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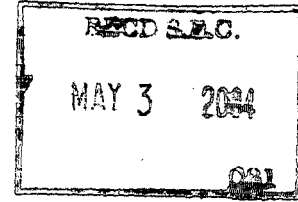
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, **NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES, INC., 7.677% Series A Cumulative Preferred Step-Up REIT Securities**, par value \$1.00 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on May 3, 2004. Tentative listing date – May 5, 2004.

Sincerely,

*Paul J. Malachuk*