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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

(Rule 14a-101)

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Brookdale Senior Living Inc.

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Dear Fellow Stockholder:

TIME IS GROWING SHORT—
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR SHARES ARE REPRESENTED AND VOTE TODAY!

The October 4, 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Brookdale Senior Living Inc. is fast approaching and according to our latest records, we have not yet received your vote. Your Board of Directors unanimously recommends that stockholders vote FOR all the items on the agenda.

Since approval of the proposals to amend the Certificate of Incorporation require the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority or (in the case of Proposal 5 to eliminate supermajority voting for director removal by stockholders) 80% of the outstanding shares, your vote is important, no matter how many or how few shares you may own. If you fail to vote, it will have the same effect as a vote against these proposals. To make sure your shares are represented, we encourage you to vote TODAY by telephone or by Internet.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Lee S. Wielansky Chairman of the Board of Directors

REMEMBER:

Since time is short, we encourage you to submit your proxy by telephone or by Internet. Please follow the easy instructions on the enclosed proxy card or voting instruction form.

If you have any questions, or need assistance in voting your shares, please call our proxy solicitor,

INNISFREE M&A INCORPORATED TOLL-FREE, at 1-888-750-5834.