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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* JOHNSON KIMBERLY H | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ELI LILLY & Co [LLY] | | | | | | | | | tionship all app Direc | , | ng Pe | rson(s) to Is | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2021 | | | | | | | | | Office below | er (give title w) | | Other (below) | specify |
| (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | ine) X | Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | | Table | I - No | n-Deriva | tive S | Secui | rities | Acq | uired | , Dis | posed of | , or E | Benefic | ially | Own | ed | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day) | | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acqu Disposed Of (D) (In | | | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) o (D) | r Price | | Transaction(s (Instr. 3 and 4 | | | | (|
| Common Stock 03/15/20 | | | | | 021 | | | A | | 51(1) | A | \$189.16 | | 51 | | | D | | |
| 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) | Execution Date, | | | saction e (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable Expiration Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or Number of Title Shares | | Der Sec (Ins | rice of ivative urity tr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | y | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficia Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. At the election of the reporting person, the shares acquired pursuant to this filing have been deferred in lieu of cash compensation as stock units under the Lilly Directors' Deferral Plan and will be settled in shares of common stock following the reporting person's separation from service.

Remarks:

Crystal T. Williams for Kimberly H. Johnson,

03/17/2021

authorization on file

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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