EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

Form 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Powers John Issuer Symbol **EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]** (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE 01/04/2016 below) below) PLAZA, SUITE 400 **Executive Vice President**

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

CHICAGO, IL 60606

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4)

Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Shares Of 01/04/2016 M 390 \$ 53.5 1,954.7004 D Beneficial Interest Common \$ Shares Of 01/04/2016 S 390 D 80.287 1,564,7004 D Beneficial (1) Interest Common Shares Of 01/04/2016 M 5,607 \$ 53.5 7,171.7004 D Beneficial Interest

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Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	01/04/2016	S	5,607	D	\$ 80.239 (2)	1,564.7004	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	01/04/2016	M	5,989	A	\$ 38.57	7,553.7004	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	01/04/2016	S	5,989	D	\$ 80.267	1,564.7004	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	01/04/2016	M	2,592	A	\$ 38.57	4,156.7004	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	01/04/2016	S	2,592	D	\$ 80.224 (4)	1,564.7004	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest						300.9984 (5)	I	401(k) Plan

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Expiration Exercisable Date		Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
	\$ 53.5	01/04/2016		M	390	<u>(6)</u>	02/08/2017		390

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Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)							Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.5	01/04/2016	M	5,607	<u>(6)</u>	02/08/2017	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	5,60
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.57	01/04/2016	M	5,989	<u>(7)</u>	02/07/2018	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	5,98
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.57	01/04/2016	M	2,592	<u>(7)</u>	02/07/2018	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	2,59

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Powers John

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606

Executive Vice President

Signatures

s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact 01/05/2016

**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).
- The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$80.286 to \$80.288. The

 (1) reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$80.230 to \$80.250. The

 (2) reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$80.266 to \$80.270. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$80.22 to \$80.235. The

 (4) reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (5) Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of

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1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through October 12, 2015.

- (6) Represents share options which vested in three equal installments on February 8, 2008, February 8, 2009 and February 8, 2010.
- (7) Represents share options which vested in approximately three equal installments on February 7, 2009, February 7, 2010 and February 7, 2011.

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