



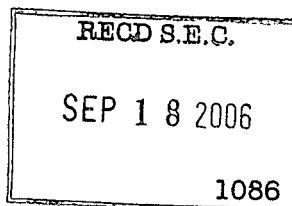
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Mr. Brian Johnson
Branch Chief
Securities and Exchange Commission
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Room 2531
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Northstar Realty Finance Corp., 8.75% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share, par value \$0.01 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on September 18, 2006. Tentative listing date - September 21, 2006.

Sincerely,

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