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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Durels Thomas P.

Symbol Empire State Realty Trust, Inc.

[ESRT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY

(Month/Day/Year) 03/20/2019

below) EVP, Real Estate

TRUST, INC., 111 WEST 33RD STREET, 12TH FLOOR

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

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 Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

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

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported 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.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transaction 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 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		J(2)		45,630	(1)	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	45,630
LTIP Units (1)	<u>(1)</u>	03/20/2019		A	90,057 (3) (4)		(1)(3)(4)	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	90,057
LTIP Units (1)	(1)	03/20/2019		A	84,920 (4) (5)		(1)(4)(5)	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common Stock	84,920

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Durels Thomas P. C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY TRUST, INC. 111 WEST 33RD STREET, 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10120

EVP, Real Estate

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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