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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Hays J Robison III

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC [AHT]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

14185 DALLAS PARKWAY,

02/28/2019

Chief Strategy Officer

SUITE 1100

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DALLAS, TX 75254

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Code V Amount (D) Price

125,977 D

Stock

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. Transactic 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 Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shar
Performance LTIP Units (2019) (1) (2)	\$ 0 (1)	02/28/2019		A(2)	214,829 (3)	12/31/2021	12/31/2021	Common Stock	21 ⁴
Special Limited Partnership Units (4)	\$ 0 (4)	02/28/2019		A(2)	107,415 (4)	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	303
Performance LTIP Units (2018) (1) (2)	\$ 0 (1)					03/13/2021	03/13/2021	Common Stock	181 <u>(3</u>
Performance LTIP Units (2017) (1) (2)	\$ 0 (1)					03/23/2020	03/23/2020	Common Stock	23 ⁷
Common Limited Partnership Units (10)	\$ 0 (10)					(10)	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	479

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hays J Robison III 14185 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 1100 DALLAS, TX 75254

Chief Strategy Officer

Signatures

/s/ J. Robison
Hays, III

**Signature of Reporting Person

03/04/2019

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) Each performance LTIP unit ("Performance LTIP Unit") award represents an LTIP Unit (as defined below) subject to specified performance-based vesting criteria.

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- (2) The Reporting Person received the LTIP Units (as defined below) and Performance LTIP Units awards reported herein under the Issuer's 2011 Stock Incentive Plan.
 - Represents the maximum number of LTIP Units that may vest pursuant to such award of Performance LTIP Units, which is 200% of the target number of LTIP Units. The actual number of Performance LTIP Units that may vest can range from 0% to 200% of the target number of Performance LTIP Units, based on achievement of specified relative and total stockholder returns of the Issuer. Assuming
- (3) continued service through the vesting date and achievement of the specified relative and total stockholder return, the Performance LTIP Units, will generally vest on March 23, 2020 (with respect to the 2017 Performance LTIP Unit award), March 13, 2021 (with respect to the 2018 Performance LTIP Unit award) and December 31, 2021 (with respect to the 2019 Performance LTIP Unit award). See Footnote 4 discussing the convertibility of vested LTIP Units.
- Represents special long-term incentive partnership units ("LTIP Units") in Ashford Hospitality Limited Partnership, the Issuer's operating subsidiary ("Subsidiary"). Vested LTIP Units, upon achieving parity with the Common Units (as defined below), are convertible into Common Units at the option of the Reporting Person. See Footnote 10 discussing the convertibility of the Common Units.
- (5) Purchase price per LTIP Unit.
- The LTIP Units acquired by the Reporting Person, as reported herein, vest in three (3) substantially equal installments on the first three (3) anniversaries of the date of grant. See Footnote 4 discussing the convertibility of vested LTIP Units.
- (7) Neither the Common Units nor the LTIP Units have an expiration date.
- Reflects adjustment from number of units previously reported to give effect to the adoption of Amendment No. 5 to the Seventh
 Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Subsidiary (the "Subsidiary Agreement Amendment"), which was adopted for the purpose of creating additional common partnership units of the Subsidiary and the recapitalization of the common partnership units so that the Conversion Factor (as defined in the Subsidiary Agreement Amendment) became 1.0.
 - Reflects the aggregate number of LTIP Units held directly or indirectly by the Reporting Person following the LTIP Units award reported herein, and includes LTIP Units comprising awards previously granted to, and reported by, the Reporting Person. Such LTIP
- (9) Units have different grant and vesting dates and include those which (i) may have achieved parity with the Common Units, (ii) have not yet achieved parity with the Common Units, (iii) are currently vested or (iv) have not yet vested. Such LTIP Units have been combined herein solely for reporting purposes.
- (10) Common Limited Partnership Units of the Subsidiary ("Common Units"). Common Units are redeemable for cash or, at the option of the Issuer, convertible into shares of the Issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- Reflects the aggregate number of Common Units currently held directly or indirectly, as noted, by the Reporting Person, some of which may have been converted from LTIP Units by the Reporting Person since the Reporting Person's most recent Form 4 or Form 5 filing. See Footnote 10 discussing the convertibility of the Common Units.

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