Ettl Robert A. Form 4 September 06, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ettl Robert A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

[SBRA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

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Issuer

Sabra Health Care REIT, Inc.

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2011

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title

Other (specify

OMB APPROVAL

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January 31,

2005

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C/O SABRA HEALTH CARE REIT, INC., 18500 VON KARMAN

AVENUE, SUITE 550

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3.

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Stock

09/02/2011

Code V Amount (D) 166 ⁽¹⁾ A Α \$0

 $12,128^{(2)}$

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)

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| 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | of Derivative Securities Acquired | | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo |
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| | | | | | of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | Codo V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ettl Robert A.
C/O SABRA HEALTH CARE REIT, INC.
18500 VON KARMAN AVENUE, SUITE 550
IRVINE, CA 92612

Signatures

/s/Nikole M. Kingston as Attorney-in-Fact

09/06/2011

**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).
- Represents stock units credited to the reporting person in the form of dividend equivalent payments on stock units previously granted to the reporting person that are outstanding under the Issuer's 2009 Performance Incentive Plan, calculated on the basis of the market value of the Issuer's common stock on the dividend payment date. These units will vest and become payable on the same terms as the original stock units to which they relate.
- (2) Includes 3,587 unvested stock units and 4,041 stock units that have vested but the payment of which has been deferred. Each stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock.

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