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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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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>Franklin Michael Andrew</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) 2529 VIRGINIA BEACH BLVD _____ (Street) VIRGINIA VA 23452 _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. [ WHLR ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) X CEO
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2026	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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			

**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					
Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock	\$6,154,444,800 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/30/2026		J		44 <sup>(2)</sup>		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	(3)	88	D
7.00% Subordinated Convertible Notes due 2031	\$2.77							(4)	12/31/2031	Common Stock	9,491 <sup>(4)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>		\$26,300	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Each share of the Issuer's Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series D Preferred Stock") is convertible, in whole or in part, at any time, at the option of the holders thereof, into 0.00000004 shares of the Issuer's common stock (a conversion price of \$6,154,444,800 per share of common stock). Series D Preferred Stock has no expiration date.
- As disclosed in the Issuer's Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 20, 2026, the Issuer determined that interest on the Issuer's 7.00% Subordinated Convertible Notes due 2031 (the "Notes") payable on June 30, 2026, would be paid in the form of Series D Preferred Stock. On June 30, 2026, the Issuer issued shares of the Series D Preferred Stock to the Reporting Person as payment of interest with respect to the Notes, in accordance with the terms thereof and of the Indenture among the Issuer and Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee, governing the terms of the Notes (the "Indenture").
- In accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock paid as interest on the Notes on June 30, 2026, was determined based on a per share value of \$20.698249, calculated as the product of (x) the average of the per share volume-weighted average prices for Series D Preferred Stock for the 15 consecutive trading days ending on the third business day immediately preceding the interest payment date, and (y) 0.55.
- The Notes are convertible, in whole or in part, at any time, at the option of the holders thereof, into shares of the Issuer's common stock at a conversion price of \$2.771041 per share (9.021881 common shares for each \$25.00 of principal amount of the Notes being converted).
- Interest on the Notes may be payable, at the Issuer's election, in cash, in shares of the Issuer's Series B Convertible Preferred Stock or in shares of Series D Preferred Stock, in each case as set forth in the Notes. The number of shares of the Issuer's common stock indicated in the Table is based on the outstanding principal amount of the Notes held by the Reporting Person.

**Remarks:**

/s/ M. Andrew Franklin 07/02/2026  
 \*\* 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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