HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GRUA PETER J**

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Symbol

HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/

(Check all applicable)

[HCN]

(Last)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O HEALTH CARE REIT. INC., 4500 DORR STREET

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

05/06/2011

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

TOLEDO, OH 43615

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned (Instr. 4) Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 05/06/2011 164 M Stock

Price \$0 A (1)

1,989 D

Common Stock

22,276 I

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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	6. Date Exercisab Date (Month/Day/Year	•	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities
					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of

Deferred

Stock $\$0^{(3)}$ 05/06/2011 M 164 05/06/2011(3) Common 164 (1)

Code V (A)

(D)

Shares

Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GRUA PETER J C/O HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. 4500 DORR STREET TOLEDO, OH 43615	X					

Signatures

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: Peter J. O5/09/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) The reported transaction was a vesting of 164 deferred stock units on May 6, 2011, resulting in the issuance of 164 shares of common stock. No amount was payable in connection with the vesting or the common stock issuance.
- (2) Front Garden Investment LLC
- These deferred stock units were granted without cash consideration on May 6, 2010 under the Amended and Restated Health Care REIT, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each deferred stock unit represents a right to receive one share of common stock of Health Care REIT, Inc. at the time of vesting of the unit. These deferred stock units vest in three installments, with 164 units having vested on May 6, 2011, 164 units vesting on May 6, 2012 and 163 units vesting on May 6, 2013.
- Includes (i) 675 deferred stock units granted on January 29, 2009 vesting on January 29, 2012, (ii) 1,155 deferred stock units granted on January 28, 2010 with 578 units vesting on January 28, 2012 and 577 units vesting on January 28, 2013; (iii) 327 deferred stock units granted on May 6, 2010, with 164 units vesting on May 6, 2012 and 163 units vesting on May 6, 2013; and (iv) 1,933 deferred stock units granted on January 27, 2011, with 645 units vesting on January 27, 2012 and 644 units vesting on January 27 of each of 2013 and 2014.

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