

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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obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b).

Check this box to indicate that a
transaction was made pursuant to a
contract, instruction or written plan
for the purchase or sale of equity
securities of the issuer that is
intended to satisfy the affirmative
defense conditions of Rule 10b5-
1(c). See Instruction 10.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HOVNANIAN ARA K</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC.</u> <u>90 MATAWAN ROAD</u> (Street) <u>MATAWAN NJ 07747</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC [</u> <u>HOV]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ☒ Director ☒ 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chairman of the Board & CEO</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/22/2026</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	06/22/2026		S		12,880	D	\$125.7847 ⁽¹⁾	0.0000	D	
Class A Common Stock								52,285.872 ⁽²⁾	I	Held as trustee of trusts for Esther K. Barry's family ⁽³⁾
Class A Common Stock								20,522.872 ⁽²⁾	I	Held as trustee of trusts for Lucy K. Kalian's family ⁽⁴⁾
Class A Common Stock								62,895.872 ⁽²⁾	I	Held as trustee of trusts for Nadia K. Rodriguez's family ⁽⁵⁾
Class A Common Stock								45,634.872 ⁽²⁾	I	Held as trustee of trusts for Sossie K. Najarian's family ⁽⁶⁾
Class A Common Stock								3,563.96 ⁽²⁾	I	Held by trusts for Esther K. Barry's family ⁽⁷⁾
Class A Common Stock								4,132.76 ⁽²⁾	I	Held by trusts for Lucy K. Kalian's family ⁽⁸⁾

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			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock								720 ⁽²⁾	I	Held by trusts for Nadia K. Rodriguez's family ⁽⁹⁾
Class A Common Stock								720 ⁽²⁾	I	Held by trusts for Sossie K. Najarian's family ⁽¹⁰⁾
Class A Common Stock								668	I	Held by wife

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)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents the weighted average sales price for price increments ranging from \$125.42 to \$126.38. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price for all transactions reported on this Form 4.

2. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his potential pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of the beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose

3. Held by trusts for the benefit of the family of Esther K. Barry, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest, including shares held through a limited liability interest in the Hovnanian Family 2012 LLC (the "2012 LLC").

4. Held by trusts for the benefit of the family of Lucy K. Kalian, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest, including shares held through a limited liability interest in the 2012 LLC

5. Held by trusts for the benefit of the family of Nadia K. Rodriguez, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest, including shares held through a limited liability interest in the 2012 LLC

6. Held by trusts for the benefit of the family of Sossie K. Najarian, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest, including shares held through a limited liability interest in the 2012 LLC

7. Held by The Esther K. Barry Family 1994 Long-Term Trust, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest

8. Held by The Lucy K. Kalian Family 1994 Long-Term Trust, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest

9. Held by The Nadia K. Rodriguez Family 1994 Long-Term Trust, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest

10. Held by The Sossie K. Najarian Family 1994 Long-Term Trust, of which the reporting person is a trustee and has a potential remainder interest

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** 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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