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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Taylor Wayne Kent

(Zip)

(First) (Middle)

C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/15/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below) Chairman, CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities oner Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (Ľ))	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)
Common Stock	02/15/2018		A <u>(1)</u>	114,991	A	\$0	3,832,914	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2018		F	53,441	D	\$ 57.16	3,779,473	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	10,000	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	75,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
.,	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Taylor Wayne Kent							
C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC.	X		Chairman,				
6040 DUTCHMANS LANE	Λ		CEO				
LOUISVILLE, KY 40205							

Signatures

/s/ Celia Catlett, by Power of Attorney

02/20/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- On February 15, 2018, the Company's compensation committee certified the achievement of specified financial performance goals that (1) determined the number of previously granted performance restricted stock units, which vested on January 8, 2018, but became reportable on February 15, 2018.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock.
- The restricted stock units vest on January 8, 2019. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 8, 2019, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- The restricted stock units vest on January 8, 2023. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 8, 2023, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

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