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**FORM 10-Q**

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**[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2001

OR

**[ ] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

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Commission File Number 0-17589

**NTS-PROPERTIES VII, LTD.**

Incorporated pursuant to the Laws of the State of Florida

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Internal Revenue Service - Employer Identification No. 61-1119232

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes [X] No [ ]

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## PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### Item 1 - Financial Statements

#### NTS-PROPERTIES VII, LTD. BALANCE SHEETS

	As of June 30, 2001 (UNAUDITED)	As of December 31, 2000*
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 410,571	\$ 307,173
Cash and equivalents - restricted	32,975	26,175
Accounts receivable	13,831	62,978
Land, buildings and amenities, net	7,917,711	8,088,455
Investment in and advances to joint venture	536,424	446,072
Other assets	57,335	73,641
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 8,968,847</b>	<b>\$ 9,004,494</b>
<u>LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' EQUITY</u>		
Mortgage and notes payable	\$ 3,737,781	\$ 3,756,533
Accounts payable	33,738	14,438
Security deposits	27,275	25,325
Other liabilities	60,408	13,413
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>3,859,202</b>	<b>3,809,709</b>
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Note 11)		
<b>PARTNERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>5,109,645</b>	<b>5,194,785</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 8,968,847</b>	<b>\$ 9,004,494</b>

#### STATEMENT OF PARTNERS' EQUITY

	Limited Partners	General Partner	Total
<u>PARTNERS' EQUITY/(DEFICIT)</u>			
Capital contributions, net of offering costs	\$ 10,935,700	\$ 100	\$ 10,935,800
Net loss - prior years	(2,540,780)	(25,664)	(2,566,444)
Net loss - current year	(84,289)	(851)	(85,140)
Cash distributions declared to date	(2,717,046)	(27,445)	(2,744,491)
Repurchase of limited partnership Units	(430,080)	--	(430,080)
<b>BALANCES AT JUNE 30, 2001</b>	<b>\$ 5,163,505</b>	<b>\$ (53,860)</b>	<b>\$ 5,109,645</b>

\* Reference is made to the audited financial statements in Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 2, 2001.

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**NTS-PROPERTIES VII, LTD.**  
**STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000	2001	2000
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Rental income	\$ 382,108	\$ 414,696	\$ 761,474	\$ 801,609
Interest and other income	6,641	6,238	11,151	13,767
Income on investment in joint venture	18,115	21,997	36,409	28,974
Gain on sale of assets	--	--	--	4,118
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>406,864</b>	<b>442,931</b>	<b>809,034</b>	<b>848,468</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Operating expenses	110,286	80,918	203,879	157,350
Operating expenses - affiliated	68,781	63,284	127,621	116,737
Loss on disposal of assets	6,106	--	49,791	19,843
Interest expense	69,803	71,458	137,847	142,744
Management fees	19,466	21,647	39,293	41,720
Real estate taxes	22,452	22,828	44,904	45,656
Professional and administrative expenses	22,337	21,801	42,001	52,565
Professional and administrative expenses - affiliated	26,066	22,653	50,351	42,244
Depreciation and amortization	100,560	94,504	198,487	188,627
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>445,857</b>	<b>399,093</b>	<b>894,174</b>	<b>807,486</b>
Net (loss) income	\$ <u>(38,993)</u>	\$ <u>43,838</u>	\$ <u>(85,140)</u>	\$ <u>40,982</u>
Net (loss) income allocated to the limited partners	\$ <u>(38,603)</u>	\$ <u>43,400</u>	\$ <u>(84,289)</u>	\$ <u>40,572</u>
Net (loss) income per limited partnership Unit	\$ <u>(0.07)</u>	\$ <u>0.08</u>	\$ <u>(0.15)</u>	\$ <u>0.07</u>
Weighted average number of limited partnership Units	<u>553,236</u>	<u>555,736</u>	<u>553,236</u>	<u>555,736</u>

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**NTS-PROPERTIES VII, LTD.**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Net (loss) income	\$ (85,140)	\$ 40,982
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Loss on disposal of assets	49,791	19,843
Gain on sale of assets	--	(4,118)
Depreciation and amortization	200,048	190,375
Income from investment in joint venture	(36,409)	(28,974)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Cash and equivalents - restricted	(6,800)	(12,776)
Accounts receivable	49,147	86,372
Other assets	14,745	(9,075)
Accounts payable	19,300	(68,556)
Security deposits	1,950	175
Other liabilities	46,995	41,706
Net cash provided by operating activities	253,627	255,954
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Proceeds from sale of assets	--	6,934
Additions to land, buildings and amenities	(77,534)	(121,184)
Investment in and advances to joint venture	(53,943)	(59,761)
Net cash used in investing activities	(131,477)	(174,011)
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Proceeds from mortgage loan and notes payable	51,060	--
Principal payment on mortgage payable	(69,812)	(58,814)
Cash distributions	--	(56,135)
Net cash used in financing activities	(18,752)	(114,949)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and equivalents	103,398	(33,006)
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	307,173	396,110
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$ <u>410,571</u>	\$ <u>363,104</u>
Interest paid on a cash basis	\$ <u>137,961</u>	\$ <u>141,989</u>

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**NTS-PROPERTIES VII, LTD.**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The unaudited financial statements included herein should be read in conjunction with NTS-Properties VII, Ltd's (the "Partnership") 2000 Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 2, 2001. In the opinion of the General Partner, all adjustments (only consisting of normal recurring accruals) necessary for a fair presentation have been made to the accompanying financial statements for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000.

**Note 1 - Consolidation Policy and Joint Venture Accounting**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of all wholly-owned properties. Intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated. The less than 50% owned joint venture is accounted for under the equity method.

From inception, the Partnership used the proportionate consolidation method of accounting for joint venture properties. The Partnership's proportionate interest in the joint venture's assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and cash flows were combined on a line-by-line basis with the Partnership's own assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and cash flows. All intercompany accounts and transactions were eliminated in consolidation.

Proportionate consolidation was utilized by the Partnership due to the fact that the ownership of joint venture properties, in substance, was not subject to joint control. The managing General Partners of the sole General Partner of the NTS sponsored partnerships which have formed joint ventures are substantially the same. As such, decisions regarding financing, development, sale or operations did not require the approval of different partners.

Additionally, the joint venture properties are in the same business/industry as their respective joint venture partners and their asset, liability, revenue and expense accounts correspond with the accounts of such partner. It is the belief of the General Partner of the Partnership that the financial statement disclosures resulting from proportionate consolidation provided the most meaningful presentation of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and cash flows given the commonality of the Partnership's operations.

The Emerging Issues Tasks Force ("EITF") of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") has reached a consensus on Issue No. 00-1, "Applicability of the Pro Rata Method of Consolidation to Investments in Certain Partnerships and Other Unincorporated Joint Ventures." The EITF reached a consensus that a proportionate gross financial statement presentation (referred to as "proportionate consolidation" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements) is not appropriate for an investment in an unincorporated legal entity accounted for by the equity method of accounting, unless the investee is in either the construction industry or an extractive industry where there is a longstanding practice of its use.

The consensus is applicable to financial statements for annual periods ending after June 15, 2000. The Partnership has used the equity method to account for its joint venture investments for the three months and six months ending June 30, 2001. The Partnership has applied the consensus to all comparative financial statements, restating them to conform with the consensus for all periods presented. The application of this consensus did not result in a restatement of previously reported partners' equity or results of operations, but did result in a recharacterization or reclassification of certain financial statements' captions and amounts.

## **Note 2 - Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## **Note 3 - Concentration of Credit Risk**

NTS-Properties VII, Ltd. owns and operates, through a joint venture, a commercial rental property in Louisville, Kentucky. The sole tenant which occupies 100% of the property is a business which has operations in the Louisville area. The Partnership also owns and operates residential properties in Louisville and Lexington, Kentucky.

The Partnership's financial instruments that are exposed to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash and equivalents. The Partnership maintains its cash accounts primarily with banks located in Kentucky. The total cash balances are insured by the FDIC up to \$100,000 per bank account. The Partnership may at times, in certain accounts, have deposits in excess of \$100,000.

## **Note 4 - Cash and Equivalents**

The Partnership has a cash management program which provides for the overnight investment of excess cash balances. Per an agreement with a bank, excess cash is invested in a repurchase agreement for U.S. government or agency securities on a nightly basis. As of June 30, 2001, approximately \$320,000 was transferred into the investment.

## **Note 5 - Cash and Equivalents - Restricted**

Cash and equivalents - restricted represents 1) funds received for residential security deposits, 2) funds which have been escrowed with mortgage companies for property taxes in accordance with the loan agreements and 3) funds reserved by the Partnership for the repurchase of limited partnership Units.

## **Note 6 - Basis of Property and Depreciation**

Land, buildings and amenities are stated at historical cost, less accumulated depreciation, to the Partnership. Costs directly associated with the acquisition, development and construction of a project are capitalized. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets which are 7-30 years for land improvements, 5-30 years for buildings and improvements and 5-30 years for amenities. The aggregate cost of the Partnership's properties for federal tax purposes is approximately \$12,645,000.

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed Of," specifies circumstances in which certain long-lived assets must be reviewed for impairment. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds the sum of its expected future cash flows, the asset's carrying value must be written down to fair value. Application of this standard by management during the periods ended June 30, 2001 did not result in an impairment loss.

## **Note 7 - Investment in Joint Venture**

Blankenbaker Business Center Joint Venture (the "Joint Venture") was organized on December 28, 1990, by NTS-Properties VII, Ltd. and NTS-Properties Plus Ltd. to own and operate Blankenbaker Business Center 1A and to acquire an approximately 2.49 acre parking lot that was being leased by the business center from an affiliate of the General Partner. On August 16, 1994, the Blankenbaker Business Center Joint Venture agreement was amended to admit NTS-Properties IV to the Joint Venture.

For the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, Blankenbaker Business Center 1A had total revenues of \$232,199 and \$248,814, respectively, and net income of \$65,396 and \$77,775, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, Blankenbaker Business Center 1A had a total revenue of \$470,695 and \$448,991, respectively, and net income of \$131,350 and \$107,648, respectively.



## Note 8 - Mortgage and Notes Payable

Mortgage and notes payable consist of the following:

	June 30, 2001	December 31, 2000
Mortgage payable to an insurance company, bearing interest at a fixed rate of 7.37%, due October 15, 2012, secured by land and buildings.	\$ 3,692,774	\$ 3,756,533
Note payable to a bank, bearing interest at the Prime Rate, due March 27, 2003. At June 30, 2001, the interest rate was approximately 7.00%.	33,625	--
Note payable to a bank, bearing interest at the Prime Rate, due March 27, 2003. At June 30, 2001, the interest rate was approximately 7.00%.	11,381	--
	<u>\$ 3,737,780</u>	<u>\$ 3,756,533</u>

Based on the borrowing rates currently available to the Partnership for mortgages with similar terms and average maturities, the fair value of long-term debt is approximately \$3,822,000.

On March 27, 2001, Park Place Apartments Phase II and The Park at the Willows both made notes payable to a bank in the amount of \$38,148 and \$12,912, respectively. Both notes bear interest at the Prime Rate and are due on March 27, 2003. The notes were obtained to cover the costs of installing a water meter system at the apartments.

## Note 9 - Tender Offer

On May 14, 2001, the Partnership and ORIG, LLC, an affiliate of the Partnership, (the "Offerors") commenced a tender offer for up to 2,000 of the Partnership's interests at a price of \$6.00 per interest. Under the tender offer, the Partnership will purchase the first 1,000 interests tendered and will fund its purchase and its portion of the expenses of the offer from its cash reserves. If more than 1,000 interests are tendered, ORIG will purchase up to an additional 1,000 interests. If more than 2,000 interests are tendered, the Offerors may purchase all of the interests tendered, or may purchase interests on a pro rata basis. The total costs of the tender offer are expected to be \$22,000, consisting of \$12,000 to purchase 2,000 interests and \$10,000 for expenses. The Partnership anticipated that its share of these costs will be \$11,000. Limited partnership interests acquired by the Partnership in the offer will be retired. Interests acquired by ORIG will be held by it. The tender offer was originally scheduled to expire on August 14, 2001, but the expiration date was later extended to September 28, 2001.

## Note 10 - Related Party Transactions

Pursuant to an agreement with the Partnership, NTS Development Company, an affiliate of the General Partner of the Partnership, receives property management fees on a monthly basis. The fees are paid in an amount equal to 5% of the gross revenues from the Partnership's residential properties. Also pursuant to an agreement, NTS Development Company receives a repair and maintenance fee equal to 5.9% of costs incurred which relate to capital improvements. These repair and maintenance fees are capitalized as part of land, buildings and amenities.

The Partnership was charged the following amounts from NTS Development Company for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000. These charges include items which have been expensed as operating expenses - affiliated or professional and administrative expenses - affiliated and items which have been capitalized as other assets or as land, buildings and amenities.

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000
Property management fees	\$ 39,293	\$ 41,720
Property management	77,753	71,844
Leasing	14,712	11,911
Administrative - operating	34,462	32,567
Other	694	415
Total operating expenses - affiliated	127,621	116,737
Professional and administrative expenses - affiliated	50,351	42,244
Repairs and maintenance fee	1,436	5,779
Construction management	--	116
Total related party transactions capitalized	1,436	5,895
Total related party transactions	\$ 218,701	\$ 206,596

## Notes 11 - Commitments and Contingencies

The Partnership, as an owner of real estate, is subject to various environmental laws of the federal, state and local governments. Compliance by the Partnership with existing laws has not had a material effect on the Partnership's financial condition and results of operations. However, the Partnership cannot predict the impact of new or changed laws or regulations on its current properties or on properties that it may acquire in the future.

The Partnership does not believe there is any litigation threatened against the Partnership other than routine litigation arising out of the ordinary course of business, some of which is expected to be covered by insurance, none of which is expected to have a material effect on the balance sheets and statements of operations of the Partnership except as discussed herein.

The Partnership plans to replace the roofs at Park Place Apartments Phase II (17 buildings) all of which were installed using shingles produced by a single manufacturer. The shingles appear to contain defects which may cause the roofs to fail. As the manufacturer has declared bankruptcy, the Partnership does not expect to be able to recover any of the costs of the roof replacements in the event of any such failures. The Partnership does not have sufficient working capital to make all the roof replacements at one time. The total costs of replacing all of the roofs is estimated to be \$340,000 (\$20,000 per building). As of June 30, 2001, no roof replacements have been started.

#### **Note 12 - Segment Reporting**

The Partnership's reportable operating segments include only one segment - Residential Real Estate Operations.

#### **Note 13 - Subsequent Events**

On July 30, 2001, the Offerors filed an amended and restated offer to purchase in connection with the tender offer which commenced on May 14, 2001. Among other changes, the amended and restated offer to purchase extended the expiration date of the tender offer to September 28, 2001.

## **Item 2 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A") is structured in four major sections. The first section provides information related to occupancy levels and rental and other income generated by the Partnership's properties. The second analyzes results of operations on a consolidated basis. The final sections address consolidated cash flows and financial condition. A discussion of certain market risks also follows. MD&A should be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements in Item 1 and the Cautionary Statements below.

### **Cautionary Statements**

Some of the statements included in this Item 2 may be considered to be "forward-looking statements" since such statements relate to matters which have not yet occurred. For example, phrases such as "the Partnership anticipates," "believes" or "expects," indicate that it is possible that the event anticipated, believed or expected may not occur. Should such event not occur, then the result which the Partnership expected also may not occur or occur in a different manner, which may be more or less favorable to the Partnership. The Partnership does not undertake any obligations to publicly release the result of any revisions to these forward-looking statements that may be made to reflect any future events or circumstances.

Any forward-looking statements included in MD&A, or elsewhere in this report, which reflect management's best judgement, based on factors known, involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in any forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors including but not limited to those discussed below. Any forward-looking information provided by the Partnership pursuant to the safe harbor established by recent securities legislation should be evaluated in the context of these factors.

The Partnership's liquidity, capital resources and results of operations are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties including, but not limited to the following: the ability of the Partnership to achieve planned revenues; the ability of the Partnership to make payments due under its debt agreements; the ability of the Partnership to negotiate and maintain terms with vendors and service providers for operating expenses; competitive pressures from other real estate companies, including large commercial and residential real estate companies, which may affect the nature and viability of the Partnership's business strategy; trends in the economy as a whole which may affect consumer confidence and demand for the types of rental property held by the Partnership; the ability of the Partnership to predict the demand for specific rental properties; the ability of the Partnership to attract and retain tenants; availability and costs of management and labor employed; real estate occupancy and development costs, including the substantial fixed investment costs associated with renovations necessary to obtain new tenants and retain existing tenants; and the risk of a major commercial tenant defaulting on its lease due to risks generally associated with real estate, many of which are beyond the control of the Partnership, including general or local economic conditions, competition, interest rates, real estate tax rates, other operating expenses and acts of God.

## Investment in Joint Ventures

The Emerging Issues Tasks Force (“EITF”) of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) has reached a consensus on Issue No. 00-1, “Applicability of the Pro Rata Method of Consolidation to Investments in Certain Partnerships and Other Unincorporated Joint Ventures.” The EITF reached a consensus that a proportionate gross financial statement presentation (referred to as “proportionate consolidation” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements) is not appropriate for an investment in an unincorporated legal entity accounted for by the equity method of accounting, unless the investee is in either the construction industry or an extractive industry where there is a longstanding practice of its use.

The consensus is applicable to financial statements for annual periods ending after June 15, 2000. The Partnership has used the equity method to account for its joint venture investments for the three months and six months ending June 30, 2001. The Partnership has applied the consensus to all comparative financial statements, restating them to conform with the consensus for all periods presented. The application of this consensus did not result in a restatement of previously reported partners’ equity or results of operations, but did result in a recharacterization or reclassification of certain financial statements’ captions and amounts.

## Results of Operations

The occupancy levels at the Partnership’s properties and joint venture as of June 30 were as follows:

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000
<u>Wholly-Owned Properties</u>		
The Park at the Willows	96%	77%
Park Place Apartments Phase II (1)	81%	88%
<u>Property Owned in Joint Venture with NTS-</u> <u>Properties IV and NTS-Properties Plus, Ltd.</u> <u>(Ownership % at June 30, 2001)</u>		
Blankenbaker Business Center 1A (31.34%)	100%	100%

- (1) In the opinion of the General Partner of the Partnership, the decrease in occupancy is only a temporary fluctuation and does not represent a permanent downward occupancy trend.

The average occupancy levels at the Partnership's properties and joint venture during the three months and six months ended June 30 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000	2001	2000
<u>Wholly-Owned Properties</u>				
The Park at the Willows	94%	74%	94%	73%
Park Place Apartments Phase II (1)	79%	87%	77%	84%
<u>Property Owned in Joint Venture with NTS- Properties IV and NTS-Properties Plus, Ltd. (Ownership % at June 30, 2001)</u>				
Blankenbaker Business Center 1A (31.34%)	100%	100%	100%	100%

(1) In the opinion of the General Partner of the Partnership, the decrease in average occupancy is only a temporary fluctuation and does not represent a permanent downward occupancy trend.

Rental and other income generated by the Partnership's properties and joint venture for the three months and six months ended June 30 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000	2001	2000
<u>Wholly-Owned Properties</u>				
The Park at the Willows	\$ 92,731	\$ 76,153	\$ 183,237	\$ 146,323
Park Place Apartments Phase II	\$ 292,186	\$ 339,795	\$ 582,366	\$ 662,278
<u>Property Owned in Joint Venture with NTS- Properties IV and NTS-Properties Plus, Ltd. (Ownership % at June 30, 2001)</u>				
Blankenbaker Business Center 1A (31.34%)	\$ 232,199	\$ 248,814	\$ 470,695	\$ 448,991

Current occupancy levels are considered adequate to continue the operation of the Partnership's properties without the need of any additional financing. See the Consolidated Cash Flows and Financial Condition section of Item 2 for a discussion regarding the cash requirements of the Partnership's current debt financings.

The following is an analysis of material changes in the results of operations for the periods ending June 30, 2001 and 2000. Items that did not have a material impact on operations for the periods listed above have been excluded from this discussion.

**Rental income** decreased approximately \$33,000, or 8%, and \$40,000, or 5%, for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2000. The decrease is primarily a result of decreased average occupancy at Park Place Apartments Phase II, partially offset by increased average occupancy at The Park at the Willows.

Period-ending occupancy percentages represent occupancy only on a specific date; therefore, the above analysis considers average occupancy percentages that are representative of the entire period's results.

**Income from investment in joint venture** increased approximately \$7,000, or 26%, for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000, mainly as a result of increased rental income collected at Blankenbaker Business Center 1A due to increased common area maintenance reimbursed by the sole tenant.

**Operating expenses** increased approximately \$29,000, or 36%, and \$47,000, or 30%, for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2000, mainly as a result of increased repairs and maintenance costs (re-striped and resealed parking lot and increased interior painting, wall covering and floor covering due to turnover), advertising costs and utility costs at Park Place Apartments Phase II.

**Operating expenses – affiliated** increased approximately \$11,000, or 9%, for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000, mainly as a result of increased property management salaries due to turnover in staff at Park Place Apartments Phase II.

**The loss on disposal of assets** of approximately \$50,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2001, is due to retiring assets for Park Place Apartments Phase II, that were not fully depreciated, as a result of an exterior repair project completed in 2001. The loss on disposal of assets of approximately \$20,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2000 is due to retiring assets for Park at the Willows, that were not fully depreciated, as a result of an exterior repair project completed in 2000.

**Professional and administrative expenses** decreased approximately \$11,000, or 20%, for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same time period in 2000. This decrease is primarily due to decreased investor services expenditures and decreased printing costs associated with tender offer filings.

**Professional and administrative expenses - affiliated** increased approximately \$8,000, or 19%, for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000, primarily as a result of increased accounting salary costs. Professional and administrative expenses - affiliated are expenses incurred for services performed by employees of NTS Development Company, an affiliate of the General Partner.

**Depreciation expense** increased approximately \$10,000, or 5%, for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000. The increase is primarily due to building improvements (exterior repair projects) and clubhouse renovations at both Park Place Apartments Phase II and The Park at the Willows and studio renovations at The Park at the Willows (all net of retirements). The increase is partially offset by a portion of the original land improvements, building improvements and amenities at the Partnership's underlying properties becoming fully depreciated.

## Consolidated Cash Flows and Financial Condition

Cash flows provided by (used in):

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000
Operating activities	\$ 253,627	\$ 255,954
Investing activities	(131,477)	(174,011)
Financing activities	(18,752)	(114,949)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and equivalents	\$ <u>103,398</u>	\$ <u>(33,006)</u>

Net cash provided by operating activities decreased approximately \$2,000, or 1%, for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000. The decrease was primarily driven by the net loss in 2001 and a decreased collection of accounts receivable for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000. The decrease is partially offset by the increase in accounts payable activity (driven by a reduction in payable for the six months ended June 30, 2000).

The decrease of approximately \$43,000 in net cash used in investing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000, was mainly the result of decreased capital expenditures for Park Place Apartments Phase II and Park at the Willows, and decreased investment in the joint venture property.

The decrease of approximately \$96,000 in net cash used in financing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2001, as compared to the same period in 2000, was mainly due to proceeds from two notes payable obtained in March 2001 (see Note 8 for further detail on notes payable) and to the discontinuance of cash distributions starting in the fourth quarter of 2000.

On January 24, 2001, the Partnership notified its limited partners that it would be suspending distributions starting with the fourth quarter 2000. The suspension was necessary to build up cash reserves in contemplation of the roof replacements at Park Place Apartments Phase II (mentioned below). Once sufficient reserves are accumulated, management (the General Partner) will review cash, working capital levels and projections for their use, and resume distributions if appropriate.

During the six months ended June 30, 2000, the Partnership used cash flow from operations and cash on hand to declare a 1% (annualized) cash distribution of \$56,135. The annualized distribution rate is calculated as a percent of the original capital contribution. The limited partners received 99% and



the General Partner received 1% of these distributions. The primary source of future liquidity and distributions is expected to be derived from cash generated by the Partnership's properties after adequate cash reserves are established for future leasing, renovations and tenant finish costs. It is anticipated that the cash flows from operations and cash reserves will be sufficient to meet the needs of the Partnership. Cash reserves (which are unrestricted cash and equivalents as shown on the Partnership's balance sheet) were \$410,571 at June 30, 2001.

The table below presents that portion of the distributions that represent a return of capital on a GAAP basis for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000.

	Net Income Allocated	Cash Distributions Declared	Return of Capital
Limited Partners:			
2001	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
2000	\$ 40,572	\$ 55,574	\$ 15,002
General Partner:			
2001	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
2000	\$ 410	\$ 561	\$ 151

The demand on future liquidity is anticipated to increase as a result of the replacement of the roofs at Park Place Apartments Phase II (17 buildings) all of which were installed using shingles produced by a single manufacturer. The shingles appear to contain defects which may cause the roofs to fail. As the manufacturer has declared bankruptcy, the Partnership does not expect to be able to recover any of the costs of the roof replacements in the event of any such failures. The Partnership does not have sufficient working capital to make all of the roof replacements at one time. The total costs of replacing all of the roofs is estimated to be \$340,000 (\$20,000 per building). As of June 30, 2001, no roof replacements have been started. The Partnership anticipates beginning the roof replacements in the third quarter of 2001 and replacing the roofs on three to four buildings per year.

In an effort to continue to improve occupancy levels at the Partnership's residential properties, the Partnership has an on-site leasing staff, who are employees of NTS Development Company, at each of the apartment communities. The staff handles all on-site visits from potential tenants, coordinates local advertising with NTS Development Company's marketing staff, makes visits to local companies to promote fully furnished apartments and works with current residents on lease renewals.

The lease at Blankenbaker Business Center 1A provides for the tenant to contribute toward the payment of common area expenses, insurance and real estate taxes. This lease provision, along with the fact that residential leases are generally for a period of one year, should protect the Partnership's operations from the impact of inflation and changing prices.

On May 14, 2001, the Partnership and ORIG, LLC, an affiliate of the Partnership (the "Offerors") commenced a tender offer for up to 2,000 of the Partnership's interests at a price of \$6.00 per interest. Under the tender offer, the Partnership will purchase the first 1,000 interests tendered and

will fund its purchase and its portion of the expenses of the offer from its cash reserves. If more than 1,000 interests are tendered, ORIG will purchase up to an additional 1,000 interests. If more than 2,000 interests are tendered, the Offerors may purchase all of the interests tendered, or may purchase interests on a pro rata basis. The total costs of the tender offer are expected to be \$22,000, consisting of \$12,000 to purchase 2,000 interests and \$10,000 for expenses. The Partnership anticipated that its share of these costs will be \$11,000. Limited partnership interests acquired by the Partnership in the offer will be retired. Interests acquired by ORIG will be held by it. The tender offer was originally scheduled to expire on August 14, 2001, but the expiration date was later extended to September 28, 2001.

On July 30, 2001, the Offerors filed an amended and restated offer to purchase in connection with the tender offer which commenced on May 14, 2001. Among other changes, the amended and restated offer to purchase extended the expiration date of the tender offer to September 28, 2001.

Neither ORIG nor the General Partner has any current plans or proposals that relate to or would result in an extraordinary corporate transaction, such as a merger, liquidation or a sale of all or substantially all of the Partnership's assets. However, the General Partner, consistent with its fiduciary obligations, will seek and review opportunities to enhance long-term value for the limited partners, such as: a merger or business combination with an unaffiliated entity; a liquidation of the Partnership; a partial liquidation of the Partnership's assets; a recapitalization; or a consolidation with affiliates. There is no assurance that any transaction will occur. The Partnership and ORIG may, but are not required to, purchase additional interests, after the conclusion of the tender offer, either through privately-negotiated transactions or additional tender offers. Additional purchases may have the effect of increasing the percentage of interests owned by ORIG and its affiliates above 50%, which would give ORIG the ability to control any Partnership votes on the types of transactions described above or any other matters.

### **Item 3 - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

Our primary risk exposure with regard to financial instruments is changes in interest rates. Two of the Partnership's notes payable bear interest at the Prime Rate. The Partnership's mortgage payable bears interest at a fixed rate. At June 30, 2001, a hypothetical 100 basis point increase in interest rates would result in approximately \$500 additional annual interest expense on the variable rate notes. The same increase in interest rates would also result in an approximate \$264,000 decrease in the fair value of debt.

## **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Item 1 - Legal Proceedings**

None.

### **Item 2 - Changes in Securities**

None.

### **Item 3 - Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

None.

### **Item 4 - Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

None.

### **Item 5 - Other Information**

None.

### **Item 6 - Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K**

None.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NTS-PROPERTIES VII, LTD.

By: NTS-Properties Associates VII,  
General Partner  
By: NTS Capital Corporation,  
General Partner

/s/ Gregory A. Wells

Gregory A. Wells  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer of  
NTS Capital Corporation

Date: August 10, 2001