



Ventas Announces Tax Treatment of 2016 Distributions

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CHICAGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jan. 17, 2017-- Ventas, Inc. (NYSE: VTR) ("Ventas" or the "Company") announced today the tax treatment of its 2016 distributions. The following table summarizes, for income tax purposes, the nature of the cash distributions paid by the Company to stockholders during the year ended December 31, 2016 and the appropriate 1099DIV box number:

DISTRIBUTIONS ON VENTAS COMMON STOCK

Date Paid	2016 REIT Dividend	2016 Taxable Income	Ordinary Dividend	Box 1a (Included in Dividend)	Box 2a Capital Gain Distr.	Box 2b
						Unrecap. Section 1250 Gain (Included in Box 2a)
Mar. 31, 2016	\$0.730000	\$0.730000	\$0.674629	\$0.014265	\$0.055371	\$0.026780
June 30, 2016	\$0.730000	\$0.730000	\$0.674629	\$0.014265	\$0.055371	\$0.026780
Sept. 30, 2016	\$0.730000	\$0.730000	\$0.674629	\$0.014265	\$0.055371	\$0.026780
Dec. 30, 2016	\$0.775000	\$0.775000	\$0.716216	\$0.015144	\$0.058784	\$0.028430
Total	\$2.965000	\$2.965000	\$2.740103	\$0.057939	\$0.224897	\$0.108770

Stockholders are encouraged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of these distributions.

Ventas, Inc., an S&P 500 company, is a leading real estate investment trust. Its diverse portfolio of approximately 1,300 assets in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom consists of seniors housing communities, medical office buildings, life science and innovation centers, skilled nursing facilities, specialty hospitals and general acute care hospitals. 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 and www.lillibridge.com.

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