FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)															
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BALOUSEK JOHN				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1340 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2016							//Year)	Offi	cer (give title belo	ow)	Other (specify l	pelow)	
(Street) WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							n/Day/Year	_X_ Form :	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person lired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
(City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu							Securitie	uired, Dis					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any		Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquire (A) or Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			D) Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)			Ownership Form:	Beneficial			
				(Mont	h/Day/Y	Year,		ode	V	Amour	(A) or (D)	r Pric	(Instr. 3 and 4)			Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A (s A Common Stock 03/18/2		03/18/2016			S	(1)		10,96	1 D	\$ 16	28,769	28,769		D		
Common Stock											55,160	,160		D			
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	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date	Execution Da Year) any	te, if Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8)				and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Aı Uı Se	mount of nderlying curities nstr. 3 and	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Owners Form of Derivati Security Direct (or Indire	hip of Indirect Beneficia Ownersh (Instr. 4)		
				C	Code	V	(A)		Date Exer		Expiration Date	on Ti	Amount or Number of Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BALOUSEK JOHN 1340 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	X						

Signatures

/s/ JoAnn Jonte, as Attorney-in-Fact for John Balousek	03/22/2016	
-*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 through sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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