i) liquidity of the REIT's securities; (j) prevailing interest rates; (k) the market price of other real estate securities; (l) a decrease in the amount of distributions declared and paid by the REIT; and (m) general economic conditions.

Financial markets have, in recent years, experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that have particularly affected the market prices of securities of issuers and that have, in many cases, been unrelated to the operating performance, underlying asset values or prospects of such issuers. Accordingly, the market price of the REIT's securities may decline even if the REIT's financial performance, underlying asset values, or prospects have not changed. Additionally, these factors, as well as other related factors, may cause decreases in asset values that are deemed to be other than temporary, which may result in impairment losses. As well, certain institutional investors may base their investment decisions on consideration of the REIT's environmental, governance and social practices and performance against such institutions' respective investment guidelines and criteria, and failure to meet such criteria may result in a limited or no investment in the REIT's securities by those institutions. There can be no assurance that continuing fluctuations in price and volume will not occur.

RETURN ON INVESTMENT ON UNITS NOT GUARANTEED

The Units are equity securities of the REIT and are not traditional fixed income securities. A fundamental characteristic that distinguishes the Units from traditional fixed income securities is that the REIT does not have a fixed obligation to make payments to holders of Units and does not promise to return the initial purchase price of a Unit on a certain date in the future. The REIT has the ability to reduce or suspend distributions to holders of Units if circumstances warrant. The ability of the REIT to make cash distributions to holders of Units, and the actual amount distributed, will be entirely dependent on the operations and assets of the REIT and its subsidiaries, and will be subject to various factors including financial performance, obligations under the REIT's Credit Facility, fluctuations in working capital and capital expenditure requirements. There can be no assurance regarding the amount of income to be generated by the properties. The market value of the Units will deteriorate if the REIT is unable to meet its distribution targets in the future, and that deterioration may be significant. In addition, unlike interest payments or an interest-bearing debt security, the REIT's cash distributions to holders of Units are composed of different types of payments (portions of which may be fully or partially taxable or may constitute non-taxable returns of capital). The composition for tax purposes of those distributions may change over time, thus affecting the after-tax returns to holders of Units. Therefore, the rate of return over a defined period for a holder of Units may not be comparable to the rate of return on a fixed income security that provides a "return on capital" over the same period.

DISTRIBUTIONS

At certain times, the REIT has paid distributions to Unitholders which have exceeded adjusted cash flow from operating activities. At the election of Unitholders, the REIT has historically made non-cash distributions under the DRIP which has reduced the amount of cash required to fund the REIT's distributions. As a result, the REIT has not funded distributions from alternate sources such as debt, mortgages or other financing instruments and has not been required to amend any material contracts.

There can be no assurance in the future the REIT will continue to fund distributions entirely from adjusted cash flow from operating activities and no assurance Unitholders will continue to elect to receive distributions under the DRIP. In such an event, the REIT may be required to fund its distributions from sources other than operations such as debt, mortgages or other financing instruments. In addition, non-cash distributions, such as the issuance of Units under the DRIP, have the effect of increasing the number of Units outstanding which will cause cash distributions to increase over time assuming stable per Unit cash distribution levels.

DILUTION OF UNITS

The number of Units (including Class B LP Units issuable by True North Commercial Limited Partnership, which are exchangeable for Units on a one for one basis) that the REIT is authorized to issue is unlimited. The REIT may, in its sole discretion, issue additional Units or convertible securities exchangeable into Units from time to time subject to the rules of any applicable stock exchange on which the Units are then listed. The issuance of any additional Units or Class B LP Units may have a dilutive effect on the interests of holders of Units.

UNITHOLDER LIABILITY

The DOT provides that no holders of Units will be subject to any liability whatsoever to any person in connection with a holding of Units. In addition, legislation has been enacted in the Province of Ontario and certain other provinces that is intended to provide holders of Units in those provinces with limited liability. However, there remains a risk, which is considered by the REIT to be remote in the circumstances, that a holder of Units could be held personally liable for the obligations of the REIT to the extent that claims are not satisfied out of the assets of the REIT. The affairs of the REIT are conducted in a manner to seek to minimize such risk wherever possible.

NATURE OF INVESTMENT IN UNITS

The Units represent a fractional interest in the REIT and do not represent a direct investment in the REIT's assets and should not be viewed by investors as direct securities of the REIT's assets. A holder of a Unit does not hold a share of a body corporate. Unitholders, in such capacity, do not have statutory rights normally associated with ownership of shares of a corporation including, for example, the right to bring "oppression" or "derivative" actions against the REIT. The rights of holders of Units are based primarily on the DOT. There is no statute governing the affairs of the REIT equivalent to the *Canada Business Corporation Act*, which sets out the rights and entitlements of shareholders of corporations in various circumstances. As well, the REIT may not be a recognized entity under certain existing insolvency legislation such as the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada)* and the *Companies Creditors' Arrangement Act (Canada)* and thus the treatment of holders of Units upon an insolvency is uncertain.

USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of the REIT's annual audited consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions which affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

In making estimates, management relies on external information and observable conditions where possible, supplemented by internal analysis as required. In preparing the annual audited consolidated financial statements, significant judgments made by management in applying accounting policies were the same as those applied to the audited consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2020. The following estimates and significant judgments have been identified by management due to the recent events surrounding COVID-19.

INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Throughout Canada, investment activity during the COVID-19 pandemic has been limited. The fair value of the REIT's investment properties as at December 31, 2020 is based upon the best available market data, including capitalization rates; however, given the continued uncertainty around the duration of the pandemic and the potential negative impact it may have on certain sectors of the real estate industry and its tenants, it is not possible to predict how the fair value of the REIT's investment properties may be impacted.

The REIT continues to monitor the economic impact COVID-19 is having on its operations and future cash flows, which ultimately impacts the value of the underlying real estate. The future cash flows of an investment property are based upon rental income from current leases and assumptions about occupancy rates, market rents from future leases and the cash outflows arising from current and future leases. The REIT continues to revise its estimates concerning rental growth and lease renewal assumptions to

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reflect expected market conditions, and currently, future cash flows are predicted to remain relatively stable as government and credit rated tenants comprise the majority of the REIT's tenant base. It is not possible however, to forecast with certainty how COVID-19 will continue to impact the REIT's investment properties. Significant changes in rental income, occupancy rates, tenant inducements and market rents could negatively impact future valuations of the REIT's investment properties.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial assets are classified and measured using one of the following methods: (i) fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL"); (ii) fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI") and (iii) amortized cost. Financial instruments are recognized initially at fair value. Financial assets and liabilities classified at FVTPL are subsequently measured at fair value with gains and losses recognized in profit and loss. Financial instruments classified as FVTOCI are subsequently measured at fair value and any unrealized gains and losses are recognized through other comprehensive income. The REIT derecognizes a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire. Financial liabilities may be designated at FVTPL upon initial recognition.

Financial assets and liabilities are accounted for based on their classification as described below. Their classification depends on the purpose for which the financial instruments were acquired or issued, their characteristics and the designation of such instruments.

| | Classification |
|--|----------------|
| Financial assets: | |
| Instalment notes receivable | Amortized cost |
| Derivative instruments | Fair value |
| Deposits and other assets | Amortized cost |
| Tenant and other receivables | Amortized cost |
| Cash and cash equivalents | Amortized cost |
| Financial liabilities: | |
| Mortgages payable | Amortized cost |
| Derivative instruments | Fair value |
| Class B LP Units | Fair value |
| Credit Facility | Amortized cost |
| Tenant rental deposits and prepayments | Amortized cost |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | Amortized cost |

Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issuance of financial assets or liabilities, other than financial assets and liabilities measured at FVTPL, are accounted for as part of the carrying amount of the respective asset or liability at inception. Transaction costs related to financial instruments measured at amortized cost are amortized using the effective interest rate over the anticipated life of the related instrument. Transaction costs on financial assets and liabilities measured at FVTPL are expensed in the period incurred. Financial assets are derecognized when the contractual rights to the cash flows from financial assets expire or have been transferred.

The REIT recognizes an allowance for expected credit losses ("ECL") for financial assets measured at amortized cost at each balance sheet date. The ECL model requires considerable judgment, including consideration of how changes in economic factors affect ECLs, which are determined on a probability-weighted basis. Impairment losses, if incurred, would be recorded as expenses in the consolidated statements of income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss) with the carrying amount of the financial asset or group of financial assets reduced through the use of impairment allowance accounts.

The fair values of the REIT's instalment notes receivable, deposits, tenant and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents, as well as the REIT's credit facility, tenant rental deposits and prepayments, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their recorded values due to their short-term nature.

The fair value of mortgages payable disclosed in the notes to the REIT's annual audited consolidated financial statements is estimated based on the present value of future payments, discounted at the yield on a Government of Canada bond with the nearest maturity date to the underlying mortgage, plus an estimated credit spread at the reporting date for a comparable mortgage.

Class B LP Units are carried at fair value and the fair value of the Class B LP Units has been determined with reference to the trading price of the Units. The fair value adjustment for the year ended December 31, 2020 was a gain of \$3,778 (YTD-2019 - loss of \$6,933).

Derivative instruments, such as interest rate swaps, are valued using a valuation technique. The most frequently applied valuation technique includes forward pricing models, using present value calculations. The models incorporate various inputs including forward rates and interest rate curves. The REIT has entered into various interest rate swaps to limit its interest rate exposure from floating to fixed for the terms of certain mortgages. Total unrealized loss on change in the fair value of the derivative instruments for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$4,891 (YTD-2019 - \$677).

These fair value estimates may not necessarily be indicative of the amounts that might be paid or received in the future.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The REIT implemented the following amendment effective January 1, 2020:

Amendment to IFRS 3: Definition of a Business ("IFRS 3")

The amendment to IFRS 3 clarifies that to be considered a business, an acquisition would have to include an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs. Also, it clarifies a business can exist without including all of the inputs and processes needed to create outputs.

This amendment had no impact on the annual audited consolidated financial statements or the business of the REIT.

The REIT's critical judgments and estimates in applying accounting policies can be found in Section 1(c) on page 5 of the REIT's audited consolidated financial statements.

DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES AND INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The REIT maintains information systems, procedures and controls to ensure all information disclosed externally is as complete, reliable and timely as possible. Such internal controls over financial reporting are designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the annual audited consolidated financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

All control systems have inherent limitations, including well-designed and operated systems. No control system can provide complete assurance that the objectives of the control system will be met. Furthermore, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues, including instances of fraud, if any, will be detected or prevented. These inherent limitations include, without limitation, the possibility management's assumptions and judgments may ultimately prove to be incorrect under varying conditions and circumstances and the impact of isolated errors. As a growing enterprise, management anticipates the REIT will be continually evolving and enhancing its systems of controls and procedures.

Additionally, controls may be circumvented by the unauthorized acts of individuals, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override. The design of any system of controls is also based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential conditions.

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The CEO and CFO evaluated the effectiveness of the REIT's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in National Instrument 52-109 – *Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings* ("NI 52-109")) and concluded that the design and operation of the REIT's disclosure controls and procedures were effective for the three months and year ended December 31, 2020.

The CEO and CFO evaluated the design and effectiveness of the REIT's internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in NI 52-109) and concluded that the design and effectiveness of internal controls over financial reporting continue to be appropriate and were effective for the three months and year ended December 31, 2020.

OUTLOOK

COVID-19 vaccination efforts in Canada are well underway, with over a million doses administered to date. The encouraging signs of recovering economic indicators, combined with the rollout of the vaccination programs, have begun to reduce the near-term uncertainty for businesses and households alike, and potentially allowing for a return to normal levels of office occupancy in the latter half of 2021. The REIT continues to stay engaged with its tenants and employees to ensure any and all concerns are promptly and meaningfully addressed. Our resilience since the outbreak of COVID-19 is notable, as evidenced by our high rent collections and positive operating results. The REIT has successfully collected approximately 99% of contractual rent in 2020 as well as January and February 2021, which is reflective of our high quality tenant base. The REIT has strong liquidity with approximately \$84,580 in cash and undrawn credit facility.

In its first monetary policy report of 2021, the Bank of Canada (the “Bank”) chose to maintain its policy rate at the effective lower rate of 0.25%. Governor Macklem and the Bank’s Governing Council reiterated their commitment to holding interest rates at this lower-level until the Canadian economic recovery is “well underway”, with current projections forecasting 2023 at the earliest. The Bank’s Quantitative Easing program of government bond purchases is also expected to continue at the current pace, maintaining its role of providing consistent monetary support over the course of this crisis.

Overall, the Canadian economy appears to have begun the slow but steady journey to recovery from the economic shocks of 2020. The unemployment rate was 8.8% in December 2020, a significant drop from the pandemic peak of 13.7% in May 2020, and real gross domestic product grew by 8.9% in Q3-2020 from the prior quarter.

The Canadian office sector continues to experience moderate headwinds, with the national vacancy rate up 150 basis points to 13.4% at Q4-2020, driven by rising vacancy across nearly all major markets. National suburban vacancy increased 150 basis points to 14.0%, while market rents remained steady with the national suburban average Class “A” asking rents up 1.0% from last quarter to \$18.06. Although rental rates remain stable, rental concessions have increased to counterbalance the uncertain environment.

Toronto’s suburban office vacancy increased by 270 basis points, increasing to 15.3% at quarter end, largely impacted by higher subleasing inventory. For the REIT’s other major markets, vacancy rates have modestly increased. Ottawa’s office vacancy increased by only 70 basis points quarter over quarter. Halifax’s vacancy increased 40 basis points, with slight increases in subleasing inventory offset by increases in quarterly absorption.

The current conditions created by COVID-19 make it difficult to project the near-term economic conditions and their resulting impact on the REIT’s operations and financial results. However, the REIT’s strong performance in occupancy and rent collections over the course of the pandemic have confirmed the resiliency of the REIT’s properties backed by the predominantly government and credit rated tenant base. Management is confident the strategic and operational decisions made over the past few months will help ensure the REIT’s continued success and provide value to our Unitholders. With a close to fully occupied portfolio of predominantly government and credit rated tenants, and average collections of 99% of contractual rent since the beginning of the pandemic, the REIT is well positioned to maintain stability through these times of uncertainty.

Additional information relating to the REIT including the REIT’s annual information form, can be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Dated: March 3, 2021

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

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APPENDIX A - PROPERTY LISTING AT DECEMBER 31, 2020

| | Property Name | City | Occupancy | Remaining Lease Term ⁽¹⁾ | GLA |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Alberta | | | | | |
| 1 | 855 8th Avenue SW | Calgary | 79 % | 0.7 years | 75,700 |
| 2 | 4500 & 4520 - 16th Avenue NW | Calgary | 94 % | 3.9 years | 77,600 |
| 3 | 1020 68th Avenue NE | Calgary | 100 % | 3.0 years | 148,400 |
| 4 | 3699 63rd Avenue NE | Calgary | 100 % | 7.9 years | 209,400 |
| 5 | 13140 St. Albert Trail | Edmonton | 97 % | 3.6 years | 95,200 |
| <i>Total Alberta</i> | | | | | 606,300 |
| British Columbia | | | | | |
| 6 | 810 Blanshard Street | Victoria | 100 % | 4.1 years | 34,400 |
| 7 | 727 Fisgard Street | Victoria | 100 % | 8.3 years | 50,100 |
| 8 | 9200 Glenlyon Parkway | Burnaby | 100 % | 6.1 years | 90,600 |
| 9 | 32071 South Fraser Way | Abbotsford | 100 % | 3.7 years | 52,300 |
| <i>Total British Columbia</i> | | | | | 227,400 |
| New Brunswick | | | | | |
| 10 | 500 Beaverbrook Court | Fredericton | 99 % | 1.9 years | 55,600 |
| 11 | 295 Belliveau Avenue | Shediac | 100 % | 1.1 years | 42,100 |
| 12 | 410 King George Highway | Miramichi | 74 % | 2.5 years | 72,700 |
| 13 | 551 King Street | Fredericton | 100 % | 1.6 years | 85,300 |
| 14 | 495 Prospect Street | Fredericton | 100 % | 1.9 years | 85,100 |
| 15 | 845 Prospect Street | Fredericton | 100 % | 1.2 years | 39,000 |
| 16 | 414-422 York Street | Fredericton | 89 % | 3.2 years | 33,500 |
| 17 | 440-470 York Street | Fredericton | 89 % | 2.0 years | 60,100 |
| <i>Total New Brunswick</i> | | | | | 473,400 |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | |
| 18 | 36 & 38 Solutions Drive | Halifax | 100 % | 3.3 years | 129,200 |
| 19 | 120, 130, 134 & 140 Eileen Stubbs Avenue | Halifax | 90 % | 3.3 years | 297,300 |
| <i>Total Nova Scotia</i> | | | | | 426,500 |

⁽¹⁾ Weighted by annualized gross revenue.

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| Property Name | City | Occupancy | Remaining Lease Term ⁽¹⁾ | GLA |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Ontario | | | | |
| 20 1595 16th Avenue | Richmond Hill | 93 % | 7.7 years | 121,400 |
| 21 251 Arvin Avenue | Hamilton | 100 % | 3.5 years | 6,900 |
| 22 61 Bill Leathem Drive | Ottawa | 100 % | 2.1 years | 148,100 |
| 23 777 Brock Road | Pickering | 100 % | 2.2 years | 98,900 |
| 24 400 Carlingview Drive | Etobicoke | 100 % | 7.2 years | 26,800 |
| 25 6865 Century Avenue | Mississauga | 100 % | 2.5 years | 63,800 |
| 26 6925 Century Avenue | Mississauga | 100 % | 6.0 years | 252,500 |
| 27 675 Cochrane Drive | Markham | 100 % | 4.0 years | 369,000 |
| 28 1161 Crawford Drive | Peterborough | 100 % | 6.2 years | 32,500 |
| 29 520 Exmouth Street | Sarnia | 100 % | 5.9 years | 34,700 |
| 30 529-533 Exmouth Street | Sarnia | 100 % | 1.1 years | 15,400 |
| 31 5900 Explorer Drive | Mississauga | 100 % | 0.7 years | 40,000 |
| 32 3115 Harvester Road | Burlington | 100 % | 1.7 years | 78,800 |
| 33 135 Hunter Street East | Hamilton | 100 % | 2.6 years | 24,400 |
| 34 340 Laurier Avenue West | Ottawa | 100 % | 9.0 years | 279,800 |
| 35 360 Laurier Avenue West | Ottawa | 100 % | 1.8 years | 107,100 |
| 36 400 Maple Grove Road | Ottawa | 100 % | 3.7 years | 107,200 |
| 37 101 McNabb Street | Markham | 100 % | 5.7 years | 315,400 |
| 38 78-90 Meg Drive | London | 100 % | 4.4 years | 11,300 |
| 39 301 & 303 Moodie Drive | Ottawa | 96 % | 4.8 years | 148,700 |
| 40 8 Oakes Avenue | Kirkland Lake | 100 % | 1.2 years | 41,000 |
| 41 5160 Orbitor Drive | Mississauga | 100 % | 9.2 years | 31,400 |
| 42 231 Shearson Crescent | Cambridge | 100 % | 3.5 years | 60,700 |
| 43 6 Staples Avenue | Richmond Hill | 100 % | 12.8 years | 122,000 |
| 44 2300 St. Laurent Boulevard | Ottawa | 100 % | 4.2 years | 37,500 |
| 45 3650 Victoria Park Avenue | Toronto | 96 % | 2.6 years | 154,400 |
| 46 80 Whitehall Drive | Markham | 100 % | 8.9 years | 60,800 |
| 47 5775 Yonge Street | Toronto | 97 % | 3.7 years | 274,200 |
| <i>Total Ontario</i> | | | | 3,064,700 |
| Average/Total Portfolio | | 98 % | 4.7 years | 4,798,300 |

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