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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

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Morrison Jodie Pope</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS, INC.</u> <u>ONE MARINA PARK DRIVE, 12TH FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>BOSTON MA 02210</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KERYX BIOPHARMACEUTICALS INC</u> [<u>KERYX</u>] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Interim CEO</u></p> |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/30/2018</u> | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| <u>Common Stock</u> | <u>06/30/2018</u> | | <u>A</u> | | <u>10,000⁽¹⁾</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>120,000⁽²⁾</u> | <u>D</u> | |

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| <u>Stock Options (right to buy)</u> | <u>\$3.76</u> | <u>06/30/2018</u> | | <u>A</u> | | <u>30,000</u> | | <u>06/30/2019⁽³⁾</u> | <u>06/30/2028</u> | <u>Common Stock</u> | <u>30,000</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>30,000</u> | <u>D</u> | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 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 June 30, 2021.
- Includes 116,666 shares of restricted stock.
- The 30,000 stock options vest as to one-third on each of June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021.

Remarks:

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

** 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).

** 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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