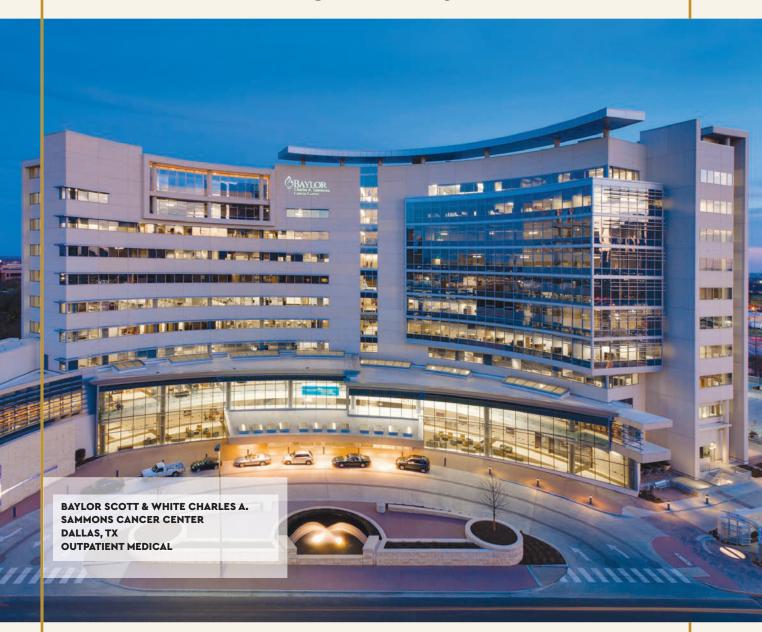
# 2024

# **Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement**



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# **Our Strategy**



We seek to maximize risk-adjusted returns for our stockholders through growth in earnings and dividends from investments in high-quality real estate that is essential for healthcare discovery and delivery. The cornerstones of our strategy are to:

Own and develop high-quality, irreplaceable healthcare real estate in markets where we have scale and expertise, creating a competitive advantage. Grow our Lab and Outpatient Medical businesses through accretive acquisitions and developments sourced through extensive relationships. Be a good partner to biopharma and health system tenants. We pride ourselves on having a stellar reputation in the industry as a partner of choice that will lead to proprietary opportunities. Maintain a low cost of capital and a strong balance sheet with BBB+/Baal investment grade credit ratings, which will provide financial strength through industry and economic cycles.

Lead with a people-first culture that attracts, develops and retains top-tier talent. We believe that diversity and inclusion are critical to a positive work environment that provides equal and fair treatment to all individuals on the basis of merit.

# What's new in this proxy statement

- Transformative business combination with Physicians Realty Trust
- New independent Board Chair appointed in 2023 and Board refreshment in 2023 and 2024
- Expanded description of governance practices
- Preview of 10-year sustainability strategic roadmap

# **Our Transformed Company**

Healthpeak Properties, Inc. (NYSE: DOC), an S&P 500 company, invests in real estate serving healthcare delivery and discovery in the United States. We are headquartered in Denver, Colorado, with additional corporate offices in California, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Massachusetts and property management offices in several locations throughout the United States. On March 1, 2024, we closed a strategic merger with Physicians Realty Trust in an all-stock transaction that leverages the power of complementary platforms, increased scale and deep relationships to create value for both stockholders and tenants.

#### 700+

Properties(1)

#### IRREPLACEABLE PORTFOLIO(1)

\$21 Billion in Total Assets<sup>(2)</sup> 50+ Million Sq. Ft. Outpatient Medical and Lab (in the aggregate) 7,097 Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC) Units

#### 7.0%

Annualized
Dividend Yield(3)

#### **INVESTMENT GRADE**

S&P: BBB+ (Stable) Moody's: Baa1 (Stable)

#### 38 Years

as a Public Company

#### **ESTABLISHED**

NYSE-Listed Member of S&P 500

- (2) Based on Healthpeak's total assets plus Physicians Realty Trust's total assets, in each case as of December 31, 2023.
- (3) Based on Healthpeak's common stock price of \$17.10 as of the close of trading on March 1, 2024, and most recent quarterly cash dividend of \$0.30 per share. Future dividends are at the discretion of Healthpeak's Board of Directors.

# **Business Segments**

#### **Outpatient Medical**

Outpatient services and healthcare provider visits are performed efficiently and conveniently



HEALTHONE SKY RIDGE MEDICAL CENTER DENVER, CO

#### Lab

New and innovative drugs, therapeutics and medical devices are developed in our lab properties



THE COVE AT OYSTER POINT SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA

#### CCRC

Offers seniors an active lifestyle, peace of mind, security and a continuum of care in a unique campus setting



FREEDOM POINTE AT THE VILLAGES
THE VILLAGES FI

# 2023 Business Highlights (Legacy Healthpeak)

\$1.78

Diluted FFO as Adjusted per common share for the year ended December 31, 2023<sup>(1)</sup> 5.2x

Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre for the quarter ended December 31, 2023<sup>(1)</sup> \$750M

Long-Term Senior Unsecured Bonds Issued, at a Blended Yield of 5.36%

5.5%

Full-Year 2023 Diluted AFFO per Common Share Growth<sup>(2)</sup> 4.8%

Full-Year 2023 Same-Store Portfolio Cash (Adjusted) Net Operating Income Growth<sup>(2)</sup> 5.1M

Square Feet of Lease Executions(3)

- Diluted Funds from Operations ("FFO") as Adjusted per common share and Net Debt to Adjusted Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization for real estate ("Adjusted EBITDAre") are financial measures that are not prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP," and such measures, "non-GAAP" measures). Adjusted EBITDAre is calculated based on fourth quarter annualized performance and Net Debt as of December 31, 2023. For the definitions and reconciliations to the most directly comparable GAAP measures, see Appendix A.
- (2) Same-Store Portfolio Cash (Adjusted) Net Operating Income and Diluted Adjusted Funds from Operations ("AFFO") per common share are non-GAAP financial measures. For the definitions and reconciliations to the most directly comparable GAAP measures, see Appendix A.
- (3) Represents the total combined Outpatient Medical and Lab lease executions for the year ended December 31, 2023.

<sup>(1)</sup> As of March 1, 2024.

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# Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders

# **Annual Meeting Proposals**

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**Election of Eleven Directors** 

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FOR

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**PROPOSALS** 

Approval, on an Advisory Basis, of 2023 Executive Compensation

**FOR** 

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Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2024



FOR

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Other business will be transacted as may properly come before the 2024 annual meeting of stockholders (the "Annual Meeting").

# **Proxy Voting**

Please submit your proxy or voting instructions as soon as possible to instruct how your shares are to be voted at the Annual Meeting, even if you plan to attend the meeting. If you later vote at the Annual Meeting, your previously submitted proxy or voting instructions will not be used.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

#### Carol B. Samaan

Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Corporate Secretary Denver, Colorado March 13, 2024

## Logistics



#### DATE AND TIME

Thursday, April 25, 2024 8:00 a.m. Central Time



#### RECORD DATE

Tuesday, March 5, 2024



#### PLACE

Hilton Franklin Cool Springs 601 Corporate Centre Drive Franklin, TN 37067



#### **PROXY MATERIALS**

These proxy materials were first made available to stockholders on or about March 13, 2024

#### How to Vote

#### STOCKHOLDERS OF RECORD



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800-690-6903



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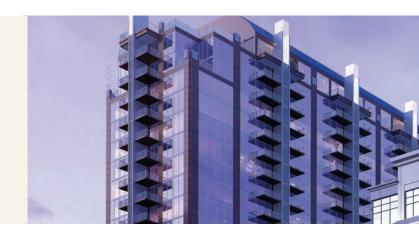
#### BENEFICIAL OWNERS

If you own shares of our common stock registered in the name of a broker, bank or other nominee, please follow the instructions they provide on how to vote your shares.

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This proxy statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 ("Annual Report") are available on the Internet at www.proxyvote.com, which you can access by using the control number provided on your proxy card, voting instruction form or Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials. The materials are also available in the Investor Relations section of our website at ir.healthpeak.com. References to websites in this proxy statement are provided for convenience only. Our website is for informational purposes only and the contents of our website or information connected thereto are not a part of this proxy statement and are not deemed incorporated by reference into this proxy statement or any other public filing made with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

# Letter from Our Board of Directors



# Dear Stockholders,

On your behalf, we are committed to governing Healthpeak in a prudent and transparent manner and to delivering long-term value for you. We proactively oversee Healthpeak's business strategy, corporate governance, executive compensation, corporate responsibility initiatives and risk management, among other things, and we are pleased to share with you the results of our efforts over the past year.

Most notably, we recently completed our transformative business combination with Physicians Realty Trust and added five new directors to our Board. We are pleased to welcome John T. Thomas, who will serve as our Vice Chair, as well as Pamela J. Kessler, Ava E. Lias-Booker, Governor Tommy G. Thompson and Richard A. Weiss to our Board. We also bid a fond farewell to Christine N. Garvey and David B. Henry, who will retire at this year's Annual Meeting pursuant to our director term limit policy. We thank them for their years of dedicated leadership and service.

#### **Merger with Physicians Realty Trust**

The all-stock business combination with Physicians Realty Trust created a combined company with total assets of approximately \$21 billion. The combined company is expected to be the leading real estate platform dedicated to healthcare discovery and delivery, showcasing a portfolio of over 50 million square feet, including 40 million square feet of outpatient medical properties concentrated in high-growth markets such as Dallas, Houston, Nashville, Phoenix and Denver. The combined company will benefit from extensive relationships with the nation's leading health systems.

#### **Commitment to Risk Management and Oversight**

The Board is committed to robust risk oversight of the business, among other things. In 2023, the Board conducted its annual enterprise risk management assessment to identify and prioritize risks throughout the organization. As part of that review, we engaged a third-party expert to review specific cybersecurity risks throughout our portfolio and identify and implement proactive mitigation measures.

#### **Corporate Responsibility**

We undertake environmental, social and governance ("ESG") initiatives that seek to increase long-term stakeholder value and underscore our commitment to corporate responsibility. In 2023, we conducted a comprehensive review of our sustainability strategy and developed a 10-year strategic roadmap, focusing on our decarbonization pathway and corporate- and asset-level initiatives that we believe will yield a return on investment, optimize building performance, reduce operating costs, generate cost savings and promote energy efficiency. We also published our 12<sup>th</sup> annual ESG Report, which was prepared in accordance with leading reporting frameworks, including the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures, Sustainability Accounting Standards Board, Global Reporting Initiative and United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Throughout 2023, we received numerous awards for our sustainability efforts, including being named by Newsweek to America's Most Responsible Companies list for the fifth consecutive year and the Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB) Green Star Rating for the 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.



We focused on human capital management, with a particular emphasis on employee well-being and diversity and inclusion. We also continued our long-standing commitment to partnering with and supporting charitable organizations.

As a leader among REITs in corporate governance matters, we prioritized transparent disclosure and robust governance practices. In 2023, our disclosure practices were recognized by *IR* Magazine with the Corporate Governance Award for Best Proxy Statement by a mid-cap company.

Central to our executive compensation philosophy is the concept of paying for performance. We place a significant portion of executive compensation "at risk" in the form of performance-based annual cash bonuses and long-term equity awards to help promote the execution of our business strategy in a manner that creates long-term stockholder value, encourages prudent risk management and enhances retention of our talented executive team.

#### **Looking Ahead**

We continue to concentrate our operating and investment strategies where we have a competitive advantage, which we believe is key to generating sustainable stockholder value. We are excited about Healthpeak's market position and believe we are well positioned for long-term growth.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
The Board of Directors



Scott M. Brinker
President and Chief
Executive Officer,
Director



**Brian G. Cartwright**Independent Director



R. Kent Griffin, Jr.
Independent Director



Sara G. Lewis
Independent Director



**Katherine M. Sandstrom**Independent Chair of the Board



James B. Connor
Independent Director



David B. Henry
Independent Director



Ava E. Lias-Booker
Independent Director



**John T. Thomas** Vice Chair of the Board



Christine N. Garvey Independent Director



Pamela J. Kessler Independent Director

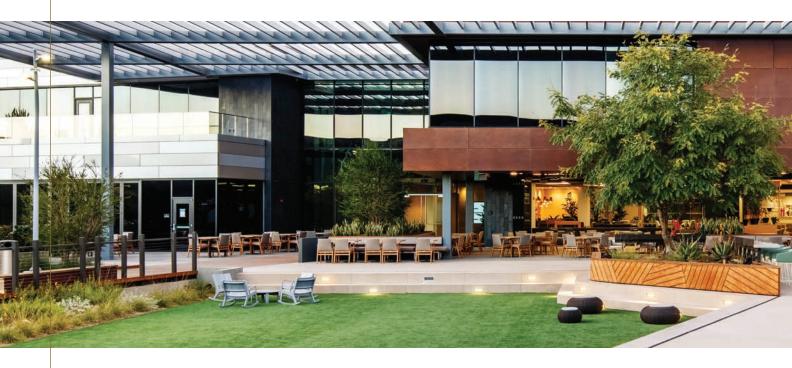


Governor Tommy G.
Thompson
Independent Director



Richard A. Weiss
Independent Director

# **Proxy Summary**



#### **PROPOSALS**

#### **Election of Eleven Directors**

Our Board recommends a vote FOR each of the eleven director nominees



- Our Board believes that the eleven director nominees have the qualifications to provide effective leadership, oversight and guidance.
- · All of our director nominees, other than Mr. Brinker, our President and CEO, and Mr. Thomas, our Vice Chair of the Board and former President and CEO of Physicians Realty Trust, are independent.
- All of our director nominees are highly successful professionals with relevant skills and experience.

# pages 12-25 for more

information

#### Approval, on an Advisory Basis, of 2023 Executive Compensation

Our Board recommends a vote FOR approval, on an advisory basis, of our 2023 executive compensation

- 2023 executive compensation reflects independent oversight by the Compensation and Human Capital Committee (the "Compensation Committee") with advice from independent consultants.
- Our executive compensation program aligns with our corporate strategy and helps drive long-term value for stockholders.
- Pay-for-performance alignment is reflected in our short-term incentive plan ("STIP") results, which paid out above the target level as a result of achieving certain 2023 financial and ESG performance goals, as well as strong individual performance. Our performance-based long-term incentive plan ("LTIP") awards paid out below the target level based on total stockholder return ("TSR") performance for 2021-2023 relative to defined peers.



**FOR** 

See pages 41-72 for more information



Our Board of Directors solicits your proxy for the Annual Meeting. This summary provides an overview of information contained in this proxy statement and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before voting. We encourage you to review the entire proxy statement before casting your vote.

#### PROPOSALS

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# Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2024

Our Board recommends a vote  $\overline{FOR}$  ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP ("Deloitte") as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2024

- Deloitte's institutional knowledge of our business and control framework enables effective and efficient audits.
- The Audit Committee has considered the independence, performance and qualifications of Deloitte in connection with this proposal and has determined that the retention of Deloitte continues to be in the best interests of Healthpeak and its stockholders.

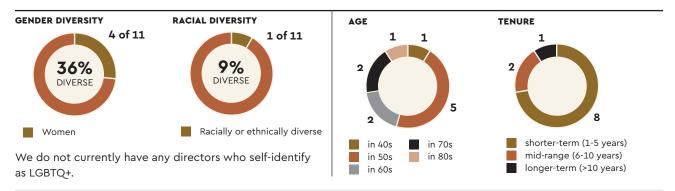


#### **FOR**

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# **Our Director Nominees**

Our Board has a breadth of experience and reflects a diversity of perspectives and backgrounds. We believe the range of skills and tenures of our director nominees creates a balance between institutional knowledge and new viewpoints.



For an overview of all our directors' core skills and experience, see the skills matrix on page 13.

RECTOR NOMINEES	AGE	DIRECTOR SINCE	GENDER	RACE / ETHINICITY	John	Charter	COTECUTA	E HALLE
Scott M. Brinker President and Chief Executive Officer, Healthpeak Properties, Inc.	47	2022	Male	White				
Chair of the Board, Healthpeak Properties, Inc.; Former Senior Managing Director, Heitman LLC	55	2018	Female	White				
John T. Thomas Former President and Chief Executive Officer, Physicians Realty Trust	57	2024	Male	White				
Brian G. Cartwright INDEPENDENT Former General Counsel, Securities and Exchange Commission	76	2013	Male	White	•			
James B. Connor INDEPENDENT Former Chairman and CEO, Duke Realty Corporation	65	2023	Male	White	•			
R. Kent Griffin, Jr. INDEPENDENT  Managing Director, PHICAS Investors; Former President, BioMed Realty Trust, Inc.	54	2018	Male	White	•			-
Pamela J. Kessler INDEPENDENT Co-President, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary, LTC Properties, Inc.	58	2024	Female	White	*			
Sara G. Lewis INDEPENDENT Founder and CEO, Lewis Corporate Advisors, LLC	56	2019	Female	White		•		
Ava E. Lias Booker INDEPENDENT Partner, McGuireWoods LLP	63	2024	Female	African American or Black			*	
Governor Tommy G. Thompson Former U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services	<b>T</b> 82	2024	Male	White				*
Richard A. Weiss INDEPENDENT Former Partner, Foley & Lardner LLP	77	2024	Male	White				*

Following the Annual Meeting and subject to their election by stockholders, Ms. Kessler will serve on the Audit Committee, Ms. Lias-Booker will serve on the Governance Committee, and Governor Thompson and Mr. Weiss will serve on the Investment and Finance Committee, with Governor Thompson serving as Chair of that committee.

# **Compensation Highlights**

# 2023 Executive Compensation Program

We have an established executive compensation program that we believe is competitive and that has been developed in response to feedback from our stockholders through ongoing investor outreach and in alignment with best practices. In 2023, we compensated our named executive officers ("NEOs") using the following three elements of pay:

	ELEMENT	FORM	2023 METRICS AND WEIGHTING									
01	Base Salary	Fixed Cash	Base level of competitive cash to attract and retain executive talent									
02	Annual Incentive Award (STIP)	Performance- Based Cash	55%	Pre-established objective financial performance metrics to align compensation with strategic goals  35% - Normalized FFO per share 20% - Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre								
			15%	ESG performance metrics to align compensation with corporate responsibility strategy								
			30%	Individual performance to reward individual initiative and achievement								
03	Long-Term Incentive Award (LTIP)	Performance- Based Awards	60%	3-year cliff vesting based on TSR performance relative to the following indices, subject to a 1-year post-vesting holding period (other than the settlement of shares in connection with applicable tax withholding):								
				Selected healthcare REIT peers (24% of overall award)								
				<ul> <li>MSCI US REIT Index (18% of overall award)</li> </ul>								
				FTSE Nareit Equity Office Index (18% of overall award)								
		Time-Based Awards	40%	3-year annual vesting, subject to a pre-established Normalized FFO per share performance hurdle and 1-year post-vesting holding period (other than the settlement of shares in connection with applicable tax withholding)								

# **Corporate Responsibility Highlights**

We believe that ESG initiatives serve a vital part of value creation and corporate responsibility. For additional information, please read our annual ESG Report or visit our website at healthpeak.com/esg.

# **Environmental Highlights**

We strive to advance our building performance, efficiency, resilience and sustainability by identifying projects that minimize environmental impacts, deliver an acceptable return on investment and reduce operating costs. In 2023, we published our 12<sup>th</sup> annual ESG Report, aligned with the Task Force on Climate-Based Financial Disclosures ("TCFD"), Sustainability Accounting Standards Board ("SASB"), Global Reporting Initiatives and United Nations Sustainable Development Goals reporting frameworks. In 2023, we reported on the progress of our long-term environmental goals for greenhouse gas emissions ("GHG"), energy, water, waste and recycling with respect to properties in our operational boundary (Scopes 1 & 2). The recognitions reflected below include those for legacy Healthpeak and Physicians Realty Trust.



#### **Recognitions**

GRESB Green Star Rating (2011-2023)

CDP Leadership Band (2012–2023)

DJSI N. America Index Constituent (2012–2023) and World Index (4 times)

S&P Global Sustainability Yearbook (2016-2023)

Green Lease Leader - Platinum

Nareit Leader in the Light - 10-Time Award Recipient

FTSE4Good Index Series (2012-2023)

GOALS	GHG EMISSIONS REDUCTION (SCIENCE-BASED TARGETS) (BY 2033)(1)	ENERGY SAVINGS (BY 2030) <sup>(2)</sup>	WATER SAVINGS (BY 2030) <sup>(2)</sup>	WASTE (LANDFILL) DIVERSION (BY 2030) <sup>(2)</sup>	RECYCLING INCREASE (BY 2030) <sup>(2)</sup>		
PROGRESS <sup>(3)</sup>	Scopes 1 & 2						
FROGRESS®	16.1% achieved Year 4 of 15	2.7% achieved Year 2 of 10	3.1% achieved Year 2 of 10	— Year 2 of 10	4.2% achieved Year 2 of 10		

<sup>(1)</sup> Relative to 2018 baseline. Validated by the Science-Based Targets initiative.

#### LEED Certifications(1)

**LEED Certified Space** 

6.5

Million Sa. Ft.



(1) Cumulative for the combined company as of March 1, 2024. LEED®—an acronym for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design™—and its related logo are trademarks owned by the U.S. Green Building Council® and are used with permission. Learn more at www.usgbc.org/LEED.

#### **ENERGY STAR®**



2023 Partner of the Year

We were named an ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year for the third time in 2023. This honor recognizes our leading energy management practices and commitment to advancing energy efficiency across our portfolio.

<sup>(2)</sup> Relative to 2021 baseline.

<sup>(3)</sup> As reported in 2023 for performance for the year ended December 31, 2022, compared using a cumulative "like-for-like" methodology. Under our "like-for-like" methodology, direct and indirect GHG emissions and energy, water and waste metrics are compared on a year-over-year basis (using Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions) for the properties that we have owned for two full consecutive calendar years, excluding non-stabilized developments and redevelopments.

# **Social Highlights**



**GENDER DIVERSITY** 

56%

Female Workforce(1)



**RACIAL/ETHNIC DIVERSITY** 

31%

Racially/Ethnically
Diverse Workforce<sup>(1)</sup>



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Legacy Healthpeak and Physicians Realty Trust partnered with over 125 community or charitable organizations (in the aggregate) in 2023

(1) As of March 8, 2024.



#### TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Legacy Healthpeak completed company-wide belonging and inclusion training in 2023 with 100% participation

#### Recognitions

- Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index Constituent (2019–2022)
- Great Place to Work Certified (2020-2023)
- Orange County Business Journal Best Places to Work (2020, 2022 & 2023)
- The Tennessean Top Workplace (2022 & 2023)
- Fortune Best Places to Work in Real Estate (2022 & 2023)
- Modern Healthcare Best Places to Work (3 Times)

# **Diversity and Inclusion**

We believe we are a stronger organization when our workforce represents a diversity of ideas and experiences. We value and embrace diversity in our employee recruiting, hiring and development practices, including augmenting recruiting practices to hire more diverse talent; conducting company-wide inclusion and belonging training for all employees; and sponsoring programs that support the education and recruitment of underrepresented groups, including through executive speaking engagements at universities, mentorship and financial contributions.

To view our most recently filed EEO-1 Report, visit healthpeak.com/esg/social.

# **Governance Highlights**

- All director nominees, other than Messrs. Brinker and Thomas, are independent
- ✓ Independent female Board Chair
- Average director nominee tenure of 3 years
- Annual director elections with majority voting standard
- Annual Board and committee self-evaluations
- Board diversity, including four female director nominees and one racially diverse director nominee
- Board oversight of corporate culture, human capital management, corporate responsibility, cybersecurity and enterprise risk management

- Codes of Conduct for directors, employees and vendors
- Award-winning ESG reporting practices and robust and transparent disclosures
- Anti-hedging, anti-pledging and clawback policies
- Robust executive officer and director stock ownership requirements
- Director term limit policy to support orderly Board refreshment
- Policy on director time commitments and overboarding aligned with key stakeholder policies and best practices
- Stockholder proxy access rights reflecting market standard terms

#### **Recognitions**

- Governance Intelligence and IR Magazine – Winner of Best Proxy Statement (Mid-Cap) (2023)
- Newsweek America's Most Responsible Companies List (2019–2023)
- ISS Governance QualityScore Top Decile
- ISS ESG Corporate Rating Prime
- MSCI Rating AA-

#### PROPOSAL 01

# **Election of Directors**





Our Board recommends a vote FOR each of the eleven director nominees

Based on the recommendations of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee (the "Governance Committee"), our Board has nominated eleven director nominees for election at the Annual Meeting to serve until the 2025 annual meeting of stockholders and until their respective successors are elected and qualified or until their earlier death, resignation or removal. All of the nominees are current directors of the Company who were previously elected to the Board by our stockholders, other than Messrs. Thomas and Weiss, Governor Thompson and Mses. Kessler and Lias-Booker, who were appointed to our Board following the business combination with Physicians Realty Trust on March 1, 2024. Our remaining two current directors, Ms. Garvey and Mr. Henry, will retire at this year's Annual Meeting pursuant to our director term limit policy and are not standing for election at the Annual Meeting. Each director nominee has agreed to be named in this proxy statement and to serve, if elected.

We have no reason to believe that any of our nominees will be unable or unwilling to serve if elected. However, if any nominee is unable or unwilling for good cause to serve, the proxy holders may vote their shares for a substitute nominee or for the balance of our Board, leaving a vacancy, unless our Board chooses to reduce the number of directors serving on our Board.

# **Voting Standard**

#### MAJORITY VOTING AND DIRECTOR RESIGNATION POLICY

Consistent with corporate governance best practices, our majority voting standard for director elections requires that a director nominee in an uncontested election receive a majority of the votes cast with respect to his or her election at the Annual Meeting (that is, the number of votes cast FOR the nominee must exceed the number of votes cast AGAINST the nominee) to be elected to our Board. Our Board believes that the majority vote standard in uncontested elections strengthens the director nomination process and enhances director accountability.

We also have a director resignation policy in our Bylaws, which requires any nominee who fails to receive a majority of votes cast in an uncontested election to promptly submit his or her resignation from the Board. The Governance Committee would then consider the resignation and make a recommendation to our Board on whether to accept it or whether other action should be taken. Our Board would then act on the resignation, taking into account the Committee's recommendation, and would publicly disclose its decision, along with the rationale for such decision, within 90 days of certification of the election results. We believe this process provides critical accountability to stockholders.

# Director Qualifications, Skills and Experience

Our Governance Committee has determined that each of our director nominees possesses the qualifications, skills and experience to effectively oversee the Company's long-term business strategy. The matrix below indicates the director nominees who possess each qualification, skill or experience.

# **Core Competencies**

Our Board believes that all directors should possess certain core qualities that ensure their fitness to lead the Company. We believe that each of our directors possesses the following core attributes:

# Strategic Oversight experience is essential to guiding our long-term

business strategy.

Governance supports our goals of strong Board and management accountability and alignment with stockholders' interests. Leadership experience is important for driving positive change and developing leadership qualities in others.

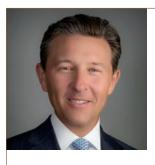
Integrity and Ethics are paramount for ensuring the sound reputation and operation of the Company.

#### **Additional Qualifications**

In addition to the core competencies noted above, our Board believes that the Company will be best served by directors with a wide array of talents and perspectives to drive innovation, promote critical thinking and enhance discussion. Each of the following additional qualifications meaningfully adds to our Board's depth.

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	S. BRINKER	· SANDSTROM	J. THOMAS	· CARTWRIGHT	J. CONNOR	R. GRIFFIN JR	P. KESSLER	Wis	A. LIAS-BOOKE	T. THOMPSON	EISS	
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Risk Oversight/Management Experience is critical to our Board's role in overseeing the risks facing the Company.												100%
<b>Investment Expertise</b> is important in evaluating our assets and portfolio as a whole.		•	•		•		•		•	•		100%
Financial Expertise and/or Literacy is valuable in understanding and overseeing our financial reporting and internal controls.	•	•	•		•		•		•	-		100%
Human Capital Management Experience is valuable in helping us attract, motivate and retain high-performing employees.		•	•		•		•		•	•	•	100%
Public Company Board Experience provides essential comparison points for operations and governance.			•								•	100%
Corporate Responsibility Experience helps support the Board's oversight of the Company's long-term climate, human capital and corporate governance strategy and initiatives.		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		100%
REIT/Real Estate Experience is helpful for understanding the Company's strengths and challenges specific to the real estate investment trust and real estate industries.			•		•	•		•		•		82%
<b>Legal/Government/Regulatory Experience</b> is relevant for ensuring oversight of management's compliance with SEC, New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") and other regulatory requirements.			•	•		•	•	•		•	•	82%
Healthcare Industry Experience is important for understanding the Company's strengths and challenges specific to the healthcare industry.			•		•		•			•	•	82%
Cybersecurity Oversight Experience contributes to the Board's understanding and oversight of the Company's cybersecurity and information technology risks.			•		•	•	•	•			•	64%
Public Company Executive Experience supports our management team through relevant advice and leadership.												55%

# **Director Nominees**



# Scott M. Brinker President and

Chief Executive Officer, Director

Age: 47

DIRECTOR SINCE: 2022
COMMITTEES: NONE
OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC
COMPANY BOARDS:

None

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Healthpeak's President, Chief Executive Officer and a member of the Board since
   October 2022, President and Chief Investment Officer from January 2020 to October 2022, and
   Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer from March 2018 to December 2019.
- Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer of Welltower Inc. (NYSE: WELL), from July 2014 to January 2017, and Executive Vice President Investments from February 2012 to July 2014.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Mr. Brinker brings to our Board extensive experience in the healthcare REIT industry gained from his leadership roles at Healthpeak and another publicly traded REIT. His knowledge of the Company's operations and strategy as our President and Chief Executive Officer and former role as Chief Investment Officer, as well as his extensive and diverse experience in investments, business development, underwriting, asset management, capital markets, investor relations, corporate finance, and industry-wide relationships and perspective, all contribute to leading our Company and executing our strategy.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital Management
- Public Company Board Experience
- Corporate Responsibility
- REIT/Real Estate
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry
- Cybersecurity Oversight
- Public Company Executive



#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Advisor to Heitman LLC from July 2018 to March 2019.
- Senior Managing Director and global head of Heitman LLC's Public Real Estate Securities business from 2013 to 2018.
- Several senior leadership positions at Heitman LLC across multiple facets of the institutional real estate investment industry.
- Member of Global Management Committee, the Board of Managers and the Allocation Committee while at Heitman LLC.
- Certified Public Accountant.

# Katherine M. Sandstrom

Independent Chair of the Board

Age: 55

DIRECTOR SINCE: 2018
COMMITTEES:

GOVERNANCE (CHAIR)
OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC
COMPANY BOARDS:

- Toll Brothers, Inc. (NYSE: TOL)
- EastGroup Properties, Inc. (NYSE: EGP)
- Urban Edge Properties (NYSE: UE)

#### QUALIFICATIONS

Ms. Sandstrom brings to our Board more than 20 years of real estate finance and investment experience. She has extensive background overseeing buy-side investment teams for REIT securities, strategies and assets. Ms. Sandstrom's background as a senior executive at Heitman LLC, as well as her tenure as Vice Chair of our Board from April 2022 until April 2023, are beneficial in her role as the Chair of our Board and Chair of the Governance Committee.

 Risk Oversight/ Management

Literacy

Investment Expertise

Financial Expertise and/or

- D. J. P.
  - Public Company Board

**Human Capital** 

Management

- Corporate Responsibility
- REIT/Real Estate



John T. Thomas Vice Chair of the Board Age: 57 **DIRECTOR SINCE: 2024 COMMITTEES: NONE** OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC **COMPANY BOARDS:** 

None

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- President, Chief Executive Officer, and Trustee of Physicians Realty Trust (formerly NYSE: DOC), from 2013 until its merger with our Company in 2024.
- Executive Vice President Medical Facilities of Welltower Inc. (NYSE: WELL, formerly Health Care REIT Inc.), from 2009 to 2012.
- President, Chief Development Officer and Business Counsel of Cirrus Health, from 2005 to 2008.
- Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Baylor Health Care System, from 2000 to 2005.
- General Counsel and Secretary of the St. Louis division of the Sisters of Mercy Health System, from 1997 to 2000.
- Tax Attorney at Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal (now Dentons), from 1995 to 1997, where he was elected Partner in 1997; at Shook, Hardy & Bacon from 1992 to 1995; and at Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCoy from 1990 to 1992.
- Member of the Boards of Trustees of the Jacksonville State University Foundation and the Auburn University Real Estate Foundation.
- Former Director at Education Realty Trust, Inc. (formerly NYSE: EDR).

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Mr. Thomas brings to our Board extensive background, skills and experience in the healthcare real estate industry. As former President and Chief Executive Officer of Physicians Realty Trust and a former executive at other companies in the healthcare and real estate industries, he is knowledgeable on various aspects of the outpatient medical business and has considerable executive experience in the real estate industry. Mr. Thomas also has experience in legal and government affairs and health care policy from his time as General Counsel of health systems, as co-founder and chairman of a national coalition to reform medical malpractice laws through federal legislation, and testifying before Congressional committees.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- **Investment Expertise**
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital Management
- Public Company Board
- **Corporate Responsibility**
- **REIT/Real Estate**
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry
- Cybersecurity Oversight
- Public Company Executive



Brian G. Cartwright

Independent Director

Age: 76

**DIRECTOR SINCE: 2013 COMMITTEES:** COMPENSATION, **GOVERNANCE** 

OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC **COMPANY BOARDS:** 

None

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Senior Advisor (inactive) at Patomak Global Partners, LLC, a regulatory consulting firm, since
- General Counsel of the SEC from 2006 to 2009.
- Senior Advisor at the law firm of Latham & Watkins LLP from 2009 to 2011. Partner, serving in various senior management positions, including as a member of its Executive Committee, from 1988 to 2005.
- Law clerk to Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, United States Supreme Court from 1981 to 1982.
- Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Pacific Legal Foundation, a nonprofit provider of legal services, since 2021, and in various capacities as a member of the Board of Trustees, including as Vice Chair, since 2011.
- Former Director at Investment Technology Group (formerly NYSE: ITG), from 2016 to 2019.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Mr. Cartwright brings to our Board unparalleled and distinguished corporate governance, regulatory and legal experience, having previously served as general counsel of the SEC, which provides valuable insight in his role as a member of the Governance Committee and Compensation Committee. His legal background and experience managing a large professional services firm provides our Board with considerable expertise regarding comprehensive issues faced by public companies. Additionally, Mr. Cartwright has extensive experience with accounting and auditing issues from his time with Latham & Watkins LLP and at the SEC.

- Risk Oversight/Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- **Human Capital** Management
- **Public Company Board**
- Corporate Responsibility
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry



James B.
Connor
Independent Director
Age: 65

DIRECTOR SINCE: 2023
COMMITTEES: AUDIT,
COMPENSATION

# OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC COMPANY BOARDS:

- EPR Properties (NYSE: EPR)
- Prologis, Inc. (NYSE: PLD)

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Duke Realty Corporation (formerly NYSE: DRE), a REIT, from April 2017 until the company's acquisition by Prologis, Inc. (NYSE: PLD) in October 2022.
   President and Chief Executive Officer from January 2016 to April 2017, Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer from 2013 to 2015, Senior Regional Executive Vice President from 2011 to 2013, Executive Vice President Midwest Region from 2003 to 2010, and Senior Vice President from 1998 to 2003.
- Various executive and brokerage positions at Cushman & Wakefield from 1981 to 1998, most recently as Senior Managing Director for the Midwest area.
- Former First Vice Chair of the Executive Board of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("Nareit").
- Chair of the Board of Trustees of Roosevelt University in Chicago.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Mr. Connor brings to our Board business administration, capital markets, corporate development, corporate governance, human capital, investor relations, marketing, public company and sustainability expertise gained from his leadership roles at another publicly traded REIT for more than 20 years, most recently as its chairman of the board and chief executive officer, and more than 15 years of additional experience in commercial real estate. His extensive background as a REIT chief executive provides valuable insight in his role as a member of the Audit Committee and Compensation Committee.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital Management
- Public Company Board
- Corporate Responsibility
- REIT/Real Estate
- Cybersecurity Oversight
- Public Company Executive



R. Kent
Griffin, Jr.
Independent Director
Age: 54
DIRECTOR SINCE: 2018
COMMITTEES: AUDIT
(CHAIR), INVESTMENT
OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC
COMPANY BOARDS:

 Cousins Properties Inc. (NYSE: CUZ)

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Managing Director of PHICAS Investors since June 2016.
- President and Chief Operating Officer of BioMed Realty Trust, Inc. (formerly NYSE: BMR) from 2008 to 2015. Chief Financial Officer from 2006 to 2010.
- Senior Vice President, investment banking division, Raymond James & Associates, Inc. from 2003 to 2006.
- · Associate, investment banking division, J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc. from 1998 to 2003.
- Auditor, Arthur Andersen, LLP from 1992 to 1997.
- Member of the Board of Advisors at Pilot Mountain Ventures.
- Former Chairman and current member of the Board of Directors for Charleston Waterkeeper (nonprofit); Chairman of the Board of Directors for Coastal Conservation League (nonprofit); and Member of Audit & Finance Committee for the Charleston County School District.
- Former Director at Tier REIT, Inc. (NYSE: TIER), from 2017 to 2019.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Mr. Griffin brings to our Board extensive real estate and corporate finance experience gained from his leadership roles, currently at PHICAS as a managing director and previously as the president, chief operating officer and chief financial officer of BioMed Realty Trust, Inc. Mr. Griffin leverages his experience as an auditor at a major public accounting firm in his role as Chair of the Audit Committee, as well as his investment banking and corporate finance experience in his role as a member of the Investment Committee.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital Management
- Public Company Board
- Corporate Responsibility
- REIT/Real Estate
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry
- Cybersecurity Oversight
- Public Company Executive



# Pamela J. Kessler Independent Director Age: 58 DIRECTOR SINCE: 2024 COMMITTEES: AUDIT OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC

**COMPANY BOARDS:** 

None

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Co-President of LTC Properties, Inc. (NYSE: LTC), since May 2020, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary, since 2007, and a variety of other senior positions from 2000 to 2007.
- Corporate Controller of The Ezralow Company, from 1997 to 2000.
- Director of Financial Reporting of Irvine Apartment Communities (formerly NYSE: IAC), from 1994 to 1997.
- Assistant Controller of Inland Empire Division of KB Home, from 1992 to 1994.
- Senior Accountant, Real Estate Group at Ernst & Young LLP, from 1989 to 1992.
- Former Trustee at Physicians Realty Trust (formerly NYSE: DOC), from 2018 until its merger with our Company in 2024.
- Member of the Board and the real estate committee of the Providence Cedars-Sinai Tarzana Foundation.
- Certified Public Accountant (inactive).

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Ms. Kessler brings to our Board extensive experience in the healthcare real estate industry, including her experience in risk oversight, strategy and human capital management as an executive officer of a publicly traded REIT, and her financial expertise as a public company chief financial officer.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital Management
- Public Company Board
- Corporate ResponsibilityREIT/Real Estate
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry
- Cybersecurity Oversight
- Public Company Executive



Sara G. Lewis
Independent Director
Age: 56
DIRECTOR SINCE: 2019
COMMITTEES:
COMPENSATION
(CHAIR), GOVERNANCE
OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC
COMPANY BOARDS:

- Freeport-McMoRan, Inc. (NYSE: FCX)
- Weyerhaeuser Company (NYSE: WY)

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Lewis Corporate Advisors, LLC from 2009 to 2018.
- Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Washington Real Estate Investment Trust (formerly NYSE: WRE) (now Elme Communities (NYSE: ELME)) from 2002 to 2009, and Managing Director, Finance and Capital Markets from 2001 to 2002.
- Vice President, Finance and Investor Relations of Corporate Office Properties Trust (NYSE: OFC) from 1999 to 2001.
- Board Leadership Fellow of National Association of Corporate Directors since 2012;
   Directorship 100 recipient in 2017.
- Member of the Board of Trustees of The Brookings Institution since 2016, as well as a
  member of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Governance Studies Council,
  Vice Chair of the Audit Committee, and member of the Investment Committee and
  Budget & Finance Committee.
- Member of the Leadership Board and Corporate Governance Working Group of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Center for Capital Markets Competitiveness since 2015, as well as a member of the ESG Working Group.
- Delegate for the Advisory Council for Risk Oversight for the National Association of Corporate Directors.
- Member of the Audit Committee Council of the Center for Audit Quality.
- Former Director at Sun Life Financial, Inc. (NYSE: SLF), from 2014 to 2021; PS Business Parks, Inc. (formerly NYSE: PSB) from 2010 to 2019; and previously served as a director on several other public company boards, including Adamas Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (formerly Nasdaq: ADMS); Plum Creek Timber Company, Inc. (formerly NYSE: PCL); and CapitalSource, Inc. (formerly NYSE: CSE).
- Certified Public Accountant and Chartered Financial Analyst.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Ms. Lewis brings to our Board extensive boardroom experience and more than 30 years of corporate finance and capital markets experience. She has served on several public company boards, including as Audit Committee chair, Compensation Committee chair, Governance Committee chair and presiding director. Ms. Lewis has been part of the executive teams of several public real estate investment trusts, including as a chief financial officer, which complement her role as Chair of the Compensation Committee and a member of the Governance Committee.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital
  Management
- Public Company Board
- Corporate Responsibility
- REIT/Real Estate
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry
- Cybersecurity Oversight
- Public Company Executive



# Ava E. Lias-Booker

Independent Director

Age: 63

**DIRECTOR SINCE: 2024** 

**COMMITTEES: GOVERNANCE** 

OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC

**COMPANY BOARDS:** 

None

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Partner at McGuireWoods LLP, since 2004, and served in a variety of leadership roles, including as chair of the firm's Diversity and Inclusion Committee.
- Partner at Saul Ewing LLP, from 2001 to 2004.
- Partner at Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander LLP, from 1995 to 2001.
- Partner at Saul Ewing LLP (formerly Weinberg & Green LLC), from 1994 to 1995.
- Former Trustee at Physicians Realty Trust (formerly NYSE: DOC), from 2022 until its merger with our Company in 2024.
- Member of the Board of Directors of the University of Maryland Saint Joseph's Medical Center; gubernatorial appointee to the University of Maryland Medical System Board of Directors; and member of the Boards of Visitors of Duke University School of Law (honorary) and the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law (emeritus).

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Ms. Lias-Booker brings to our Board extensive experience in legal, governance and regulatory compliance matters, as well as leadership on diversity, inclusion and human capital management issues. Her prior experience serving on the board of trustees of Physicians Realty Trust provided her with expertise in risk oversight, investments, financial literacy and public company board matters.

Risk Oversight/ Management

Literacy

- Management • Investment Expertise
  - Public Company Board

Human Capital

- Corporate Responsibility
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory



# Governor Tommy G. Thompson

Independent Director

Age: 82

**DIRECTOR SINCE: 2024** 

**COMMITTEES:** 

**INVESTMENT** 

OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC **COMPANY BOARDS:** 

- United Therapeutics Corporation (Nasdag: UTHR)
- TherapeuticsMD, Inc. (Nasdag: TXMD)

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Financial Expertise and/or

- President of the University of Wisconsin System, from 2020 to 2022.
- U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, from 2001 to 2005.
- Governor of State of Wisconsin, from 1987 to 2001.
- Senior Advisor at Deloitte & Touche USA LLP, from 2005 to 2009.
- Partner at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, from 2005 to 2012.
- President of Logistics Health, Inc., from 2005 to 2011, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees from 2007 to 2011.
- Former Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Physicians Realty Trust (formerly NYSE: DOC), from 2013 until its merger with our Company in 2024.
- Former Director at Scilex Holding Company (Nasdaq: SCLX), from 2022 to 2023; Tyme Technologies, Inc. (formerly Nasdaq: TYME), from 2018 to 2020; and previously served as a director on several other public company boards, including C.R. Bard, Inc. (formerly NYSE: BCR); Cytori Therapeutics, Inc. (now Plus Therapeutics, Nasdaq: PSTV); Cancer Genetics, Inc. (now Vyant Bio, Inc., formerly Nasdaq: VYNT); Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC); and CareView Communications, Inc.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Governor Thompson brings to our Board decades of experience and leadership in government and the evolving healthcare industry, including unique experience with physicians, healthcare decision makers and business executives regarding healthcare policy and improvements within the industry. His other service on public company boards in the healthcare real estate and biopharma industries makes him uniquely situated to serve on our Board with our focus on healthcare discovery and delivery, including the financial, investment and risk oversight issues specific to our industry and sector.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital Management
- Public Company Board
- Corporate Responsibility
- REIT/Real Estate
- Legal/Government/ Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry



# Richard A. Weiss Independent Director Age: 77 DIRECTOR SINCE: 2024 COMMITTEES: INVESTMENT

OTHER CURRENT PUBLIC

**COMPANY BOARDS:** 

None

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Public finance attorney at Foley & Lardner LLP, from 1971 to 2008, including as a Partner from 1978 to 2008 and as a member of the Management Committee from 1999 to 2008.
- Former Trustee at Physicians Realty Trust (NYSE: DOC), from 2013 until its merger with our Company in 2024.
- Member of the Board of Directors and former chair of the Audit Committee of Ascendium Education Group.
- Former member of the Boards of Directors of Advocate Aurora Health and predecessor companies, including terms as finance committee chair and board chair of Aurora Health Care and Milwaukee Psychiatric Hospital; former member and Chair of the Board of Directors of Washington Hospital Center in Washington, D.C.; former member of the executive committee of the Board of Directors of the Greater Washington Board of Trade; and former member of the Board of Trustees of the Medical College of Wisconsin.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Mr. Weiss brings to our Board more than 50 years of healthcare industry, legal and financial experience, as well as experience in legal and regulatory compliance matters.

- Risk Oversight/ Management
- Investment Expertise
- Financial Expertise and/or Literacy
- Human Capital Management
- Public Company Board
- Corporate Responsibility
- REIT/Real Estate
- Legal/Regulatory
- Healthcare Industry
- Cybersecurity Oversight

# **Board Effectiveness and Strategic Evolution**

Our Board believes that improving its effectiveness is an ongoing process that requires thoughtful planning, evaluation, recruitment and orderly refreshment. This ongoing process is outlined below.

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Director Selection Onboarding and Education

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Board Composition and Refreshment



#### **Director Selection**

#### **Identifying and Evaluating Director Nominee Candidates**

The Governance Committee considers a variety of factors when reviewing potential nominees for our Board, including:

- · Personal and professional integrity, ethics and values;
- Experience in the REIT industry and other industries relevant to our operations, such as real estate, healthcare, development, investments and corporate finance;
- · Experience with relevant legal, regulatory and policy concerns;
- Experience as a board member of other public companies, as well as other leadership attributes;
- The ability and willingness to commit adequate time to our Board and its committees;
- Experience in corporate management and executive leadership, such as serving as an officer or former officer of a
  publicly held company;
- Whether the individual's skills and personality will complement and supplement those of the other members (and potential members) of our Board and are likely to be conducive to building a Board that is effective, collegial and responsive to the needs of the Company;
- · Expertise in an area of Healthpeak's operations, such as financing strategy, risk management or human capital management;
- · Practical and mature business judgment;
- · Personal and professional time commitments and capacity, ability and willingness to govern; and
- · Independence from management and lack of relationships with our other directors and employees.

#### DIVERSITY

The Governance Committee also considers diversity in gender, race, age, ethnicity, national origin and professional and personal experience when reviewing potential director nominees, and strives to create diversity in perspectives on our Board as a whole, when identifying and selecting nominees. On an annual basis, as part of our Board's self-evaluation, our Board assesses whether its diversity, which it views as a critical component to its effectiveness, is appropriate.

The Governance Committee considers potential director nominees recommended by various sources, including Board members, stockholders and senior management. The Committee will consider director candidates properly recommended by stockholders in the same manner as recommendations received from other sources. For a description of the process for stockholders to recommend or nominate directors, see "Other Matters—2025 Stockholder Proposals, Director Nominations and Director Candidate Recommendations."

If the Board, upon the recommendation of the Governance Committee, determines it is appropriate to consider new director candidates to refresh the Board or fill any Board vacancies, the Chair of the Governance Committee, or a member designated by the Chair, is responsible for overseeing the search and interview process. The Committee will provide progress updates to our Board and will meet to consider and recommend final director candidates to the entire Board. Our Board then determines, taking into account the recommendation of the Committee, which candidates to appoint to our Board or nominate for election by our stockholders.

#### **Director Candidate Search**

Pursuant to our director term limit policy, Ms. Garvey and Mr. Henry will retire from our Board at the 2024 Annual Meeting. In 2022, in anticipation of these retirements, the Governance Committee engaged an independent director search firm to assist in identifying and evaluating potential director candidates, including establishing director nominee criteria and evaluating the candidates' credentials. As a result of this engagement, the Committee identified Mr. Connor as a director candidate, and the Board appointed Mr. Connor in 2023. In addition, the Board determined to appoint five directors from Physicians Realty Trust in connection with our business combination – Messrs. Thomas and Weiss, Governor Thompson and Mses. Kessler and Lias-Booker. These five directors were selected based on their familiarity with Physicians Realty Trust and experience in healthcare, real estate, investment, governance and risk management, among other attributes our Board determined are important for the combined company.

#### **Nominee Independence Considerations**

Our Board has assessed whether the members of our Board are independent according to NYSE listing standards. For a director to be considered independent under NYSE rules, our Board must affirmatively determine that the director has no material relationship with us (either directly or as a partner, stockholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with us), with certain types of relationships automatically disqualifying the director as independent. Our Board annually evaluates the independence of each non-employee director by considering any matters that could affect the director's ability to exercise independent judgment in carrying out his or her responsibilities. This evaluation includes any transactions or relationships between the director, members of his or her family and organizations with which that director or family members have an affiliation, on the one hand, and us, our subsidiaries and management, on the other hand.

Based upon its most recent review, our Board affirmatively determined that each of Mses. Garvey, Kessler, Lewis, Lias-Booker and Sandstrom, Messrs. Cartwright, Connor, Griffin, Henry and Weiss and Governor Thompson is independent under the rules of the NYSE. As noted above, each of Ms. Garvey and Mr. Henry will retire from our Board at the Annual Meeting and are not director nominees. We refer to directors for whom we have affirmatively determined independence under NYSE rules as "Independent Directors." Our only non-independent directors are Mr. Brinker, our President and CEO, and Mr. Thomas, former President and CEO of Physicians Realty Trust and our current employee.

#### **Time Commitment and Attendance**

When evaluating potential director nominees, our Board considers ability and willingness to commit adequate time to Board and committee matters, including in light of the nominee's other positions, service on other public company boards and/or board leadership positions. We expect our directors to attend regularly scheduled quarterly meetings of our Board, including the annual meeting of stockholders, as well as make every effort to attend all other scheduled meetings of the Board and all other meetings of committees of which they are members. Directors are expected to be sufficiently familiar with our business and the risks and competition we face to facilitate active and effective participation in the deliberations of the Board and of each committee on which he or she serves.

Our Board values the experience directors bring from other boards on which they serve, but recognizes that those boards may also present demands on a director's time and availability. Accordingly, under our Corporate Governance Guidelines, directors may not serve on the board of directors of more than four other public companies, and our President and CEO and any director serving as a chief executive officer or other executive officer of another public company may not serve on the board of directors of more than two other public companies. Our Board has determined that this policy on director time commitments is appropriate based on a review of institutional investor and proxy advisory firm guidelines, as well as peer trends and best practices. Our Board, with oversight from the Governance Committee, reviews the policy and each director's compliance on an annual basis. All director nominees currently comply with the Company's policy on director time commitments.

#### **Proxy Access**

Our Bylaws permit a stockholder, or group of up to 25 stockholders, owning at least 3% of our outstanding common stock continuously for three years to nominate up to the greater of two directors or a number of directors constituting up to 20% of our Board for inclusion in our proxy materials for an annual meeting of stockholders, subject to complying with the requirements contained in our Bylaws. For more information on using proxy access to nominate directors, see "Other Matters—2025 Stockholder Proposals, Director Nominations and Director Candidate Recommendations."



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Up to a group of 25 stockholders



3%

Owning at least 3% of our shares



3

Continuously for 3 years



20%

May nominate the greater of two nominees or 20% of our Board



# **Onboarding and Education**

#### **Continuous Education and Exposure to Best Practices**

- ✓ Onboarding and orientation: When a director joins our Board, senior management provides an orientation to familiarize the new director with the Company's strategy, business, policies and governance practices.
- ✓ Deep dives and meaningful engagement: Throughout the year, our management team, as well as outside advisors, present to the Board on substantive topics that affect our business and relate to our strategy. During our regular quarterly Board meetings, our directors meet with members of management, including emerging leaders, to receive insight on our operations. During 2023, our directors received cybersecurity, corporate governance, corporate responsibility and risk management updates from subject matter experts.
- ✓ Educational memberships and events: We encourage directors to attend director education programs relating to board responsibilities, corporate governance and/or substantive matters relevant to the Company. We provide a list of upcoming educational programs and conferences to our directors every quarter and reimburse cost of attendance. In addition, each director is provided with membership in the National Association of Corporate Directors, which provides continuing director education programming. In 2023, our directors attended director education events covering risk management and corporate governance, among other topics.
- ✓ Governance policymaking: Certain of our directors are actively involved in shaping policy around corporate governance. For example, Ms. Lewis, our Compensation Committee Chair and a member of our Governance Committee, is a member of the Leadership Board, Corporate Governance Working Group and ESG Working Group of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Center for Capital Markets Competitiveness.



#### **Board Self-Evaluation**

#### **Self-Evaluation Process**

Our Board conducts an annual self-assessment aimed at enhancing its effectiveness. Our directors review areas where they feel our Board functions effectively and, importantly, areas where our Board believes there are opportunities for improvement, including through ongoing and orderly Board refreshment.

01

#### **PLANNING**

The Governance Committee, in consultation with our General Counsel, establishes a framework for the Board's self-evaluation based on the needs of the Board from time to time, as well as changes in corporate governance best practices.

02

#### **IDENTIFY DISCUSSION TOPICS**

Our independent Chair works with our General Counsel to identify relevant topics for discussion, which evolve from year to year. The topics typically include, among others, Board composition and structure, business strategy and operations oversight, risk management, meeting materials and conduct, and interactions with management and advisors.

03

#### **ONE-ON-ONE DISCUSSIONS**

Our independent Chair conducts one-on-one discussions with each director using the identified evaluation topics as guidelines. These candid conversations allow for direct and honest feedback on any aspect of our Board's operations.

04

#### **PEER REVIEW**

Our General Counsel separately discusses the independent Chair's performance with each director. This peer review allows for candid feedback on the Chair's performance and leadership.

05

#### REVIEW AND REPORTING

Our independent Chair reports the results of the evaluations to the full Board, which discusses the results in an executive session.

06

#### **FOLLOW UP**

Policies, practices and the composition of our Board and its committees are modified, as determined appropriate, based on the evaluation findings.



#### **SELF-EVALUATION ACTION ITEMS**

Our Board took the following actions in response to the 2023 Board self-evaluations, reflecting our Board's commitment to refreshment and improvement:

- Appointed Ms. Sandstrom as independent Board Chair.
- Reviewed and updated committee rotations. See below under "Board Composition and Committee Rotation" for the changes made to committee composition in 2023 in light of this review.



#### ONGOING

Our directors are encouraged to convey feedback to our independent Chair throughout the year. Good governance and monitoring are an ongoing process.



# **Board Composition and Refreshment**

#### **Board Composition, Committee Rotation and Refreshment**

#### **Board Composition and Committee Rotation**

The Governance Committee periodically assesses our directors' skills, experience and perspectives in the context of the Board's overall composition, as well as the current and future needs of the Company and the Board. Among other matters, the Committee considers the results of its annual self-assessments for the Board and its committees when regularly reviewing Board leadership and committee composition.

In considering Board composition and leadership, the Board balances the benefits derived from continuity and experience, as well as the benefits derived from fresh viewpoints and perspectives. By periodically rotating committee composition, our directors gain a comprehensive understanding of different aspects of our business. Considering our Company's portfolio transformation, strategic direction and enhanced focus on corporate governance, human capital management and corporate responsibility, as well as director refreshment and scheduled retirements under our director term limit policy, our Board conducted a comprehensive review of its composition and structure and made the following updates in 2023:

- Ms. Sandstrom was appointed as our independent Board Chair, in addition to her role as Chair of the Governance Committee, rotating off the Compensation Committee.
- Mr. Cartwright joined the Compensation Committee, bringing his human capital management and SEC experience to that committee.
- Mr. Connor was appointed as an Independent Director and joined the Audit and Compensation Committees, bringing his
  financial expertise to the Audit Committee and human capital management experience to the Compensation Committee.
- Following the Annual Meeting and subject to their election by stockholders, we anticipate that Ms. Kessler will serve on the Audit Committee, Ms. Lias-Booker will serve on the Governance Committee, and Governor Thompson and Mr. Weiss will serve on the Investment and Finance Committee, with Governor Thompson serving as Chair of that committee, in each case, based on their prior relevant experience on the board of trustees of Physicians Realty Trust.

#### Refreshment

#### **Director Term Limit Policy**

Our Board believes that our directors develop an understanding of the Company and an ability to work effectively as a group over time. Accordingly, our Board places value on year-over-year continuity. At the same time, the Board believes that director refreshment is important to help ensure that Board composition is aligned with the needs of the Company as our business evolves. The Board strategically reviews director refreshment from time to time and has adopted a 15-year director term limit policy.

- Our 15-year term limit policy allows us to continue orderly Board refreshment while allowing for a cohesive Board and diversity of skills, experiences and tenures.
- Under the 15-year term limit policy, directors will not be nominated for election or appointed
  to the Board at any annual meeting of stockholders following the calendar year in which they
  have attained 15 years of service on the Board. On the recommendation of the Governance
  Committee, the Board, by majority vote and on an annual basis, may waive the term limit if the
  Board deems such waiver to be in the best interests of the Company.
- Under the 15-year term limit policy, Ms. Garvey and Mr. Henry are scheduled to retire from the Board and will not be standing for re-election at the Annual Meeting.

54%

of Board Refreshed Since 2022

# **3 Years**

Average and Median Director Nominee Tenure

# **Corporate Governance**

# Board and Stockholder Meeting Attendance

Our Board's primary responsibility is to oversee the long-term health and success of our business on behalf of stockholders. In order to effectively carry out that duty to stockholders, our Board commits a substantial amount of time and attention throughout the year to the most significant aspects of our business. Directors are expected to, and do, ask challenging questions of management.

Our policy is that directors should make every effort to attend all meetings of our Board and the annual meeting of stockholders, as well as all meetings of Board committees for which they are members. Our directors are committed to their responsibilities and are highly engaged, as demonstrated by their average high attendance in excess of 90% of all 2023 Board and committee meetings. The Board meeting schedule in 2023 was more demanding due to numerous meetings held in connection with the Physicians Realty Trust merger. No director attended less than 75% of the aggregate number of meetings of our Board and the committees on which the director served in 2023. When directors were not able to attend a Board meeting due to a scheduling conflict, they separately met with our Board Chair or President and CEO to discuss the meeting topic(s). All of our then-serving directors attended the 2023 annual meeting of stockholders.

We value the experience our directors bring from other boards on which they serve, but we also recognize that those boards may present demands on a director's time and availability. As discussed on page 22, all director nominees satisfy our policy on director time commitments.

Board Effectiveness: Underscored by Engagement

100%

2023 Annual Meeting
Attendance by Directors

93%

Board Meeting
Attendance in 2023

15

Total Board Meetings in 2023

100%

Committee Meeting Attendance in 2023

12

Total Committee Meetings in 2023

# **Corporate Governance Highlights**

We are committed to sustainable corporate governance practices that promote long-term value creation, transparency and accountability for our stockholders. Based on investor feedback on our governance practices, along with our ongoing evaluation of best practices, we made a number of governance and disclosure enhancements in recent years.

#### 2020

Updated the independent director retirement policy to reflect a 15-year term limit policy instead of a mandatory retirement age

Aligned our ESG disclosure with the TCFD and SASB reporting frameworks

### 2021

Codified the Board's oversight of corporate responsibility matters in the Governance Committee Charter

Enhanced ESG disclosures according to leading reporting frameworks, including TCFD

#### 2022

Appointed an independent female Vice Chair of the Board

Rotated Board committee memberships

# 2023+

Appointed an independent female Board Chair

Appointed a new director in March 2023 and five new directors in March 2024 (five of these six directors are independent)

Rotated Board committee memberships, with two of three NYSE-required committees chaired by women

# **Corporate Governance Policies**

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES**

 Our Board has adopted Corporate Governance Guidelines with respect to, among other things, Board composition, Board meetings, our Board's standing committees, stockholder communications with our Board, director time commitments, continuing education for directors, succession planning and Board and committee self-assessment.

#### **CODES OF BUSINESS CONDUCT AND ETHICS**

- Our Board has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the "Code of Conduct") that applies to all of our directors, officers and employees, as well as a Vendor Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the "Vendor Code", and together with the Code of Conduct, the "Codes of Conduct") that applies to our vendors and business partners.
- The Codes of Conduct represent an integral part of our commitment to the highest ethical standards, and are aimed at ensuring that our directors, employees and vendors work collectively to uphold those standards. The Board reviews the Codes of Conduct annually.
- We provide annual training on the Code of Conduct to all of our employees, with 100% participation by active employees in 2023.
- The Codes of Conduct address, among other things, labor practices and human rights, health and safety, environmental sustainability, conflicts of interest, corporate opportunities, confidential information, competition and fair dealing, including relationships with customers and suppliers, gifts, protection of Company assets and compliance with laws.
- The Code of Conduct also serves as the code of ethics required under applicable SEC rules for our senior financial officers.
- Waivers of, and amendments to, our Code of Conduct that apply to our directors and executive officers will be timely
  posted on our website at healthpeak.com/esg/governance to the extent required by applicable SEC and NYSE rules.
  There were no such waivers in 2023.

#### WHISTLEBLOWER HOTLINE

- Our officers, employees, vendors and business partners are encouraged to report complaints regarding accounting, internal
  controls, auditing matters, violations of law, violations of our Codes of Conduct or other concerns regarding the conduct of
  Healthpeak's employees, representatives or business partners through our secure whistleblower hotline, and we enable any
  reported concerns to be submitted anonymously.
- The whistleblower hotline is made available to employees via our intranet and to vendors and business partners via our website. In each case, the site leads the individual to an external, independent website operated by an independent service provider.
- Any matter reported through the whistleblower hotline and determined not to be frivolous or immaterial is reviewed first by our Audit Committee Chair and, in certain cases, by our General Counsel, Chief Human Resources Officer and/or our head of Internal Audit, and investigated and discussed with our Audit Committee and/or full Board. When appropriate, independent third parties assist in an investigation.
- No complaints reported through the whistleblower hotline in 2023.

#### **RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

- Our General Counsel and our President and CEO initially review potential related person transactions for materiality and then provide them to the Audit Committee for review and approval, as appropriate.
- For this purpose, "related person transactions" are generally defined under applicable SEC rules as any transaction or series of transactions in which we are a participant, the amount involved exceeds \$120,000 and any of our directors, director nominees, executive officers, 5% or greater stockholders or any of their respective immediate family members or certain related entities has a direct or indirect material interest.
- Under the Audit Committee Charter and our Related Person Transactions Policy, any related person transactions brought to
  the Audit Committee's attention that could reasonably be expected to have a material impact on our financial statements
  must be discussed among the Audit Committee, management and Healthpeak's independent auditor.
- In determining whether to approve or reject a related person transaction, the Audit Committee takes into account, among
  other factors it deems appropriate, whether the proposed transaction is on terms no less favorable than terms generally
  available to an unaffiliated third party under the same or similar circumstances, as well as the extent of the related person's
  economic interest in the transaction.
- No related person transactions required to be disclosed for 2023. For information relating to Mr. Thomas's employee compensation, see "Director Compensation—2023."

# Where to find our corporate governance documents

We encourage you to view the following corporate governance materials on our website at healthpeak.com/esg/governance:

- Board Committee Charters
- Corporate Governance Guidelines
- Code of Business
   Conduct and Ethics
- Vendor Code of Business
   Conduct and Ethics

# **Risk Oversight**

# **Board Responsibilities**

Our Board believes that effective risk management involves our entire corporate governance framework. Both management and our Board have key responsibilities in managing risk throughout the Company, as shown below. The Board oversees the risk management process. Oversight of risks inherent in their respective areas of oversight are delegated to the various Board committees, with each committee working with management and reporting to our Board at each regular Board meeting.

Our risk management process includes checks and balances that allows our Independent Directors to review and consider any risk matters. In the event it is advisable that our Independent Directors review or take alternative action on management's recommendation on any risk matters, our independent Chair has the authority to call and preside at special meetings or executive sessions of the Independent Directors as necessary or advisable.

# **Management Responsibilities**

Management proactively analyzes the short-, intermediate-and long-term risks that may adversely affect our business, operations or financial condition. Management utilizes an ongoing assessment process that identifies material risks and implements management and mitigation strategies, reporting to and working with the Board and its committees. Our formal Enterprise Risk Management program identifies, assesses, evaluates, responds to and monitors the risks identified by management's various subject matter experts across the Company, including finance, tax, legal, operations, internal audit and the business segments. Our General Counsel, who reports to our President and CEO, oversees our compliance program, and our Vice President of Internal Audit, who has a direct reporting line to our independent Audit Committee Chair, oversees our Enterprise Risk Management program and our ongoing risk assessment process.

After determining risks that could have a material business, operational or financial impact, management models the potential impact using a scorecard/heat map, in addition to analyzing trends of increasing or decreasing importance. Our Board and its committees receive reports from and engage with management regarding these risks, their potential impacts and the steps management has taken to monitor and mitigate these risks, making determinations on any action warranted. These risks include short-, intermediate-and long-term risks, as well as both existing risks and emerging risks. Our Board's oversight standards apply regardless of the immediacy of the risk assessed. Each of our current directors possesses risk oversight and management experience, which we believe makes our Board particularly effective in engaging with management to address existing risks and identify significant emerging risks.

In addition to identifying and mitigating risks, management assesses which risks merit disclosure in our periodic reports, including through a cross-functional management-level disclosure committee that meets quarterly to identify any significant emerging risks warranting disclosure, as well as an extensive annual cross-functional review of our risk factors disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. These disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and that this information is accumulated and communicated to our management to allow for timely decisions regarding disclosure. These disclosure controls and procedures, and the resulting assessments and determinations regarding disclosure of risks, are discussed regularly with our Board as part of its risk oversight function.

Our Board periodically reviews management's risk mitigation strategies, including our business continuity plan and crisis response protocols, with management to ensure that we appropriately and timely identify and respond to emerging risks. As determined appropriate, our Board is also guided by independent advisors, who report from time to time to the Board on various risk topics within their area of expertise. For example, a third-party cybersecurity expert presents to our Board at least annually regarding known and emerging cybersecurity risks and its cybersecurity reviews of our systems, and our independent auditors present to our Board regularly regarding various operational and other risks that could impact our financial statements. For additional discussion of our cybersecurity risk management and governance, see Part I, Item 1C. "Cybersecurity" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 filed with the SEC on February 9, 2024.

# **Risk Oversight Responsibilities**

#### **Board Responsibilities**

- Oversight of the risk management process
- Development of business strategy and major resource allocation
- Leadership of management succession planning
- Business conduct and compliance oversight
- Review of periodic reports from Board committees on specific risk oversight responsibilities
- General oversight of cybersecurity risk



#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

- Oversight of enterprise risk management activities, including data, cybersecurity and artificial intelligence policies and programs
- Oversight of staffing and performance of internal audit function
- Oversight of integrity of financial statements and internal control over financial reporting
- Responsible for appointment, compensation and oversight of independent registered public accounting firm

# COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

- Oversight of compensation-related risks and overall philosophy
- Oversight of human capital matters, including succession planning, diversity, inclusion, talent development, recruitment, retention, health, wellness and safety

#### GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

- Overall corporate governance leadership
- Provides recommendations regarding Board and committee composition
- Oversight of corporate governance and environmental performance and climate strategy

# INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- Overall oversight of investment policies and strategies
- Overall oversight of finance requirements and plans relating to investment strategies



#### **Management Responsibilities**

- · Identify material risks
- Implement appropriate risk management and mitigation strategies
- Integrate risk management into our decision-making process
- Transmit information with respect to material risks to senior executives and our Board

#### **RISK AREAS**

- Strategic
- Reputational
- Capital markets and liquidity
- Legal, regulatory and compliance
- Operational
- Financial reporting and internal control
- Cybersecurity, artificial intelligence and information technology systems
- Human capital and health/wellness matters
- Corporate responsibility/ sustainability

# Stockholder Engagement

We engage in proactive outreach to discuss business strategy, financial and operational performance, corporate governance and responsibility, among other topics of interest to our stockholders. We believe that ongoing dialogue with our stockholders is a critical component of responsive and transparent corporate governance. Stockholder feedback has been instrumental in structuring our ESG program, as well as enhancing our corporate governance practices. The following graphic illustrates our annual cycle of stockholder outreach:

- Discuss business strategy, financial and operational performance, corporate governance and responsibility considerations with stockholders through proactive off-cycle engagement
- Request feedback on performance and evolving trends
- Consider voting results and potential actions in response
- Review corporate responsibility, executive compensation and governance trends and stockholder issues for upcoming year



- Discuss stockholder feedback directly with Board and consider actions in response to feedback
- Solicit support for Board voting recommendations
- Stockholders vote on issues such as directors, say-on-pay and auditor ratification
- Engage with stockholders in open forum

# 2023 Stockholder Engagement

We are committed to regular stockholder engagement and solicited our stockholders' views on financial performance, governance, ESG and other issues in 2023.

#### OUTREACH

- 14 industry investor conferences and numerous oneon-one meetings
- Hosted management presentations and Lab and Medical City Dallas tours
- 19 investor property tours

#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS - WHAT WE HEARD**

- Support for our strategy and solid operational performance
- Questions about the impact of macroeconomic conditions and strategy to deal with potential headwinds in the Lab sector

#### **FOCUS AREAS**

- Business performance and balance sheet and liquidity management
- Corporate responsibility matters, such as sustainability and governance
- Board and executive leadership outreach

#### WHAT WE DID IN RESPONSE

- Embarked on transformative business combination with Physicians Realty Trust, which closed on March 1, 2024, to position ourselves as an industry leader for healthcare discovery and delivery
- Proactive balance sheet management and continued intensive focus on leasing and tenant engagement

# Communicating with the Board

If you wish to contact members of our Board, the Chair of the Board, any Board committee, or our Independent Directors as a group, you may send written correspondence to our Corporate Secretary at Healthpeak Properties, Inc., 4600 South Syracuse Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80237. Please clearly note the name(s) of any specific intended Board recipients. If you are a stockholder, please also provide documentation of share ownership and appropriate contact information in all correspondence. Our Corporate Secretary will process and direct your communication to the appropriate member(s) of our Board, other than items unrelated to our Board's duties, such as spam, junk mail, solicitations, employment inquires and similar items (at their request). This centralized process assists our Board in reviewing and responding to stockholder and interested party communications in a more efficient manner.

# **Corporate Responsibility Initiatives**

Our Board believes that integrating ESG initiatives into our strategic business objectives is critical to our long-term success. Through our integrated and ongoing approach to sustainability, we seek to drive positive change and create value for our stakeholders through corporate responsibility and stewardship.

# **Oversight**

#### **BOARD**

Oversees all corporate responsibility matters and receives quarterly updates from management regarding strategy, goals, opportunities, risks, initiatives and results

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Oversees quality and integrity of quantitative public disclosures relating to ESG matters

#### **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Oversees our climate risk management, corporate governance and responsibility initiatives

#### **COMPENSATION COMMITTEE**

Oversees executive compensation and human capital matters

#### Focus Areas

Informed by internal assessments and stakeholder engagement, we prioritize the initiatives that we believe matter most to our business and stakeholders, keeping in mind our operational level of control with respect to our properties. Our key performance indicators for these areas include:



#### **Value Creation**

- Cost savings
- Tenant attraction and satisfaction
- Sustainable returns

#### **Climate Risk Management**

- Efficient buildings to generate savings
- · Proactive green strategies

#### **Governance Initiatives**

- Best-in-class corporate governance practices
- Transparency
- Risk management
- Ethics and compliance

#### **Social Responsibility**

- · Diversity and inclusion
- Talent acquisition, retention and development
- Employee engagement and satisfaction
- · Community engagement

# 10-Year Sustainability Strategic Roadmap

In 2023, we undertook an extensive review of our sustainability practices and progress and developed a comprehensive 10-year strategic roadmap, with the following specific near-term focus areas:

- Renewable Energy: Enhance renewable energy procurement, including through green utility tariffs, on-site solar, community choice aggregation and/or power purchase agreements
- Decarbonization: Conduct a full inventory of GHG emissions across the newly combined company portfolio to identify data gaps and assist in establishing new long-term GHG emissions reduction targets

# **Key 2023 Initiatives**

- ✓ Published our 12<sup>th</sup> annual ESG Report aligned with several leading reporting frameworks, including TCFD
- Conducted a top-down review and refinement of our sustainability strategy
- Continued implementing projects to achieve our long-term science-based GHG emissions reduction targets, as well
  as energy, water and waste reduction goals
- Continued focusing on diversity and inclusion initiatives
- ✓ 132 new ENERGY STAR certifications and 4 new LEED certifications in 2023

We are consistently recognized for our corporate responsibility initiatives and disclosure. See "Proxy Summary—Corporate Responsibility Highlights" for a summary of our recent recognitions. To learn more about our ESG efforts, including our industry leadership, view our annual ESG Report at healthpeak.com/esg.

# **Human Capital Management**

Our Board believes that human capital management is vital to the Company's organizational health and is strongly committed to diversity and equal opportunity, with the tone set from the top. The Compensation Committee has oversight over human capital matters, including culture, diversity, inclusion, talent acquisition, retention, employee satisfaction and engagement, succession planning and executive compensation.

#### **Cornerstones of Our Human Capital Management Initiatives**

- Diversity and inclusion: Makes our organization stronger through a variety of skills, perspectives and backgrounds
- Employee satisfaction and engagement: Helps us retain top talent and continuously enhance our performance
- Attracting top talent: Positions us for long-term success
- Training and development: Helps enhance career and professional development and identify emerging leaders
- Compensation and benefits:
   Provides merit-based, equitable compensation to attract, retain and recognize top talent
- Community partnership:
   Provides support to charitable organizations and initiatives that share our mission
- Health, safety and wellness:
   Protects our most vital assets –
   our employees through special training and other measures
- Succession planning: Ensures that top management positions can be filled without undue interruption

# **Board Leadership Structure**

# **Independent Chair**

As part of its ongoing evaluations, our Board carefully considers the appropriate Board leadership structure, taking into account each director's skills, experience and perspectives, as well as the current and future needs of the Company and our Board.

Our Board has determined that an appropriate structure for the Company and its stockholders at this time consists of an independent Chair of the Board. This role effectively allocates authority, responsibility and oversight between management and the independent members of our Board. This structure gives primary responsibility for the operational leadership and strategic direction to the CEO, while enabling our independent Chair to facilitate our Board's oversight of management, promote communication between management and the Board and support our Board's consideration of key governance and ESG matters.

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines outline the considerations relating to our Board leadership. These considerations include potentially filling the positions of Chair of the Board and CEO by one individual or two different individuals as the Board determines is appropriate. The Board believes it is important to structure its leadership based upon its assessment of the Company's needs

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Sandstrom
Chair of the Board

Katherine M. Sandstrom serves as our independent Chair of the Board. Our Chair actively manages our Board by:

- · Presiding at all meetings of our Board
- Establishing the agenda for each Board meeting in consultation with our management team
- Calling and presiding at executive sessions of the Independent Directors
- Engaging with management on topics discussed in executive session as needed
- Planning for future Board leadership roles and succession, as well as orderly director refreshment, including actively overseeing the search for potential director candidates

including, without limitation, our business, strategic opportunities and succession planning priorities. Our Board also takes into account the views of institutional investors and proxy advisory firms, as well as governance and industry trends.

We engage in ongoing stockholder outreach and dialogue on a variety of issues, including with respect to corporate governance matters such as our Board's composition and leadership structure. In addition, our independent Chair and independent Board committee chairs represent the Board in stockholder outreach and engagement as they deem necessary or advisable. Should our Board determine that a combined Chair and CEO position is appropriate, our Board would decide whether and when to seek additional prior stockholder input, balancing the needs of the Company and the considerations driving the timing and disclosure of the appointment.

In connection with the above responsibilities, our Chair leads our Board in overseeing the management and direction of the Company; however, any specific actions taken in connection with this oversight responsibility are exercised by our full Board or any Board committee to which authority has been delegated by our Board, and not by any individual director.

# **Executive Sessions**

The Independent Directors hold regular executive sessions to provide an opportunity to discuss matters without Company management present, including our President and CEO. These executive sessions allow for candid conversations and promote the independence of our Board from management. Executive sessions follow regularly scheduled Board and committee meetings, but are also sometimes held independently of regular Board and committee meetings. Any Independent Director may call an executive session.

#### **Board Committees**

Our Board has a standing Audit Committee, Compensation and Human Capital Committee, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, each of which has a written charter available on our website at healthpeak.com/esg/governance. Our Board also has a standing Investment and Finance Committee to review Healthpeak's potential investments, financing requirements and related capital structure, plans and strategies.

As a corporate governance best practice, the Governance Committee annually considers the composition of our standing Board committees to ensure an appropriate balance of workloads and a diversity of perspectives. The committee descriptions below reflect the current membership of the standing committees of our Board and the number of meetings and attendance for each in 2023. Messrs. Brinker and Thomas do not and will not serve on any Board committees.

Following the Annual Meeting and subject to their election by stockholders, we anticipate that Ms. Kessler will serve on the Audit Committee, Ms. Lias-Booker will serve on the Governance Committee, and Governor Thompson and Mr. Weiss will serve on the Investment and Finance Committee, with Governor Thompson serving as Chair of that committee.

### Audit Committee

#### 100% INDEPENDENT

# CURRENT MEMBERS R. Kent Griffin, Jr.\*, Chair James B. Connor\* Christine N. Garvey\* David B. Henry\*

\*NYSE/SEC Financial Expert









#### **RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:**

- Oversee independent auditor
- Oversee annual assessment of internal controls and the internal audit function
- Review independence and quality control procedures of independent auditor
- Oversee financial statement and internal control integrity and processes, including implementation of new accounting standards
- Plan annual audit with management, independent auditor and internal audit team
- Communicate with independent auditor regarding conduct of the audit and other matters, including review of critical audit matters and issues encountered during the annual audit
- Pre-approve audit and non-audit services to be provided by the independent auditor
- Oversee legal and regulatory compliance and enterprise risk management activities
- Oversee information and cybersecurity risk management processes
- · Oversee quality and integrity of quantitative public disclosures relating to ESG matters

• Review our investment policies and related financing requirements, plans and strategies

Review potential significant acquisitions, dispositions, developments or redevelopments of

- Review strategy for use of swaps or derivative instruments for hedging risks
- Review quarterly and annual financial statements and related disclosures
- Review related person transactions

#### **KEY MEMBER SKILLS**

- High level of financial experience
- Senior leadership experience
- Risk oversight/management experience

Total 2023 Meetings: 4
2023 Meeting Attendance: 100%

#### **2023 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Reviewed portfolio and operational risk management plans, including cybersecurity risk mitigation practices
- Oversaw use of non-GAAP financial measures and other accounting policies

# Investment and Finance Committee

#### 100% INDEPENDENT

CURRENT MEMBERS

David B. Henry, Chair

Christine N. Garvey

R. Kent Griffin, Jr.





#### **KEY MEMBER SKILLS**

- REIT/real estate experience
- Public company executive/Board experience

single properties or portfolios of properties

Investment expertise

**RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:** 

Total 2023 Meetings: 1 2023 Meeting Attendance: 100%

#### **2023 HIGHLIGHTS**

 Reviewed and advised on significant transactions and developments



# Compensation and Human Capital Committee

#### 100% INDEPENDENT

#### CURRENT MEMBERS Sara G. Lewis, Chair Brian G. Cartwright James B. Connor Christine N. Garvey









#### **RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:**

- Determine executive compensation, including approving performance goals, objectives and target opportunities
- Evaluate executive officer performance annually in connection with compensation decisions
- Review director compensation and recommend changes to our Board
- Periodically review all annual cash incentive, equity incentive, 401(k), severance and change-in-control plans
- Assess risks related to compensation arrangements
- Oversee the administration of the clawback policy
- Consider results of stockholder advisory vote on executive compensation
- Review and discuss with management the compensation discussion and analysis, and recommend to our Board whether it be included in the annual proxy statement
- Review and approve independent compensation consultant engagement
- Oversee human capital matters
- Grant equity awards or delegate such authority to a subcommittee (the Board and Compensation Committee have delegated authority to Mr. Brinker to grant certain equity awards to non-executive employees within certain limits)

For information on the role of Ferguson Partners Consulting L.P. ("Ferguson Partners Consulting"), the Compensation Committee's independent compensation consultant, relating to executive compensation decisions, as well as the role of our President and CEO for our other executive officers, see "Compensation Discussion and Analysis."

#### **KEY MEMBER SKILLS**

- Senior leadership experience
- Human capital management experience

Total 2023 Meetings: 3 2023 Meeting Attendance: 100%

#### **2023 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Provided oversight of and guidance on human capital matters
- Made 2023 compensation determinations based on approved 2023 compensation plans
- Established 2024 executive compensation plans and approved compensation of management team members

# Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

#### 100% INDEPENDENT

## CURRENT MEMBERS Katherine M. Sandstrom, Chair

Brian G. Cartwright David B. Henry Sara G. Lewis









#### **RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:**

- Develop and oversee Corporate Governance Guidelines applicable to our Board
- Oversee corporate governance, sustainability and corporate responsibility matters
- Oversee policy on director time commitments
- Review Codes of Conduct and the enforcement procedures in place at least annually
- Identify qualified candidates as potential Board members
- Recommend candidates for election at annual stockholder meeting and to fill Board vacancies
- Oversee annual Board and committee evaluation process
- Oversee Board and committee composition and recommend committee rotations when appropriate
- Review performance of each director at least annually and assess continued suitability as a director when he or she has a change in job responsibilities

#### **KEY MEMBER SKILLS**

- Legal/regulatory experience
- Public company executive/Board experience
- Risk oversight/management experience

Total 2023 Meetings: 4
2023 Meeting Attendance: 100%

#### **2023 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Provided oversight and guidance on corporate governance matters
- Oversaw corporate responsibility initiatives and climate risk strategy and received regular management updates on corporate responsibility strategy and performance
- Oversaw the search for new director candidates, leading to the appointment of one new director in 2023 and five new director appointments in connection with our merger with Physicians Realty Trust

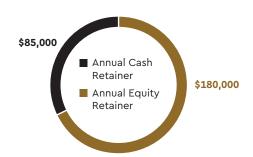
# Director Compensation—2023

# **Annual Compensation**

In consultation with Ferguson Partners Consulting, the Compensation Committee's independent compensation consultant, the Compensation Committee periodically reviews our Independent Director compensation program for continued alignment with comparable companies and sound governance practices and last reviewed director compensation in 2022. The Committee determined not to make any changes to director compensation for 2023.

Compensation paid to our Independent Directors for services in 2023 is further described below. Mr. Brinker, our President and CEO and a director, received no separate compensation for his services as a director in 2023. Mr. Thomas will not receive compensation in connection with his service on the Board. Following the closing of our merger with Physicians Realty Trust on March 1, 2024, Mr. Thomas receives compensation as our employee beginning in 2024, with total aggregate compensation of \$100,000 annual base salary, \$400,000 annual restricted unit grant and standard employee benefits, which amounts will be included in the 2024 Director Compensation table in next year's proxy statement.

#### ANNUAL INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR COMPENSATION



#### ADDITIONAL ANNUAL CASH COMPENSATION

Independent Chair: \$140,000 Independent Vice Chair: \$70,000\*

#### **Audit Committee**

- Chair \$35,000
- Member \$17,500

#### **Compensation Committee**

- Chair \$30,000
- Member \$10,000

#### **Governance Committee**

- Chair \$20,000
- Member \$9,000

#### **Investment Committee**

- Chair \$25,000
- Member \$7,500
- Ms. Sandstrom served as Independent Vice Chair for a portion of 2023

# **Independent Director Cash Compensation**

We pay an annual cash retainer of \$85,000 to each director, as well as an additional annual cash retainer of \$140,000 to our independent Chair (and an additional \$70,000, prorated, to Ms. Sandstrom in connection with her role as independent Vice Chair for the portion of the year in which she served in that role) and committee fees as set forth in the table above.

We also pay Independent Directors an additional \$1,500 per meeting fee for each Board or individual committee meeting they attend beyond 10 meetings of our Board or that committee, as applicable, in a given calendar year (for example, for each Audit Committee meetings in one calendar year). In 2023, there were five such additional meetings.

All cash retainers are paid quarterly in arrears and prorated based on the number of days that a member serves in the applicable capacity. We also reimburse Independent Directors for director education and reasonable travel expenses in connection with their Board duties.

# **Independent Director Equity Compensation**

We grant an annual equity retainer in restricted stock units ("RSUs") with a grant date fair value of \$180,000, rounded up to the nearest whole share, to each Independent Director who is elected at the annual meeting of stockholders or is initially appointed as an Independent Director other than at the annual meeting. The award for a new Independent Director who is initially appointed other than at an annual meeting may be pro-rated. In 2023, each independent director was granted an annual equity award in the form of RSUs with a grant date fair market value of \$180,000 on April 28, 2023. The RSUs cliff-vest in full on the earliest of the first anniversary of the grant date, the Company's next annual meeting of stockholders, or the termination of the independent director's service due to death or disability. The awards are subject to forfeiture if the director's service terminates for any other reason. The Compensation Committee believes that the 1-year cliff vesting promotes retention during the annual term in which our directors serve.

## 2023 Independent Director Compensation

The following table summarizes the compensation of the Independent Directors for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

NAME <sup>(1)</sup> (A)	FEES EARNED OR PAID IN CASH (\$) (b)	STOCK AWARDS (\$) <sup>(2)</sup> (c)	TOTAL (\$) (h)
Brian G. Cartwright	178,670	180,000	358,670
James B. Connor	58,536	180,000	238,536
Christine N. Garvey	120,000	180,000	300,000
R. Kent Griffin, Jr.	127,500	180,000	307,500
David B. Henry	136,500	180,000	316,500
Sara G. Lewis	124,000	180,000	304,000
Katherine M. Sandstrom	210,934	180,000	390,934

<sup>(1)</sup> Messrs. Thomas and Weiss, Governor Thompson and Mses. Kessler and Lias-Booker did not serve as directors during 2023.

# **Director Compensation Policies and Plans**

# **Director Stock Ownership Guidelines**

Independent Directors are required to accumulate and hold shares of Healthpeak stock (including RSUs) equal in value to at least five times the amount of the annual cash retainer for Independent Directors (i.e., \$425,000). The guidelines are effective on the first May 15 that occurs more than five years after an Independent Director first becomes a member of our Board. Once subject to the guidelines, an Independent Director's level of stock ownership will be reviewed annually on May 15 for as long as the director remains in office. Shares that count toward the satisfaction of the stock ownership guidelines include shares of our common stock beneficially held (directly or indirectly) by the Independent Director, vested or unvested restricted stock units, and shares of our common stock deferred under a deferred compensation plan. The Governance Committee is responsible for reviewing, overseeing and monitoring compliance with the director stock ownership guidelines. All of our Independent Directors for whom the guidelines were effective as of May 15, 2023 satisfied the required level of ownership as of that date.

# **Director Deferred Compensation Plan**

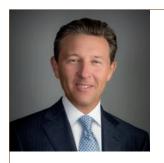
We maintain a deferred compensation plan (the "Director Deferral Plan"), which permits our Independent Directors to elect to defer their annual retainers. Amounts deferred under the Director Deferral Plan generally are payable in cash as a lump sum, in monthly installments, or a combination of both, as elected by the director, upon the termination of the director's service on our Board, the director's death or such earlier date as elected by the director. A director participating in the Director Deferral Plan may elect to have his or her deferred compensation credited to (i) an interest rate account wherein the deferrals accrue interest at a rate equal to the current prime rate minus 1%, or (ii) a stock credit account wherein the deferrals are treated as if invested in our common stock with the account increasing for dividends paid, and increasing or decreasing in value with changes in our stock price. None of our Independent Directors currently participate in this plan.

## **Director Stock-For-Fees Program**

Under the Non-Employee Director Stock-for-Fees Program, each of our Independent Directors may elect to receive all or a portion of their annual retainer and meeting fees in the form of shares of our common stock in lieu of payment in cash. The election will apply to the elected amount of such fees that would otherwise be paid in cash, commencing with the fiscal quarter after the election is made. Shares will be issued as soon as practicable after we pay an ordinary cash dividend to our stockholders following the date that cash director fees for the preceding quarter would otherwise be payable to the director. The number of shares issued will be determined by dividing the amount of the fees by the average closing price of our common stock for the 10 trading days immediately preceding the relevant dividend payment date. None of our Independent Directors currently participate in this program.

RSUs issued pursuant to the 2023 Performance Incentive Plan (the "2023 Plan"). The value in the stock award column represents the aggregate grant date fair value of RSUs awarded to the director in the fiscal year, computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 718—Compensation. For a discussion of the assumptions and methodologies used to calculate the amounts referred to above, see Note 14—Compensation Plans to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report. As of December 31, 2023, each of our Independent Directors who were serving on the Board at that time held 8,193 unvested RSUs.

# **Our Executive Officers**



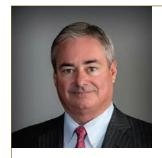
Scott M. Brinker, 47, President and Chief Executive Officer DIRECTOR SINCE: 2022

Mr. Brinker has been our President and Chief Executive Officer since October 2022. He previously served as President and Chief Investment Officer from January 2020 until October 2022 and Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer from March 2018 until December 2019. Before joining Healthpeak, Mr. Brinker was at Welltower Inc. (NYSE: WELL), a healthcare REIT, from 2001 to 2017, most recently as its Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer. He is also an Executive Board Member of Nareit.



## Peter A. Scott, 44, Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Scott has been our Chief Financial Officer since February 2017. He previously also served as Executive Vice President from February 2017 to July 2021. Prior to joining Healthpeak in February 2017, Mr. Scott served as a Managing Director, Real Estate Banking Group of Barclays, a financial services firm listed on the London Stock Exchange, from 2014 to 2017. His experience also includes various positions of increasing responsibility at the financial services firms Credit Suisse from 2011 to 2014, Barclays from 2008 to 2011 and Lehman Brothers from 2002 to 2008.



## Thomas M. Klaritch, 66, Chief Operating Officer

Mr. Klaritch has been our Chief Operating Officer since September 2017. He previously also served as Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Development Officer from February 2019 to July 2021, as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer from August 2017 to February 2019, as Executive Vice President – Medical Office Properties from April 2008 to August 2017, and as Senior Vice President – Medical Office Properties from October 2003 to April 2008. Prior to joining Healthpeak, Mr. Klaritch was a founding member and Chief Financial Officer of MedCap Properties LLC, a company that owned, operated and developed healthcare real estate (Healthpeak acquired MedCap Properties LLC in October 2003). He has 41 years of operational and financial management experience in the medical office and hospital sectors. Mr. Klaritch is a Fellow in the Healthcare Financial Management Association. He is also a certified public accountant (inactive).



## Scott R. Bohn, 45, Chief Development Officer and Head of Lab

Mr. Bohn has been our Chief Development Officer and Head of Lab since February 2024, and prior to that, he served as Chief Development Officer and Co-Head of Lab from October 2022 to February 2024. He previously served as Executive Vice President – Co-Head of Life Science from January 2022 until October 2022, as Senior Vice President – Co-Head of Life Science from February 2021 until January 2022, as Senior Vice President – Life Science from January 2019 until February 2021, as Vice President – Life Science Estates from January 2014 until December 2018, and as Director – Life Science Estates from September 2012 until December 2013. Prior to joining Healthpeak, Mr. Bohn held various development, acquisition and leasing positions at Terreno Realty Corporation (NYSE: TRNO) in 2012, D'Aprile Properties from 2009 to 2011, AMB Property Corporation (now Prologis – NYSE: PLD) from 2006 to 2009, RREEF/Deutsche Bank from 2003 to 2006, and LaSalle Bank, from 2002 to 2003.



# Jeffrey H. Miller, 64, General Counsel

Mr. Miller has been our General Counsel since November 2022. He previously served as Executive Vice President – Development from April 2021 to October 2022, as Executive Vice President – Senior Housing from January 2020 to March 2021 and as Senior Vice President – Senior Housing Asset Management from November 2018 to December 2019. Prior to joining Healthpeak, Mr. Miller served as Chief Operating Officer at Welltower, Inc. (NYSE: WELL), a healthcare REIT, from July 2014 to January 2017, and General Counsel from July 2004 to July 2014. He was a partner at the law firm Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP from 1996 to 2004, where he represented a broad range of clients in corporate and real estate matters.



# Shawn G. Johnston, 44, Executive Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Mr. Johnston has been our Executive Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer since February 2019. He previously served as Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer from August 2017 until January 2019. Prior to joining Healthpeak in August 2017, Mr. Johnston served as Vice President – Chief Accounting Officer of UDR, Inc. (NYSE: UDR), a multifamily real estate investment trust, from March 2016 to August 2017, and Vice President – Controller from September 2013 until March 2016. He also served as Interim Principal Financial Officer of UDR from June 2016 through December 2016. From August 2010 to August 2013, Mr. Johnston served as Chief Accounting Officer at American Residential Communities LLC, a residential real estate company. Prior to that, he served in the Ernst & Young LLP Audit Department, specializing in real estate, from October 2002 to August 2010.



Ankit B. Patadia, 46, Executive Vice President and Treasurer - Corporate Finance

Mr. Patadia has been our Executive Vice President and Treasurer – Corporate Finance since February 2023. He joined Healthpeak in 2010 and has served in a variety of roles, including Senior Vice President and Treasurer – Corporate Finance from February 2019 to January 2023, Vice President and Treasurer from 2018 to 2019, Assistant Treasurer and Vice President – Financial Planning and Analysis from 2017 to 2018 and Assistant Treasurer and Vice President – Capital Markets/Treasury from 2016 to 2017. Prior to joining Healthpeak, Mr. Patadia served as Senior Consultant at Deloitte Consulting from 2004 to 2008.



Adam G. Mabry, 39, Chief Investment Officer

Mr. Mabry has been our Chief Investment Officer since October 2022. He previously served as Senior Vice President – Investments from February 2018 to October 2022 and as Vice President – Corporate Transactions from June 2017 to January 2018. Prior to joining Healthpeak, Mr. Mabry was a Vice President at The Wolff Company, a fully-integrated real estate private equity firm, where he focused on executing structured transactions across the multifamily, senior and affordable housing sectors. Prior to that, he was a Vice President at Barclays in the real estate investment banking group. Mr. Mabry is a Chartered Financial Analyst® charterholder.



Lisa A. Alonso, 47, Executive Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer

Ms. Alonso has been our Executive Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer since January 2020. She joined Healthpeak in 2014 and served in a variety of roles, including Senior Vice President – Human Resources from February 2018 to December 2019, Vice President – Human Resources from January 2016 to January 2018, Director – Human Resources from April 2015 to December 2015, and Manager – Human Resources from November 2014 to April 2015. Prior to joining Healthpeak, Ms. Alonso served as Director of Human Resources/HR Business Partner at The Irvine Company's Resort at Pelican Hill from April 2013 to July 2014. Prior to that, she served as Vice President of Human Resources and Director of Recruiting and Training at California First National Bancorp (Nasdaq: CFNB) from February 2003 to March 2013.

## **PROPOSAL 02**

# Approval of 2023 Executive Compensation on an Advisory Basis



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Our Board recommends a vote FOR approval of 2023 executive compensation on an advisory basis

## **Advisory Resolution**

In accordance with the requirements of Section 14A of the Exchange Act and the related rules of the SEC, stockholders are entitled to cast a nonbinding, advisory vote to approve the compensation of our NEOs (often referred to as "say-on-pay"). Accordingly, you are being asked to vote on the following resolution at the Annual Meeting:

**RESOLVED**, that the stockholders APPROVE, on an advisory basis, the compensation paid to the NEOs, as disclosed in the proxy statement, which includes the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," the accompanying tables, and the related narrative disclosure, pursuant to the SEC's executive compensation disclosure rules.

Our Board recommends that you vote FOR this resolution because it believes that our executive compensation program supports our compensation objectives and philosophies, including:

- ✓ Aligning compensation with stockholder interests and promoting long-term stockholder value creation
- Providing a straightforward and transparent compensation program, with rigorous, objective and at-risk performance, including future relative TSR as a significant component
- Attracting, motivating and retaining key employees with outstanding talent and ability
- Discouraging excessive risk-taking by balancing short-and long-term compensation with a mix of cash and equity incentives
- Paying for performance, with a meaningful portion of compensation tied to the Company's strategic and financial goals, with limited fixed or discretionary components
- ✓ Robust oversight by an independent Board committee

## **Voting Standard**

This proposal to approve the compensation paid to our NEOs will pass if there is the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal at the Annual Meeting. This proposal is advisory only and will not be binding on, overrule any decision by, or create or imply additional fiduciary duties for, Healthpeak, our Board or the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee, which is responsible for designing and administering our executive compensation program, values the opinions expressed by stockholders in their vote on this proposal and will consider the outcome of the vote when making future compensation decisions for NEOs. Our current policy is to provide our stockholders with an opportunity to approve the compensation of our NEOs each year at the annual meeting of stockholders. It is expected that the next advisory vote on executive compensation will be held at the 2025 annual meeting of stockholders.

# Letter from Our Compensation and Human Capital Committee

# Dear Stockholders,

As the members of the Compensation and Human Capital Committee, we are responsible for overseeing the design and implementation of a competitive executive compensation program that furthers the interests of stockholders and demonstrates strong pay-for-performance alignment. This responsibility includes listening to and considering your views on executive compensation. We also help oversee management's efforts to develop and implement a robust human capital management program.

The Compensation Discussion and Analysis, or CD&A, that follows describes what we pay, why we pay it and how we made our executive compensation decisions in 2023. Our compensation philosophy is intended to align the interests of our executives and stockholders through a transparent and rigorous compensation program.

We incentivize our executives by offering a combination of performance-based and fixed compensation, with a significant portion at risk in the form of performance-based equity awards. The value of these awards depends upon the value of our common stock, which we believe further aligns executives' interests with those of our stockholders. We believe this compensation philosophy also motivates our talented management team, promotes the execution of our business strategy in a manner that focuses on long-term stockholder value creation, encourages prudent risk management and enhances retention of our executive team in a competitive marketplace for talent.

The key objectives of our compensation program include:

- Aligning executive compensation with the interests of our stockholders
- · Linking a significant portion of executive compensation to the achievement of key financial and strategic goals
- Providing a transparent compensation program with objective performance hurdles with a substantial possibility of not being achieved
- Evaluating hurdles across multiple metrics and performance periods, including 3-year relative total stockholder return, or TSR, performance
- · Limiting discretionary compensation components while maintaining flexibility to compensate for individual performance

In 2023, base salary increases for our named executive officers were limited to increases in connection with certain promotions, and we did not increase the target-level opportunities under the short-term incentive plan (STIP), our annual cash bonus program, except in connection with one promotion. We increased named executive officers' target-level long-term incentive plan (LTIP) opportunities in 2023 to better align equity compensation with the equity compensation of similarly-situated executives at peer companies.

Our executive compensation program payout results reflect our pay-for-performance philosophy. The objective metrics under our 2023 STIP were achieved at above-target levels, aligning executive bonus payouts with the Company's financial, operational and ESG performance. The 2021 LTIP, covering a three-year performance period of 2021–2023, paid out below target level based on our total stockholder return performance relative to objectively-defined peer indices, further reinforcing the importance of aligning the management team's compensation with long-term stockholder value creation.

We believe that our compensation program provides compelling incentives for our executives, which in turn benefits our stockholders by driving our business strategy and goals. We also believe our stockholders' interests are best served over time by a balanced compensation program that takes a long-term, holistic view of our business strategy and emphasizes the drivers of long-term value creation.

# **Compensation and Human Capital Committee Report**

We reviewed and discussed the CD&A with management, as well as the Compensation and Human Capital Committee's independent compensation consultant and legal advisors. Based upon this review and discussion, we recommended to the Board that the CD&A be included in this proxy statement.

#### COMPENSATION AND HUMAN CAPITAL COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Sara G. Lewis (Chair) Independent Chair



**Brian G. Cartwright**Independent Director



James B. Connor
Independent Director



Christine N. Garvey
Independent Director

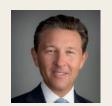
The foregoing report of the Compensation Committee is not soliciting material, is not deemed filed with the SEC and is not incorporated by reference in any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date of this proxy statement and irrespective of any general incorporation language in such filing.

# **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

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# **Named Executive Officers**

Our CD&A describes Healthpeak's 2023 executive compensation program for the named executive officers, or NEOs, listed below.



Scott M. Brinker
President and Chief
Executive Officer



Peter A. Scott Chief Financial Officer



**Thomas M. Klaritch**Chief Operating
Officer



Scott R. Bohn
Chief Development
Officer and
Head of Lab



Ankit B. Patadia, Executive Vice President and Treasurer – Corporate Finance

# 2023 Compensation Program Overview

Consistent with our goals of aligning executive and stockholder interests and appropriately incentivizing our executives, the Compensation and Human Capital Committee, or the Compensation Committee, adopted a compensation program that incorporates a mix of at-risk incentives and fixed pay designed to accomplish the key objectives of our executive compensation program. The key objectives of our executive compensation program are outlined in the Letter from Our Compensation and Human Capital Committee above. In 2023, our compensation program consisted of the following key elements, as further detailed under "2023 NEO Compensation" below.

# **Key Compensation Elements**

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#### BASE SALARY

- Competitive base salary to attract and retain talent based on experience, job scope, market data and individual performance
- Annually reviewed against similarly situated executives at peer companies to maintain competitive levels

**2023 Changes:** Base salary increases were limited to certain executive promotions

# ANNUAL CASH INCENTIVE OPPORTUNITIES

- Based on the achievement of objective, at-risk Company performance metrics to align compensation with strategic goals
- Includes objective financial performance metrics of Normalized FFO per share and Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre, which are common REIT performance measures
- Includes quantitative and qualitative ESG metrics, underscoring our leadership's commitments to environmental, social and governance performance
- A portion of the annual cash incentive, or bonus, is based on individual performance to reward individual initiative, achievements and contributions and ensure that executives are driving execution of our business strategy

2023 Changes: Targetlevel bonus opportunities remained flat from 2022 except in connection with certain executive promotions; increased weighting of objective, quantitative metrics and decreased weighting of individual performance metric

# LONG-TERM EQUITY INCENTIVE OPPORTUNITIES

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- Performance-based awards and service-based awards with a performance hurdle (granted in the form of restricted stock units or profits interest units)
- Performance-based awards earned by achieving 3-year Company TSR performance hurdles relative to constituents in third-party indices and select healthcare REIT peers, aligning executive compensation with stockholders' long-term interests and value creation
- Service-based awards encourage retention by vesting ratably over three years, subject to a performance hurdle requiring achievement of a minimum Normalized FFO per share threshold in the grant year

#### 2023 Changes:

Target-level opportunities increased to align executive pay with similarly-situated executives at peer companies; simplified number of peer indices used to measure relative TSR

# **Pay-for-Performance Philosophy**

Our executive compensation program rewards successful annual performance and encourages long-term value creation for our stockholders. NEO short-and long-term incentive compensation is subject to rigorous, objective, at-risk performance hurdles across multiple metrics and performance periods, which the Compensation Committee intends to incentivize management to drive Company performance and encourage prudent risk management consistent with the Company's financial and strategic goals. The below graphics illustrate the mix of 2023 fixed pay (base salary) and at-risk pay incentives (cash incentive compensation and grant date fair value of equity awards granted during the year), presented at the target level of performance, for our President and CEO and our other NEOs.





## **Compensation Practices at a Glance**

STOCKHOLDER-FRIENDLY PRACTICES WE FOLLOW

- ✓ Align short-term pay and performance by linking 70% of STIP compensation to objective, quantitative performance hurdles
- ✓ Align long-term pay and performance by linking 60% of LTIP compensation to 3-year relative TSR with 1-year postvesting holding period (other than the settlement of shares in connection with applicable tax withholding)
- ✓ Promote retention with 40% of LTIP compensation subject to 3-year vesting with 1-year post-vesting holding period (other than the settlement of shares in connection with applicable tax withholding)
- Cap payout and vesting levels for incentive awards
- ✔ Provide market-based standardized severance and change-incontrol benefits for executives
- Maintain robust stock ownership guidelines and clawback policy
- Conduct annual compensation risk assessment
- ✓ Compensation Committee comprised solely of Independent Directors
- ✓ Use of an independent compensation consultant
- ✓ Conduct annual compensation analysis against peer company practices

# **PRACTICES WE AVOID**

- \* No individual employment agreements
- \* No guaranteed cash incentives, equity compensation or salary increases for existing NEOs
- ✗ No new stock option awards to NEOs
- No tax gross-up payments on change-in-control or severance payments or executive perquisites
- \* No pledging or hedging of our securities by directors, officers or other employees
- No single-trigger change in control severance payments
- \* No excessive perquisites or other benefits
- No repricing or buyouts of stock options (no outstanding stock options as of March 2024)
- \* No equity plan evergreen provisions
- x No equity awards with less than 1-year total vesting period

# Say-on-Pay Results

The Compensation Committee considers our say-on-pay vote results in approving our executive compensation program. The Committee determined to maintain the core structure of our overall executive compensation program for 2023, taking into account:

- Strong support demonstrated by our stockholders in our 2023 say-on-pay vote
- Recommendations of our independent compensation consultant
- · Positive stockholder feedback through outreach efforts



In 2023, over 91% of stockholder votes cast were cast FOR our 2022 executive compensation program, and average support over the last 5 years was 91%

# 2023 NEO Compensation

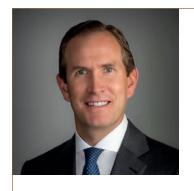
The Compensation Committee oversees the design and administration of our executive compensation program and evaluates these programs against Company performance, competitive practices, legal and regulatory developments and corporate governance trends. The Committee considers analysis and recommendations from Ferguson Partners Consulting when making compensation decisions. Additionally, our President and Chief Executive Officer provides feedback to the Committee with respect to our other executive officers based on individual performance.



Scott M. Brinker, President and Chief Executive Officer



- No changes were made to 2023 base salary or the STIP opportunity compared to 2022.
- In connection with his promotion to President and Chief Executive Officer in October 2022, Mr. Brinker's 2023 target-level LTIP opportunity was increased from \$2.98 million to \$5.9 million to align his equity compensation with the equity compensation of similarly-situated executives at peer companies.
- The Compensation Committee established overall compensation for Mr. Brinker, as a new CEO, on the lower end of market practices and anticipates to increase such compensation in future years assuming a commensurate degree of performance.

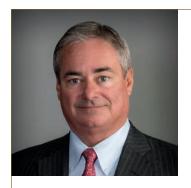


Peter A. Scott, Chief Financial Officer

2023 TARGET COMPENSATION: \$4.0 MILLION



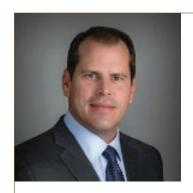
- No changes were made to 2023 base salary or STIP opportunity compared to 2022
- 2023 target-level LTIP opportunity was increased from \$1.75 million to \$2.35 million to better align Mr. Scott's equity compensation with the compensation of similarly situated executives at peer companies.



# Thomas M. Klaritch, Chief Operating Officer



- No changes were made to 2023 base salary or STIP opportunity compared to 2022
- 2023 target-level LTIP opportunity was increased from \$1.5 million to \$1.75 million to better align Mr. Klaritch's equity compensation with the compensation of similarly situated executives at peer companies.



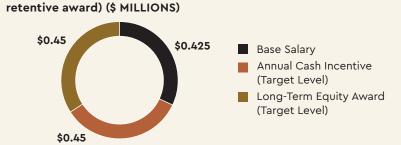
# Scott R. Bohn, Chief Development Officer and Head of Lab



- 2023 base salary was increased from \$500,000 to \$525,000 in connection with Mr. Bohn's promotion in October 2022.
- The Compensation Committee determined not to make changes to Mr. Bohn's 2023 STIP opportunity or 2023 target-level LTIP opportunity, noting that promotion-related increases were made to Mr. Bohn's STIP opportunity and LTIP award opportunity in late 2022, as disclosed in our proxy statement filed with the SEC in calendar year 2023.



Ankit B. Patadia, Executive Vice President and Treasurer - Corporate Finance



2023 TARGET COMPENSATION: \$1.33 MILLION (not including promotion

 Mr. Patadia's 2023 base salary, STIP opportunity and target-level LTIP award opportunity were increased in connection with his promotion to Executive Vice President and Treasurer - Corporate Finance in February 2023. He also received a retentive award in connection with his promotion as described under "-2023 Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation."

## **Base Salary**

In October 2022 and again in February 2023, the Compensation Committee reviewed executive compensation data of peer companies prepared by Ferguson Partners Consulting (as described below under "Compensation Policies and Practices—Peer Company Comparison"). Following this review, the Committee determined to increase the base salaries for Messrs. Bohn and Patadia in connection with their promotions, based on its review of compensation data for executives at peer companies with substantially similar roles and responsibilities prepared by Ferguson Partners Consulting (as described under "Compensation Policies and Practices – Peer Company Comparison"). Mr. Bohn's 2023 salary was increased from \$500,000 to \$525,000 annually, and Mr. Patadia's 2023 salary was increased from \$350,000 to \$425,000 annually. No changes were made to the annual base salary levels for Messrs. Brinker, Scott and Klaritch.

NAME	2023 ANNUAL BASE SALARY (\$)
Scott M. Brinker	750,000
Peter A. Scott	650,000
Thomas M. Klaritch	600,000
Scott R. Bohn	525,000
Ankit B. Patadia	425,000

## **Annual Cash Incentive Compensation**

## 2023 Short-Term Incentive Plan Structure

Our NEOs are eligible to receive annual cash bonuses under the 2023 STIP based on the achievement of performance criteria established by the Compensation Committee for the performance period and taking into account individual performance. In selecting metrics and weighting for the 2023 STIP, the Compensation Committee also reviewed the Company's strategic focus on portfolio quality, a strong balance sheet, and organic growth complemented by acquisitions and developments, as well as the importance of ESG to our Company's business and long-term strategy. Considering these goals, together with feedback from our stockholders during ongoing engagement and input from Ferguson Partners Consulting, the Committee determined it would be appropriate to reduce the weighting of the individual performance metric from 40% to 30%, and increase the weighting of the objective financial metrics, Normalized FFO per share and Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre, from 30% to 35% and 15% to 20%, respectively. The Committee approved the following 2023 STIP annual metrics and weighting.

	35% Normalized FFO Per Share	<ul> <li>Funds from operations (FFO) is a commonly used REIT financial metric defined by Nareit; Normalized FFO per share is adjusted to exclude the impact from certain non-recurring or non-comparable items.</li> <li>Allows stockholders to compare operating performance among REITs over time on a consistent basis.</li> <li>May significantly impact the trading price of a REIT's common stock and, therefore, may significantly impact TSR.</li> </ul>
2023 STIP	20% Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre	<ul> <li>Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre is a supplemental measure of our achievement of established debt targets and is adjusted to exclude the impact from certain non-recurring or non-comparable items.</li> <li>Promotes a strong balance sheet and balances the Normalized FFO per share metric to discourage overleveraging.</li> <li>Reflects the ability to generate sufficient earnings to meet debt obligations as the portfolio grows.</li> <li>A strong balance sheet is also important for REITs to enable acquisition and investment opportunities.</li> </ul>
	15% ESG Performance	<ul> <li>Corporate responsibility through environmental, social and governance initiatives is important to our Company's long-term strategy and success.</li> <li>Measures the Company's performance on various quantitative and qualitative ESG initiatives as described in detail in the ESG performance scorecard on page 51.</li> </ul>
	30% Individual Performance	<ul> <li>Assessment of individual contributions to the Company's financial and operational performance, as well as accomplishments relative to annual objectives.</li> <li>Strongly influenced by objective criteria, such as the quality of the Company's portfolio and investments, including investment performance relative to underwriting or budget and other quantitative and qualitative performance metrics and trends as determined by the Compensation Committee.</li> <li>Incentivizes and rewards individual initiative, achievements and contributions to ensure that executives are driving execution of our business strategy in their respective roles.</li> </ul>

The pre-established target-level performance hurdle for Normalized FFO per share was set at the mid-point of our initial public guidance for 2023. The pre-established target-level performance hurdle for Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre was set in relation to our internally budgeted expectation, which is not publicly disclosed. The pre-established performance factors for ESG Performance, as further described below, was set in relation to internal strategic goals and key performance indicators, and taking external stockholder feedback into account.

## 2023 STIP Award Opportunities

The Compensation Committee approved NEO 2023 STIP award opportunities in February 2023, following a review of compensation data for peers with substantially similar roles and responsibilities prepared by Ferguson Partners Consulting (as described below under "Compensation Policies and Practices—Peer Company Comparison"). The award opportunities reflect the Committee's assessment of each NEO's job position and responsibilities, experience, compensation peer group data and individual performance. Based on this assessment, the Committee determined to increase the 2023 STIP award opportunity for Mr. Patadia from \$400,000 to \$450,000 in connection with his promotion, but not to increase 2023 STIP award opportunities for Messrs. Brinker, Scott, Klaritch and Bohn.

With respect to each of the performance metrics under the 2023 STIP, reaching the threshold, target or high achievement level results in a payout of 50%, 100% or 150%, respectively, of the target-level award opportunity. Payout amounts between threshold, target and high levels are interpolated on a linear basis. No bonus is paid for metrics with outcomes below the threshold achievement level. The following table reflects the 2023 STIP NEO award opportunities.

	2023 STIF	2023 STIP AWARD OPPORTUNITY (\$)				
NAME	THRESHOLD (50%)	TARGET (100%)	HIGH (150%)			
Scott M. Brinker	575,000	1,150,000	1,725,000			
Peter A. Scott	500,000	1,000,000	1,500,000			
Thomas M. Klaritch	450,000	900,000	1,350,000			
Scott R. Bohn	250,000	500,000	750,000			
Ankit B. Patadia	225,000	450,000	675,000			

#### 2023 STIP Performance and Results



#### Financial Metrics (55% of Overall Award)

#### STRONG OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND BALANCE SHEET MANAGEMENT

The Compensation Committee sets executive compensation performance hurdles near the beginning of the performance period consistent with the Company's strategic goals and in line with our publicly disclosed initial guidance for the performance year, as applicable, consistent with our past practice.

RELATIVE WEIGHTING	2023 STIP PERFORMANCE METRIC	THRESHOLD (50%)	TARGET (100%)	HIGH (150%)	OUTCOME (PAYOUT %)
35%	Normalized FFO Per Share	\$1.70	Resu     \$1.73	\$1.76	\$1.78 (150%)
20%	Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre			ult(1) <b>5.2x</b>	5.2x (150%)
Weighted B	lended Overall Financial Performar	5.75x nce Payout Percent	5.5x age Relative to Tar	5.25x get Level:	150%

<sup>(1)</sup> For the definitions and reconciliations of Normalized FFO per share and Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre to the most directly comparable GAAP measures, see Appendix A.



### ESG Performance Metric (15% of Overall Award)

#### STRONG COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY, PEOPLE-FIRST CULTURE AND LEADING GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Compensation Committee established an ESG performance metric scorecard with both quantitative and qualitative ESG factors. The Committee selected measurable ESG performance criteria that it determined to be rigorous yet achievable, and which could be impacted by each NEO's performance during the period, including: green buildings, diversity and inclusion; employee well-being; and sound corporate governance. Factors were also identified based on key performance indicators in our ESG program.

#### ESG PERFORMANCE METRIC SCORECARD

	QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE COMPONENTS	POSSIBLE	EARNED	2023 RESULTS
	Submit to at least 3 major reporting frameworks	2	2	<ul> <li>Completed GRESB, CDP and S&amp;P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment submissions with enhanced disclosures</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Obtain LEED certification of Silver or Gold for all Lab developments completed during the year and eligible to receive certification</li> </ul>	1	1	<ul> <li>2 LEED Gold certifications awarded;</li> <li>2 LEED Gold certifications and 1 LEED Silver certification submitted in 2023</li> </ul>
ENVIRONMENTAL	<ul> <li>Develop a detailed and actionable sustainability strategy</li> </ul>	2	2	<ul> <li>Developed 10-year sustainability strategic roadmap, including decarbonization pathway and renewable energy strategy</li> </ul>
VIRO	Qualitative review of environmental initiatives	2	2	<ul> <li>ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year and 123</li> <li>ENERGY STAR certifications obtained</li> </ul>
M N				<ul> <li>Received 2.5 bps reduction under revolving credit facility sustainability-linked pricing grid for annual GHG emissions reduction</li> </ul>
				<ul> <li>FTSE4Good Index; Forbes Net Zero Leaders list; USA Today America's Climate Leaders list; GRESB Green Star recipient; Sustainability Yearbook</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Maintain overall employee engagement score at or above Kingsley Index (or successor) average (1 point) or 5% or higher above index average (2 points)</li> </ul>	2	-	<ul> <li>Postponed annual employee engagement survey in light of Physicians Realty Trust merger to allow for survey of combined company employees</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Advance gender and racial diversity initiatives, including in recruiting, hiring and succession</li> </ul>	2	2	<ul> <li>47% gender diverse and 37% racially diverse workforce (as of Oct. 2023)</li> </ul>
AL.	planning, as well as the Board			<ul> <li>Sponsored 30 racially diverse university students</li> </ul>
SOCIAL	<ul> <li>Receive prominent third party recognition for social and/or diversity and inclusion initiatives</li> </ul>	1	1	✓ Fortune Best Workplaces in Real Estate; Certified Great Place to Work; Orange County Business Journal Great Place to Work; The Tennessean Top Workplaces; Middle Tennessee Top Workplace
	Qualitative review of human capital initiatives	2	2	✓ 100% completion of workplace harassment prevention training
				<ul> <li>Implementation of new performance evaluation system</li> </ul>
CE	<ul> <li>Maintain average ISS Monthly Governance     Quality Score of "4" (top 40%) (1 point) or "3"     (top 30%) or better (2 points)</li> </ul>	2	2	✓ Average Score: 1 (top decile performance)
GOVERNANCE	Obtain 95% or higher completion of annual employee Code of Conduct training	2	2	✓ Over 95% completion
GOVE	Qualitative review of governance initiatives	2	2	✓ Governance Intelligence Corporate Governance Awards Best Proxy Statement winner; finalist for Best ESG Reporting; Newsweek America's Most Responsible Companies list; MSCI rating of "AA"
	Total Points	20	18	

RELATIVE WEIGHTING	2023 STIP PERFORMANCE METRIC	THRESHOLD	TARGET	нівн	OUTCOME (PAYOUT %)
			Resul	t 18 Points	10 mainta
15%	ESG Performance Metric	8 Points	l 12 Points	16 Points	18 points (150%)



#### **Individual Performance (30% of Overall Award)**

#### INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE REFLECTS LEADERSHIP AND ACHIEVEMENT

The remaining 30% of the 2023 STIP award was based on an assessment of individual performance. The Compensation Committee has discretion to award between 0% and 150% of each NEO's target-level individual performance award opportunity. The Committee took into account each NEO's individual accomplishments and leadership, as reflected in the following 2023 performance scorecards, in determining each NEO's individual performance award payout under the 2023 STIP.

In determining individual performance, the Committee took into consideration each NEO's individual contributions, as described in detail in each NEO's individual performance scorecard below. The Committee also noted the NEOs' overall contributions to factors that were especially important to the Company in 2023, including driving operational performance and execution, managing balance sheet and liquidity, and continued strategic positioning.

#### Scott M. Brinker,

#### **President and Chief Executive Officer**

- Despite a challenging macroeconomic environment, led strong financial and operational performance, including FFO as Adjusted and AFFO at the high end of original guidance
- Oversaw the development of our updated business strategic plan in the summer of 2023

#### Individual Performance Scorecard

- Led efforts for transformative strategic combination with Physicians Realty Trust
- Spent extensive time developing senior leadership team, touring properties and meeting with key investors, tenants and relationships in pursuit of strategic goals
- Executed on key deliverables for developments, redevelopments and transactions

Individual Performance Payout:

150% of Target

### Peter A. Scott,

#### **Chief Financial Officer**

- Developed flexible funding strategy, including execution of \$750 million in bonds at a blended yield of 5.36%
- Maintained strong balance sheet and financial results, including FFO as Adjusted and AFFO at the high end of original guidance

#### **Individual Performance Scorecard**

- Developed dynamic 3-year forecast process, enabling updates to outer years every quarter for better planning and decision making
- Maintained strong focus on investor engagement and marketing efforts, including hosting 19 property tours, attending 14 industry conferences and publishing four investor presentations

Individual Performance Payout:

145% of Target

## Thomas M. Klaritch,

#### **Chief Operating Officer**

- Led efforts with tenants to maintain strong leasing, rent collections and occupancy in Outpatient Medical segment
- Expanded sustainability initiatives in Outpatient Medical segment, including 77 LED lighting retrofit projects in tenant spaces and 123 ENERGY STAR certifications
- Met with health systems in top markets to identify and pursue relationship expansions
- Oversaw process improvements, including capturing efficiencies of automation (i.e., budgeting and asset management) and new technologies (i.e., parking systems, fan wall systems)

# Individual Performance Scorecard top markets to Individual

**Performance Payout:** 

145% of Target

### Scott R. Bohn,

#### Chief Development Officer and Head of Lab

#### **Individual Performance Scorecard**

- Advanced Lab entitlement opportunities, including significant rezoning milestone for Alewife development in Cambridge, MA; and 1.3 million sq. ft. of entitlements for Vantage development in South San Francisco, CA
- Led progress on major redevelopment campuses, including design, construction and leasing
- Led efforts for Lab lease executions of almost 1 million sq. ft. and maintained solid Lab results, including 2023 Same Store Cash (Adjusted) NOI growth at midpoint of original guidance
- Oversaw sustainability initiatives within development and operating portfolio, including submitting for and/or achieving LEED Gold, WELL and Fitwel certifications

Individual Performance Payout:

130% of Target

## Ankit B. Patadia,

#### **Executive Vice President and Treasurer - Corporate Finance**

- Maintained BBB+/Baa1 credit ratings with Individual
- Supported flexible funding strategy, with \$750 million in bonds at a blended yield of 5.36%
- Utilized proceeds from bonds, dispositions and loan repayments to maintain leverage in the low 5x range and net floating rate debt exposure below 10% target
- Maintained BBB+/Baa1 Credit ratings with stable outlook from S&P/Moody's
   Developed dynamic 3-year forecast
- Developed dynamic 3-year forecast process, enabling rolling updates to outer years for better planning and decision making

Individual
Performance Payout:

145% of Target



#### **Overall 2023 STIP Results**

The following table summarizes the actual annual incentive awards paid to each NEO under the 2023 STIP in February 2024 based on the foregoing results and determinations.

NAME	2023 STIP OPPORTUNITY (AT TARGET)	(55%) ACTUAL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE <sup>(1)</sup>	(15%) ACTUAL ESG PERFORMANCE <sup>(1)</sup>	(30%) ACTUAL INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE	OVERALL WEIGHTED PAYOUT (%)	TOTAL AWARD (\$)
Scott M. Brinker	\$1,150,000	150%	150%	150%	150%	\$ 1,725,000
Peter A. Scott	\$1,000,000	150%	150%	145%	149%	\$ 1,485,000
Thomas M. Klaritch	\$ 900,000	150%	150%	145%	149%	\$ 1,336,500
Scott R. Bohn	\$ 500,000	150%	150%	130%	144%	\$ 720,000
Ankit B. Patadia	\$ 450,000	150%	150%	145%	149%	\$ 668,250

<sup>(1)</sup> As a percentage of the target level.

## **Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation**

All 2023 equity awards were granted in the form of at-risk service-based and performance-based equity awards. We have not awarded stock options since 2014.

## 2023 Long-Term Incentive Plan

Our NEOs received long-term equity incentive awards under the 2023 LTIP, which are subject to the achievement of performance metrics and vesting criteria established by the Compensation Committee near the beginning of the performance period. Executives could elect to receive long-term equity incentive awards in the form of restricted stock units or profits interest units (i.e., equity interests in our operating partnership, Healthpeak OP, LLC, intended to qualify as "profits interests" for U.S. Federal income tax purposes and convertible into shares of our common stock).

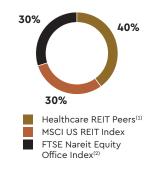
#### 3-Year Relative TSR Performance-Based Awards (60%)

- 60% of this award is subject to our relative TSR performance (calculated assuming dividend reinvestment) for the 3-year forward-looking performance period beginning on January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025 ("TSR-Based LTIP"), measured against a selected index of healthcare peer REITs and third-party peer indices (MSCI US REIT Index and FTSE Nareit Equity Office Index, with certain pre-determined index constituent excluded as described below). TSR-Based LTIP awards are subject to a 1-year post-vesting holding period (other than the settlement of shares in connection with applicable tax withholding).
- The Compensation Committee selected a relative TSR performance metric as the basis for our performance-based LTIP
  awards because it allows stockholders to evaluate our performance compared to our peers and mitigates the impact of
  broad market trends that are not reflective of our actual performance. The Committee also determined to replace the
  S&P 500 REIT Index (used in 2022 LTIP awards) with the MSCI US REIT Index, with certain exclusions as described below,
  to better measure our performance against a broader range of REITs.
- Payout amounts between threshold or target, and target and high levels are interpolated. No value is paid for metrics
  with outcomes below the threshold achievement levels.

RESULT	ABSOLUTE MEAN TSR PERFORMANCE HURDLES(3)	PAYOUT (% OF GRANT AT TARGET)
Threshold	25% Below Peer Group Mean (Median) <sup>(3)</sup>	0%
Target	At Peer Group Mean (Median) <sup>(3)</sup>	100%
High	25% or Higher Above Peer Group Mean (Median) <sup>(3)</sup>	200%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.; Healthcare Realty Trust Incorporated; Physicians Realty Trust (until its announcement of a merger with our Company); and Ventas, Inc.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc. because it is included in the healthcare REIT peer set; REITs with smaller market capitalization (Office Properties Income Trust; Orion Office REIT, Inc.; City Office REIT, Inc.; Franklin Street Properties Corp.; Creative Media & Community Trust Corporation; and New York City REIT, Inc. Class A); and Equity Commonwealth due to its liquidation of assets.



<sup>(3)</sup> Compared to the mean performance for the Healthcare REIT Peers and MSCI US REIT Index and median performance for the FTSE Nareit Equity Office Index.

#### 3-Year 2023 Retentive Award (40%)

The remaining 40% of the 2023 LTIP awards are service-based awards that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to achievement of a minimum Normalized FFO per share hurdle of \$1.28 for the 2023 performance year ("Retentive LTIP"). The Compensation Committee believes that the Retentive LTIP awards, which vest over time independent of TSR, promote the retention of our talented management team, while still incentivizing a focus on long-term results because the ultimate value of the Retentive LTIP awards is tied to our stock price.

## 2023 LTIP Award Opportunities

#### **Annual LTIP Awards**

As described under "2023 NEO Compensation," the Compensation Committee, in consultation with Ferguson Partners Consulting, approved target-level 2023 LTIP opportunities for the NEOs in early 2023, as well as in connection with the promotion of Mr. Patadia in February 2023. The award opportunities were based on the Committee's assessment of peer compensation data prepared by Ferguson Partners Consulting (as described below under "Compensation Policies and Practices – Peer Company Comparison"), each NEO's relative duties and responsibilities, and the NEO's impact on Healthpeak's results. Based on this assessment, the Committee determined to increase the 2023 target-level LTIP award opportunities for each NEO.

The table below reflects the 2023 LTIP award target-level values approved by the Compensation Committee.

NAME <sup>(1)</sup>	TOTAL TARGET-LEVEL LTIP OPPORTUNITY (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>
Scott M. Brinker	5,900,000
Peter A. Scott	2,350,000
Thomas M. Klaritch	1,750,000
Scott R. Bohn	1,000,000
Ankit B. Patadia	450,000

<sup>(1)</sup> The table above does not reflect retentive LTIP award granted to Mr. Patadia in connection with his promotion as described below.

#### **Retentive LTIP Award - Executive Promotion**

The Compensation Committee granted Mr. Patadia a one-time Retentive LTIP award with a grant value of \$750,000 in connection with his promotion. A one-time retentive LTIP award was determined to be preferable to relative TSR performance-based award to promote Mr. Patadia's long-term retention, with the Retentive LTIP award scheduled to vest over six years, subject to achievement of a 2023 Normalized FFO per share performance hurdle of \$1.28.

#### **Performance Results**

The Company exceeded the Normalized FFO hurdle of at least \$1.28 per share for the Retentive LTIP awards granted in February 2023, thereby satisfying the performance hurdle requirement for all Retentive LTIP awards. The Compensation Committee will make a determination regarding achievement of the TSR-Based LTIP performance criteria following the end of the performance period on December 31, 2025.

#### 2021–2023 3-Year TSR-Based LTIP Results

In 2021, we awarded the NEOs 3-year TSR-Based LTIP awards that had a performance period ending on December 31, 2023. The following table summarizes the actual payouts awarded to the NEOs under those awards. Award payouts were capped at 200%.

RELATIVE WEIGHTING	2021 LTIP PERFORMANCE METRIC	THRESHOLD (50%)	TARGET (100%)	HIGH (200%)	OUTCOME / PAYOUT (%)
40%	Relative TSR Performance Healthcare PEER Index (Absolute Comparative Performance) <sup>(1)</sup>	Result 24.9% 25% Below Mean	I At Mean	25% Above Mean	24.9% Below Mean (18.6%)
20%	Relative TSR Performance S&P 500 REIT Index (Percentile Rank)	oth Result	I 50 <sup>th</sup>	80 <sup>th</sup>	O <sup>th</sup> Percentile (0%)
		Weighted Blended O	verall Payout:		Below Target (12.4%)

<sup>(1)</sup> Peers include Healthcare Realty Trust Incorporated; Healthcare Trust of America, Inc.; Physicians Realty Trust; Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.; Ventas, Inc.; and Welltower Inc.

<sup>(2)</sup> The amounts reflected in the Grants of Plan-Based Awards During 2023 table differ from the amounts above with respect to retentive LTIP awards due to rounding to the nearest whole share, and with respect to the TSR-Based LTIP awards, due to calculating the grant date fair value for financial reporting purposes based on a Monte Carlo valuation model in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718.

## **Status of LTIP Award Programs**

#### TSR-BASED LTIP AWARD STATUS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023

2021 3-Year LTIP	2021	100% Complete	2023	STATUS  — Below Target Payout (12.4% Weighted Blended Overall Payout)
2022 3-Year LTIP		67% Complete		— Tracking Below Target (Overall) <sup>(1)</sup>
2023 3-Year LTIP			33% mplete	— Tracking Below Target (Overall) <sup>(1)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> The performance period for these awards remains open and the payout percentage for these awards has not been determined. If the performance period applicable to the award had ended as of December 31, 2023, the Company's relative TSR ranking considered for purposes of the award would have resulted in a below-target level payout with respect to certain peer indices. We make no prediction as to the future performance of our stock. The total amount realized with respect to the outstanding 2022 and 2023 TSR-Based LTIP awards will be determined following the 3-year performance periods ending December 31, 2024, and 2025, respectively.

# **2024 Compensation Decisions**

After reviewing the business strategy for 2024, as well as financial, operational and stock price performance, the Compensation Committee approved the following changes with respect to our executive compensation structure for 2024:

## **Compensation Opportunities**

No changes were made to base salary levels, target-level STIP award opportunities or target-level LTIP award opportunities for NEOs in 2024.

#### **2024 STIP**

- The performance metrics and weightings are consistent with the 2023 STIP, except that Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre was replaced with a run-rate synergies performance metric tied to our business combination with Physicians Realty Trust.
- In addition to payout levels at Threshold (50%), Target (100%) and High (150%), an Outperformance payout level (200%) was added, consistent with the majority of annual incentive programs for executive officers at the peer companies.

#### **2024 LTIP**

- The peer REIT companies against which we measure relative TSR were updated to better reflect companies that we currently consider to be competitors, and the weightings of each peer set were accordingly adjusted.
- To better align with peer company practices, we added a non-TSR performance metric, Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre, to the performance-based LTIP award, noting that the relative TSR performance metric remains the primary metric for the performance-based LTIP awards.
- Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre was selected as a performance metric for the 2024 LTIP because it promotes longer-term balance sheet management.

# **Compensation Policies and Practices**

#### Compensation Risk Assessment

We believe that any risks arising from our compensation program are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us for the reasons outlined below.

Base salaries are fixed in amount and thus do not encourage inappropriate or excessive risk taking.

Our incentive compensation balances quantitative and qualitative performance assessments. While the STIP, our annual cash incentive plan, focuses on annual goals, we cap awards under the plan. The Compensation Committee believes that the STIP appropriately balances risk and the desire to focus executives on specific annual goals important to our success.

A substantial portion of our executive officers' compensation is in the form of equity awards to further align executive and stockholder interests. The Compensation Committee believes that the LTIP awards do not encourage unnecessary or excessive risk taking because the ultimate value of the awards is tied to our performance and stock price, and because the awards are subject to long-term vesting schedules based on forward-looking performance goals. Additionally, our stock ownership guidelines, in addition to the 1-year post-vesting holding requirement for LTIP awards, help ensure that executives have significant value tied to our performance.

Furthermore, as discussed below, our executive officers are subject to a clawback policy, which permits us to recover incentive compensation received by such officers in the event the amount of the payment or award was determined based on the achievement of financial results that were subsequently the subject of an accounting restatement due to material noncompliance with a financial reporting requirement under securities laws.

#### Policy Regarding Executive Employment Agreements

Our Executive Severance Plan and Executive Change in Control Severance Plan (the "CIC Plan") (as both are further described under "Potential Payments upon a Termination or Change in Control Severance Arrangements" below) provide severance protections without the use of individual employment agreements with our executive officers. Our severance plans, which operate in lieu of individual contractual arrangements, provide standardized severance benefits for our executives. Our general policy against executive employment agreements also eliminates guaranteed base salaries and incentive levels, which allows the Company to focus on pay for performance and other factors that the Compensation Committee deems relevant in setting executive compensation, without contractual restrictions.

#### Compensation Consultant

The Compensation Committee is authorized to retain independent counsel, compensation and benefits consultants, and other outside experts or advisors. Since November 2008, the Committee has retained Ferguson Partners Consulting as its outside independent compensation consultant. For 2023, Ferguson Partners Consulting advised the Committee with respect to trends in executive compensation, determination of pay programs, assessment of competitive pay levels and mix (e.g., proportion of fixed pay to incentive pay and proportion of annual cash pay to long-term incentive pay) and setting compensation levels. Ferguson Partners Consulting also reviewed comparable equity REITs for 2023 and assisted the Committee with obtaining and evaluating current executive compensation data for these companies. The Committee made its 2023 compensation decisions, including those with respect to the NEOs, after consulting with Ferguson Partners Consulting.

Ferguson Partners Consulting reports directly to the Compensation Committee and works with management as directed by the Committee. During 2023, Ferguson Partners Consulting did not perform work for Healthpeak other than pursuant to its engagement by the Committee. Its affiliate, Ferguson Partners L.P., was engaged by the Board in 2022 and early 2023 to assist with a director candidate search. The Committee has assessed the independence of Ferguson Partners Consulting and concluded that their engagement of Ferguson Partners Consulting does not raise any conflict of interest with Healthpeak or any of its directors or executive officers.

#### Management Succession Planning

Our Board is responsible for attracting, retaining and incentivizing a high-performing management team. With the assistance of the Compensation Committee, Board reviews management development and our succession plan to help ensure that top management positions, including the CEO position, can be filled without undue interruption. High-potential leaders, including emerging diverse leaders, are given exposure and visibility to Board members through formal presentations at Board and committee meetings, as well as through informal events.

# Compensation Peer Group

In developing our 2023 executive compensation program, the Compensation Committee considered market and peer data provided by Ferguson Partners Consulting. Based on Ferguson Partners Consulting's recommendations, the Committee updated the group of peer companies for 2023 as set forth below. The Committee also reviewed general survey compensation data from companies in the S&P 500 REIT Index when determining executive compensation. As compared to 2022, no changes were made to the peer companies. For 2024, Vornado Realty Trust was removed as a peer and Healthcare Realty Trust Incorporated was added to better align with peers based on market capitalization, revenue and business focus.

The companies in our 2023 executive compensation peer group were as follows:

- Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.
- · AvalonBay Communities, Inc.
- Boston Properties, Inc.
- Equity Residential
- · Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc.
- Kimco Realty Corporation
- Medical Properties Trust, Inc.

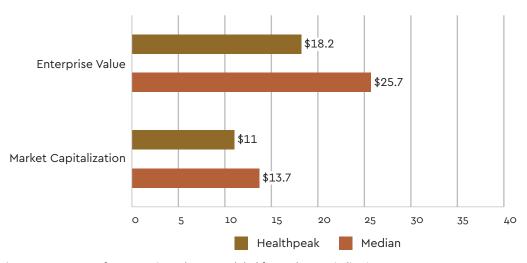
- Omega Healthcare Investors, Inc.
- Realty Income Corporation
- Regency Centers Corporation
- UDR, Inc.
- Ventas, Inc.
- · Vornado Realty Trust
- · Welltower Inc.

#### Peer Company Comparison

The 2023 compensation peer companies consist of S&P 500 equity REITs that the Compensation Committee believed are comparable to Healthpeak. In reviewing executive compensation paid by peer companies, the Committee took into account, among other things, Healthpeak's enterprise value and market capitalization compared to the median of peer companies, as shown below:

#### **AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023\***

(in billions)



\* Source: KeyBanc for Enterprise Value; S&P Global for Market Capitalization.

#### Compensation Assessment

In early 2023, the Compensation Committee reviewed compensation data for executives at peer companies with positions comparable to those held by each NEO. This data consisted of base salary, annual cash incentive award opportunities and equity award information, as well as total direct compensation paid by the peer companies. Although the Committee reviewed and discussed the compensation data provided by Ferguson Partners Consulting to help inform its decision-making process, the Committee does not set or "benchmark" compensation levels at any specific point or percentile against the peer group data. As described above, the peer group data is only one point of information taken into account by the Committee in making compensation decisions.

The Compensation Committee's executive compensation decisions for 2023 (including with respect to compensation levels, program design and the determination of executive performance with respect to subjective performance criteria) were the result of the Committee's business judgment. This judgment is informed by the experiences of the members of the Committee, input and peer group data provided by Ferguson Partners Consulting, and the Committee's overall assessment of executive compensation trends. Compensation decisions with respect to objective performance criteria were based on actual performance against the pre-established goals and were not discretionary.

# Stock Ownership Guidelines

The Compensation Committee believes that ownership of Healthpeak securities promotes our executives' focus on our long-term business objectives. Our stock ownership guidelines, which are reviewed by the Committee annually, provide that executives at the level of executive vice president or higher own minimum levels of common stock and unvested stock awards. All executives are required to achieve their mandatory holdings within five years of becoming subject to the guidelines. The following securities are taken into account to determine an executive's compliance with the guidelines: shares of our common stock beneficially held (directly or indirectly) by the executive; shares of our common stock or profits interest units subject to time-based equity awards, whether vested or unvested; and shares of our common stock deferred under a deferred compensation plan. Shares or profits interest units subject to performance-based equity awards are not taken into account unless and until the applicable performance-based vesting requirements are satisfied.

EXECUTIVE	STOCK OWNERSHIP AS MULTIPLE OF BASE SALARY
CEO	10x
Other NEOs	6x
Executive Officers (Non-NEOs)	3x

Compliance with the ownership guidelines is tested annually on May 15. As of the annual testing date of May 15, 2023, all of our NEOs who are subject to the stock ownership guidelines satisfied the ownership requirements.

#### **Clawback Policy**

We maintain an executive compensation clawback policy regarding the adjustment or recovery of certain incentive awards or payments made to current or former executive officers in the event that we are required to prepare an accounting restatement due to material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirement under the U.S. securities laws. In general, the policy provides that, unless an exception applies, we will seek to recover compensation that is awarded to an executive officer based on the Company's attainment of a financial metric during the three-year period prior to the fiscal year in which the restatement occurs, to the extent such compensation exceeds the amount that would have been awarded based on the restated financial results.

# Anti-Hedging Policy

Our Board recognizes that hedging against losses in Healthpeak securities may disturb the alignment between the interests of our officers and directors and those of our other stockholders. For this reason, directors, officers and other employees (and if applicable, their family members) are prohibited from purchasing financial instruments (including prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars and exchange funds), or otherwise engaging in transactions, that hedge or offset, or are designed to hedge or offset, any decrease in the market value of Healthpeak securities.

# Anti-Pledging Policy

Our Board recognizes that a forced margin sale or foreclosure sale of Healthpeak securities may negatively impact our stock price or violate our insider trading policy. Accordingly, our Board adopted a policy that prohibits directors, officers and other employees (and if applicable, their family members) from holding Healthpeak securities in a margin account or pledging Healthpeak securities as collateral for a loan.

#### No Tax Gross Up Payments

None of our NEOs are entitled to tax gross-up payments on severance benefits or in the event they are subject to excise taxes imposed under Sections 280G and 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") as a result of a change in control of the company.

# Tax Deductibility of Executive Compensation

Section 162(m) of the Code generally limits the deductibility of compensation paid to our current and former executive officers that exceeds \$1 million during the tax year. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (the "Jobs Act") made substantial changes to Section 162(m) of the Code. Pursuant to the Jobs Act, certain awards granted before November 2, 2017, that were based upon attaining pre-established performance measures that were set by the Compensation Committee under a plan approved by our stockholders, as well as amounts payable to former executives pursuant to a written binding contract that was in effect on November 2, 2017, may qualify for an exception to the \$1 million deductibility limit.

As one of the factors in its consideration of compensation matters, the Compensation Committee notes this deductibility limitation. However, the Committee generally has the flexibility to take any compensation-related actions that it determines are in the Company's and its stockholders' best interest, including designing and awarding compensation for our executive officers that is not fully deductible for tax purposes. In addition, we qualify as a REIT under the Code and are not subject to federal income taxes, meaning that the payment of compensation that is not deductible under Section 162(m) does not have a material adverse consequence to us as long as we qualify as a REIT under the Code. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that any compensation will in fact be deductible.

# Executive Compensation Tables Summary Compensation Table—2023

The Summary Compensation Table below quantifies the different forms of compensation earned by or awarded to our NEOs for 2023, 2022 and 2021, in the manner and format required under applicable SEC rules.

							CHANGE IN		
							PENSION VALUE AND		
							NONQUALIFIED		
						NON-EQUITY	DEFERRED		
				STOCK	OPTION	INCENTIVE PLAN	COMPENSATION	ALL OTHER	
NAME AND PRINCIPAL POSITION(S)	YEAR	SALARY (\$)	BONUS (\$)	AWARDS (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	AWARDS (\$)	COMPENSATION (\$)	EARNINGS (\$)	COMPENSATION (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	TOTAL (\$)
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
Scott M. Brinker	2023	750,000	_	5,204,310	_	1,725,000	_	13,200	7,692,510
President and Chief	2022	750,000	_	3,134,399	_	1,660,485	_	12,200	5,557,084
Executive Officer	2021	750,000	_	2,663,454	_	1,725,000	_	11,600	5,150,054
Peter A. Scott	2023	650,000	_	2,072,983	_	1,485,000	_	13,200	4,221,183
Chief Financial	2022	650,000		2,001,834		1,443,900	_	12,200	4,107,934
Officer	2021	650,000	_	1,623,499	_	1,500,000	_	11,600	3,785,099
Thomas M. Klaritch	2023	600,000	_	1,543,731	_	1,336,500	_	13,200	3,493,431
Chief Operating	2022	600,000		1,580,387		1,299,510	_	12,200	3,492,097
Officer	2021	600,000		1,522,041		1,350,000		11,600	3,483,641
Scott R. Bohn	2023	525,000	_	882,148	_	720,000	_	13,200	2,141,502
Chief Development	2022	461,875	_	1,447,966	_	639,481	_	12,200	2,561,522
Officer and									
Head of Lab									
Ankit B. Patadia	2023	425,000	_	1,051,236	_	668,250	_	13,200	2,157,686
Executive									
Vice President and									
Treasurer -									
Corporate Finance									

<sup>(1)</sup> The amounts reported in column (e) for each fiscal year reflect the fair value on the grant date of the time-based and performance-based equity awards granted to NEOs during the fiscal year. For the grant date fair value of each equity award granted to an NEO in 2023, see the Grants of Plan-Based Awards During 2023 table in the proxy statement. These values have been determined under the principles used to calculate the grant date fair value of equity awards for purposes of our consolidated financial statements. For a discussion of the assumptions and methodologies used to value the awards reported in column (e), see the discussion of stock awards contained in Note 14—Compensation Plans to Healthpeak's Consolidated Financial Statements, included in our Annual Report. As to TSR-Based LTIP performance awards granted to NEOs, the grant date fair value of the awards included in column (e) for the year of grant was determined using a Monte Carlo simulation, which probability weights multiple potential outcomes as of the grant date of the award. The assumptions made in applying the Monte Carlo simulation to determine the grant date fair value of the awards granted in 2023, 2022 and 2021 included: the closing price of a share of Healthpeak common stock on the grant date of \$26.05, \$32.17 and \$30.94, respectively; expected share price volatility assumption of 33.0%, 38.9% and 39.1%, respectively; and a risk-free annual interest rate assumption of 4.38%, 1.8% and 0.2%, respectively. Under the terms of the TSR-Based LTIP performance awards, between 0% and 200% of target of the underlying performance-based restricted stock units (or the corresponding profits interest units subject to the Replacement Awards (as defined below), as the case may be) subject to the awards may vest based on performance for the applicable performance period. The following table presents the grant date fair values of performance-based awards (i) determined under the principles used to calculate the grant date fair value of equity awards for purposes of our consolidated financial statements using the Monte Carlo simulation, and (ii) assuming that the highest level of performance conditions would be achieved using our closing stock price on the grant date, without regard to the Monte Carlo simulation:

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NAME	GRANT DATE FAIR VALUE (BASED ON MONTE CARLO SIMULATION)	GRANT DATE FAIR VALUE (BASED ON MAXIMUM PERFORMANCE)	GRANT DATE FAIR VALUE (BASED ON MONTE CARLO SIMULATION)	GRANT DATE FAIR VALUE (BASED ON MAXIMUM PERFORMANCE)	GRANT DATE FAIR VALUE (BASED ON MONTE CARLO SIMULATION)	
Scott M. Brinker	3,145,946	7,080,077	1,944,335	3,570,162	1,613,382	3,150,063
Peter A. Scott	1,253,086	2,820,121	1,241,818	2,280,210	983,412	1,920,075
Thomas M. Klaritch	933,153	2,100,099	980,384	1,800,169	921,960	1,800,089
Scott R. Bohn	533,237	1,200,071	277,832	510,152	_	_
Ankit B. Patadia	239,973	540,069	_	_	_	_

<sup>(2)</sup> The 2023 amounts reported in column (i) reflect a 401(k) Plan matching contribution of \$13,200 made on behalf of each NEO in accordance with the terms of our 401(k) Plan.

# **Grants of Plan-Based Awards During 2023**

The following table presents information regarding the incentive awards granted to our NEOs during 2023, in the manner and format required under applicable SEC rules.

									ALL OTHER AWARDS		DS <sup>(1)</sup>
			UNDER NO	D FUTURE PA ON-EQUITY IN LAN AWARDS	ICENTIVE		FUTURE P QUITY INC N AWARDS	ENTIVE	STOCK AWARDS: NUMBER OF SHARES OF STOCK	OPTION AWARDS: NUMBER OF SECURITIES UNDERLYING	GRANT DATE FAIR VALUE OF STOCK AND OPTION
NAME		GRANT DATE	THRESHOLD (\$)	TARGET (\$)	MAXIMUM (\$)	THRESHOLD (#)	TARGET (#)	MAXIMUM (#)	OR UNITS (#)	OPTIONS (#)	AWARDS (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>
(a)		(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
Scott M. Brinker	Annual Incentive	_	575,000	1,150,000	1,725,000	_	_	_	_	_	_
	Retentive	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	_	_	90,597	_	2,360,052
	TSR- Based	2/15/2023	_	_	_	84,934	169,868	339,735	_	_	3,540,039
Peter A. Scott	Annual Incentive	_	500,000	1,000,000	1,500,000	_	_	_	_	_	_
	Retentive	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	_	_	36,087	_	819,897
	TSR- Based	2/15/2023	_	_	_	33,831	67,661	135,323	_	_	1,253,086
Thomas M. Klaritch	Annual Incentive	_	450,000	900,000	1,350,000	_	_	_	_	_	_
	Retentive	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	_	_	26,874	_	700,068
	TSR- Based	2/15/2023	_	_	_	25,193	50,386	100,773	_	_	1,050,049
Scott R. Bohn	Annual Incentive	_	250,000	500,000	750,000	_	_	_	_		
	Retentive	2/15/2023							15,357		348,911
	TSR- Based	2/15/2023				14,396	28,793	57,585			533,237
Ankit B. Patadia	Annual Incentive	_	225,000	450,000	675,000	_	_	_	_	_	_
	Retentive	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	_	_	6,912	_	157,041
	TSR- Based	2/15/2023	_	_	_	6,479	12,958	25,915	_	_	239,973
	Retentive	2/15/2023							28,795		654,222

<sup>(1)</sup> Replacement Awards granted to NEOs in connection with the conversion of restricted stock units into profits interest units did not result in incremental fair value (within the meaning of FASB ASC Topic 718) with respect to any such Replacement Award, and therefore the Replacement Awards are not reflected in this table.

<sup>(2)</sup> The amounts reported in column (k) of the table above have been determined under the principles used to calculate the grant date fair value of equity awards for purposes of our consolidated financial statements. For a discussion of the assumptions and methodologies used to value the awards reported in column (k), see the discussion of stock awards contained in Note 14—Compensation Plans to Healthpeak's Consolidated Financial Statements, included in our Annual Report, and footnote (1) to the Summary Compensation Table above.

## **Description of Plan-Based Awards**

#### Amended and Restated 2014 Performance Incentive Plan

All 2023 awards reported in the above table were granted under, and are subject to, the Amended and Restated Performance Incentive Plan, or the 2014 Plan. Following approval of the 2023 Performance Incentive Plan, or 2023 Plan, by our stockholders on April 27, 2023, no new awards may be granted under the 2014 Plan. The Compensation Committee administers the 2014 and 2023 Plans and has the authority to interpret its provisions and make all required determinations thereunder.

### **Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards**

Our NEOs' 2023 non-equity (cash) incentive awards reported in the above table are described under "2023 NEO Compensation—Annual Cash Incentive Compensation" in our CD&A.

## **Equity Incentive Awards**

The Grants of Plan-Based Awards During 2023 table above reflects the TSR-Based and Retentive LTIP awards granted to our eligible NEOs, as described under "2023 NEO Compensation—Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation" in our CD&A. Each TSR-Based or Retentive LTIP Award represents (i) with respect to awards comprised of restricted stock units, a contractual right to receive one share of our common stock, subject to the applicable time-based and performance-based vesting requirements, and (ii) with respect to awards comprised of profits interest units, the right to receive equity interests in our operating partnership, Healthpeak OP, LLC, intended to qualify as "profits interests" for U.S. Federal income tax purposes and convertible into shares of our common stock.

In connection with our corporate reorganization into a holding company structure commonly referred to as an Umbrella Partnership Real Estate Investment Trust, or UPREIT, in February 2023, each NEO elected to convert certain of their outstanding LTIP awards granted to them prior to 2023 into profits interest units ("Replacement Awards"). Each Replacement Award has equivalent target value, performance conditions (if applicable), vesting schedule and other terms and conditions as the original award. Such Replacement Awards did not result in any incremental fair value within the meaning of FASB ASC Topic 718.

#### 2023 3-Year TSR-Based LTIP Awards

The 3-year TSR-Based LTIP awards granted in 2023 cliff vest, if at all, subject to the achievement of performance criteria (based on forward-looking relative TSR) over a performance period from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2025, subject to a 1-year post-vesting holding requirement (other than the settlement of shares in connection with applicable tax withholding) to promote retention and further align executives' long-term interests with those of our stockholders. This 1-year holding requirement will lapse upon death, disability or a qualifying retirement. A qualifying retirement occurs if an NEO voluntary retires from service on or after the date on which the NEO's age plus total years of service equals at least 70, the NEO has attained at least 55 years of age, and the NEO has completed at least five years of service with the Company. If the employment of an NEO terminates due to death or disability, or if Healthpeak terminates an NEO without cause, the NEO's TSR-Based LTIP Awards will remain outstanding during the performance period and the eligible NEO will receive the number of units earned, if any, had the NEO remained employed with the Company until the end of the performance period. If the employment of an NEO terminates due to a qualifying retirement, the NEO's TSR-Based LTIP Awards will remain outstanding during the performance period and the eligible NEO will receive the number of units earned, if any, had the NEO remained employed with the Company until the end of the performance period, prorated based on the NEO's days of service during the performance period. For each NEO, if there is a change in control of Healthpeak during the performance period, the performance period for the TSR-Based LTIP Award will be shortened and performance will be determined based on such shortened period and the number of units underlying the award deemed to have vested based on such shortened period will accelerate and vest in connection with the change in control.

#### 2023 Retentive LTIP Awards

Retentive LTIP Awards granted in respect of the annual 2023 LTIP vest in equal installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date, subject to a performance hurdle related to Normalized FFO per share for the 2023 performance period of \$1.28, which was exceeded. The awards are also subject to a 1-year post-vesting holding requirement (other than the settlement of shares in connection with applicable tax withholding) to promote retention and further align executives' long-term interests with those of our stockholders. This 1-year holding requirement will lapse upon death, disability or a qualifying retirement. If an NEO's employment terminates due to death, disability or a qualifying retirement, if Healthpeak terminates an NEO without cause (whether before or after a change in control of Healthpeak), or if an NEO terminates employment for good reason (whether before or after a change in control of Healthpeak), the NEO's retentive awards will fully vest as of the severance date (with respect to a qualifying retirement, only if the one-year performance hurdle has been achieved as of the severance date). If a change in control of Healthpeak occurs and outstanding equity awards are to be terminated in connection with the transaction and not assumed or continued by an acquiring entity, then the outstanding Retentive LTIP Awards will fully vest in connection with such change in control. Also see the description under "2023 NEO Compensation—Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation" with respect to promotion Retentive LTIP Award granted to Mr. Patadia, which vests over six years.

#### **Other Terms**

Vested Retentive and TSR-Based LTIP Awards are payable in an equal number of shares of our common stock, or if elected by the holder, profits interest units. Payment will generally be made as the award vests. The NEO does not have the right to vote or dispose of the units or interests underlying the award, but does have the right to receive dividend equivalents in the form of cash payments (for Retentive LTIP Awards) based on the amount of dividends paid by Healthpeak during the term of the award on a number of shares equal to the number of outstanding and unpaid units then subject to the award. Such payments are made concurrently with the related dividends paid to our stockholders. However, dividend equivalents that would otherwise be paid during the applicable performance period with respect to the TSR-Based LTIP Awards will instead accrue and be paid at the end of the performance period based on the number of units actually earned if the related threshold performance requirement for the award is satisfied (and forfeited in whole if the related threshold performance goal is not satisfied).

# Outstanding Equity Awards at December 31, 2023

The following table presents, in the manner and format required under applicable SEC rules, information regarding the outstanding equity awards held by each of our NEOs at December 31, 2023.

		O	TION AWARDS				STC	OCK AWARDS	
NAME	AWARD GRANT DATE	NUMBER OF SECURITIES UNDERLYING UNEXERCISED OPTIONS EXERCISABLE (#)	NUMBER OF SECURITIES UNDERLYING UNEXERCISED OPTIONS UNEXERCISABLE (#)	OPTION EXERCISE PRICE (\$)	OPTION EXPIRATION DATE	NUMBER OF SHARES OR UNITS OF STOCK THAT HAVE NOT VESTED (#)(1)	MARKET VALUE OF SHARES OR UNITS OF STOCK THAT HAVE NOT VESTED (\$)(1)	EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN AWARDS: NUMBER OF UNEARNED SHARES, UNITS OR OTHER RIGHTS THAT HAVE NOT VESTED (#)(1)	
(a)		(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Scott	2/15/2023					90,597(2)	1,793,821		
M. Brinker	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	_	_	169,868(3)	3,363,386
	2/10/2022	_	_	_	_	24.662(4)	488,308		
	2/10/2022	_	_	_	_		_	69,362 <sup>(5)</sup>	1,373,368
	2/12/2021	_	_	_		11,313(6)	223,997		
	2/12/2021	_	_	_				6,790(7)	134,442
	2/12/2021	_	_	_	_		_	(8)	
	3/1/2018	_	_	_		45.600 <sup>(9)</sup>	902,880		_
Peter	2/15/2023					36.087 <sup>(2)</sup>	714,523		
A. Scott	2/15/2023					30,087	714,323	67,662 <sup>(3)</sup>	1,339,708
	2/10/2022	_	_			15,750 <sup>(10)</sup>	311,850	- 07,002	±,557,766
	2/10/2022	_	_				-	44,300 <sup>(5)</sup>	877,140
	2/12/2021	_	_	_		6.896(11)	136,541		
	2/12/2021	_	_	_	_	_	_	4,139(7)	81,952
	2/12/2021	_	_	_	_	_	_	(8)	_
Thomas	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	26,874(2)	532,105	_	_
M. Klaritch	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	_	_	50,387(3)	997,663
	2/10/2022	_	<u> </u>	_		12,434(10)	246,193	_	
	2/10/2022							34,974 <sup>(5)</sup>	692,485
	2/12/2021			_		6,465(11)	128,007		
	2/12/2021	_	_	_		_	_	3,881 <sup>(7)</sup>	76,844
	2/12/2021		_	77.70	0 /7 /000/			(6)	
Scott	2/3/2014 2/15/2023	31,759		33.79	2/3/2024	15,357 <sup>(2)</sup>	304,069		
R. Bohn	2/15/2023					15,557	304,009	28,793 <sup>(3)</sup>	570.101
K. DOIIII	10/26/2022					7,248(12)	143,510	20,775	370,101
	4/28/2022	<u> </u>				21.905(13)	433,719		_
	2/10/2022	_	_	_		3,524(10)	69,775	_	_
	2/10/2022	_	_	_	_			9,912(5)	196,258
	2/12/2021	_	_	_	_	4,398(6)	87,080	· –	· –
	2/3/2014	1,814	_	33.79	2/3/2024	· –	_	_	_
Ankit	2/15/2023		_			6,912(2)	136,858	_	_
B. Patadia	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_	28,795(14)	570,141	_	
	2/15/2023	_	_	_	_		_	12,958 <sup>(3)</sup>	256,559
	2/10/2022					6,218(10)	123,116		
	2/12/2021			_		2,155(11)	42,669		

#### **Executive Compensation Tables**

- (1) The number of shares or units reported in column (f) reflect time-vested Retentive LTIP Awards, while the number of shares or units reported in column (h) reflect performance TSR-Based LTIP Awards, assuming threshold payout level (50% for restricted stock units, or 25% for profits interest units, which are granted assuming maximum performance), target payout level (100% for restricted stock units, or 50% for profits interest units) or high (maximum) payout level (200% for restricted stock units, or 100% for profits interest units), based on how the performance of each such award was tracking as of December 31, 2023. For awards granted in 2021, reflects the actual payout level for such TSR-Based LTIP Awards determined after the end of the 2023 fiscal year. See the footnotes below for additional details. The dollar amounts shown in columns (g) and (i) are determined by multiplying the number of shares or units reported in columns (f) or (h), respectively, by \$19.80 (the closing price of our common stock on the last trading day of 2023).
- (2) The unvested portions of this award are scheduled to vest in three equal installments on February 15, 2024, 2025 and 2026.
- (3) Subject to the satisfaction of applicable performance criteria, the unvested portion of this award is scheduled to vest upon certification of the performance results by the Compensation Committee following the performance period ending December 31, 2025. The number of shares reported is based on the achievement at the target payout level, based on performance tracking between the threshold and target payout levels as of December 31, 2023.
- (4) The unvested portions of this award are scheduled to vest in two equal installments on February 10, 2024 and 2025.
- (5) This award was originally granted to the NEO on February 10, 2022 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. Subject to the satisfaction of applicable performance criteria, the unvested portion of this award is scheduled to vest upon certification of the performance results by the Compensation Committee following the performance period ending December 31, 2024. The number of shares reported is based on the achievement at the target payout level, based on performance tracking between the threshold and target payout levels as of December 31, 2023.
- (6) The unvested portion of this award vested on February 12, 2024.
- (7) This award was originally granted to the NEO on February 12, 2021 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. The unvested portion of this award vested upon certification of the performance results by the Compensation Committee following the performance period ended December 31, 2023. The number of shares reported is based on actual performance for the performance period. For additional information on the actual performance and payout of the award, see the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section.
- (8) This award was originally granted to the NEO on February 12, 2021 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. The unvested portion of this award vested upon certification of the performance results by the Compensation Committee following the performance period ended December 31, 2023. The number of shares reported is based on actual performance for the performance period, resulting in the award being forfeited in its entirety for achieving performance below the threshold level. For additional information on the actual performance and payout of the award, see the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section.
- (9) This award was originally granted to the NEO on March 1, 2018 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. The unvested portions of this award vested on March 1, 2024.
- (10) This award was originally granted to the NEO on February 10, 2022 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. The unvested portions of this award are scheduled to vest in two equal installments on February 10, 2024 and 2025.
- (11) This award was originally granted to the NEO on February 12, 2021 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. The unvested portion of this award vested on February 12, 2024.
- (12) This award was originally granted to the NEO on October 26, 2022 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. The unvested portions of this award are scheduled to vest in two equal installments on April 28, 2024 and 2025.
- (13) This award was originally granted to the NEO on April 28, 2022 and was converted into a Replacement Award on February 15, 2023. The unvested portions of this award are scheduled to vest in five equal installments on April 28, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028.
- (14) The unvested portions of this award are scheduled to vest in five equal installments on February 15, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029.

# **Option Exercises and Stock Vested During 2023**

The following table presents information regarding the exercise of stock options by NEOs during 2023 and the vesting of other equity awards during 2023.

	OPTION	AWARDS	STOCK/EQUI	ITY AWARDS
	NUMBER OF		NUMBER OF	
	SHARES	VALUE	SHARES	VALUE
	ACQUIRED	REALIZED	ACQUIRED	REALIZED
	ON EXERCISE	ON EXERCISE	ON VESTING	ON VESTING
NAME	(#)	(\$)	(#)	(\$) <sup>(1)</sup>
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Scott M. Brinker		_	117,432	3,052,096
Peter A. Scott		_	64,649	1,671,829
Thomas M. Klaritch		_	44,370	1,220,641
Scott R. Bohn		_	11,437	286,724
Ankit B. Patadia		_	6,917	183,217

(1) The dollar amount shown in column (e) above for stock awards is determined by multiplying the number of shares or profits interest units, as applicable, that vested by the per share closing price of Healthpeak common stock on the vesting date (or if not a trading day, the most recent trading day prior to the vesting date). LTIP awards granted to NEOs are subject to a one-year post-vesting holding period. In addition, Messrs. Brinker, Scott and Bohn vested in profits interest units that were not immediately convertible into shares of Healthpeak common stock at the time of vesting.

# Potential Payments Upon a Termination or Change in Control

The following section describes the benefits that may become payable to our NEOs in connection with a termination of their employment with Healthpeak and/or a change in control of Healthpeak. You should read this section in combination with "Description of Plan-Based Awards—Equity Incentive Awards" above, which describes the treatment of outstanding equity-based awards held by our NEOs upon a termination or change in control of Healthpeak.

### **Severance Plans**

#### **Executive Severance Plan**

We provide competitive severance benefits to attract and retain key employees with outstanding talent and ability. The Compensation Committee determined that the adoption of the Executive Severance Plan ("Severance Plan") in lieu of entering into individual employment agreements with our executives was consistent with compensation best practices. Severance benefits are appropriate in light of severance protections available to executives at our peer group companies and are an important component of each executive's overall compensation as they help us to attract and retain our key executives who could have other job alternatives that may appear to them to be more attractive absent these protections. See "Compensation Policies and Practices—Policy Regarding Executive Employment Agreements" in our CD&A.

The Severance Plan is intended to provide severance benefits to employees who are selected by the Compensation Committee to participate, including each NEO, upon a termination of employment by us without "cause" or by the NEO for "good reason" (each as defined in the Severance Plan, as such definitions may be amended from time to time) other than in circumstances in which the participant would receive benefits under the CIC Plan (described under "—Executive Change in Control Severance Plan" below), as set forth below. An NEO's right to receive benefits under the Severance Plan is subject to his or her execution of a general release of claims against us, and his or her agreement to post-termination confidentiality, non-solicitation and non-competition restrictive covenants, as applicable. Payments (or benefits payable) to an NEO under the Severance Plan will, to the extent applicable, either be reduced to avoid excise taxes under Sections 280G and 4999 of the Code or be paid in full (with the NEO paying any such excise taxes), whichever option places the NEO in the best after-tax position.

SEVERANCE BENEFIT	AMOUNT
CASH SEVERANCE INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS	3x for CEO (2x for Messrs. Scott, Klaritch and Bohn and 1.5x for Mr. Patadia) the sum of:
	Base salary, plus greater of (i) target-level annual cash incentive award for the year of termination or (ii) average of three prior years' annual cash incentive awards
LUMP SUM OF ESTIMATED COST OF HEALTHCARE COVERAGE	Cash payment in lieu of COBRA premiums for:
	Three years for CEO
	Two years for Messrs. Scott, Klaritch and Bohn
	Eighteen months for Mr. Patadia
ANNUAL CASH INCENTIVE AWARD	Prorated annual incentive award, payable based on actual performance at time award would have been paid if NEO had not terminated employment, with the individual performance portion to be determined in the Compensation Committee's discretion
SERVICE-BASED EQUITY AWARDS	<ul> <li>Stock options fully vested and remain exercisable for two years (no stock options remain outstanding as of March 2024)</li> <li>Service-based awards continue to vest according to their terms for 24 months, after which any remaining unvested portion will become fully vested</li> </ul>
PERFORMANCE-BASED EQUITY AWARDS	Continue vesting in accordance with their terms with respect to the performance requirements

## **Executive Change in Control Severance Plan**

All of our current officers are participants in the CIC Plan. Under the CIC Plan, if a change in control of Healthpeak occurs during the term of the CIC Plan and a participant's employment with Healthpeak is terminated by Healthpeak without cause or by the participant for good reason within the two-year period following the change in control, the participant will generally be entitled to receive the following benefits:

SEVERANCE BENEFIT	AMOUNT
LUMP SUM CASH SEVERANCE PAYMENT	3x for CEO (2x for Messrs. Scott, Klaritch and Bohn and 1.5x for Mr. Patadia) the sum of:
	Base salary, plus greater of (i) target-level annual cash incentive award for the year of termination or (ii) average of three prior years' annual cash incentive awards
LUMP SUM OF ESTIMATED COST OF HEALTHCARE COVERAGE	Cash payment in lieu of COBRA premiums for:
	Three years for CEO
	Two years for Messrs. Scott, Klaritch and Bohn
	Eighteen months for Mr. Patadia
ANNUAL CASH INCENTIVE AWARD	Prorated annual incentive award based on the greater of target-level or average of three prior years' payments
RETIREMENT PLAN BENEFITS	<ul> <li>Full vesting of any non-qualified retirement plan benefits</li> <li>Cash payment equal to unvested benefits under 401(k) Plan</li> </ul>
SERVICE-BASED EQUITY AWARDS	Full vesting; options remain exercisable for two years (no stock options remain outstanding as of March 2024)
PERFORMANCE-BASED EQUITY AWARDS	Continue vesting in accordance with their terms with respect to the performance requirements, unless otherwise noted in the award agreement as described below under "Change-in-Control Benefits (Assuming No Employment Termination)"

For these purposes, the terms "cause," "good reason" and "change in control" are each defined in the CIC Plan, as such definitions may be amended from time to time.

A participant's right to receive benefits under the CIC Plan is subject to the execution of a release of claims in favor of Healthpeak upon the termination of the participant's employment. Participants are also subject to an indefinite confidentiality covenant and post-termination non-solicitation and non-competition restrictive covenants under the CIC Plan for the duration of the severance payout period, as applicable and enforceable. Participants in the CIC Plan are not entitled to tax gross-ups under the CIC Plan or any other agreement with the Company.

# **Estimated Severance and Change-in-Control Benefits**

### **Severance Benefits (No Change in Control)**

The following table presents our estimate of the amount of the benefits to which the NEOs would have been entitled had their employment terminated under the indicated circumstances pursuant to the terms of the Severance Plan on December 31, 2023. The chart assumes that the executive would not be entitled to receive the benefits provided under the CIC Plan in connection with such a termination of employment.

	TERMINATION DUE TO EXECUTIVE'S
TERMINATION BY HEALTHPEAK WITHOUT CAUSE	DEATH OR DISABILITY

	CONTINUATION				CONTINUATION			
	CASH SEVERANCE	OF HEALTH/	EQUITY ACCELERATION	TOTAL	CASH SEVERANCE	OF HEALTH	EQUITY ACCELERATION	TOTAL
NAME	(\$)(1)	(\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	(\$)(3)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	(\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	(\$)
Scott M. Brinker	8,156,866	123,979	8,280,182	16,561,027	_	_	8,280,182	8,280,182
Peter A. Scott	5,209,270	52,928	3,461,698	8,723,897	_	_	3,461,698	3,461,698
Thomas M. Klaritch	4,718,343	37,983	2,673,282	7,429,609	_	_	2,673,282	2,673,282
Scott R. Bohn	2,770,000	82,653	1,804,493	4,657,146	_	_	1,804,493	1,804,493
Ankit B. Patadia	1,980,750	43,932	1,129,343	3,154,024	_	_	1,129,343	1,129,343

- (1) As described above under "—Severance Plans—Executive Severance Plan" and as quantified in this column, the Severance Plan provides for a cash severance payment in the event of a qualifying termination of employment based on a multiple of base salary and annual cash incentive. For purposes of the Severance Plan, the annual cash incentive component of the severance payment is based on the greater of such individual's target-level annual cash incentive award in effect on the date of termination or the average of the prior three years' annual cash incentive awards. Additionally, the Severance Plan provides for the payment of a pro-rated annual cash incentive amount for the year of termination, which, assuming a termination on December 31, 2023, would have resulted in the following awards (based on actual performance for the performance period): Mr. Brinker, \$1,725,000; Mr. Scott, \$1,485,000; Mr. Klaritch, \$1,336,500; Mr. Bohn, \$720,000; and Mr. Patadia, \$668,250.
- (2) These amounts represent the amounts that would be paid to the individual for the estimated aggregate cost of the premiums that would be charged to each individual to continue health coverage pursuant to COBRA for such individual and his eligible dependents (to the extent that such dependents were receiving health benefits prior to the individual's termination date) for the period of coverage set forth above.
- (3) These columns report the intrinsic value of the unvested portions of the executive's equity awards that would accelerate in the circumstances described above. For service-based awards, this value is calculated by multiplying \$19.80 (the closing price of our common stock on the last trading day of 2023) by the number of units subject to the portion of the award that would have accelerated. We have included the value related to accelerated vesting of awards in the table above assuming the performance-based vesting requirements were satisfied at target levels, and for 2021 performance-based awards, based on actual performance as of December 31, 2023.

#### **Retirement Benefits**

Under our retirement policy, equity awards granted in 2023 will vest upon an NEO's qualifying retirement. A qualifying retirement occurs if an NEO voluntary retires from service on or after the date on which the NEO's age plus total years of service equals at least 70, the NEO has attained at least 55 years of age, and the NEO has completed at least five years of service with the Company. Retentive LTIP awards vest in full upon a qualifying retirement if the performance hurdle has been satisfied, while performance-based awards vest based on actual performance, prorated for the NEO's service during the performance period. Mr. Klaritch is the only NEO who would have satisfied retirement eligibility in 2023. Assuming his qualifying retirement on December 31, 2023, the value of the unvested portions of his 2023 equity awards that would have accelerated in connection with such a qualifying retirement (calculated using a price per share of \$19.80, which is the closing price of our common stock on the last trading day of 2023) is \$1,529,753. Equity awards granted in 2021–2022 do not include provisions for accelerated vesting in the event of an NEO's retirement.

## **Change-in-Control Benefits (Assuming No Employment Termination)**

As described above under "Description of Plan-Based Awards—2023 3-Year LTIP Awards," if we undergo a change in control during the performance period applicable to outstanding TSR-Based LTIP Awards granted to the NEOs, the performance period for such TSR-Based LTIP Awards will be shortened and performance will be determined based on the shortened period. The number of units deemed to have vested based on the shortened period will accelerate and vest in connection with the change in control. In this scenario, the TSR-Based LTIP Awards would vest without regard to whether the NEO terminates employment in connection with the change in control. Upon a change in control of Healthpeak, Retentive LTIP Awards held by NEOs would continue to be subject to service-based vesting in accordance with the terms of the awards and would only accelerate upon a termination of an NEO's employment as described under "Change-in-Control Severance Benefits in Connection with Employment Termination" below.

#### **Executive Compensation Tables**

Assuming that a change in control of Healthpeak occurred on December 31, 2023, the values of the unvested portions of the TSR-Based LTIP Awards held by each NEO that would have accelerated in connection with such change in control (calculated using a price per share of \$19.80, which is the closing price of our common stock on the last trading day of 2023) are as follows: (1) \$4,871,176 for Mr. Brinker; (2) \$2,298,785 for Mr. Scott; (3) \$1,766,977 for Mr. Klaritch; (4) \$766,339 for Mr. Bohn; and (5) \$256,559 for Mr. Patadia.

## Change-in-Control Severance Benefits in Connection with Employment Termination

The following table presents our estimate of the benefits to which each of the NEOs would have been entitled had a change in control of the Company occurred on December 31, 2023, and the executive's employment with us had terminated under the circumstances described above on such date (before any excise-tax reduction under our CIC Plan described above or under the executive's applicable equity award agreement).

NAME	CASH SEVERANCE (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	CONTINUATION OF HEALTH/LIFE BENEFITS (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	EQUITY ACCELERATION (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	TOTAL (\$)
Scott M. Brinker	8,156,866	123,979	3,409,006	11,689,851
Peter A. Scott	6,140,338	66,160	1,162,913	7,369,411
Thomas M. Klaritch	5,563,804	47,479	906,305	6,517,589
Scott R. Bohn	3,282,500	103,316	1,038,154	4,423,970
Ankit B. Patadia	2,418,250	58,576	872,784	3,349,610

- (1) As described above under "—Severance Plans—Executive Change in Control Severance Plan" and as quantified in this column, the CIC Plan provides for a cash severance payment in the event of a qualifying termination of employment. Additionally, the CIC Plan provides for the payment of a pro-rated annual cash incentive amount for the year of termination, which, assuming a termination on December 31, 2023, would have resulted in the following awards (based on actual performance for the performance period): Mr. Brinker, \$1,725,000; Mr. Scott, \$1,485,000; Mr. Klaritch, \$1,336,500; Mr. Bohn, \$720,000; and Mr. Patadia, \$668,250.
- (2) These amounts represent the amounts that would be paid to the individual for the estimated aggregate cost of the premiums that would be charged to each individual to continue health coverage pursuant to COBRA for such individual and his eligible dependents (to the extent that such dependents were receiving health benefits prior to the individual's termination date) for the period of coverage set forth above.
- (3) See footnote (3) to the preceding table under "—Severance Benefits" for the manner of calculating equity acceleration value. All outstanding Retentive LTIP Awards held by an NEO as of December 31, 2023, would accelerate upon a termination of the NEO's employment by the Company without cause or by the NEO for good reason upon or following a change in control of Healthpeak or if the awards were to be terminated (and not assumed or continued) in connection with a change in control of Healthpeak. See TSR-Based LTIP Award values (disclosed under "Change-in-Control Benefits (Assuming no Employment Termination)") that would vest on a change in control regardless of whether the NEO terminates employment.

# **Pay Ratio**

The following pay ratio and supporting information compares the annual total compensation of our President and CEO and the annual total compensation of our employees other than our President and CEO, as required by Section 953(b) of the Dodd-Frank Act. The pay ratio is a reasonable estimate calculated in a manner consistent with Item 402(u) of Regulation S-K.

For 2023, our last completed fiscal year:

- The annual total compensation of our median employee was \$238,548; and
- The annual total compensation of our President and CEO, as reported in the Summary Compensation Table, was \$7,692,510.
- Based on the foregoing, the estimated ratio of the annual total compensation of our President and CEO to the annual total compensation of our median employee was approximately 32:1. To determine the pay ratio, we took the steps outlined below.
- We determined that as of December 31, 2023, our employee population (excluding our President and CEO) consisted of 200 individuals, all of whom were located in the United States. This population consists of our full-time and temporary employees. We did not have any seasonal employees. We excluded independent contractors, as well as interns and employees who terminated employment prior to December 31, 2023.
- To identify the median employee, we computed each employee's annual compensation consisting of annual base salary as well as all cash bonuses and the grant date value of equity awards granted during the year, as applicable. For these purposes, we annualized the base salary and cash bonuses of employees who did not work for us for the entire year, other than temporary employees. We did not make any cost of living adjustments.

Once we identified our median employee, we calculated that employee's annual total compensation for 2023 in
accordance with the requirements of the SEC's rules for calculating the "total" compensation of each of our NEOs for
2023 for purposes of the Summary Compensation Table above. With respect to our CEO, we used the amount reported
as total compensation in the Summary Compensation Table. Any adjustments, estimates and assumptions used to
calculate our CEO's total annual compensation are described in the footnotes to the Summary Compensation Table.

This pay ratio is an estimate calculated in a manner consistent with SEC rules based on the methodology described above. The SEC rules for identifying the median compensated employee and calculating the pay ratio based on that employee's annual total compensation allow companies to adopt a variety of methodologies, apply certain exclusions and make reasonable estimates and assumptions. As such, the pay ratio reported by other companies may not be comparable to our pay ratio, as other companies may have different employment and compensation practices and may utilize different methodologies, exclusions, estimates and assumptions in calculating their own pay ratios.

# **Pay-Versus-Performance Table**

The following summarizes the relationship between our CEO's, and our other Named Executive Officers', total compensation paid and our financial performance for the fiscal years shown in the table (in this discussion, our CEO is also referred to as our principal executive officer or "PEO", and our Named Executive Officers other than our CEO are referred to as our "Non-PEO NEOs").

		SUMMARY COMP. TABLE TOTAL FOR CEO MR. BRINKER) <sup>(1)(2)</sup> (MF			TOTAL FOR	COMP. ACTUALLY PAID TO FORMER CEO	TOTAL PAID TO NON-PEO		AVERAGE COMP. ACTUALLY PAID TO NON-PEO NEOs <sup>(3)</sup>	VALUE OF INITIAL FIXED \$100 INVESTMENT BASED ON:				
YEAR			CEO	7				A		HEALTH- PEAK TOTAL STOCK- HOLDER RETURN <sup>(A)</sup>	PEER TOTAL STOCK- HOLDER RETURN <sup>(4)</sup>	NET INCOME (IN MILLIONS) <sup>(5)</sup>	NORMALIZED FFO PER SHARE <sup>(6)</sup>	
2023	\$	7,692,510	\$ 2,500,263	\$	_	\$	_	\$3,003,451	\$ 1	,549,751	\$ 65.39	\$ 112.04	\$ 334.8	\$ 1.78
2022	\$	5,557,084	\$ 2,901,565	\$	24,308,605	\$	19,680,747	\$3,267,762	\$ 1	,959,250	\$ 82.79	\$ 100.62	\$ 516.4	\$ 1.73
2021	\$	_	\$ -	- \$	11,713,883	\$	17,200,186	\$3,767,688	\$ 5	5,579,450	\$114.23	\$ 134.06	\$ 525.9	\$ 1.60
2020	\$	_	\$ -	- \$	11,374,615	\$	9,884,943	\$3,389,595	\$ 2	2,905,009	\$ 92.31	\$ 94.88	\$ 428.3	\$ 1.60

- (1) In accordance with applicable SEC rules, since Mr. Brinker and Mr. Herzog each served as PEO during covered fiscal years, they are each included in the table above and the footnotes that follow the table as a PEO for the fiscal years in which they served in such capacity. For each of 2020 and 2021, our Non-PEO NEOs were Messrs. Brinker, Scott, Klaritch and McHenry. For 2022, our Non-PEO NEOs were Messrs. Scott, Klaritch, Bohn, Mabry and McHenry. For 2023, our Non-PEO NEOs were Messrs. Scott, Klaritch, Bohn and Patadia.
- (2) See the Summary Compensation Table above, and the Summary Compensation Table as disclosed in our proxy statement filed with the SEC in calendar year 2023, for detail on the Summary Compensation Table total compensation for each CEO for each fiscal year covered in the table. The average compensation for the Non-PEO NEOs for 2023 was calculated from the Summary Compensation Table above. The average compensation for the Non-PEO NEOs for each of 2022, 2021 and 2020 was calculated from the Summary Compensation Table as disclosed in our Proxy Statement filed with the SEC in calendar year 2023, 2022 or 2021, respectively.
- (3) For purposes of this table, the compensation actually paid (also referred to as "CAP") to each of our NEOs (including, for purposes of this table, former executive officers who are included in the Non-PEO NEO group for 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023) means each NEO's total compensation as reflected in the Summary Compensation Table for the applicable fiscal year and adjusted for the following:
  - Less the amounts reported in the "Stock Awards" columns of the Summary Compensation Table for the applicable fiscal year based on the grant date fair value of such awards;
  - Plus the fiscal year-end value of Healthpeak stock awards granted in the covered fiscal year that were outstanding and unvested at the end of the covered fiscal year;
  - Plus/(less) the change in value as of the end of the covered fiscal year as compared to the value at the end of the prior
    fiscal year for Healthpeak stock awards that were granted in prior fiscal years and were outstanding and unvested at the end
    of the covered fiscal year;
  - Plus the vesting date value of Healthpeak stock awards that were granted and vested during the same covered fiscal year;
  - Plus/(less) the change in value as of the vesting date as compared to the value at the end of the prior fiscal year for Healthpeak stock awards that were granted in prior fiscal years and vested in the covered fiscal year;
  - Less, as to any Healthpeak stock awards that were granted in prior fiscal years that were forfeited during the covered fiscal year, the value of such awards as of the end of the prior fiscal year; and
  - Plus the dollar value of any dividends or other earnings paid during the covered fiscal year on outstanding and unvested Healthpeak stock awards to the extent not reflected in the grant date fair values of the awards.

#### **Executive Compensation Tables**

No stock options were granted, and no unvested stock options were outstanding, during the applicable fiscal years. There were no material modifications to any stock awards during the applicable fiscal years.

In making each of these adjustments, the "value" of a stock award is the fair value of the award on the applicable date determined in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718 using the valuation assumptions we then used to calculate the fair value of our equity awards. For more information on the valuation of our equity awards, see the notes to our financial statements that appear in our Annual Report on Form 10-K each fiscal year and the footnotes to the Summary Compensation Table that appears in our annual Proxy Statement.

The table above reflects the CAP (determined as noted above) for each CEO and, for our Non-PEO NEOs, the average of the CAPs determined for the Non-PEO NEOs for each of the fiscal years shown in the table.

The following table provides a reconciliation of the Summary Compensation Table Total to Compensation Actually Paid for Mr. Brinker.

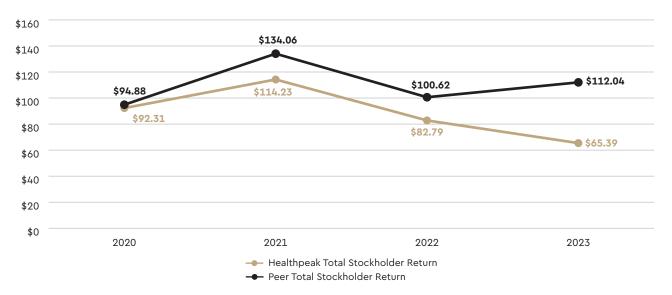
RECONCILIATION OF SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE TOTAL TO COMPENSATION ACTUALLY PAID FOR CEO (MR. BRINKER)	FISCAL YEAR 2023 (\$)	FISCAL YEAR 2022 (\$)	FISCAL YEAR 2021 (\$)	FISCAL YEAR 2020 (\$)
Summary Compensation Table Total	7,692,510	5,557,084	_	_
Grant Date Fair Value of Stock Awards Granted in Fiscal Year	(5,204,310)	(3,134,399)	_	_
Fair Value at Fiscal Year-End of Outstanding and Unvested Stock Awards Granted in Fiscal Year	2,997,838	2,541,379	_	_
Change in Fair Value of Outstanding and Unvested Stock Awards Granted in Prior Fiscal Years	(2,282,005)	(2,232,034)	_	_
Fair Value at Vesting of Stock Awards Granted in Fiscal Year That Vested During Fiscal Year	_	402,297	_	_
Change in Fair Value as of Vesting Date of Stock Awards Granted in Prior Fiscal Years For Which Applicable Vesting Conditions Were Satisfied During Fiscal Year	(960,951)	(445,419)	_	_
Fair Value as of Prior Fiscal Year-End of Stock Awards Granted in Prior Fiscal Years That Failed to Meet Applicable Vesting Conditions During Fiscal Year	_	_	_	_
Dividends Paid on Outstanding and Unvested Stock Awards	257,182	212,657	_	_
Compensation Actually Paid	2,500,263	2,901,565	_	_

The following table provides a reconciliation of the average of the Summary Compensation Table Total for the Non-PEO NEOs for a fiscal year to the average of the Compensation Actually Paid for the Non-PEO NEOs for that fiscal year.

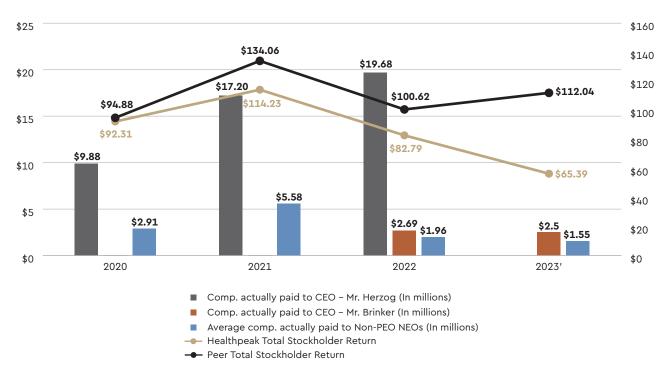
RECONCILIATION OF AVERAGE SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE TOTAL TO AVERAGE COMPENSATION ACTUALLY PAID FOR NON-PEO NEOS	FISCAL YEAR 2023 (\$)	FISCAL YEAR 2022 (\$)	FISCAL YEAR 2021 (\$)	FISCAL YEAR 2020 (\$)
Summary Compensation Table Total	3,003,451	3,267,762	3,767,688	3,389,595
Grant Date Fair Value of Stock Awards Granted in Fiscal Year	(1,387,525)	(1,535,477)	(1,718,594)	(1,849,445)
Fair Value at Fiscal Year-End of Outstanding and Unvested Stock Awards Granted in Fiscal Year	822,314	1,087,331	2,004,500	1,509,955
Change in Fair Value of Outstanding and Unvested Stock Awards Granted in Prior Fiscal Years	(671,242)	(368,699)	1,104,314	(640,251)
Fair Value at Vesting of Stock Awards Granted in Fiscal Year That Vested During Fiscal Year	_	103,198	249,639	354,058
Change in Fair Value as of Vesting Date of Stock Awards Granted in Prior Fiscal Years For Which Applicable Vesting Conditions Were Satisfied During Fiscal Year	(292,301)	(132,238)	59,047	(17,412)
Fair Value as of Prior Fiscal Year-End of Stock Awards Granted in Prior Fiscal Years That Failed to Meet Applicable Vesting Conditions During Fiscal Year	_	(516,184)	_	_
Dividends Paid on Outstanding and Unvested Stock Awards	75,053	53,557	112,856	158,509
Compensation Actually Paid	1,549,751	1,959,250	5,579,450	2,905,009

<sup>(4)</sup> Healthpeak TSR represents cumulative total stockholder return on a fixed investment of \$100 in our common stock for the period beginning on the last trading day of 2019 through the end of the applicable fiscal year, and is calculated assuming the reinvestment of dividends before consideration of income taxes. Peer total stockholder return represents cumulative total stockholder return on a fixed investment of \$100 in the Equity REIT Index of Nareit for the period beginning on the last trading day of 2019 through the end of the applicable fiscal year, and is calculated assuming the reinvestment of dividends before consideration of income taxes.

The following chart illustrates our TSR for each of the last three fiscal years against our TSR and the TSR for the Equity REIT Index of Nareit (each calculated as described above) over that period of time.



The following chart illustrates the CAP for each CEO and the average CAP for our Non-PEO NEOs for each of the last four fiscal years against our TSR and the TSR for the Equity REIT Index of Nareit (each calculated as described above) over that period of time.

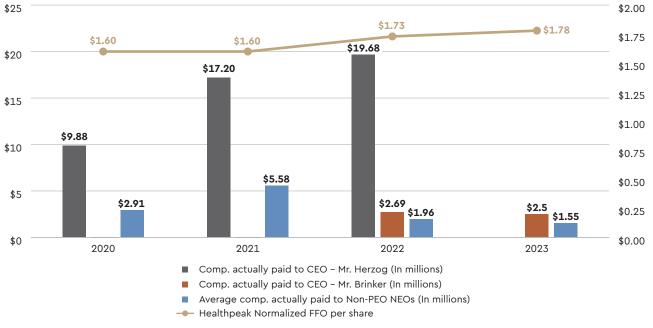


#### **Executive Compensation Tables**

(5) This column shows Healthpeak's net income for each fiscal year covered by the table. The following chart illustrates the CAP for each CEO and the average CAP for our Non-PEO NEOs for each of the last four fiscal years against our net income for each of those years.



(6) This column shows Healthpeak's Normalized FFO per share for each fiscal year covered by the table. We consider Normalized FFO per share to be a key metric in our executive compensation program; see the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this proxy statement for more information regarding the use of this performance measure. The following chart illustrates the CAP for each CEO and the average CAP for our Non-PEO NEOs for each of the last four fiscal years against our Normalized FFO per share for each of those years.



Following is an unranked list of our financial performance measures we consider most important in linking the compensation actually paid to our NEOs for 2023 with our performance.

- Normalized FFO per share (used in our 2023 STIP and Retentive LTIP awards)
- Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre (used in our 2023 STIP)
- Relative TSR (used in our TSR-Based LTIP awards)

In addition to the financial performance measures listed above, we view our stock price, upon which the value of all of our LTIP awards is dependent, as a key performance-based component of our executive compensation program in order to further align the interests of our senior management team with the interests of our stockholders.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table sets forth, for each of the Company's equity compensation plans, the number of shares of common stock subject to outstanding awards, the weighted average exercise price of outstanding options and the number of shares remaining available for future award grants as of December 31, 2023.

PLAN CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SECURITIES TO BE ISSUED UPON EXERCISE OF OUTSTANDING OPTIONS, WARRANTS AND RIGHTS	WEIGHTED AVERAGE EXERCISE PRICE OF OUTSTANDING OPTIONS, WARRANTS AND RIGHTS (\$)	NUMBER OF SECURITIES REMAINING AVAILABLE FOR FUTURE ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS (EXCLUDING SECURITIES REFLECTED IN COLUMN (A))
	(a)	(b)	(c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	3,071,586 <sup>(1)</sup>	33.79 <sup>(2)</sup>	30,771,272(3)
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	3,071,586	33.79	30,771,272

<sup>(1)</sup> Of these shares, 222,601 were subject to outstanding stock options, 1,969,786 were subject to profits interest units (including outstanding performance-based profits interest unit awards, which are presented at their maximum level of achievement), and 879,199 were subject to outstanding restricted stock units (including outstanding performance-based stock units, which are presented at their target level of performance).

<sup>(2)</sup> This weighted average exercise price does not reflect 1,969,786 shares that could be issued in connection with profits interest units (including outstanding performance-based profits interest unit awards, which are presented at their maximum level of achievement), and 879,199 shares that could be issued in connection with restricted stock units (including outstanding performance-based stock units, which are presented at their target level of performance).

<sup>(5)</sup> Of the aggregate number of shares that remained available for issuance as of December 31, 2023, all were available under the 2023 Plan. Subject to certain express limits of the 2023 Plan, shares available for award purposes under the plan generally may be used for any type of award authorized under that plan including options, stock appreciation rights and other forms of awards granted or denominated in shares of our common stock including, without limitation, stock bonuses, restricted stock, restricted stock units, and performance-based stock units, as well as shares denominated in profits interest units.

## Security Ownership of Principal Stockholders, Directors and Management

The following table sets forth certain information as of March 5, 2024 (unless otherwise indicated) regarding the beneficial ownership, as that term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act, of shares of our common stock by: (i) each person known to beneficially own more than 5% of our outstanding common stock; (ii) each director and nominee for election as director; (iii) each of the NEOs; and (iv) all current directors and executive officers as a group. This table is based on Company records and information supplied to us by our executive officers, directors and principal stockholders or included in a Schedule 13G, or an amendment thereto, filed with the SEC with respect to shares of our common stock. With respect to the principal stockholders, the following table does not reflect beneficial ownership of any additional shares that such stockholders may have acquired upon the closing of our merger with Physicians Realty Trust on March 1, 2024. The following table also does not include certain LTIP Units, which, regardless of their vesting schedules, are subject to a 14-month holding period following their grant date or cancellation and replacement date, as applicable.

	SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED(1)(2)		
NAME OF BENEFICIAL OWNER	NUMBER OF SHARES	NUMBER OF OPTIONS/ RSUS/ PROFITS INTEREST UNITS <sup>(3)</sup>	PERCENT OF CLASS <sup>(4)</sup>
Greater than 5% Stockholders			
The Vanguard Group, Inc. and affiliates <sup>(5)</sup> 100 Vanguard Boulevard Malvern, PA 1 9355	87,756,738	<del>_</del>	16.04%
BlackRock, Inc. <sup>(6)</sup> 50 Hudson Yards New York, NY 10001	57,105,438	_	10.40%
State Street Corporation <sup>(7)</sup> State Street Financial Center 1 Congress Street, Suite 1 Boston, MA 02114	41,217,077	_	7.53%
Directors			
Scott M. Brinker <sup>(8)</sup>	183,588		*
Katherine M. Sandstrom	27,212	8,193	*
John T. Thomas <sup>(9)</sup>	827,229	_	*
Brian G. Cartwright	45,321	8,193	*
James B. Connor	10(10)	8,193	*
Christine N. Garvey	27,885(11)	8,193	*
R. Kent Griffin, Jr.	52,026	8,193	*
David B. Henry	76,717	8,193	*
Pamela J. Kessler <sup>(12)</sup>	32,822	_	*
Sara G. Lewis	43,319(13)	8,193	*
Ava E. Lias-Booker	10,329		*
Governor Tommy G. Thompson <sup>(14)</sup>	112,581	_	*
Richard A. Weiss	49,493	_	*
Named Executive Officers	,		
Peter A. Scott	164,339	_	*
Thomas M. Klaritch	336,900	_	*
Scott R. Bohn	18,625	_	*
Ankit B. Patadia	6,115	_	*
All current directors and executive officers as a group (21 persons)  * Less than 1%	2,096,846	57,351	*

<sup>\*</sup> Less than 1%

<sup>(1)</sup> Except as otherwise noted and subject to applicable community property laws, each individual has sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares listed.

#### Security Ownership of Principal Stockholders, Directors and Management

- (2) Does not include profits interest units to acquire equity interests in Healthpeak OP, LLC beneficially owned by such person that are not exchangeable into Healthpeak common stock within 60 days of March 5, 2024.
- (5) For the Independent Directors, consists of shares represented by unvested RSU awards that will vest within 60 days of March 5, 2024.
- (4) Unless otherwise indicated, based on 709,577,429 shares outstanding as of March 5, 2024. In addition, for purposes of computing the percentage of shares held by an individual, the number of shares outstanding includes shares represented by unvested RSUs that will vest within 60 days of March 5, 2024, profits interest units that can be convertible into shares of our common stock within 60 days of March 5, 2024, or upon the individual's qualified retirement, but, in each case, such shares are not included in the number of shares outstanding for purposes of computing the percentage of shares held by any other person.
- (5) Share and beneficial ownership information for The Vanguard Group, Inc. ("Vanguard") is given as of December 29, 2023, and was obtained from a Schedule 13G/A filed on February 13, 2024, with the SEC. According to the Schedule 13G/A, Vanguard has shared voting power over 1,140,280 shares, sole dispositive power over 84,952,851 shares and shared dispositive power over 2,803,887 shares of our common stock. The Schedule 13G/A states that Vanguard's clients have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, our common stock but that no one other person's interest in our common stock is more than 5% of the total outstanding common shares.
- (6) Share and beneficial ownership information for BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock") is given as of December 31, 2023, and was obtained from a Schedule 13G/A filed on January 24, 2024, with the SEC. According to the Schedule 13G/A, BlackRock has sole voting power over 51,668,427 shares and sole dispositive power over 57,105,438 shares of our common stock. The Schedule 13G/A states that various persons have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from or the proceeds from the sale of our common stock, but that no one person's interest in our common stock is more than 5% of the total outstanding common shares.
- (7) Share and beneficial ownership information for State Street Corporation ("State Street") is given as of December 31, 2023, and was obtained from a Schedule 13G/A filed on January 30, 2024, with the SEC. According to the Schedule 13G/A, State Street has shared voting power over 25,905,284 shares and shared dispositive power over 41,140,742 shares of our common stock.
- (8) Mr. Brinker is also an NEO.
- (9) Includes 4,274 shares held by accounts for the benefit of Mr. Thomas's children, and 67,400 shares subject to a legacy margin loan that existed prior to the Physicians Realty Trust merger and will be paid off in full following the closing of the merger.
- (10) Consists of shares held in spouse's trust.
- (11) Consists of shares held in a family trust.
- (12) Includes 20,875 shares held in a family trust, 200 shares held in an individual retirement account and 2,547 shares held by spouse's individual retirement account.
- (13) Includes 22,000 shares held in a trust and 3,000 shares held in an individual retirement account.

#### **PROPOSAL 03**

## Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm





Our Board recommends a vote FOR ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2024

#### **Auditor Evaluation and Appointment**

Our Audit Committee is responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm that audits the Company's financial statements and internal control over financial reporting. The Audit Committee has appointed Deloitte & Touche LLP, or Deloitte, to continue to serve as Healthpeak's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2024. Deloitte has served as Healthpeak's independent registered public accounting firm since March 3, 2010. A representative of Deloitte is expected to attend the Annual Meeting and will have an opportunity to make a statement and be available to respond to appropriate questions.

The Audit Committee annually reviews Deloitte's performance and independence in deciding whether to engage a different independent registered public accounting firm. In the course of these reviews, the Audit Committee considers, among other things:

- Deloitte's independence from the Company and management, including any factors that may impact Deloitte's objectivity
- Deloitte's qualifications and capability in handling all aspects of the Company's operations
- ▼ The desired balance of Deloitte's experience and fresh perspective occasioned by mandatory audit partner rotation.
- ▼ The experience, qualifications and performance of our existing audit engagement team
- Any issues raised by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board's ("PCAOB") most recent quality control review
  of Deloitte
- The quality and candor of Deloitte's communications with the Audit Committee and management
- ✓ Deloitte's quality control procedures
- ▼ The quality and effectiveness of Deloitte's historical and recent audit plans and performance on our audit
- The advisability and potential impact of appointing a different independent public accounting firm

#### **Voting Standard and Board Recommendation**

We are asking our stockholders to vote **FOR** ratification of the appointment of Deloitte as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2024. Ratification requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on this proposal at the Annual Meeting. Although ratification is not required by our organizational documents or otherwise, our Board is submitting the appointment of Deloitte to our stockholders as a matter of good corporate governance.

If the appointment is not ratified, the Audit Committee will consider whether it is appropriate to appoint another independent registered public accounting firm. Even if the appointment is ratified, the Audit Committee, in its discretion, may appoint a different independent registered public accounting firm at any time during the year if the Audit Committee determines that such a change would be in the best interests of the Company.

Following its review, the Audit Committee believes that Deloitte's continued engagement as our independent registered public accounting firm is in the best interests of the Company for the following reasons:

#### **EXPERIENCE AND EFFECTIVENESS**

**Enhanced audit quality.** Through years of experience, Deloitte has gained significant institutional knowledge of our business and operations, accounting policies and practices, and internal control over financial reporting.

Effective audit plans and efficient fee structures.

Deloitte's knowledge of our business and control framework enables it to design effective audit plans that cover key risk areas while capturing cost efficiencies in audit scope and internal control testing.

Maintaining continuity avoids disruption. Bringing on a new auditor, without reasonable cause, would require extensive education and a significant period of time for the new auditor to reach a comparable level of knowledge and familiarity with our business and control framework.

#### STRONG INDEPENDENCE CONTROLS

Thorough Audit Committee oversight. The Audit Committee believes that any concerns with Deloitte's tenure are mitigated by the Audit Committee's oversight, which includes ongoing engagement with Deloitte and a comprehensive annual review process.

Robust pre-approval policies and limits on non-audit services. The Audit Committee must pre-approve all audit and non-audit services performed by Deloitte, including the types of services to be provided and the estimated fees relating to those services.

Deloitte's strong internal independence procedures and regulatory framework. Deloitte conducts periodic internal quality reviews of its audit work and rotates lead partners every five years. Deloitte is also subject to PCAOB inspections, peer reviews, and PCAOB and SEC oversight.

#### **Audit and Non-Audit Fees**

The following table shows information about the respective fees billed by Deloitte during or related to the fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 (in thousands):

	2023	2022
Audit Fees <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 3,540	\$2,704
Audit-Related Fees <sup>(2)</sup>	239	445
Tax Fees:		
Tax Compliance <sup>(3)</sup>	787	694
Tax Planning and Tax Advice <sup>(4)</sup>	1,047	735
All Other Fees	_	_
Total	\$ 5,613	\$4,578

- (1) Audit fees include fees and out-of-pocket expenses billed for the audit of our annual consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting, the review of interim consolidated financial statements included in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and other SEC registration statement and consent services. Audit fees for 2023 include fees related to the merger with Physicians Realty Trust.
- (2) Audit-related fees primarily relate to, among other things, fees for the separate audits of certain of our consolidated subsidiaries and certain accounting consultations.
- $^{\scriptscriptstyle{(3)}}$  Tax compliance fees primarily involve the preparation or review of tax returns.
- (4) Tax planning and tax advice fees encompass a diverse range of services, including tax advice related to acquisitions and investments, consultation regarding the impact of proposed actions/activities on REIT qualification, and consultation regarding the foreign, federal, state, and local tax matters related to various transactions. Tax planning and tax advice fees for 2023 include fees related to the merger with Physicians Realty Trust.

## Policy on Pre-Approval of Audit and Permitted Non-Audit Services

Pursuant to its charter and good corporate governance practices, the Audit Committee must pre-approve all audit and permitted non-audit services performed by Deloitte and all related fees. The Audit Committee has delegated its preapproval authority to its Chair, provided that the Chair presents any pre-approvals related to audit and permitted non-audit services to the Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting. The Audit Committee considered whether the provision of proposed non-audit services by Deloitte to the Company was compatible with maintaining the audit firm's independence and concluded that Deloitte's independence was not compromised by the provision of such services and pre-approved all services provided by Deloitte in 2023 and 2022.

#### **Audit Committee Report**

The Audit Committee currently consists of four members: Messrs. Griffin (Chair), Connor and Henry and Ms. Garvey. The Board has determined that all Audit Committee members are independent under applicable NYSE and SEC rules and that Messrs. Griffin, Connor and Henry and Ms. Garvey are financial experts. The Audit Committee has certain duties and powers as described in its written charter adopted by the Board. A copy of the charter can be found on the Company's website at healthpeak.com/esg/governance.

The Audit Committee oversees the Company's financial reporting process on behalf of the Board. Management has the primary responsibility for establishing and maintaining adequate internal financial controls, preparing the financial statements and the public reporting process. Deloitte, the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2023, is responsible for expressing opinions on the conformity of the Company's audited consolidated financial statements with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed with management and Deloitte the audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, Deloitte's evaluation of the Company's internal control over financial reporting, significant accounting policies and practices, and management judgments and estimates. The Audit Committee has discussed with Deloitte the matters required to be discussed by the applicable requirements of the PCAOB and the SEC. The Audit Committee also received the written disclosures and the letter from Deloitte required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding Deloitte's communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence. In addition, the Audit Committee has discussed with Deloitte any relationships that may impact its objectivity and independence and satisfied itself as to Deloitte's independence.

Based on the Audit Committee's review of the audited consolidated financial statements and the review and discussions described in the foregoing paragraph, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board that the audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, be included in the Annual Report, as filed with the SEC.

#### **Audit Committee of the Board of Directors**



R. Kent Griffin, Jr. (Chair) Independent Director



James B. Connor Independent Director



Christine N. Garvey Independent Director



David B. Henry Independent Director

The foregoing report of the Audit Committee is not soliciting material, is not deemed filed with the SEC and is not incorporated by reference in any filing of the Company under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date of this proxy statement and irrespective of any general incorporation language in such filing.

## Additional Information about the Annual Meeting

#### Voting at the Annual Meeting

#### **General Information**

Stockholders of record of our common stock as of the close of business on March 5, 2024, the record date for the Annual Meeting, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting. As of the close of business on the record date, there were 709,577,429 shares of our common stock outstanding and eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting. There is no other class of voting securities outstanding. Each share of common stock entitles its holder to one vote at the Annual Meeting. To have a quorum at the Annual Meeting, the holders of a majority of the shares of our common stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting must be present or represented by proxy.

### Voting Standard, Board Recommendations and Effect of Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes

AGENDA ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PAGE NUMBER	BOARD RECOMMENDATION	VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR APPROVAL	EFFECT OF ABSTENTIONS	EFFECT OF BROKER NON-VOTES
01	Proposal to elect the eleven director nominees	12	FOR	Majority of votes cast	No effect	No effect
02	Proposal to approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of our named executive officers	41	FOR	Majority of votes cast	No effect	No effect
03	Proposal to ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024	76	FOR	Majority of votes cast	No effect	None expected

Abstentions will be counted as present and entitled to vote for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum but will not be counted as votes cast for purposes of determining the outcome of any proposal. Broker non-votes on Proposal No. 1 (election of directors) and Proposal No. 2 (approval of 2023 executive compensation on an advisory basis), will be counted as present and entitled to vote for the purpose of determining the presence of a quorum at the Annual Meeting, but will not be counted as votes cast for purposes of determining the outcome of any of these proposals.

#### Voting via the Internet, Telephone or Mail

You may submit your proxy or voting instructions via the Internet, by telephone or by mail, depending on the manner in which you receive your proxy materials. If you received a Notice of Internet Availability by mail, you can submit a proxy or voting instructions via the Internet by following the instructions provided in the Notice of Internet Availability. If you received a printed set of the proxy materials by mail, you may submit a proxy or voting instructions via the Internet, by telephone (if available) or by mail by following the instructions on the proxy card or voting instruction form.

If you are a stockholder of record voting by telephone or the Internet, your proxy must be received by 9:59 p.m. Mountain Time (11:59 p.m. Eastern Time) on April 24, 2024, in order for your shares to be voted at the Annual Meeting. However, if you are a stockholder of record submitting a proxy card by mail, you may instead mark, sign and date the proxy card you received and return it in the accompanying prepaid and addressed envelope so that it is received by us before the Annual Meeting. If you hold your shares in street name, please provide your voting instructions to the bank, broker or other nominee who holds your shares by the deadline specified by such bank, broker or nominee.

#### **Voting in Person**

All stockholders of record may vote in person at the Annual Meeting by written ballot. However, if you are the beneficial owner of shares held in street name through a bank, broker or other nominee, you may not vote your shares at the Annual Meeting unless you obtain a "legal proxy" from the bank, broker or nominee that holds your shares giving you the right to vote the shares at the Annual Meeting. Even if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we recommend that you submit your proxy or voting instructions in advance to authorize the voting of your shares at the Annual Meeting so that your vote will be counted if you are later unable to attend. If you later attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person, your previously submitted proxy or voting instructions will not be used.

#### How Your Shares Will be Voted

Your shares will be voted as you specify in your proxy or voting instructions. Although our Board does not know of any business to be considered at the Annual Meeting other than the three proposals described in this proxy statement, if any other business properly comes before the Annual Meeting, a stockholder's properly submitted proxy gives authority to the proxy holder to vote on those matters in his or her discretion. If you are a stockholder of record and properly submit a proxy but do not specify your voting choice on one or more of the items listed in the notice of meeting, your shares will be voted as recommended by our Board on those items.

If you hold your shares in street name through a brokerage account and you do not submit voting instructions to your broker, your broker will not be authorized to vote your shares on any of the matters at the Annual Meeting, other than Proposal No. 3 (the ratification of the appointment of Deloitte as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2024). If your broker exercises its discretion to vote on Proposal No. 3 at the Annual Meeting, your shares will constitute "broker non-votes" on each of the other items at the Annual Meeting.

#### **Revoking or Changing Your Vote**

If you are a stockholder of record, you may revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted at the Annual Meeting by delivering a written notice of revocation to our Corporate Secretary at our principal executive offices, by submitting a later-dated proxy via the Internet, by telephone or by mail by the applicable deadline provided under "Voting Via the Internet, Telephone or Mail," or by voting in person at the Annual Meeting. If your shares are held in street name through a bank, broker or other nominee, you may revoke any previous voting instructions by submitting new voting instructions to your bank, broker or nominee by the deadline specified by your bank, broker or nominee or by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person. Attendance at the Annual Meeting will not by itself constitute a revocation of any proxy or voting instructions.

#### **Additional Annual Meeting Information**

#### **Delivery of Proxy Materials**

We may satisfy SEC rules regarding delivery of proxy materials, including our proxy statements and Annual Reports, by delivering only one set of proxy materials to multiple stockholders that share the same address, unless we have received contrary instructions in writing. This "householding" process can result in meaningful cost savings for us and is consistent with our commitment to sustainability by reducing the environmental impact of printing and mailing paper copies. Upon oral or written request, we will deliver promptly a separate copy of proxy materials to a stockholder at a shared address to which a single copy of the proxy materials was delivered. If your shares are registered in your own name, you may request a separate copy of the proxy materials for this Annual Meeting or for future meetings of Healthpeak stockholders by notifying Broadridge toll-free at 1–866–540–7095 or writing to Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc., 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, New York 11717. If you are a street name holder, please contact the broker, bank or other nominee that holds your shares to request a separate copy of proxy materials.

In the future, stockholders of record can avoid receiving duplicate mailings by following the instructions on the Internet at www.proxyvote.com. If you hold your shares in street name and you would like to receive only one copy of the proxy materials in the future, you should contact your bank, broker or other nominee.

#### **Financial Statements**

Our Annual Report containing our audited consolidated financial statements accompanies this proxy statement. Upon the written request of any person solicited hereby, we will provide a copy of our Annual Report to such person, without charge. Requests should be directed to our Corporate Secretary at Healthpeak Properties, Inc., 4600 South Syracuse Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80237.

#### **Inspector of Elections**

Votes cast by proxy or at the Annual Meeting will be counted by a representative of Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc., the appointed inspector of elections for the Annual Meeting. In connection with the duties as inspector of elections, Broadridge's representative will also determine whether a quorum is present, evaluate the validity of proxies and ballots, and certify the voting results.

#### **Proxy Solicitation**

We will bear all costs of the solicitation of proxies for the Annual Meeting. In addition to solicitation by mail, directors and officers of Healthpeak, without receiving any additional compensation, may solicit proxies personally or by telephone, email or other electronic means. We will request brokerage houses, banks and other custodians or nominees holding stock in their names for others to forward proxy materials to their customers or principals who are the beneficial owners of shares of our common stock and will reimburse them for their expenses in doing so. We have retained the services of Georgeson LLC to assist in the solicitation of proxies for a fee of \$10,000 plus reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. We may engage Georgeson for additional solicitation work and incur fees greater than \$10,000, depending on a variety of factors, including preliminary voting results.

#### **Voting Results**

We intend to announce preliminary voting results at the Annual Meeting and disclose final voting results in a Current Report on Form 8-K to be filed with the SEC within four business days following the Annual Meeting.

#### Other Matters

## 2025 Stockholder Proposals, Director Nominations and Director Candidate Recommendations

#### Proposals to be Included in 2025 Proxy Materials

Any stockholder that desires to have a proposal considered for presentation at the 2025 annual meeting of stockholders, and included in Healthpeak's proxy materials used in connection with our 2025 annual meeting, must submit the proposal in writing to our Corporate Secretary so that it is received no later than November 13, 2024. The proposal must also comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act to be so included. If the date of next year's annual meeting is changed by more than 30 days from the date of this year's Annual Meeting, then the deadline will be a reasonable time before we begin to make our proxy materials available to stockholders.

#### **Proxy Access Nominations**

Any stockholder (or group of no more than 25 stockholders) meeting the Company's continuous ownership requirements set forth in our Bylaws that wishes to nominate candidates for election to our Board for inclusion in our proxy materials for our 2025 annual meeting of stockholders must provide written notice to our Corporate Secretary no earlier than October 14, 2024, nor later than November 13, 2024. Other specifics regarding the foregoing proxy access right, including the required content of the notice and certain other eligibility and procedural requirements, can be found in Section 8 of Article II of our Bylaws.

## Nominations or Proposals Not to be Included in 2025 Proxy Materials

If a stockholder seeks to nominate a candidate for election or to propose business for consideration at our 2025 annual meeting but not have it included in our proxy materials for the 2025 annual meeting, we must receive notice of the proposal or director nomination no earlier than January 25, 2025, and no later than February 24, 2025. If we change the date of our 2025 annual meeting to a date that is before March 26, 2025, or after June 24, 2025, however, notice of any proposal or director nomination must instead be delivered not earlier than the 90th day and not later than the close of business on the later of the 60th day prior to our 2025 annual meeting, or the 10th day following the day on which we publicly announce the date of our 2025 annual meeting. If the notice is not received between these dates or does not satisfy the additional notice requirements set forth in Article II, Section 7(a) of our Bylaws, the notice will be considered untimely and any nomination or business proposed to be brought before the meeting will be disregarded and not acted upon at our 2025 annual meeting. Proposals, nominations and notices should be directed to the attention of the Corporate Secretary, Healthpeak Properties, Inc., 4600 South Syracuse Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80237. In accordance with our Bylaws, the foregoing deadline and notice requirements set forth in Article II, Section 7(a) of our Bylaws are also intended to apply to and satisfy the notice requirements set forth in Rule 14a-19 under the Exchange Act, including paragraph (b) thereunder, with respect to notice by a stockholder who intends to solicit proxies in support of director nominees other than the Company's nominees at the 2025 annual meeting.

#### **Recommendations of Director Candidates**

Stockholders may also recommend director candidates for our Board's consideration. The Governance Committee will consider director candidates properly recommended by stockholders in the same manner as recommendations received from other sources. Stockholder recommendations must be submitted in writing to the Chair of the Governance Committee, c/o Healthpeak Properties, Inc., 4600 South Syracuse Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80237, together with the proposed candidate's name, address, age, appropriate biographical information, descriptions of the candidate's qualifications and the relationship, if any, to the recommending stockholder, together with any other information about the stockholder and the candidate that would otherwise be required pursuant to our Bylaws if the stockholder was nominating the candidate for election to our Board at an annual meeting of stockholders. Stockholders who would like to recommend a candidate for consideration by our Board in connection with the next annual meeting of stockholders should submit their written recommendation no later than January 1 of the year of the annual meeting.

#### Vote

We urge you to submit your proxy or voting instructions as soon as possible, whether or not you expect to attend and vote at the Annual Meeting. If you attend and vote at the Annual Meeting, your proxy will not be used.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

#### Carol B. Samaan

Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Corporate Secretary Denver, Colorado March 13, 2024

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Statements in this proxy statement that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Forward-looking statements include, among other things, statements regarding our and our officers' intent, belief or expectation as identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "project," "expect," "believe," "intend," "anticipate," "seek," "target," "forecast," "plan," "potential," "estimate," "could," "would," "should" and other comparable and derivative terms or the negatives thereof. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among other things, (i) statements regarding timing, outcomes and other details relating to current, pending or contemplated acquisitions, dispositions, transitions, developments, redevelopments, joint venture transactions, financing activities, or other transactions; (ii) development opportunities; (iii) the outlook for Lab, Outpatient Medical and CCRCs; (iv) our expectations regarding corporate responsibility and ESG goals and initiatives; and (v) potential capital sources and uses. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Pending acquisitions, dispositions, and leasing activity, including those that are subject to binding agreements, remain subject to closing conditions and may not close within the anticipated timeframes or at all. Forward-looking statements reflect our current expectations and views about future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect our future financial condition and results of operations. While forward-looking statements reflect our good faith belief and assumptions we believe to be reasonable based upon current information, we can give no assurance that our expectations or forecasts will be attained. Further, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of any such forward-looking statement contained in this proxy statement, and such forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: macroeconomic trends, including inflation, interest rates, labor costs, and unemployment; risks associated with the merger transactions with Physicians Realty Trust (the "Mergers") that were completed on March 1, 2024, including, but not limited to, our ability to integrate the operations of the Company and Physicians Realty Trust successfully and realize the anticipated synergies and other benefits of the Mergers or do so within the anticipated time frame; changes within the industries in which we operate; significant regulation, funding requirements, and uncertainty faced by our lab tenants; factors adversely affecting our tenants', operators', or borrowers' ability to meet their financial and other contractual obligations to us; the insolvency or bankruptcy of one or more of our major tenants, operators, or borrowers; our concentration of real estate investments in the healthcare property sector, which makes us more vulnerable to a downturn in a specific sector than if we invested across multiple sectors; the illiquidity of real estate investments; our ability to identify and secure new or replacement tenants and operators; our property development, redevelopment, and tenant improvement risks, including project abandonments, project delays, and lower profits than expected; the ability of the hospitals on whose campuses our outpatient medical buildings are located and their affiliated healthcare systems to remain competitive or financially viable; our ability to develop, maintain, or expand hospital and health system client relationships; operational risks associated with third party management contracts, including the additional regulation and liabilities of our properties operated through RIDEA structures; economic conditions, natural disasters, weather, and other conditions that negatively affect geographic areas where we have concentrated investments; uninsured or underinsured losses, which could result in significant losses and/or performance declines by us or our tenants and operators; our investments in joint ventures and unconsolidated entities, including our lack of sole decision making authority and our reliance on our partners' financial condition and continued cooperation; our use of fixed rent escalators, contingent rent provisions, and/or rent escalators based on the Consumer Price Index; competition for suitable healthcare properties to grow our investment portfolio; our ability to foreclose or exercise rights on collateral securing our real estate-related loans; any requirement that we recognize reserves, allowances, credit losses, or impairment charges; investment of substantial resources and time in transactions that are not consummated; our ability to successfully integrate or operate acquisitions; the potential impact on us and our tenants, operators, and borrowers from litigation matters, including rising liability and insurance costs; environmental compliance costs and liabilities associated with our real estate investments; our ability to satisfy ESG and sustainability commitments and requirements, as well as stakeholder expectations; epidemics, pandemics, or other infectious diseases, including Covid, and health and safety measures intended to reduce their spread; human capital risks, including the loss or limited availability of our key personnel; our reliance on information technology systems and the possibility of a cybersecurity incident or cybersecurity threat affecting our information systems or the information systems of our tenants, operators or borrowers; volatility, disruption, or uncertainty in the financial markets; increased borrowing costs, including due to rising interest rates; cash available for distribution to stockholders and our ability to make dividend distributions at expected levels; the availability of external capital on acceptable terms or at all, including due to rising interest rates, changes in our credit ratings and the value of our common stock, bank failures or other events affecting financial institutions; our ability to manage our indebtedness level and covenants in and changes to the terms of such indebtedness; the failure of our tenants, operators, and borrowers to comply with federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including resident health and safety requirements, as well as licensure, certification, and inspection requirements; required regulatory approvals to transfer our senior housing properties; compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and fire, safety, and other regulations; laws or regulations prohibiting eviction of our tenants; the requirements of, or changes to, governmental reimbursement programs such as Medicare or Medicaid; legislation to address federal government operations and administrative decisions affecting the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; our participation in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") Provider Relief Fund and other Covid-related stimulus and relief programs; our ability to maintain our qualification as a REIT; our taxable REIT subsidiaries being subject to corporate level tax; tax imposed on any net income from "prohibited transactions"; changes to U.S. federal income tax laws, and potential deferred and contingent tax liabilities from corporate acquisitions; calculating non-REIT tax earnings and profits distributions; ownership limits in our charter that restrict ownership in our stock; provisions of Maryland law and our charter that could prevent a transaction that may otherwise be in the interest of our stockholders; conflicts of interest between the interests of our stockholders and the interests of holders of Healthpeak OP common units; provisions in the operating agreement of Healthpeak OP and other agreements that may delay or prevent unsolicited acquisitions and other transactions; our status as a holding company of Healthpeak OP; and other risks and uncertainties described from time to time in our SEC filings. Except as required by law, we do not undertake, and hereby disclaim, any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made.

#### **Appendix A**

#### **Reconciliations and Definitions**

#### Reconciliations

#### NAREIT FFO, FFO AS ADJUSTED, AFFO AND NORMALIZED FFO PER SHARE

In thousands, except per share data

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2023	2022
Net income (loss) applicable to common shares	\$ 304,284	\$ 497,792
Real estate related depreciation and amortization	749,901	710,569
Healthpeak's share of real estate related depreciation and amortization from unconsolidated joint ventures	24,800	27,691
Noncontrolling interests' share of real estate related depreciation and amortization	(18,654)	(19,201)
Loss (gain) on sales of depreciable real estate, net	(86,463)	(10,422)
Healthpeak's share of loss (gain) on sales of depreciable real estate, net, from unconsolidated joint ventures	_	134
Noncontrolling interests' share of gain (loss) on sales of depreciable real estate, net	11,546	12
Loss (gain) upon change of control, net <sup>(1)</sup>	(234)	(311,438)
Taxes associated with real estate dispositions	_	29
Nareit FFO applicable to common shares	\$ 985,180	\$ 895,166
Distributions on dilutive convertible units and other	9,394	9,407
Diluted Nareit FFO applicable to common shares	\$ 994,574	\$ 904,573
Weighted average shares outstanding – diluted Nareit FFO	554,559	546,462
Impact of adjustments to Nareit FFO:		
Transaction and merger-related items <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 13,835	\$ 4,788
Other impairments (recoveries) and other losses (gains), net(3)	(3,850)	3,829
Restructuring and severance-related charges <sup>(4)</sup>	1,368	32,749
Casualty-related charges (recoveries), net <sup>(5)</sup>	(4,033)	4,401
Recognition (reversal) of valuation allowance on deferred tax assets(6)	(14,194)	_
Total adjustments	\$ (6,874)	\$ 45,767
FFO as Adjusted applicable to common shares	\$ 978,306	\$ 940,933
Distributions on dilutive convertible units and other	9,402	9,326
Diluted FFO as Adjusted applicable to common shares	\$ 987,708	\$ 950,259
Weighted average shares outstanding – diluted FFO as Adjusted	554,559	546,462
FFO as Adjusted applicable to common shares	\$ 978,306	\$ 940,933
Stock-based compensation amortization expense	14,480	16,537
Amortization of deferred financing costs	11,916	10,881
Straight-line rents <sup>(7)</sup>	(14,387)	(49,183)
AFFO capital expenditures	(113,596)	(108,510)
Deferred income taxes	(816)	(4,096)
Amortization of above (below) market lease intangibles, net	(25,791)	(23,380)
Other AFFO adjustments	(9,335)	520
AFFO applicable to common shares	\$ 840,777	\$ 783,702
Distributions on dilutive convertible units and other	6,581	6,594
Diluted AFFO applicable to common shares	\$ 847,358	\$ 790,296
Weighted average shares outstanding – diluted AFFO	552,734	544,637

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		31,	
		2023		2022
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.56	\$	0.92
Depreciation and amortization		1.37		1.33
Loss (gain) on sales of depreciable real estate, net		(0.14)		(0.02)
Loss (gain) upon change of control, net <sup>(1)</sup>		0.00		(0.57)
Taxes associated with real estate dispositions		_		0.00
Diluted Nareit FFO per common share	\$	1.79	\$	1.66
Transaction and merger-related items <sup>(2)</sup>		0.03		0.01
Other impairments (recoveries) and other losses (gains), net <sup>(3)</sup>		(0.01)		0.00
Restructuring and severance-related charges <sup>(4)</sup>		0.01		0.06
Casualty-related charges (recoveries), net <sup>(5)</sup>		(0.01)		0.01
Recognition (reversal) of valuation allowance on deferred tax assets <sup>(6)</sup>		(0.03)		_
Diluted FFO as Adjusted per common share	\$	1.78	\$	1.74
Stock-based compensation amortization expense		0.03		0.03
Amortization of deferred financing costs		0.02		0.02
Straight-line rents <sup>(7)</sup>		(0.03)		(0.09)
AFFO capital expenditures		(0.20)		(0.20)
Deferred income taxes		0.00		(0.01)
Amortization of above (below) market lease intangibles, net		(0.05)		(0.04)
Other AFFO adjustments		(0.02)		0.00
Diluted AFFO per common share	\$	1.53	\$	1.45
Diluted FFO as Adjusted applicable to common shares	\$ 9	87,708	\$ 9	50,259
Impact of adjustments to FFO as Adjusted:				
Less: positive impact of CARES Act funding		(413)		(7,860)
Normalized FFO	\$ 9	87,295	\$ 9	42,399
Normalized FFO Per Share	\$	1.78	\$	1.73

- (1) The year ended December 31, 2022 includes a gain upon change of control related to the sale of a 30% interest to a sovereign wealth fund and deconsolidation of seven previously consolidated lab buildings in South San Francisco, California. The gain upon change of control is included in other income (expense), net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- (2) The year ended December 31, 2023 includes costs related to the Mergers, which are primarily comprised of legal, accounting, tax, and other costs that were incurred prior to year-end, partially offset by termination fee income associated with Graphite Bio, Inc., for which the lease terms have been modified to accelerate expiration of the lease to December 2024. Termination fee income is included in rental and related revenues on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- (3) The year ended December 31, 2022 includes the following: (i) \$7 million of charges incurred in connection with the downsizing of our corporate headquarters in Denver, Colorado, which are included in general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, (ii) \$14 million of expenses incurred for tenant relocation and other costs associated with the demolition of an outpatient medical building, which are included in other income (expense), net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, and (iii) a \$23 million gain on sale of a hospital under a direct financing lease, which is included in other income (expense), net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. The years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 include reserves and (recoveries) for expected loan losses recognized in impairments and loan loss reserves (recoveries), net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- (4) The year ended December 31, 2022 includes \$32 million of severance-related charges associated with the departures of our former Chief Executive Officer and former Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel in the fourth quarter of 2022. These expenses are included in general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- (5) Casualty-related charges (recoveries), net are recognized in other income (expense), net and equity income (loss) from unconsolidated joint ventures in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- (6) In conjunction with classifying the assets related to the Callan Ridge JV as held for sale as of December 31, 2023, we concluded it was more likely than not that we would realize the future value of certain deferred tax assets generated by the net operating losses of taxable REIT subsidiaries. Accordingly, during the year ended December 31, 2023, we recognized the reversal of a portion of the associated valuation allowance and recognized a corresponding income tax benefit.
- (7) The year ended December 31, 2023 includes a \$8.7 million write-off of straight-line rent receivable associated with Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc., which commenced voluntary reorganization proceedings under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. This activity is reflected as a reduction of rental and related revenues in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

#### **EBITDAre AND ADJUSTED EBITDAre**

In thousands

	THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023	
Net income (loss)	\$ 75,395	
Interest expense	52,784	
Income tax expense (benefit)	(11,842)	
Depreciation and amortization	188,544	
Other depreciation and amortization	1,168	
Share of unconsolidated joint venture ("JV"):		
Interest expense	834	
Income tax expense (benefit)	150	
Depreciation and amortization	6,723	
EBITDAre	\$ 313,756	
Transaction and merger-related items <sup>(1)</sup>	11,202	
Other impairments (recoveries) and losses (gains) <sup>(1)</sup>	(5,445	
Casualty-related charges (recoveries) <sup>(1)</sup>	(3,462	
Stock-based compensation amortization expense	3,513	
Impact of transactions closed during the period <sup>(2)</sup>	52	
Adjusted EBITDAre	\$ 319,616	

<sup>(1)</sup> This amount includes the corresponding line on the FFO as Adjusted, AFFO per share and Normalized FFO per share reconciliation on page 85 of this proxy statement excluding the related tax impact included in the adjustment for income tax expense (benefit) above.

#### **NET DEBT**

	DECEMBER 31, 2023
Bank line of credit and commercial paper	\$ 720,000
Term loans	496,824
Senior unsecured notes	5,403,378
Mortgage debt	256,097
Consolidated Debt	\$ 6,876,299
Share of unconsolidated JV mortgage debt	39,906
Enterprise Debt	\$ 6,916,205
Cash and cash equivalents	(117,635)
Share of unconsolidated JV cash and cash equivalents	(29,243)
Restricted cash	(51,388)
Share of unconsolidated JV restricted cash	(8,022)
Net Debt	\$ 6,709,917

 $<sup>^{(2)}</sup>$  Adjustment reflects the impact of transactions that closed during the period as if the transactions were completed at the beginning of the period.

#### **NET DEBT TO ADJUSTED EBITDARE (ANNUALIZED)**

Dollars in thousands

	THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
Net Debt	\$ 6,709,917
Adjusted EBITDAre (annualized) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 1,278,464
Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre (annualized)	5.2x

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents Adjusted EBITDAre for the three months ended December 31, 2023 multiplied by a factor of four.

#### SAME-STORE PORTFOLIO CASH (ADJUSTED) NOI GROWTH

In thousands

	DE	YEAR ENDED CEMBER 31, 202	23	DI	YEAR ENDED ECEMBER 31, 20	22
	LAB	OUTPATIENT MEDICAL	CCRC	LAB	OUTPATIENT MEDICAL	CCRC
Net income (loss)	\$ 385,059	\$ 216,618	\$ (26,587)	\$ 620,105	\$ 208,580	\$ (43,053)
(Income) loss from discontinued operations	_	_	_	_	_	_
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 385,059	\$ 216,618	\$ (26,587)	\$ 620,105	\$ 208,580	\$ (43,053)
Interest expense	_	7,770	7,010	_	6,900	7,509
Depreciation and amortization	328,349	289,683	131,869	302,649	279,546	128,374
Transaction and merger-related costs	333	1,120	1,881	387	1,255	725
(Gain) loss on sales of real estate, net	(60,498)	(21,312)	_	(3,744)	(10,659)	_
Other (income) expense, net	(7)	(2,697)	(228)	(311,939)	(12,709)	1,380
Government grant income	_	_	184	_	_	6,765
Equity (income) loss from unconsolidated JVs	(4,540)	(835)	_	972	(852)	(539)
Healthpeak's share of unconsolidated joint venture NOI	5,832	1,844	_	7,038	1,821	380
Noncontrolling interests' share of consolidated joint venture NOI	(463)	(25,152)	_	(181)	(25,400)	_
Portfolio NOI	\$ 654,065	\$ 467,039	\$114,129	\$ 615,287	\$ 448,482	\$101,541
Adjustments to NOI	(36,524)	(14,314)	(1,618)	(62,754)	(15,513)	2,300
Portfolio Cash (Adjusted) NOI	\$ 617,541	\$ 452,725	\$112,511	\$ 552,533	\$ 432,969	\$103,841
Portfolio Income	\$ 617,541	\$ 452,725	\$112,511	\$ 552,533	\$ 432,969	\$103,841
Adjustments to NOI	36,524	14,314	1,618	62,754	15,513	(2,300)
Non-SS Portfolio NOI	(168,957)	(39,987)	1,101	(125,260)	(32,899)	(5,521)
SS Portfolio NOI	\$ 485,108	\$ 427,052	\$115,230	\$ 490,027	\$ 415,583	\$ 96,020
Non-cash adjustment to SS Portfolio NOI	(23,979)	(11,685)	(1,618)	(45,496)	(13,763)	2,300
SS Portfolio Cash (Adjusted) NOI	\$ 461,129	\$ 415,367	\$113,612	\$ 444,531	\$ 401,820	\$ 98,320

#### YEAR-OVER-YEAR TOTAL SS PORTFOLIO CASH (ADJUSTED) NOI GROWTH

	FULL YEAR 2	2023
	SS GROWTH %	% OF SS
Lab	3.7%	46.6%
Outpatient Medical	3.4%	42.0%
CCRC	15.6%	11.5%
Total Portfolio	4.8%	100.0%

#### **Definitions**

**Consolidated Debt.** The carrying amount of bank line of credit, commercial paper, term loans, senior unsecured notes, and mortgage debt, as reported in our consolidated financial statements.

EBITDAre and Adjusted EBITDAre. EBITDAre, or EBITDA for Real Estate, is a supplemental performance measure defined by Nareit and intended for real estate companies. It represents earnings before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, gains or losses from sales of depreciable property (including gains or losses on change in control), and impairment charges (recoveries) related to depreciable property. Adjusted EBITDAre is defined as EBITDAre excluding other impairments (recoveries) and other losses (gains), transaction and merger-related items, prepayment costs (benefits) associated with early retirement or payment of debt, restructuring and severance-related charges, litigation costs (recoveries), casualty-related charges (recoveries), stock-based compensation amortization expense, and foreign currency remeasurement losses (gains), adjusted to reflect the impact of transactions that closed during the period as if the transactions were completed at the beginning of the period. EBITDAre and Adjusted EBITDAre include our pro rata share of our unconsolidated JVs presented on the same basis. We consider EBITDAre and Adjusted EBITDAre important supplemental measures to net income (loss) because they provide an additional manner in which to evaluate our operating performance and serve as additional indicators of our ability to service our debt obligations. Net income (loss) is the most directly comparable GAAP measure to EBITDAre and Adjusted EBITDAre.

**Enterprise Debt.** Consolidated Debt plus our pro rata share of total debt from our unconsolidated JVs. Enterprise Debt is a supplemental measure of our financial position, which enables both management and investors to analyze our leverage and to compare our leverage to that of other companies. Our pro rata share of total debt from our unconsolidated JVs is not intended to reflect our actual liability or ability to access assets should there be a default under any or all such loans or a liquidation of the JVs.

Funds From Operations ("Nareit FFO") and FFO as Adjusted. FFO encompasses Nareit FFO and FFO as Adjusted, each of which is described in detail below. We believe FFO applicable to common shares, diluted FFO applicable to common shares, and diluted FFO per common share are important supplemental non-GAAP measures of operating performance for a REIT. Because the historical cost accounting convention used for real estate assets utilizes straight-line depreciation (except on land), such accounting presentation implies that the value of real estate assets diminishes predictably over time. Since real estate values instead have historically risen and fallen with market conditions, presentations of operating results for a REIT that use historical cost accounting for depreciation could be less informative. The term FFO was designed by the REIT industry to address this issue.

Nareit FFO. FFO, as defined by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("Nareit"), is net income (loss) applicable to common shares (computed in accordance with GAAP), excluding gains or losses from sales of depreciable property, including any current and deferred taxes directly associated with sales of depreciable property, impairments of, or related to, depreciable real estate, plus real estate and other real estate-related depreciation and amortization, and adjustments to compute our share of Nareit FFO and FFO as Adjusted (see below) from joint ventures. Adjustments for joint ventures are calculated to reflect our pro rata share of both our consolidated and unconsolidated joint ventures. We reflect our share of Nareit FFO for unconsolidated joint ventures by applying our actual ownership percentage for the period to the applicable reconciling items on an entity by entity basis. For consolidated joint ventures in which we do not own 100%, we reflect our share of the equity by adjusting our Nareit FFO to remove the third party ownership share of the applicable reconciling items based on actual ownership percentage for the applicable periods. Our pro rata share information is prepared on a basis consistent with the comparable consolidated amounts, is intended to reflect our proportionate economic interest in the operating results of properties in our portfolio and is calculated by applying our actual ownership percentage for the period. We do not control the unconsolidated joint ventures, and the pro rata presentations of reconciling items included in Nareit FFO do not represent our legal claim to such items. The joint venture members or partners are entitled to profit or loss allocations and distributions of cash flows according to the joint venture agreements, which provide for such allocations generally according to their invested capital.

The presentation of pro rata information has limitations, which include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) the amounts shown on the individual line items were derived by applying our overall economic ownership interest percentage determined when applying the equity method of accounting and do not necessarily represent our legal claim to the assets and liabilities, or the revenues and expenses and (ii) other companies in our industry may calculate their pro rata interest differently, limiting the usefulness as a comparative measure. Because of these limitations, the pro rata financial information should not be considered independently or as a substitute for our financial statements as reported under GAAP. We compensate for these limitations by relying primarily on our GAAP financial statements, using the pro rata financial information as a supplement.

#### Appendix A

Nareit FFO does not represent cash generated from operating activities in accordance with GAAP, is not necessarily indicative of cash available to fund cash needs and should not be considered an alternative to net income (loss). We compute Nareit FFO in accordance with the current Nareit definition; however, other REITs may report Nareit FFO differently or have a different interpretation of the current Nareit definition from ours.

FFO as Adjusted. In addition, we present Nareit FFO on an adjusted basis before the impact of non-comparable items including, but not limited to, transaction and merger-related items, other impairments (recoveries) and other losses (gains), restructuring and severance-related charges, prepayment costs (benefits) associated with early retirement or payment of debt, litigation costs (recoveries), casualty-related charges (recoveries), deferred tax asset valuation allowances, and changes in tax legislation ("FFO as Adjusted"). These adjustments are net of tax, when applicable. Transaction and merger-related items include transaction expenses and gains/charges incurred as a result of mergers and acquisitions and lease amendment or termination activities. Prepayment costs (benefits) associated with early retirement of debt include the write-off of unamortized deferred financing fees, or additional costs, expenses, discounts, make-whole payments, penalties or premiums incurred as a result of early retirement or payment of debt. Other impairments (recoveries) and other losses (gains) include interest income associated with early and partial repayments of loans receivable and other losses or gains associated with non-depreciable assets including goodwill, DFLs, undeveloped land parcels, and loans receivable. Management believes that FFO as Adjusted provides a meaningful supplemental measurement of our FFO run-rate and is frequently used by analysts, investors, and other interested parties in the evaluation of our performance as a REIT. At the same time that Nareit created and defined its FFO measure for the REIT industry, it also recognized that "management of each of its member companies has the responsibility and authority to publish financial information that it regards as useful to the financial community." We believe stockholders, potential investors, and financial analysts who review our operating performance are best served by an FFO run-rate earnings measure that includes certain other adjustments to net income (loss), in addition to adjustments made to arrive at the Nareit defined measure of FFO. FFO as Adjusted is used by management in analyzing our business and the performance of our properties and we believe it is important that stockholders, potential investors, and financial analysts understand this measure used by management. We use FFO as Adjusted to: (i) evaluate our performance in comparison with expected results and results of previous periods, relative to resource allocation decisions, (ii) evaluate the performance of our management, (iii) budget and forecast future results to assist in the allocation of resources, (iv) assess our performance as compared with similar real estate companies and the industry in general, and (v) evaluate how a specific potential investment will impact our future results. Other REITs or real estate companies may use different methodologies for calculating an adjusted FFO measure, and accordingly, our FFO as Adjusted may not be comparable to those reported by other REITs.

**Net Debt.** Enterprise Debt less the carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, and expected net proceeds from the future settlement of shares issued through our equity forward contracts, as reported in our consolidated financial statements and our pro rata share of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash from our unconsolidated JVs. Consolidated Debt is the most directly comparable GAAP measure to Net Debt. Net Debt is a supplemental measure of our financial position, which enables both management and investors to analyze our leverage and to compare our leverage to that of other companies.

**Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDAre.** Net Debt divided by Adjusted EBITDAre is a supplemental measure of our ability to decrease our debt. Because we may not be able to use our cash to reduce our debt on a dollar-for-dollar basis, this measure may have material limitations.

Net Operating Income ("NOI") and Cash (Adjusted) NOI. NOI and Adjusted NOI are non-GAAP supplemental financial measures used to evaluate the operating performance of real estate. NOI is defined as real estate revenues (inclusive of rental and related revenues, resident fees and services, income from direct financing leases, and government grant income and exclusive of interest income), less property level operating expenses; NOI excludes all other financial statement amounts included in net income (loss). Adjusted NOI is calculated as NOI after eliminating the effects of straight-line rents, DFL non-cash interest, amortization of market lease intangibles, termination fees, actuarial reserves for insurance claims that have been incurred but not reported, and the impact of deferred community fee income and expense. NOI and Adjusted NOI are calculated as NOI and Adjusted NOI from consolidated properties, plus our share of NOI and Adjusted NOI from unconsolidated joint ventures (calculated by applying our actual ownership percentage for the period), less noncontrolling interests' share of NOI and Adjusted NOI from consolidated joint ventures (calculated by applying our actual ownership percentage for the period). Management utilizes its share of NOI and Adjusted NOI in assessing its performance as we have various joint ventures that contribute to its performance. We do not control our unconsolidated joint ventures, and our share of amounts from unconsolidated joint ventures do not represent our legal claim to such items. Our share of NOI and Adjusted NOI should not be considered a substitute for, and should only be considered together with and as a supplement to, our financial information presented in accordance with GAAP.

Adjusted NOI is oftentimes referred to as "Cash NOI." Management believes NOI and Adjusted NOI are important supplemental measures because they provide relevant and useful information by reflecting only income and operating expense items that are incurred at the property level and present them on an unlevered basis. We use NOI and Adjusted NOI to make decisions about resource allocations, to assess and compare property level performance, and to evaluate our Same-Store ("SS") performance, as described below. We believe that net income (loss) is the most directly comparable GAAP measure to NOI and Adjusted NOI. NOI and Adjusted NOI should not be viewed as alternative measures of operating performance to net income (loss) as defined by GAAP since they do not reflect various excluded items. Further, our definitions of NOI and Adjusted NOI may not be comparable to the definitions used by other REITs or real estate companies, as they may use different methodologies for calculating NOI and Adjusted NOI. Operating expenses generally relate to leased outpatient medical and lab buildings, as well as CCRC facilities. We generally recover all or a portion of our leased outpatient medical and lab property expenses through tenant recoveries. We present expenses as operating or general and administrative based on the underlying nature of the expense.

**Normalized FFO Per Share.** Normalized FFO Per Share is a measure used for our compensation metrics and is defined as Diluted FFO as Adjusted per common share, further adjusted to exclude the effect of any special charges or other special circumstances as may be determined by the Compensation Committee. For purposes of this metric, the Compensation Committee has determined to exclude the positive impact of CARES Act funding.

Same-Store ("SS"). Same-Store NOI and Cash (Adjusted) NOI information allows us to evaluate the performance of our property portfolio under a consistent population by eliminating changes in the composition of our portfolio of properties, excluding properties within the other non-reportable segments. We include properties from our consolidated portfolio, as well as properties owned by our unconsolidated joint ventures in Same-Store NOI and Adjusted NOI (see NOI definition above for further discussion regarding our use of pro-rata share information and its limitations). Same-Store NOI and Adjusted NOI exclude government grant income under the CARES Act. Same-Store Adjusted NOI also excludes amortization of deferred revenue from tenant-funded improvements and certain non-property specific operating expenses that are allocated to each operating segment on a consolidated basis. Properties are included in Same-Store once they are stabilized for the full period in both comparison periods. Newly acquired operating assets are generally considered stabilized at the earlier of lease-up (typically when the tenant(s) control(s) the physical use of at least 80% of the space and rental payments have commenced) or 12 months from the acquisition date. Newly completed developments and redevelopments are considered stabilized at the earlier of lease-up or 24 months from the date the property is placed in service. Properties that experience a change in reporting structure are considered stabilized after 12 months in operations under a consistent reporting structure. A property is removed from Same-Store when it is classified as held for sale, sold, placed into redevelopment, experiences a casualty event that significantly impacts operations, a change in reporting structure or operator transition has been agreed to, or a significant tenant relocates from a Same-Store property to a non Same-Store property and that change results in a corresponding increase in revenue. We do not report Same-Store metrics for our other non-reportable segments.

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