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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Stock

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ROSENBERG SHELI Z			Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) TWO NOR PLAZA, SU	TH RIVERSIDE	Middle)		f Earliest Tr Day/Year) 007	ransaction		_	_X Director Officer (give t	10%	Owner (specify	
CHICAGO	(Street)			endment, Da nth/Day/Year	Č		- -	5. Individual or Joi Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by O Form filed by Mo	ne Reporting Pe	erson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	ecurit		Person ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie omr Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	d of (D))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/01/2007			A	118.147 (1)	A	\$ 42.32	18,458.671	D		
Common	01/01/2007			A	1,626 (2)	A	\$ 0	20,084.671	D		

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.32	01/01/2007		A	5,000 (3)	01/01/2007(4)	01/01/2017	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ROSENBERG SHELI Z TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 600 CHICAGO, IL 60606	X					

Signatures

Sheli Z. Rosenberg, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact 01/04/2007

**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).
- Common Stock in the form of Units granted under the Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Plan") in lieu of

 (1) Director fees pursuant to the Director's deferral election. Such Units are payable solely in Common Stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the Director's deferral election and the Plan.
- (2) Restricted Stock granted pursuant to the 2006 Stock Plan for Directors (the "Stock Plan"). This Restricted Stock vests in two equal annual installments beginning January 1, 2008.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Stock Plan.
- (4) These options vest in two equal annual installments beginning January 1, 2007.

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