#### ROSENBERG SHELI Z

Form 4

February 10, 2009

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A ROSENBER	Symbol	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (M	iddle) 3. Date of	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Clicc	к ан аррисаотс	,		
TWO NORT	(Month/Da	(Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2009				_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify		
	(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				
CHICAGO,	IL 60606						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ities Ac	quired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	ion Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)  h/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A)  or		<b>)</b> )	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 Shares Of Beneficial	02/06/2009		A	1,625 (1)	A	\$0	204,009.7915 (2)	D		

Common

Interest

Shares Of **SERP** 53,419.862 (3) I Beneficial Account Interest

Common Shares Of 66,022.5944 (4) I Spouse Beneficial

Interest

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sl
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.07	02/06/2009		A	11,098	<u>(5)</u>	02/06/2019	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	11,

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROSENBERG SHELI Z TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 600 X CHICAGO, IL 60606

## **Signatures**

s/ By: Yasmina Duwe, Attorney-in-fact 02/10/2009

\*\*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 February 6, 2012.
- (2) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future along with shares acquired through dividend reinvestments.
- (3) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person, and includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestments.
- (4) Represents shares beneficially owned by Ms. Rosenberg's spouse. Ms. Rosenberg disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by her spouse.

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(5) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 6, 2010, February 6, 2011 and February 6, 2012.

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