FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| affirmative defens 10b5-1(c). See In | e conditions of Rule struction 10. | | | |
|---|---|--------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address Touchon Pass | | rson * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ATRA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner |
| (Last) C/O ATARA BI | (First) (Middle) ARA BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2024 | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO |
| 2380 CONEJO S (Street) THOUSAND OAKS | 80 CONEJO SPECTRUM ST, SUITE 200 eet) HOUSAND CA 91320 | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | |

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) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership |
|---------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|---|---------------|------------|--|---|-------------------------|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 05/16/2024 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 81,506 | D | \$0.617(2) | 1,829,146 | D | |

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 | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transac Code (Ir 8) | | 5. Num Derivat Securit Acquire or Disp (D) (Ins | ive ies ed (A) osed of | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Day/Y | ate | 7. Title and A Securities Un Derivative So (Instr. 3 and | nderlying ecurity | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|---|---|---------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares sold automatically to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of previously granted restricted stock units, pursuant to a sale-to-cover provision in the award agreement.
- 2. The sale price of the reporting person's shares represents the weighted average price of all shares sold by a broker on May 16, 2024 and May 17, 2024 on behalf of a group of employees of the Issuer to satisfy the payment of withholding tax liability of such employees.

/s/ John Chao, Attorney-in-Fact for Pascal Touchon 05/20/2024

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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