BYNOE LINDA Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BYNOE LINDA**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

980 NORTH MICHIGAN

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2009

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

AVENUE. SUITE 1400

(Street)

(State)

12/16/2009

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

CHICAGO, IL 60611

(City)

1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount Price

Common Shares Of

Beneficial Interest

578 (1) A A \$ 0 578 (2)

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 on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and 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	Amou or Numb of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.43	12/16/2009		A	3,029	(3)	12/16/2019	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	3,02

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BYNOE LINDA 980 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 1400 X CHICAGO, IL 60611

Signatures

s/ By: Yasmina Duwe, Attorney-in-fact

**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) Represents restricted shares scheduled to vest on December 16, 2012.
- (2) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.
- (3) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on December 16, 2010, December 16, 2011 and December 16, 2012.

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