

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

November 30, 2018

Brian Peay Chief Financial Officer Griffin-American Healthcare REIT III, Inc. 18191 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 300 Irvine, CA 92612

> Re: Griffin-American Healthcare REIT III, Inc. Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 Filed March 16, 2018 File No. 000-55434

Dear Mr. Peay:

We have reviewed your November 16, 2018 response to our comment letter and have the following comment. In our comment we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this comment within ten business days by providing the requested information or advise us as soon as possible when you will respond. If you do not believe our comment applies to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing your response to this comment, we may have additional comments. Unless we note otherwise, our references to prior comments are to comments in our November 2, 2018 letter.

Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017

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1. We note your response to our prior comment two. We are unable to agree that this information for Property E does not need to be disclosed. In future filings, please confirm that you will provide quantitative information about the significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of any assets categorized within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. Please refer to ASC 820-10-50-2(bbb).

You may contact Shannon Sobotka, Staff Accountant at 202-551-3856 or Jennifer Monick, Assistant Chief Accountant at 202-551-3295 if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Real Estate and Commodities