FORM 3

#### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Bergeon Derek		2. Date of Even Statement (Mor 04/01/2023		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol National Storage Affiliates Trust [ NSA ]						
(Street) GREENWOOD VILLAGE	CO	(Middle) FFILIATES UE, 9TH FLOOR 80111	04/01/2023			onship of Reporting Person all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) Chief Operating	10% Owner Other (specify below)	6. Ind	th/Day/Year) lividual or Joint/Goable Line) Form filed by	of Original Filed  Filing (Check  One Reporting Person  More than One Reporting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			<u> </u>					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				t of Securities Ily Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (I Indirect (I) (Ins	)) or 5)	1 '			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	(D) or	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Class A OP Unit	S <sup>(1)</sup>		(1)(2)	(3)		on shares of beneficial est, \$0.01 par value	22,146(1)(2)(4)(5)	(1)(2)	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Pursuant to the agreement of limited partnership of NSA OP, LP (the "Partnership"), the Reporting Person has the right to cause the Partnership to redeem all or a portion of the Reporting Person's Class A common units of limited partner interest ("Class A OP Units") for cash in an amount equal to the market value of an equivalent number of the common shares of beneficial interest ("Shares") of National Storage Affiliates Trust (the "Issuer"), or at the Issuer's option, Shares on a one-for-one basis, subject to certain adjustments.
- 2. The Class A OP Units in this table are comprised of 4,920 Class A OP Units, 3,012 Class A OP Units issuable upon the conversion of 3,012 vested long-term incentive plan units ("LTIP Units") in the Partnership and 14,214 Class A OP Units issuable upon conversion of 14,214 unvested LTIP Units, granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2015 Equity Incentive Plan pursuant to LTIP Unit Award Agreements between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.
- 3. N/A
- 4. Of the 14,214 unvested LTIP Units, 5,712 vest in six installments from January 1, 2024 through January 1, 2026, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person and 8,502 represent the maximum amount of performance-based LTIP Units that can vest on January 1, 2026 contingent upon the achievement of certain performance criteria.
- 5. The Reporting Person will not earn any of the 8,502 performance-based LTIP Units if the minimum performance criteria are not met. The 8,502 performance-based LTIP Units are being reported here for informational purposes only. Vested LTIP Units, after achieving parity with Class A OP Units, are eligible to be converted into Class A OP Units on a one-for-one basis upon the satisfaction of conditions set forth in the Partnership's agreement of limited partnership.

#### Remarks:

Exhibit No. 24.1 Power of Attorney dated April 3, 2023.

<u>Derek Bergeon, by Zoya Afridi,</u> <u>his Attorney-in-fact</u>

04/10/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

# FOR SEC FILINGS ON FORMS ID, 3, 4, 5 AND 144 IN RESPECT OF SECURITIES OF NATIONAL STORAGE AFFILIATES TRUST

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of David Cramer, Brandon Togashi, Tiffany Kenyon, Andrew Epstein, Jason Parsont, Zoya Afridi and Jed Tifft or any one of them acting alone, as his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution for him in his name and stead in any and all capacities, to sign and file for and on his behalf, in respect of any acquisition, disposition or other change in ownership of any common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share, of National Storage Affiliates Trust (the "Company"), the following:

- (i) any Form ID to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC");
- (ii) any Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 3 to be filed with the SEC;
- (iii) any Statement of Changes of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 4 to be filed with the SEC;
- (iv) any Annual Statement of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 5 to be filed with the SEC;
- any Notice of Proposed Sale of Securities on Form 144 to be filed with the SEC;
   and
- any and all agreements, certificates, receipts, or other documents in connection therewith.

The undersigned hereby gives full power and authority to the attorney-in-fact to seek and obtain as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release such information to the undersigned and approves and ratifies any such release of information.

The undersigned hereby grants unto such attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary in connection with such matters and hereby ratifies and confirms all that any such attorney-in-fact and agent or substitute may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned acknowledges that:

(i) neither the Company nor such attorney-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements or (iii) any obligation

- or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act; and
- (ii) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to such attorney-in-fact and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the choice of laws provisions thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney.

Date: April 3, 2023

By: Derek Bergeon