Keltner Thomas N. Form 4 March 29, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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Form 4 or Form 5 obligations

1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Keltner Thomas N.

(First) (Middle)

C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY TRUST, INC., 111 WEST 33RD STREET, 12TH FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. [ESRT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year) 03/27/2018

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) EVP, Gen. Counsel and Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10120

(City) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
LTIP Units (1)	(1)	03/27/2018		A	27,014 (2)	(1)(2)	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	27,014	\$
LTIP Units (1)	(1)	03/27/2018		A	26,576 (3)	(1)(3)	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	26,576	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Keltner Thomas N. C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY TRUST, INC. 111 WEST 33RD STREET, 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10120

EVP, Gen. Counsel and Sec.

Signatures

(1)

/s/ Bart S. Goldstein, Attorney-in-Fact 03/29/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

have expiration dates.

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Partnership"). Conditioned upon sufficient allocations to the capital accounts of the LTIP Units for federal income tax purposes, LTIP Units are convertible by the reporting person, upon vesting, into an equivalent number of units of limited partnership interests ("Operating Partnership Units") of the Operating Partnership, which are redeemable by the holder for shares of Class A Common Stock of Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer") on a one-for-one basis or the cash value of such shares, at the Issuer's option. The rights to convert LTIP units into Operating Partnership Units and redeem Operating Partnership Units do not

These represent long term incentive plan units ("LTIP Units"), a class of units of Empire State Realty OP, L.P. (the "Operating

- These LTIP Units vest 25% ratably on each of the first four anniversaries of January 1, 2018, subject to continued employment through such dates.
- (3) These LTIP Units are scheduled to vest conditioned on the achievement of certain performance criteria based on the Issuer's total return to shareholders during a three-year performance period ending December 31, 2020. Any earned LTIP units will vest 50% on January 1, 2021 and 50% on January 1, 2022, subject to continued employment. In accordance with applicable Form 4 reporting requirements, the foregoing excludes 79,728 LTIP Units also granted on March 27, 2018 that are scheduled to vest

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conditioned on the achievement of certain performance criteria based on the Issuer's relative total return to shareholders measured against two different industry-specific indices.

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