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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hult David W Issuer Symbol ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP (Check all applicable) INC [ABG] 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE 02/07/2019 President & CEO GROUP, INC., 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DULUTH, GA 30097** (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 2,415 \$ F D D 02/07/2019 51,402 Stock (1) 69.18 Common 15,901 02/07/2019 A \$0 67,303 D A (2) Stock Common F 916 (3) 02/08/2019 D 66,387 D 69.02 Stock Common 3,884 \$0 02/08/2019 M A 70,271 D (4) Stock

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Common 1,752 \$ Stock (5) 69.02

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		3 3 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Performance Share Units	<u>(6)</u>	02/08/2019		M	3,884	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	3,884	

Reporting Owners

	Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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Hult David W C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 DULUTH, GA 30097

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President & CEO

Signatures

/s/George A. Villasana, Attorney
In-Fact
02/11/2019

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of a restricted stock award granted on February 7, 2018.

(2)

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Represents grant of restricted stock award. Vesting will occur in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

- (3) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of a restricted stock award granted on February 8, 2017.
- (4) Represents shares of the Issuer's common stock issued upon the vesting of performance share units granted on February 8, 2017. This transaction represents the vesting of one-third of this award.
- (5) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of performance share units, and the conversion of such units into shares of the Issuer's common stock, granted on February 8, 2017.
- Represents vesting of performance share units upon the Issuer having met certain performance objectives, which objectives were certified as having been met on March 12, 2018. Each performance share unit converts into one share of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting.

 One-third of the performance share units granted on February 8, 2017 vested upon certification of the objectives having been met, which occurred on March 12, 2018, an additional one-third vested on February 8, 2019 and the remaining one-third vests on February 8, 2020.

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