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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 *
 Friedman Michael A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC
 [ISRG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1020 KIFER ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/07/2018

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	09/07/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 271.4833	5,964	D
Common Stock	09/07/2018		S ⁽¹⁾	D	\$ 541.4588	4,419	D
Common Stock	09/07/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 185.7333	4,944	D
Common Stock	09/07/2018		S ⁽¹⁾	D	\$ 541.4588	4,419	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 185.7333	09/07/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	525	⁽²⁾ 07/23/2025	Common Stock	525
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 271.4833	09/07/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	1,545	⁽³⁾ 04/20/2027	Common Stock	1,545

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Friedman Michael A 1020 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086	X			

Signatures

By: Lori Serrano For: Michael A Friedman 09/10/2018

**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) This transaction took place in accordance with a Trading Plan that complies with SEC Rule 10b5-1 and expires on August 6, 2019.

(2) Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 1/3rd one year after the date of grant and 1/36th each month thereafter.

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- Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 100% one year after the
- (3) date of grant or at the next Shareholders Meeting, whichever should take place first, provided that vesting will cease on termination of the Directors service to the Company.

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