FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Typ	e Responses)													
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Reed Michael A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2017						X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Executive Vice President						
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						_X_ Form filed by	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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(City) (State) (Zip)				Table I	- Non	-Derivati	ve Secu	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
(Instr. 3) Date		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or		acquired ed of (D)				6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
				Cod	e '	V Amou	or (D)					or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Class A Common Stock 05/11/			05/11/2017		S		7,55	7 D	\$ 33.41 (1)	142,558			D		
Class A Common Stock 05/11/2017			05/11/2017	M 6,250 A \$ 6.43 148,808					D						
Class A C	Common St	tock	05/11/2017		F(2))	3,32	3 D	\$ 33.1	145,480			D		
Class A Common Stock 05/11/20			05/11/2017		M		6,250) A	\$ 10.63	151,730			D		
Class A C	Common St	tock	05/11/2017		F(2))	3,78	3 D	\$ 33.1	147,942			D		
Class A Common Stock 0			05/11/2017		М		6,250) A	\$ 13.82	154,192			D		
Class A Common Stock 05/11/2017			05/11/2017		F(2))	4,13	3 D	\$ 33.1	150,054			D		
Class A Common Stock 05/12/20			05/12/2017		M		6,250) A	\$ 6.43	156,304			D		
Class A Common Stock 0.		05/12/2017		F(2	2	3,32	B D	\$ 33.33	152,981	152,981					
Class A Common Stock 05/1			05/12/2017		M		6,250) A	\$ 10.63	159,231	159,231				
Class A Common Stock 05/12			05/12/2017		F(2)	1	3,780) D	\$ 33.33	155,451			D		
Class A Common Stock 05			05/12/2017		M		6,250) A	\$ 13.82	161,701			D		
Class A Common Stock 0:			05/12/2017		F(2)	4,12	7 D	\$ 33.33	157,574			D		
Class A Common Stock 05/12/2017		05/12/2017		S		7,550	D	\$ 33 (3)	150,024			D			
Reminder: I	Report on a se	eparate line for each	class of securities	beneficially owned	directly		•								
						in	this forr	n are n	ot require	ne collection od to respond DMB control i	unless th		ned SEC	1474 (9-02)	
				Derivative Securit (e.g., puts, calls, w						Owned					
1. Title of 2.		3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4. 5. N	ımber 6. Date I		e Exercis	Exercisable and		e and Amount		9. Number of		11. Natu	
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		Execution Date, it any (Month/Day/Year	Code Deri (Instr. 8) Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (I	osed D) r. 3, 4,		ation Date		Securi	Securities Instr. 3 and 4) Security (Instr. 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)			Form of Derivati Security Direct (or Indire	Ownersl (Instr. 4) ect	
				and											

			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Class A Common Stock	\$ 6.43	05/11/2017	M			6,250	<u>(4)</u>	03/31/2019	Class A Common Stock	6,250	\$ 0	6,250	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$ 6.43	05/12/2017	M			6,250	<u>(4)</u>	03/31/2019	Class A Common Stock	6,250	\$ 0	0	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$ 10.63	05/11/2017	M			6,250	<u>(5)</u>	03/31/2021	Class A Common Stock	6,250	\$ 0	31,250	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$ 10.63	05/12/2017	M			6,250	<u>(5)</u>	03/31/2021	Class A Common Stock	6,250	\$ 0	25,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$ 13.82	05/11/2017	M			6,250	<u>(6)</u>	01/29/2022	Class A Common Stock	6,250	\$ 0	43,750	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$ 13.82	05/12/2017	M			6,250	<u>(6)</u>	01/29/2022	Class A Common Stock	6,250	\$ 0	37,500	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Reed Michael A C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597			Executive Vice President					

Signatures

/s/Michael Reed	05/14/2017
***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) The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$33.36 to \$33.44. Mr. Reed undertakes that he will provide, upon request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at each separate price.
- (2) Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the aggregate option exercise price and withholding tax liability incurred upon the above-reported exercise of options. The amount of shares withheld is based on the respective average of the high and low sales prices on the date of exercise.
- (3) The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$32.97 to \$33.01. Mr. Reed undertakes that he will provide, upon request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at each separate price.
- (4) Options were granted on August 12, 2013 and all shares are vested & exercisable.
- (5) On April 16, 2015, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning March 31, 2016.
- (6) On January 29, 2016, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning January 29, 2017.

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