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

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For 2014 federal income tax reporting, please note the following schedule which explains that during the calendar year 2014, 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	10,	2014	='	February	20,	2014		\$0.7950		
May	12,	2014		May	20,	2014		\$0.7950		
August	11,	2014		August	20,	2014		\$0.7950		
November	10,	2014		November	20,	2014		<u>\$0.7950</u>		
								\$3.1800		

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

	2014 Payment Dates								
	Feb. 20	<u>May 20</u>	<u>Aug. 20</u>	Nov. 20	<u>Total</u>				
Ordinary Income	\$ 0.4465	\$ 0.4465	\$ 0.4465	\$ 0.4465	\$1.7860				
Short-Term Capital Gain	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000				
Long-Term Capital Gain/(Loss)	0.0410	0.0410	0.0410	0.0410	0.1640				
Unrecaptured Sec. 1250 Gain	0.0983	0.0983	0.0983	0.0983	0.3932				
Return of Capital	0.2092	0.2092	0.2092	0.2092	0.8368				
Total	<u>\$ 0.7950</u>	<u>\$ 0.7950</u>	<u>\$ 0.7950</u>	<u>\$ 0.7950</u>	<u>\$3.1800</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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Please save this notice for use in preparing your income tax returns.