FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Brautigan Bernard G.</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROSS STORES INC [ROST] | | | | | | | | | k all app Dired | blicable) ctor | g Person(s) to I | Owner | |
|--|--|--|--|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|---|-----|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 5130 HACIENDA DRIVE | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2018 | | | | | | | | X | belov | , | other below Ierchandisin g | ′ | |
| (Street) DUBLIN (City) | | |)4568 Zip) | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Ind Line) | Forn Forn | ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | and 5) Securi Benefi Owned | | cially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) (D) | A) or D) Price | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock 03/22/20 | | | | | 2018 |)18 | | S | | 9,085 | D | \$ | 75.43 ⁽¹⁾ | 170,718 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock 03/23/20 | | | | 2018 | 018 | | S | | 9,086 | D | \$ | 75.99 ⁽²⁾ | 1 | 61,632 | 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) | 3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day | n Date, Transac Code (Ir | | | | | 6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | ite | Amount of | | De Se (In | Price of rivative curity str. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercis | able | Expiration Date | Title | or Numb of Share | er | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The price reported is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$75.09 to \$75.64, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Ross Stores, Inc., any security holder of Ross Stores, Inc., and to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the numbers of shares sold at each separate price within this
- 2. The price reported is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$75.79 to \$76.12, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Ross Stores, Inc., any security holder of Ross Stores, Inc., and to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the numbers of shares sold at each separate price within this price range.

/s/ John Call for Bernard 03/26/2018 **Brautigan**

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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