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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Roberts Laurance</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>El Pollo Loco Holdings, Inc. [LOCO]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) CEO & PRESIDENT		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/08/2023</u>					
<u>C/O EL POLLO LOCO HOLDINGS, INC.</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
<u>3535 HARBOR BLVD, SUITE 100</u>								
(Street)								
<u>COSTA MESA</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>92626</u>						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication					
<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.								

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price				
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>08/08/2023</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>28,222⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>219,969</u>	<u>D</u>		

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Amount or Number of Shares
<u>Non-Qualified Stock Options</u>	<u>\$10.63</u>	<u>08/08/2023</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>57,471</u>		<u>(2)</u>	<u>08/08/2033</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>57,471</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>57,471</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

- Consists of restricted shares granted under the Equity Incentive Plan, vesting in four equal installments on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.
- Granted by a nonqualified stock option agreement under the Equity Incentive Plan, vesting and becoming exercisable in four equal installments on each of the four anniversaries of the date of grant.

/s/ Anne E. Jollay, Attorney-in-Fact 08/09/2023

** 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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