FORM 4

#### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|---------------------------|---------|----------|---|----------|--|---|--|
|                           |         |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PAPA JOHNS INTERNATIONAL INC [ PZZA ] | (Check   | tionship of Reporting Person(<br>all applicable)<br>Director<br>Officer (give title      | s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify |  |
| (Last)<br>P. O. BOX 99900 | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2024                       | X        | below) Chief Legal & Ris   | below)                                  |  |
| (Street) LOUISVILLE       | KY      | 40269    | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                          | 6. Indiv | idual or Joint/Group Filing (C<br>Form filed by One Reporti<br>Form filed by More than O | ng Person                               |  |
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### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |   |        |               | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                   |
|---------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--------|---------------|--|---|---|-------------------|
|                                 |  |   | Code  | v | Amount | (A) or<br>(D) | Price  | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (11150.4)         |
| Common Stock                    | 03/01/2024                                 |   | <b>A</b> <sup>(1)</sup>   |   | 2,121  | A             | \$0.0000   | 33,909  | D   |                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/01/2024                                 |   | F   |   | 169    | D             | \$69.94  | 33,740  | D   |                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/01/2024                                 |   | F   |   | 670    | D             | \$69.94  | 33,070  | D   |                   |
| Common Stock                    |  |   |   |   |        |               |  | 628   | I   | By 401(k)<br>Plan |

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  |      | Derivative |     | Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                     | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security (Instr.<br>3 and 4) |       | Derivative                       | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | Form:<br>Direct (D)          | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|--|---|--|--|------|------------|-----|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--|-------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
|  |   |  |  | Code | v          | (A) | (D)                                 | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date   | Title | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) |                                       |  |

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The reported shares were earned under a performance-based restricted stock unit award granted in 2021 for the performance period ending January 31, 2024.

<u>Debra Tate Johnson, by Power of Attorney</u>

03/05/2024

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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