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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>JACOBS TERRY S</u> |  |  |  | <u>A1</u>       | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC  |  |      |     |                                    |                  |                     |   | <ul><li>5. Relationship of Reportir<br/>(Check all applicable)</li><li>X Director</li></ul> |   |   | .,  | Issuer<br>Owner   |  |   |
|--|--|--|--|-----------------|---|--|------|-----|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) ONE EAST FOURTH STREET                 |  |  |  |                 | 3. D  | AFG ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/04/2009               |      |     |                                    |                  |                     |   |   |   | 71  |   | er (give title  |  | er (specify                             |
| (Street) CINCINI (City)  |  |  | 15202<br>Zip)  |                 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check A Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Pers Form filed by More than One Rep Person |  |      |     |                                    |                  |                     | erson   |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |
|  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |  |                 |   |  |      |     |                                    |                  |                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D       |  |  |  | Execution Date, |   | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquire Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 5) |      |     | quired<br>(Instr.                  | (A) oı<br>3, 4 a | nd                  | 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              | (1  | A) or<br>D)   | Price   | Transa  |   | ction(s)<br>3 and 4)  |  | (11150.4)                               |
| Common Stock 06/0  |  |  |  | 06/04           | 4/2009  | 2009   |      | A   |                                    | 4,705            |                     | A   | (1  | )   | 11,767  |   | D   |  |   |
| Common   | Stock  |  |  |                 |   |  |      |     |                                    |                  |                     |   |   |   | 136.837 I DRIP  |   |   |  | DRIP <sup>(2)</sup>                     |
|  |  | Та   | ble II - D   |                 |   |  |      |     |                                    |                  | sed of,<br>onvertib |   |   |   | y Ov  | vned  |   |  |   |
| 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) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Da<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Y | Date,           | ate, Transaction  |  | n of |     | 6. Date Expiration<br>(Month/Date) | n Date           | •                   | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) |   | str. 3  |   | vative derivatity Secuents (r. 5) Ben-<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Rep<br>Tran | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownershi<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirec<br>(I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>t (Instr. 4) |
|  |  |  |  |                 | Code  | v  | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisal                  |                  | Expiration<br>Date  | Title   | Amo<br>or<br>Nun<br>of<br>Sha   |   |   |   |   |  |   |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents a grant of Restricted Stock issued under the Company's Non-Employee Director's Compensation Plan.
- 2. Held in the issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "DRIP").

## Remarks:

<u>Terry S. Jacobs By: Karl J.</u> <u>Grafe, as Attorney-in-Fact</u>

06/08/2009

\*\* 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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