Exhibit A

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG, NORTH CAROLINA WITH RESPECT TO NOT TO EXCEED \$97,000,000 PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY (ACTS RETIREMENT LIFE COMMUNITIES, INC. OBLIGATED GROUP), SERIES 2018 BONDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 15, 2018, a public hearing, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), will be held by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mecklenburg, North Carolina (the "Board") with respect to the proposed issuance by the Public Finance Authority (the "Authority"), a commission organized under and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 66.0301, 66.0303 and 66.0304 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, of its Acts Retirement Life Communities, Inc. Obligated Group, Series 2018 Bonds in one or more series (the "Bonds"), in an amount not to exceed \$97,000,000, the interest on which will be excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The hearing will commence at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, and will be held in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 600 East 4th Street, Charlotte, NC 28202

The Bonds are expected to be issued by the Authority pursuant to 66.0304 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, and the Authority will loan not to exceed \$97,000,000 of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds to the "Borrower" identified below and used to finance (i) the current refunding, refinancing and/or restructuring of all or a portion of a revolving line of credit issued by Bank of America to the Borrower; (ii) the current refunding, refinancing and/or restructuring of all or a portion of a construction loan made by Branch Banking and Trust Company for certain properties located in North Carolina (collectively, the "Bonds to be Refunded") and, (iii) financing or refinancing (including reimbursement) the costs of acquisition, construction, equipping and improvement of existing and additional facilities at the properties of the Borrower, including the financing of some or all of the costs of issuance, reserve funds (if any), and capitalized interest (if any), including, without limitation, miscellaneous capital improvements and renovations and the acquisition of capital equipment, including, but not limited to, renovations and upgrades to residential living units, health care facilities and common areas, the acquisition of new plant equipment, and other facility enhancements, including specifically central facility and auditorium renovations and dining/café enhancements, the replacement and expansion of the existing skilled nursing facility and renovation/conversion of the existing skilled nursing facility to assisted living units. The projects financed or refinanced by the Bonds to be Refunded included costs of the acquisition, construction, equipping and improvement of existing and additional facilities at some or all of the continuing care retirement communities and other facilities owned and operated by the Borrower as described below.

The Project is located at 733 Plantation Estates Drive, Matthews, Mecklenburg Co., NC 28105. The Project will be owned by ACTS Retirement-Life Communities, Inc. (the "Borrower"). The maximum aggregate principal amount of tax-exempt Bonds proposed to be issued by the Authority in connection with the projects set forth above is \$97,000,000.

The Bonds will be special limited obligations of the Authority payable only from the loan repayments to be made by the Borrower to the Authority, and certain accounts established by the trust indenture for the Bonds.

The public hearing will provide an opportunity for all interested persons to express their views, both orally and in writing, on the proposed issuance of the Bonds and the financing of the Project. Any person interested in the issuance of the Bonds may appear and be heard or submit written comments. Any

person wishing to submit written comments regarding the proposed issuance of the Bonds, the financing of the projects or any matter related thereto should do so within 10 days after the date of publication of this notice by mailing said written comments to the Board of Commissioners, c/o the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, 600 East 4th Street, 11th floor, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202. This notice is given pursuant to the provisions of Section 147(f) of the Code, Section 66.0304(11)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes and Section 4 of the Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement Relating to the Authority dated as of September 28, 2010. Additional information concerning the Project may be obtained from Brandon K. Lewisohn, Esq., 401 South Tryon Street, Suite 3000, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202; Phone (704) 372-9000; Email Address: brandonlewisohn@parkerpoe.com. The Board of Commissioners does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discrimination policy involves every aspect of the Board of Commissioners' functions, including one's access to and participation in public hearings. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation for this meeting and/or needing this information in an alternative format because of a disability as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners by phone at (980) 314-2912, or by fax at (704) 336-5887, or by email at Janice.Paige@mecklenburgcountync.gov.

> /s/ Janice S. Paige Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina