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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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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>Payne Fletcher</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Aptose Biosciences Inc. [APTO]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) FORMER SVP AND CFO		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/30/2026</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
C/O APTOSE BIOSCIENCES INC. 251 CONSUMERS ROAD, SUITE 1105			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street)								
TORONTO	A6	M2J 4R3						
(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 (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 Shares	06/30/2026		D ⁽¹⁾		222	D	\$1.72 ⁽²⁾	0	D	
Common Shares	06/30/2026		D ⁽¹⁾		22	D	\$1.72 ⁽²⁾	0	I	Fletcher Payne 2019 Trust

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				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2	06/30/2026		D ⁽¹⁾			55,000	⁽³⁾	02/05/2034	Common Shares	55,000	\$0	0	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$0.66	06/30/2026		D ⁽¹⁾			200,000	⁽³⁾	01/19/2033	Common Shares	200,000	\$0	0	D	
Common Stock (Option)	\$0.8479	06/30/2026		D ⁽¹⁾			1,000,000	⁽³⁾	06/26/2032	Common Stock	1,000,000	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Disposed of pursuant to a board, shareholder and court-approved business arrangement agreement between the Issuer and Hammi Pharmaceuticals Co. Inc. whereby a subsidiary of Hammi acquired all outstanding shares of the Issuer at a price of CS2.41 per share.
- Converted from Canadian price of CS2.41 per share using an exchange rate of CS1.4 = US\$1.00.
- Options vest 50% on the first anniversary of the grant date; remaining options vest 1/3 annually beginning on the second anniversary of the grant date.

Remarks:

TOTAL OPTIONS AND OPTION EXERCISE PRICE SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT AS A RESULT OF THE ISSUER'S 1:30 REVERSE STOCK SPLIT ON 2/25/2025 AND 1:15 REVERSE SPLIT ON 6/6/2023

/s/ Fletcher Payne

07/01/2026

** 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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