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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Spaid John L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NATIONAL HEALTH **INVESTORS INC [NHI]** 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

222 ROBERT ROSE DRIVE

02/21/2019

Exec. VP of Finance

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

below)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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D

Person

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

MURFREESBORO, TN 37129

(State) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Street)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common

Stock

(Instr. 3)

(City)

6,484.6372

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|-----|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (| (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2019 | \$ 79.96 | 02/21/2019 | | A | 15,833 | | 02/21/2019 | 02/21/2024 | Common Stock | 15,833 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2019 | \$ 79.96 | 02/21/2019 | | A | 15,833 | | 02/21/2020 | 02/21/2024 | Common Stock | 15,833 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2019 | \$ 79.96 | 02/21/2019 | | A | 15,834 | | 02/21/2021 | 02/21/2024 | Common Stock | 15,834 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2-22-18 Exp 2-22-22 | \$ 74.78 | | | | | | 02/22/2018 | 02/22/2022 | Common Stock | 13,333 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2-22-19 exp 2-22-22 | \$ 74.78 | | | | | | 02/22/2019 | 02/22/2022 | Common Stock | 13,334 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2-20-18 | \$ 64.33 | | | | | | 02/20/2018 | 02/20/2023 | Common Stock | 14,166 |
| Stock Options (Right to | \$ 64.33 | | | | | | 02/20/2019 | 02/20/2023 | Common Stock | 14,166 |

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Buy) 2-20-18

Stock Options

Buy) 2-20-18

(Right to \$ 64.33

02/20/2020 02/20/2023

Common Stock

14,168

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Relationships

Spaid John L

222 ROBERT ROSE DRIVE Exec. VP of Finance

MURFREESBORO, TN 37129

Signatures

/s/ John L. Spaid 02/25/2019

**Signature of Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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