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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Margolis Jeff Eliot				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RespireRx Pharmaceuticals Inc. [RSPI]									(Chec	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner					
	(Fi ERX PHARN LEY ROAD,	MACEUTICALS	Middle)		03/22	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2020								X	Office below SVP,	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP, CFO, Secretary & Teasurer			
(Street) GLEN ROCK NJ 07452				4. If <i>F</i>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(St	ate) (Z	Zip)												Perso	on			
		Table	I - No	n-Deriva	tive S	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of,	or E	Bene	ficially	y Own	ed			
			2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Execution Date,		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)				Securi Benefi Owned Follow	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		n: Direct r ect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common	Stock			03/22/2	2020				J ⁽¹⁾		4,500,000) [A	(1)	4,5	000,000		D	
Common	Stock			03/22/2	2020				G ⁽²⁾		4,250,000)]	D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	25	50,000		D	
Common	Stock			03/22/2	2020				G ⁽²⁾		4,250,000) ,	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	4,2	80,769			By Trust ⁽³⁾
Common Stock			03/22/2	03/22/2020				G ⁽²⁾		125,000		D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	12	125,000		D		
Common Stock			03/22/2020				G ⁽²⁾		125,000	1	A	\$0	12	25,208			By Trust ⁽⁴⁾		
Common Stock			03/22/2	03/22/2020				G ⁽²⁾		125,000		D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	0			D		
Common Stock			03/22/2020				G ⁽²⁾		125,000	,	A	\$0		125,207			By Trust ⁽⁵⁾		
Common Stock												3,076				By Trust ⁽⁶⁾			
Common Stock														6,153				By Trust ⁽⁷⁾	
Common Stock														6,153		I		By Trust ⁽⁸⁾	
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1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 1. Title of Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				4. Transa	ransaction Code (Instr.		ber vative rities ired r osed) r. 3, d 5)		Exerc	isable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. I of De Sei (In	rivative surity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber							

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On March 21, 2020, Mr. Margolis agreed to forgive a portion of the accrued but unpaid compensation to which he was entitled pursuant to his employment agreement with RespireRx Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the "Company") equal to \$153,000. On March 22, 2020, the Company issued to Mr. Margolis 4,500,000 shares of the Company's common stock, in exchange for the forgiveness of \$153,000 of accrued and unpaid compensation, which equates to a per share value of \$0.034 per share, the closing share price of the Company's common stock on Friday, March 20, the last business day prior to the transaction.
- 2. These dispositions and acquisitions reflect estate planning transactions. These securities are being contributed to trusts for the benefit of Mr. Margolis, his spouse and his children, as specified.
- 3. Mr. Margolis gifted these securities into a family trust for the benefit of Mr. Margolis's spouse. Mr. Margolis's spouse is a trustee of the trust. Mr. Margolis disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that Mr. Margolis is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.
- 4. Mr. Margolis gifted these securities into a family trust for the benefit of his daughter. Mr. Margolis's spouse is a trustee of the trust. Mr. Margolis disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that Mr. Margolis is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.
- 5. Mr. Margolis gifted these securities into a family trust for the benefit of his son. Mr. Margolis's spouse is a trustee of the trust. Mr. Margolis disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that Mr. Margolis is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.
- 6. These securities are held in a trust for the benefit of Mr. Margolis. Mr. Margolis is a trustee of the trust.
- 7. These securities are held in trusts for the benefit of Mr. Margolis's daughter. Mr. Margolis is a trustee of these trusts. Mr. Margolis disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that Mr. Margolis is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.
- 8. These securities are held in trusts for the benefit of Mr. Margolis's son. Mr. Margolis is a trustee of these trusts. Mr. Margolis disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that Mr. Margolis is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

/s/ Jeff Eliot Margolis 03/24/2020

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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