



## Senior Housing Properties Trust Raises Quarterly Dividend

NEWTON, Mass., Oct 04, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Senior Housing Properties Trust (NYSE: SNH) today announced it has raised its regular quarterly common share dividend by \$0.01 to \$0.37 per common share (\$1.48 per share per year). The next quarterly dividend will be paid to common shareholders of record as of the close of business on October 15, 2010 and distributed on or about November 12, 2010.

Senior Housing Properties Trust is a real estate investment trust, or REIT, which owns independent and assisted living communities, nursing homes, rehabilitation hospitals, wellness centers and medical office buildings throughout the United States. SNH is headquartered in Newton, MA.

*A Maryland Real Estate Investment Trust with transferable shares of beneficial interest listed on the New York Stock Exchange. No shareholder, Trustee or officer is personally liable for any act or obligation of the Trust.*

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