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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Leonsis Theodore

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, 200 VESEY STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/01/2017

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Code | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Share Equivalent Units | (1) | 05/01/2017 | A(2) | 2,108.626 | (3) | (3) | | | Common Stock | 2,108.6 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Leonsis Theodore C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY 200 VESEY STREET NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Carol V. Schwartz,
attorney-in-fact

05/03/2017

 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) Each Share Equivalent Unit reflects the value of one common share.
 - (2) The reported Share Equivalent Units were awarded pursuant to the Company's 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors and will be settled in cash following termination of service as a Director.
 - (3) The Share Equivalent Units are convertible immediately and have no expiration date.
 - (4) Includes Share Equivalent Units acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan and/or the 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors.

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