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## **KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT Originates \$35,750,000 First Mortgage**

Loan collateralized by 239-unit retirement community near Sacramento, Calif.

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (Sept. 18, 2012) – <u>KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT, Inc</u>. (KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT), a public, non-traded real estate investment trust headquartered in Newport Beach, Calif., has originated a \$35,750,000 first mortgage loan secured by Ponte Palmero, a 239-unit continuing care retirement community in Cameron Park, Calif., 33 miles east of Sacramento. The borrower of the loan is not affiliated with KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT or its affiliates.

The loan bears interest at a floating rate with an initial rate of no less than 11 percent, increasing annually to a floating rate of no less than 18 percent during the third year of its term. The loan will mature on Oct. 1, 2015.

Situated along Highway 50, Ponte Palmero offers easy access to Sacramento, Folsom and Roseville. The 26-acre complex, developed in 2008, contains 100 assisted-living, 104 independent-living and 35 memory-care units. One-, two- and three- bedroom residences range from 752 to 1,482 square feet, and are supported by onsite amenities such as a 8,000-square-foot club house, library, swimming pool and fitness center.

KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT is a public non-traded real estate investment trust that intends to invest in and manage a diverse portfolio of real estate-related loans, opportunistic real estate, real estate-related debt securities and other real estate-related investments. KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT was sponsored indirectly by Charles J. Schreiber, Jr., Peter Bren, Keith Hall and Peter McMillan III and is advised by KBS Capital Advisors LLC, an affiliated entity which is indirectly owned and controlled by KBS Strategic Opportunity REIT's sponsors.

## **About KBS**

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