

HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. TAX NOTICE
6 1/2% SERIES J PREFERRED 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:

<u>Record Date</u>	<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Amount Per Share</u>
January 2, 2013	January 15, 2013	\$0.4062500
April 1, 2013	April 15, 2013	\$0.4062500
July 1, 2013	July 15, 2013	\$0.4062500
October 1, 2013	October 15, 2013	\$0.4062500
		<u>\$1.6250000</u>

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

Dividend Record Dates:	<u>01/02/13</u>	<u>04/01/13</u>	<u>07/01/13</u>	<u>10/01/13</u>	
Dividend Payment Dates:	<u>01/15/13</u>	<u>04/15/13</u>	<u>07/15/13</u>	<u>10/15/13</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ordinary Income	\$0.385234	\$0.385234	\$0.385234	\$0.385234	\$1.540936
Short-Term Capital Gain	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Long-Term Capital Gain/(Loss)	0.006273	0.006273	0.006273	0.006273	0.025092
Unrecaptured Sec. 1250 Gain	0.014743	0.014743	0.014743	0.014743	0.058972
Return of Capital	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Total	<u>\$0.406250</u>	<u>\$0.406250</u>	<u>\$0.406250</u>	<u>\$0.406250</u>	<u>\$1.625000</u>
Foreign Tax Credit	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
Tax Exempt Interest	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000

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.



George L. Chapman
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President

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