Heffernan Michael Thomas Form 4 July 12, 2018

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

C/O KERYX

(City)

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Heffernan Michael Thomas

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol **KERYX**

BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director

10% Owner

[KERX]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2018

BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, INC., ONE MARINA PARK DRIVE, 12TH FLOOR

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

BOSTON, MA 02210

(State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price

\$0

Code V

10,000 06/30/2018 A (1)

 $20,000^{(2)}$ D

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 3.76	06/30/2018		A	30,000	06/30/2019(3)	06/30/2028	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Heffernan Michael Thomas						
C/O KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, INC.	X					
ONE MARINA PARK DRIVE, 12TH FLOOR						
BOSTON, MA 02210						

Signatures

Scott A. Holmes, 07/12/2018 Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- The 10,000 shares are restricted common stock, with one-third of the 10,000 shares vesting on each of June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020 and (1) June 30, 2021.
- (2) Includes 10,666 shares of restricted stock.
- (3) The 30,000 stock options vest as to one-third on each of June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021.

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