WEBB ROBERT T

Form 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL **OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Reported Form 4

1(b).

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WEBB ROBERT T			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS INC [NHI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (N	fiddle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008			_	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
2714 ARCHER AVENUE											
	(Street) 4. If Amen Filed(Month			-				6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I	- Non-Deriva	tive Secur	ities A	cquire	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Exec	Deemed cution Date, if nth/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) of (D) 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Shares Of Common Stock	Â	Â		Â	Â	Â	Â	10,265	D	Â	
Shares Of Common Stock	Â	Â		Â	Â	Â	Â	155,570 <u>(1)</u>	I	Nancy P. Webb	
Shares Of Common Stock	Â	Â		Â	Â	Â	Â	17,605.228 (2)	I	Robert T. Webb Family	

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Dividend Reinvestment Reminder: Report	Dividend		Persons w	vho respon	d to th	e coll	ection of info	rmation	Family Partnership SEC 2270 (9-02)
Shares Of Common Stock -	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	27.8605	I	Robert T. Webb

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.25	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/16/2007	05/15/2012	Nhi Common Stock	15,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.3	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	04/29/2008	04/28/2013	Nhi Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WEBB ROBERT T 2714 ARCHER AVENUE MURFREESBORO, TN 37129	ÂX	Â	Â	Â				

Signatures

/s/Robert T.	02/13/2009
Webb	02/13/2009

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**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) Includes 1,500 shares transferred to Nancy P. Webb on dissolution of The Webb Group.
- (2) Includes 13,500 shares transferred to Robert T. Webb Family Partnership upon dissolution of The Webb Group.

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