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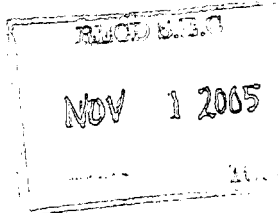
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Mr. Brian Johnson
Branch Chief
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Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, BALLY TOTAL FITNESS HOLDING CORPORATION, Series B Junior Participating Preferred Stock Purchase Rights and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on November 1, 2005.

Sincerely,

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