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Ms. Velma T. Smith  
Branch Chief  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
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Room 2531  
100 F Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Ms. Smith:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, **HEALTH CARE REIT, INC.**, 6.50% Series I Cumulative Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on March 3, 2011. Tentative listing date March 9, 2011.

Sincerely,