FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BERDING JOHN B  (Last) (First) (Middle)  301 EAST FOURTH STREET  27TH FLOOR                        |   |  |  |                 |   | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC     AFG ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2023 |   |     |   |               |           |   |   |                         | k all app<br>Direc<br>Office<br>belov                             | tor<br>er (give title  | 10% O<br>Other (<br>below)  | wner   |  |  |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  |   |  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                 | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)                                   |     | 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5) |               |           |   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported |                         | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |                 |   |  | Code  | v   | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Pric      | е   | Transa<br>(Instr. 3   | ction(s)                |   |  | (IIISti. 4)   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |  | 02/26/2023      |   |  |   | F   |   | 3,747         | D         | \$13  | 31.36   | 40,848                  |   |  | D   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |  |                 |   |  |   |     |   |               |           |   |   | 1,899                   |   | I  |   | By Trust   |  |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |  |                 |   |  |   |     |   |               |           |   |   |                         | 4,  | 4,559(1)   |   | I  | ESPP   |  |
| Common   | Common Stock  |  |  |                 |   |  |   |     |   |               |           |   |   | 26,432.8 <sup>(2)</sup> |   | I  |   | RASP   |  |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |  |                 |   |  |   |     |   |               |           |   |   | 1,045.2238(3)           |   | I  |   | DRIP   |  |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |  |  |                 |   |  |   |     |   |               |           |   |   |                         |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | if any                                     | ion Date, Trans |   | action<br>(Instr.  | Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |     | 6. Date Exer<br>Expiration D<br>(Month/Day/                   |               | ate       | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Inst<br>3 and 4) |   | De Ser (In:             | Price of<br>rivative<br>curity<br>str. 5)                         | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | y   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares owned by the reporting Person in the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP"). All ESPP information reporting herein is based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2022.
- 2. Represents amounts held by Reporting Person in a retirement plan of the Issuer based on a statement dated 12/31/2022.
- $3. \ Shares \ reported \ reflect \ total \ ESPP \ DRIP \ shares \ held \ by \ reporting \ person \ based \ on \ a \ statement \ dated \ as \ of \ 12/31/2022.$

## Remarks:

John B. Berding by: Karl J. Grafe, as Attorney-in-Fact

02/28/2023

\*\* 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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