### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Szekeres David Leslie							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERON THERAPEUTICS, INC. /DE/ [ HRTX ]												vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4242 CAMPUS POINT COURT SUITE 200					01/1	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/18/2023									EVP, Chief Operating Officer					
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92121 (City) (State) (Zip)			4. If	If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
		Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Sec	urities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of	f, or B	ene	ficially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transc Date (Month/L						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	s Form (I) o ollowing (I) (In		: Direct       Indirect       str. 4)	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)		
						Code V Amount (A) or (D)				or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)								
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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		e	of Securities		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	O N O	umber						
Performance Stock Units	\$0.00	01/18/2023			A		49,788		(1)		(1)	Commo Stock	<sup>n</sup> 4	9,788	\$0.00	49,78	8	D		

### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. On July 25, 2022, the Compensation Committee of the Issuer (the "Committee") granted the Reporting Person Performance Stock Units ("PSUs"), the vesting of which was subject to the achievement of certain corporate performance goals and time-based vesting. On January 18, 2023, the Committee determined that certain performance goals of the PSUs had been achieved. The PSUs are further subject to a time-based vesting schedule. The PSUs will vest in full on the first anniversary of the grant date subject to continued employment through such date. Upon vesting and settlement of the PSUs, the Reporting Person will receive a number of shares of common stock of the Issuer equal to the number of PSUs that have vested.

#### Remarks:

/s/ Lisa Peraza Attorney-in-fact for David Szekeres

01/20/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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