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Ziegler Closes \$29,200,000 Financing For Bishop Gadsden

CHICAGO, IL – JANUARY 27, 2023 – Ziegler, a specialty investment bank, is pleased to announce the successful closing of the Bishop Gadsden Episcopal Retirement Community (Bishop Gadsden) \$29,200,000 Series 2023A and 2023B Bonds (collectively, the Series 2023 Bonds).

Bishop Gadsden owns and operates a nonprofit lifecare continuing care retirement community located on James Island in Charleston, South Carolina, approximately six miles from downtown and six miles from Folly Beach. Founded in 1850 as a special ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina, Bishop Gadsden has continuously expanded its mission to serve seniors for 173 years and remains affiliated with the Episcopal diocese to this day. In 1987, Bishop Gadsden moved to its current location on James Island on land donated by St. James Episcopal Church. Today, the Community includes a campus of 125-acres consisting of 268 independent living units, 79 assisted living units, 32 memory care units, 32 post-acute skilled nursing beds, and 68 long-term care beds, together with a variety of related common areas, wellness and culinary offerings, along with thriving Early Advantage and Home Care options.

Having recently completed construction of a replacement health center and renovated/expanded assisted living units, which Ziegler financed in 2019, Bishop Gadsden is now planning a 15-unit independent living neighborhood known as The Meade. The new units will range in square footage from 1,800 to 2,400. Issued through the South Carolina Jobs – Economic Development Authority, the Series 2023 Bonds were structured in two tranches as outlined below:

- Series 2023A Long-Term Bond (\$17,200,000): Draw Down Bank-Held Bond with a 12-year commitment, with an accreting swap to mitigate interest rate risk.
- Series 2023B Intermediate-Term Bond (\$12,000,000): Draw Down Bank-Held Bond to be repaid with initial entrance fees from the project.

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