

HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST

Form 8-A12B

August 04, 2005

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
FORM 8-A  
FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)**

**Maryland**

**251811499**

(State of Incorporation)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**510 Walnut Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Philadelphia, PA**

**19106**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

**Title of Each Class  
to be so Registered**

**Name of Each Exchange on Which  
Each Class is to be Registered:**

8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable  
Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest,  
\$0.01 par value per share

American Stock Exchange

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), please check the following box.

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), please check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates (if applicable):

File No. 333-113061.

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

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**Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.**

The description of the Registrant's 8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.01 par value per share is set forth in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-113061), as declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 2, 2004, under the heading "Description of Shares of Beneficial Interest - Preferred Shares," and under the heading "Description of the Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares" in the Registrant's Prospectus Supplement thereto, dated July 29, 2005 and filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) on August 2, 2005, is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 2. Exhibits.**

**Exhibit No. Description**

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| 3.1 | Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of the Registrant (previously filed with the SEC as an exhibit to the registration statement on Form S-2, Registration No. 333-109100, filed on September 25, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference). |
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| 3.3 | Bylaws of the Registrant (previously filed with the SEC as an exhibit to Hersha Hospitality Trust's registration statement on Form S-11/A, Registration No. 333-56087, filed on July 30, 1998, as amended, and incorporated herein by reference).    |
| 3.4 | Form of 8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Share certificate.*   |

\* Filed herewith

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

**HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST**

Date: August 3, 2005

By: /s/ Ashish R. Parikh

Name: Ashish R. Parikh

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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