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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Per SMITH MARCUS G	2. Issuer Name ar SONIC AUTO			U .		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) 5555 CONCORD PARKWAY	(Middle) SOUTH	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2020						Officer (give title below)	Other (specify b	elow)	
(Street) CONCORD, NC 28207	in in Americanient, Date Original Friedman Day, Party						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 Acqu					s Acqu	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		of (D))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Beneficial Ownership	
Class A Common Stock	04/30/2020		А		9,283	А	\$ 0 (1)	45,665	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 nuts calls warrants ontions convertible s

(e.g., puts, cans, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.	:	5.		6. Date Exer	cisable	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on 1	Numb	ber	and Expirati	on Date	Amo	unt of	Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code		of		(Month/Day	/Year)	Unde	rlying	Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)]	Deriv	ative			Secur	rities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership
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								Date	Expiration		or				
								Exercisable		Title	Number				
								Exercisable	Date		of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	rector 10% Owner		Other		
SMITH MARCUS G 5555 CONCORD PARKWAY SOUTH CONCORD, NC 28207	Х	Х				

Signatures

/s/ Marcus G. Smith	05/01/2020
**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) Restricted stock granted pursuant to the Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2012 Formula Restricted Stock and Deferral Plan for Non-Employee Directors, Amended and Restated Effective as of April 29, 2020.

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