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			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PAPA JOHNS INTERNATIONAL INC [PZZA]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>Taylor Wayne Kent</u>					Director	10% Owner			
-					Officer (give title	Other (specify			
(Last) P. O. BOX 99900	(First) (Middle) 99900		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2017		below)	below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Ched	ck Applicable Line)			
LOUISVILLE	KY	40269		X	Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			•				

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, Transaction			4. Securities Ad Disposed Of (D			Securities Beneficially Owned	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	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(msu. 4)
Common Stock	02/23/2017		A ⁽¹⁾		794	A	\$0.0000	26,322	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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative E		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Options	\$78.77	02/23/2017		A		3,145		(2)	02/23/2027	Common Stock	3,145	\$0.0000	3,145	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Grant of shares of restricted stock vesting in three equal annual installments beginning one year from the grant date.
- 2. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning one year from the grant date.

<u>Debra A. Tate, by power of</u> attorney

02/27/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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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