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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Bonakdarpour Mahtiyar</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ROOT, INC. 80 E. RICH STREET, SUITE 500 (Street) COLUMBUS OH 43215 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Root, Inc. [ROOT]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President and CTO
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/18/2026	
	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 <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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			
Class A Common Stock	02/18/2026		A		101,958 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	367,512	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/19/2026		F		9,569 ⁽²⁾	D	\$61.59	357,943	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/18/2026		A		5,877 ⁽³⁾	A	\$0	363,820	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/19/2026		F		2,622 ⁽²⁾	D	\$61.59	361,198	D	
Class A Common Stock								149,294	I	See Footnote ⁽⁴⁾

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					

Explanation of Responses:

- Reflects Performance-Based Restricted Share Units ("PSUs") granted under the Issuer's 2020 Equity Incentive Plan. One-quarter of the PSUs vested upon the certification of performance by the Compensation Committee and the remainder vest annually (25% per year) on January 1, 2027, January 1, 2028, and January 1, 2029.
- These shares of common stock were withheld by the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations associated with the vesting of PSUs.
- Vesting of PSUs granted under the Issuer's 2020 Equity Incentive Plan upon the certification of performance by the Compensation Committee.
- These shares are held by Drive Capital Overdrive Fund I, L.P. ("DCOF I") (99,687), Drive Capital Overdrive Fund I (TE), L.P. ("DCOF I TE") (48,201), and Drive Capital Overdrive Ignition Fund I, L.P. ("DCOIF I") (1,406). Drive Capital Overdrive Fund I (GP), LLC ("DCOIF I GP"), the general partner of each of DCOF I, DCOF I TE and DCOIF I, may be deemed to have sole power to vote these shares. The Reporting Person's spouse does not have voting or investment control over these shares but may be deemed to have an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares through her carried interest in DCOIF I GP. The Reporting Person's exact pecuniary interest is not readily determinable because it is subject to several variables. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any of these shares except to the extent of his spouse's pecuniary interest therein.

Remarks:

/s/ Jodi Baker, Attorney-in-fact 02/20/2026
 ** 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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