FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] BUSH MICHAEL J | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ROSS STORES INC</u> [ROST] | | | | | | | | | neck all ap | nip of Reporti oplicable) ctor | ng Pers | son(s) to 10% C | |
|--|---|--|--------|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|------------------------|--|-------------------|---------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2016 | | | | | | | | | | Offi bek | cer (give title ow) | | Other below | (specify | |
| 5130 HACIENDA DRIVE (Street) | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Lir | ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. Code (Instr. and 5) | | | | | Secu Bene Own | nount of rities ficially ed owing | | ct (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | A) or D) | Price | Repo Tran | | | · •, | (1130. 4) |
| Common Stock 05/18/2 | | | | | 2016 | 016 | | | A | | 2,578 ⁽¹⁾ A | | \$ <mark>(</mark> | | 27,418 | | D | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | if any | ion Date, | Code (Ir 8) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | mber ative rities ired . 3, 4 .) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares | | ount | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactior (Instr. 4) | Ov Fo Di or (l) 4) | rm: rect (D) Indirect (Instr. | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Annual Award shall vest 1/3 on May 22, 2017, 1/3 on May 21, 2018, and 1/3 on May 20, 2019.

/s/John Call for Michael J. **Bush**

05/20/2016

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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