FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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6. Nature of

5)

Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr.

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 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 2. Date of Event 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Requiring Statement FARMER BROTHERS CO [FARM] PACE DAVID (Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2022 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Last) (First) (Middle) Filed (Month/Day/Year) Issuer (Check all applicable) 6118 BEVERLY DRIVE 10% Owner Director 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing Other (specify (Check Applicable Line) Officer (give title below) below) Form filed by One Reporting (Street) Person See Footnote 1 **FRISCO** TX 75034 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) 2. Amount of Securities 3. Ownership Beneficially Owned (Instr. Form: Direct Ownership (Instr. 5) 4) (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock(1) 0 D **Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Explanation of Responses:

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

1. The Reporting Person may be deemed to be a member of a Section 13(d) group that collectively beneficially owns more than 10% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Stock. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities of the Issuer owned directly by other members of the Section 13(d) group and this report shall not be deemed an admission that he is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(Instr. 4)

Title

Remarks:

Exhibit 24- Power of Attorney

/s/ James C. Pappas as attorney-in-fact for David 10/13/2022

Conversion

or Exercise

Derivative

Price of

Security

Amount

Number

Shares

of

<u>Pace</u>

3. Title and Amount of Securities

Underlying Derivative Security

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Ownership

Direct (D)

or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Form:

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 5 (b)(v).
- $^{\star\star} \ Intentional \ misstatements \ or \ omissions \ of facts \ constitute \ Federal \ Criminal \ Violations \ See \ 18 \ U.S.C. \ 1001 \ and \ 15 \ U.S.C. \ 78 \ ff(a).$

2. Date Exercisable and

Expiration

Date

Expiration Date

Date

Exercisable

(Month/Day/Year)

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints James C. Pappas the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to take any and all action in connection with (i) the undersigned's beneficial ownership of, or participation in a group with respect to, securities of Farmer Bros. Co., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), directly or indirectly beneficially owned by JCP Investment Partnership, LP or any of its affiliates or members of its Schedule 13D group (collectively, the "JCP Group") and (ii) any potential proxy solicitation that may be pursued by the JCP Group to elect a slate of director nominees to the board of directors of the Company at the 2022 annual meeting of stockholders of the Company, including any adjournments or postponements thereof (the "Solicitation"). Such action shall include, but not be limited to:

- 1. executing for and on behalf of the undersigned all Group Agreements or similar documents pursuant to which the undersigned shall agree to be a member of the JCP Group;
- 2. if applicable, executing for and on behalf of the undersigned any Schedule 13D, and amendments thereto, filed by the JCP Group that are required to be filed under Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules thereunder in connection with the undersigned's beneficial ownership of, or participation in a group with respect to, securities of the Company or the Solicitation;
- 3. if applicable, executing for and on behalf of the undersigned all Forms 3, 4 and 5 required to be filed under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder in connection with the undersigned's beneficial ownership of, or participation in a group with respect to, securities of the Company or the Solicitation;
- 4. performing any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such document, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 5. taking any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the Solicitation, including entering into any settlement agreement, that in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 13(d), Section 16 or Section 14 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer a member of the JCP Group unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 14th day of September 2022.

/s/ David A. Pace

DAVID A. PACE