



## **FORTUNE Magazine Names Ventas One of World's Most Admired Real Estate Companies**

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CHICAGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 2, 2013-- Ventas, Inc. (NYSE: VTR) ("Ventas" or the "Company") said today that FORTUNE magazine has named it as one of the World's Most Admired Real Estate Companies in 2013.

"We are thrilled and honored to receive this recognition by our peers in the corporate community," Ventas Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Debra A. Cafaro said. "For more than a dozen years, we have focused on sustaining excellence in all aspects of our business and delivering consistent, superior total shareholder return. Our successful performance results from our cohesive, collaborative teamwork and our commitment to building value."

The annual survey, conducted by FORTUNE and the Hay Group, a global management consulting firm, begins with a list of about 1,400 companies and identifies those firms that enjoy the strongest reputations within their industries based on polls with 3,800 top executives, directors and financial analysts. Companies are evaluated on the following nine reputational attributes: ability to attract and retain talented people; quality of management; social responsibility to the community and the environment; innovativeness; quality of products or services; wise use of corporate assets; financial soundness; long-term investment value; and effectiveness in doing business globally.

Ventas, Inc., an S&P 500 company, is a leading healthcare real estate investment trust. Its diverse portfolio of more than 1,400 assets in 47 states (including the District of Columbia) and two Canadian provinces consists of seniors housing communities, skilled nursing facilities, hospitals, medical office buildings and other properties. Through its Lillibridge subsidiary, Ventas provides management, leasing, marketing, facility development and advisory services to highly rated hospitals and health systems throughout the United States. More information about Ventas and Lillibridge can be found at [www.ventasreit.com](http://www.ventasreit.com) and [www.lillibridge.com](http://www.lillibridge.com).

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