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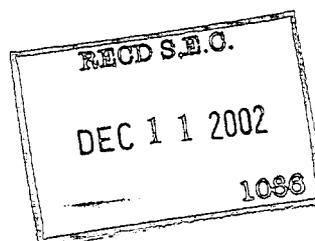
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Mr. Brian Johnson
Branch Chief
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, HOSPITALITY PROPERTIES TRUST, 8.875% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on December 11, 2002. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David M. Hall".