HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. TAX NOTICE COMMON STOCK ** FINAL NOTICE **

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For 2013 federal income tax reporting, please note the following schedule which explains that during the calendar year 2013, the Company distributed the amount indicated on the date shown with respect to each share outstanding on the following record dates:

Record Date	Payment Date	Amount Per Share		
February 5, 2013	February 20, 2013	\$ 0.7650		
May 7, 2013	May 20, 2013	0.7650		
August 6, 2013	August 20, 2013	0.7650		
November 12, 2013	November 20, 2013	<u>0.7650</u>		
		<u>\$ 3.0600</u>		

Subject to year-end audit, the Company estimates that the federal income tax status of these dividends per share is as follows:

	2013 Payment Dates				
	Feb. 20	<u>May 20</u>	Aug. 20	<u>Nov. 20</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ordinary Income	\$ 0.3732	\$ 0.3732	\$ 0.3732	\$ 0.3732	\$1.4928
Short-Term Capital Gain	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Long-Term Capital Gain/(Loss)	0.0112	0.0112	0.0112	0.0112	0.0448
Unrecaptured Sec. 1250 Gain	0.0262	0.0262	0.0262	0.0262	0.1048
Return of Capital	0.3544	0.3544	0.3544	0.3544	1.4176
Total	<u>\$ 0.7650</u>	<u>\$ 0.7650</u>	<u>\$ 0.7650</u>	<u>\$ 0.7650</u>	<u>\$3.0600</u>
Foreign Tax Credit	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Tax Exempt Interest	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

Note also that the dividends paid by a real estate investment trust do not qualify for the dividend received deduction for corporate shareholders under federal tax law.

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Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President

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