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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Respo	onses)		n								
1. Name and Addre DYKE JEFF	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC [SAH]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) C/O SONIC AU COLWICK RO	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2019					X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President				
(Street) CHARLOTTE, NC 28211			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	v	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (A) or (D) Price		1 of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form:	1
Class A Commo	on Stock	02/16/2019		F		14,561 (<u>1)</u>	D	\$ 15.87	1,252,070	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			3A. Deemed	4.		5.		6. Date Exercisable					9. Number of		11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on	Numl	ber	and Expirati	on Date	Amount of Derivative		Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect	
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code		of		(Month/Day	/Year)	Underlying Security		Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Deriv	ative			Securities (Instr. 5)		(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership
	Derivative					Secur	ecurities ((Instr. 3 and			Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)	
	Security					Acqu	ired			4)			Following	Direct (D)	
						(A) o	r						Reported	or Indirect	
						Dispo	osed						Transaction(s)	(I)	
						of (D)						(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(Instr	. 3,								
						4, and 5)									
											Amount				
								D .	.		or				
									Expiration	Title	Number				
								Exercisable	Date		of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
DYKE JEFF C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. 4401 COLWICK ROAD CHARLOTTE, NC 28211			President					

Signatures

/s/ Jeff Dyke	02/20/2019
**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).
- (1) Represents shares delivered by the reporting person to Sonic Automotive, Inc. to satisfy withholding tax obligations due upon vesting of restricted stock units.

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