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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* <u>ROOT JONATHAN D</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1460 EL CAMINO REAL</u> <u>SUITE 100</u>  (Street) <u>MENLO PARK CA</u> <u>94025</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>eFFECTOR Therapeutics, Inc. [ EFTR ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/23/2021</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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			
Common Stock	11/23/2021		S		14,418	D	\$7.403 <sup>(1)</sup>	4,502,592	I	Directly owned by USVP X <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	11/23/2021		S		461	D	\$7.404 <sup>(1)</sup>	144,047	I	Directly owned by AFF X <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	11/24/2021		S		35,388	D	\$7.355 <sup>(1)</sup>	4,467,204	I	Directly owned by USVP X <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	11/24/2021		S		1,132	D	\$7.355 <sup>(1)</sup>	142,915	I	Directly owned by AFF X <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	11/26/2021		S		4,870	D	\$7.012 <sup>(1)</sup>	4,462,334	I	Directly owned by USVP X <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	11/26/2021		S		156	D	\$7.008 <sup>(1)</sup>	142,759	I	Directly owned by AFF X <sup>(2)</sup>

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

Explanation of Responses:

1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$7.33 to \$7.63; inclusive for sales on 11/23/21; prices ranging from \$7.25 to \$7.48, inclusive for sales on 11/24/21; and prices ranging from \$6.75 to \$7.34, inclusive for sales on 11/26/21. The reporting persons undertake to provide the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote to this Form 4

2. Presidio Management Group X, L.L.C. ("PMG X"), the general partner of each of U.S. Venture Partners X, L.P. ("USVP X") and USVP X Affiliates L.P. ("AFF X") (together, the "USVP X Funds"),

has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares held by the USVP X Funds. The Reporting Person is a managing member of PMG X with additional rights with respect to the Issuer securities, and may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of shares held by the USVP X Funds, except to the extent of any proportionate pecuniary interest therein.

Dale Holladay, Attorney in  
Fact for the Reporting Person

11/26/2021

\*\* 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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