HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PARIKH ASHISH R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST [HT]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) 510 WALNU	(First) JT STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2008	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specification) below) Chief Financial Officer			
FLOOR							

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)
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Person

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106

(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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of r(A) or Disposed of (D) Beneficially (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following		Securities Beneficially Owned	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest (1)	06/02/2008		A	40,816	A \$0	103,529	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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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

PARIKH ASHISH R 510 WALNUT STREET 9TH FLOOR PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Ashish R. 06/04/2008 Parikh

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).

Effective June 1, 2008, Hersha Hospitality Trust awarded restricted Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest to its executive (1) officers pursuant to its 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. Twenty-five percent of the restricted share award will vest on each of the first through fourth anniversaries of the date of grant.

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