HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/

Form 5

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Reported Form 4

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TRUMBULL R SCOTT		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/ [HCN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Market) C/O HEALTH CARE REIT, INC., 4500 DORR STREET	Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	02/19/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	655.7604	A	\$ 40.2123	44,924.8306	D	Â		
Common Stock	05/20/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	741.4088	A	\$ 41.0953	45,666.2394	D	Â		
Common Stock	08/20/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	669.258	A	\$ 44.1833	46,335.4974	D	Â		
Common Stock	11/19/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	669.2578	A	\$ 46.5578	47,004.7552	D	Â		

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Common Stock	02/19/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	125.5072 A	\$ 40.2123	7,912.4875	I	IRRA (2)
Common Stock	05/20/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	136.1116 A	\$ 41.0953	8,048.5991	I	IRRA (2)
Common Stock	08/20/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	122.8657 A	\$ 44.1833	8,171.4648	I	IRRA (2)
Common Stock	11/19/2010	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	122.8658 A	\$ 46.5578	8,294.3306	I	IRRA (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title o Derivativ Security (Instr. 3)	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TRUMBULL R SCOTT C/O HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. 4500 DORR STREET TOLEDO, OH 43615	ÂX	Â	Â	Â			

Signatures

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: R. Scott Trumbull 02/14/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Dividend Reinvestment under the Third Amended and Restated Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Richard Scott Trumbull IRRA for benefit of Richard Scott Trumbull.

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