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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
	KKR Real Estate Finance Trust Inc. [ KREF ]	Director X10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P., 30 HUDSON YARDS	5/13/2021	
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
NEW YORK, NY 10001 (City) (State) (Zip)		Form filed by One Reporting Person X _ 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)		3. Trans. Co (Instr. 8)	nstr. 8) Disposed of (D) H		. ,	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form:	Beneficial	
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	5/13/2021	s		5000000	D	\$20.07 <u>(1)</u>	15000000		See Footnotes (2)(3)

### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate	2.	3. Trans.	3A. Deemed	4. Trans. C						7. Tit	le and Amount of	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Security	Conversion	Date	Execution	(Instr. 8)		Derivative	Securities	Expiration I	Date	Secur	ities Underlying	Derivative	derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	or Exercise		Date, if any			Acquired (	A) or			Deriv	ative Security	Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
	Price of					Disposed of	f (D)			(Instr	3 and 4)	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership
	Derivative					(Instr. 3, 4	and 5)						Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)
	Security					-							Following	Direct (D)	
	-							Date	Expiration		Amount or Number of		Reported	or Indirect	
								Exercisable	Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s)	(I) (Instr.	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)						(Instr. 4)	4)	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) This amount represents the \$20.30 secondary price per share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock"), of KKR Real Estate Finance Trust Inc. (the "Issuer") less the underwriting discount of \$0.23 per share for shares sold pursuant to an underwritten public offering by KKR REFT Holdings L.P.
- (2) The general partner of KKR REFT Holdings L.P. is KKR REFT Holdings GP LLC, which is wholly owned by KKR REFT Asset Holdings LLC. KKR REFT Asset Holdings LLC is owned by KKR Group Partnership L.P. and KKR Financial Holdings LLC, whose common shares are wholly owned by KKR Group Partnership L.P. KKR Group Holdings Corp. is the general partner of KKR Group Partnership L.P. KKR & Co. Inc. is the sole shareholder of KKR Group Holdings Corp. KKR Management LLP is the Series I preferred stockholder of KKR & Co. Inc. Henry R. Kravis and George R. Roberts are the founding partners of KKR Management LLP.
- (3) Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed to be an admission that, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise, the Reporting Persons are the beneficial owners of any securities reported herein.

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Warne / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KKR REFT Holdings L.P.							
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P.		х					
30 HUDSON YARDS		1					
NEW YORK, NY 10001							
KKR REFT Holdings GP LLC							
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P.		x					
30 HUDSON YARDS		Л					
NEW YORK, NY 10001							
KKR REFT Asset Holdings LLC							

C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P. 30 HUDSON YARDS NEW YORK, NY 10001	X	
KKR Group Partnership L.P. C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P. 30 HUDSON YARDS NEW YORK, NY 10001	x	
KKR Financial Holdings LLC C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P. 30 HUDSON YARDS NEW YORK, NY 10001	X	
KKR Group Holdings Corp. C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P. 30 HUDSON YARDS NEW YORK, NY 10001	x	
KKR & Co. Inc. 30 HUDSON YARDS NEW YORK, NY 10001	X	
KKR Management LLP C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P. 30 HUDSON YARDS NEW YORK, NY 10001	x	
KRAVIS HENRY R C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P. 30 HUDSON YARDS NEW YORK, NY 10001	х	
ROBERTS GEORGE R C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P. 2800 SAND HILL ROAD, SUITE 200 MENLO PARK, CA 94025	X	

HENRY R. KRAVIS By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
GEORGE R. ROBERTS By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact	5/14/2021		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
KKR MANAGEMENT LLP By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Financial Officer	5/14/2021		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
KKR & CO. INC. By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Financial Officer	5/14/2021		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
KKR GROUP HOLDINGS CORP. By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Financial Officer	5/14/2021		
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KKR GROUP PARTNERSHIP L.P. By: KKR Group Holdings Corp., general partner By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Financial Officer	5/14/2021		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
KKR FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LLC By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Executive Officer	5/14/2021		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
KKR REFT ASSET HOLDINGS LLC By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Financial Officer and Vice President	5/14/2021		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
KKR REFT HOLDINGS GP LLC By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Financial Officer	5/14/2021		

#### KKR REFT HOLDINGS L.P. By: KKR REFT Holdings GP LLC, its general partner By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for Robert H. Lewin, Chief Financial Officer

\*\*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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