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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 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) _X_ Director10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., 4401 COLWICK ROAD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2020							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) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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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	X		President			

Signatures

/s/ Jeff Dyke	07/17/2020			
**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) Shares sold pursuant to pre-established 10b5-1 Trading Plan.

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