

ASSOCIATED ESTATES REALTY CORP  
Form 8-A12B  
January 12, 2010

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-A**

**FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE**

**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Associated Estates Realty Corporation**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Ohio**  
**(State of incorporation or organization)**

**34-1747603**  
**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**

**1 AEC Parkway**

**Richmond Heights, Ohio**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**44143**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:**

<b>Title of each class to be so registered</b>	<b>Name of each exchange on which each class is to be registered</b>
Common Shares, without par value	NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box.    

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.    

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: \_\_\_\_\_

**Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:**

**None**

**(Title of class)**

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## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

### Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The information required by this item is set forth set forth under the heading "Description of Common Shares" in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3, as amended (File No. 333-155699), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 26, 2008.

### Item 2. Exhibits.

#### Exhibit

No.	Description
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| 3.2 | Amendment to Associated Estates Realty Corporation Second Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation (2) |
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| 4.1 | Specimen of Certificate for Common Shares (4)  |
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| 2 | Included as Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K filed December 8, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference. |

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- 3 Included as Exhibit 3.3 to Form 10-Q filed August 1, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference.
- 4 Included as Exhibit 4.1 to Form 10-Q filed November 3, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference.
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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Associated Estates Realty Corporation

By: /S/ Lou Fatica

**Lou Fatica, Chief Financial Officer**

Date: January 12, 2010

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