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Form 4  
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**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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**KARP DAVID A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY  
TRUST, INC., 111 WEST 33RD  
STREET, 12TH FLOOR**

(Street)

**NEW YORK, NY 10120**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**Empire State Realty Trust, Inc.  
[ESRT]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**10/21/2016**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
EVP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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)**

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Pr<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>(Instr     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code V (A) (D)                       | Date Exercisable                                                                                             | Expiration Date                                                | Title                                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares  |
| LTIP<br>Units <sup>(1)</sup>                        | <u>(1)</u>                                                         | 10/21/2016                              |                                                             | A                                    | 22,019<br><u>(2)</u>                                                                                         | <u>(1)(2)</u>                                                  | <u>(1)</u>                                                          | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock 22,019 \$ |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KARP DAVID A  
C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY TRUST, INC.  
111 WEST 33RD STREET, 12TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10120

EVP and CFO

## Signatures

/s/ Debra E. Levin,  
attorney-in-fact

10/24/2016

                    Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

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Represents long term investment plan units ("LTIP Units"), a class of units of Empire State Realty OP, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"). The LTIP Units are convertible by the reporting person, upon vesting, into an equivalent number of units of limited partnership interests ("Operating Partnership Units") of the Operating Partnership, which are redeemable by the holder for shares of Class A Common Stock of Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer") on a one-for-one basis or the cash value of such shares, at the Issuer's option. The rights to convert LTIP units into Operating Partnership Units and redeem Operating Partnership Units do not have expiration dates.

These LTIP Units were earned based on the achievement of certain performance criteria based on the Issuer's total return to shareholders and the Issuer's relative total return to shareholders during a three-year performance period which ended on October 2, 2016. 50% of such earned LTIP units are fully vested (the applicable service requirement through the three-year anniversary of the grant date having been satisfied) and the remaining 50% of such earned LTIP units will vest on October 7, 2017 (the four-year anniversary of the grant date), subject to continued employment.

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