

# FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br>MURPHY PAUL J B III     |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS INC<br>[RRGB]  |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>6312 S. FIDDLERS GREEN CIRCLE, SUITE 200N |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>05/19/2021                          |  | President and CEO   |  |
| (Street)<br>GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111                              |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                                    |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)   |  | <b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b> |  |   |  |

| 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 Stock                    | 05/19/2021                           |  | A                              |   | 45,779<br>(1)   | A          | \$ 0  | 151,523 (2)   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |            |       | 10,000  | I  | See Footnote (3)                                      |

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

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**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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | (A)  | (D)             |   |  |  |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| MURPHY PAUL J B III<br>6312 S. FIDDLERS GREEN CIRCLE<br>SUITE 200N<br>GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

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| /s/ Michael L. Kaplan, Attorney-in-Fact | 05/21/2021 |
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## 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).

Represents a grant of time-based stock units under the issuer's 2017 Performance Incentive Plan, as amended. Each time-based stock unit represents the contingent right to receive, upon vesting of the unit, one share of the issuer's common stock. One-third of the units are scheduled to vest on each of the first, second, and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

(2) Includes 138,409 shares subject to vesting and forfeiture restrictions.

(3) The shares are held indirectly by the reporting person in the Murphy Family Trust, of which Mr. Murphy and his wife are trustees.

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