

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
<u>Franklin Heather L</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O XOMA ROYALTY CORPORATION</u> <u>2200 POWELL STREET, SUITE 310</u> (Street) <u>EMERYVILLE CA 94608</u> (City) (State) (Zip)			<u>XOMA Royalty Corp [XOMA]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/14/2026</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	
					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person 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			
Common Stock	07/14/2026		J		6,269 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	D	(1)(2)(3)	0	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	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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$31.39	07/14/2026		D			17,282	(1)(4)(5)	08/06/2031	Common Stock	17,282	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$17.86	07/14/2026		D			8,996	(1)(4)(5)	05/18/2032	Common Stock	8,996	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$21.39	07/14/2026		D			10,967	(1)(4)(5)	05/17/2033	Common Stock	10,967	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$24.71	07/14/2026		D			9,763	(1)(4)(5)	05/15/2034	Common Stock	9,763	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated April 27, 2026, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement and Plan of Merger on May 16, 2026 (as amended, the "Merger Agreement"), by and among XOMA Royalty Corporation (the "Issuer"), Ligand Pharmaceuticals Incorporated ("Parent"), Flex Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent ("Merger Sub"), and XOMA Royalty Holdings Corporation ("HoldCo"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, on July 14, 2026, the Issuer effected a holding company reorganization, and Merger Sub merged with and into HoldCo (the "Merger"), with HoldCo surviving the Merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent. Unless context otherwise requires, all references in this Form 4 to the "Issuer" refer to HoldCo, which assumed all obligations of the Issuer under the Merger Agreement.
- At the time the Merger became effective (the "Effective Time"), pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each issued and outstanding share of common stock, par value \$0.0075 per share, of the Issuer (the "Shares") (other than certain Shares cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement and Dissenting Shares (as defined in the Merger Agreement)) automatically converted into the right to receive (i) \$39.00 per Share in cash, without interest, and subject to deduction for any required withholding taxes, equal to the product of (A) the excess of the Closing Amount over the exercise price per Share with respect to such Terminating Company Stock Option and (B) the number of Shares subject to such Terminating Company Stock Option, plus (ii) an amount of contingent value rights (each, a "CVR") representing a right to receive certain contingent payments subject to and in accordance with the terms of the CVR Agreement (as defined in the Merger Agreement) (the Closing Amount plus CVR, the "Merger Consideration").
- At the Effective Time, pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each outstanding restricted stock unit ("RSU") became fully vested and cancelled and converted into the right to receive (A) an amount in cash, without interest, and subject to deduction for any required withholding taxes, equal to the product of (i) the number of Shares subject to such RSU and (ii) the Closing Amount, plus (B) one CVR for each Share subject to such RSU.
- At the Effective Time, pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each outstanding option to purchase Shares (each, a "Company Stock Option") that had an exercise price per Share that was less than the sum of the Closing Amount and the fair market value of one CVR (each, a "Terminating Company Stock Option") became fully vested and was cancelled, and in exchange therefor, the holder received (i) an amount in cash, without interest, and subject to deduction for any required withholding taxes, equal to the product of (A) the excess of the Closing Amount over the exercise price per Share with respect to such Terminating Company Stock Option and (B) the number of Shares subject to such Terminating Company Stock Option, plus (ii) one CVR with respect to each Share subject to such Terminating Company Stock Option.
- As of immediately prior to the Effective Time, each Company Stock Option that did not constitute a Terminating Company Stock Option was cancelled and no consideration was delivered in exchange therefor.

/s/ Maricel Montano, as attorney-
in-fact for Heather Franklin 07/14/2026

** 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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