Keltner Thomas N. Form 4 March 22, 2019

## FORM 4

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Empire State Realty Trust, Inc.

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1(b).

(Last)

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

(Middle)

(First)

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

03/20/2019

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) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	*		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	Amount or Number of Shares
LTIP Units (1)	<u>(1)</u>	03/20/2019		<u>J(2)</u>		18,702	(1)	(1)	Class A Common Stock	18,702
LTIP Units (1)	<u>(1)</u>	03/20/2019		A	38,724 (3) (4)		(1)(3)(4)	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	38,724
LTIP Units (1)	<u>(1)</u>	03/20/2019		A	32,238 (4) (5)		(1)(4)(5)	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	32,238

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsinps					
	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**

/s/ Bart S. Goldstein, Attorney-in-Fact 03/22/2019

\*\*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).

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

Partnership"). Conditioned upon sufficient allocations to the capital accounts of the LTIP Units for federal income tax purposes, LTIP

- (1) 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 have expiration dates.
- These LTIP Units were granted on February 29, 2016 and were scheduled to vest based on the achievement of certain performance (2) criteria relating to the Issuer's total return to the shareholders during a three-year performance period ending December 31, 2018. These units were forfeited due to failure to satisfy such performance criteria as of December 31, 2018.
- (3) These represent time-based LTIP Units that vest ratably on each of the first three anniversaries of January 1, 2019, subject to continued employment through such dates, issued pursuant to the Issuer's First Amended and Restated Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. Empire State Realty OP, L.P. 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (as amended and restated as of April 4, 2016), in connection with an annual incentive bonus

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compensation election made by the reporting person.

- (4) Each of the LTIP Units is subject to a holding period for an additional two years following the applicable vesting date of such LTIP Unit.
- (5) These LTIP Units vest 25% ratably on each of the first four anniversaries of January 1, 2019, subject to continued employment through such dates.

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