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Chief, Information Technology
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To whom it may concern:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies its approval for listing and registration of the Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/1,000th interest in a share of 5.95% Fixed-Rate Reset Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A of AMERICAN EQUITY INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING COMPANY under the Exchange Act of 1934.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Savage", written in a cursive style.