

Kaufman Ian
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Kaufman Ian

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE
 PLAZA, SUITE 400**

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/06/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)			
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price					
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	02/06/2009		A		1,260 (1)	A	\$ 0	4,401.4082 (2)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	02/06/2009		F		281 (3)	D	\$ 23.07	4,120.4082 (2)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest								302.524 (4)	I	401(k) Plan

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1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through January 31, 2009.

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

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