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## 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*  Said Maya R.  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.  255 STATE STREET 9TH FLOOR			<u>PI</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [ PIRS ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/25/2020									ck all applic Directo	ntionship of Reporting Pe call applicable) Director			vner		
													Officer below)	(give title	Other (specify below)		pecify		
(Street) BOSTON (City)			02109 (Zip)		4.1	If Ame	endment, I	Date o	f Original I	Filed	(Month/Da	ay/Year)		6. Ind Line)	Form f	iled by One	e Repo	y (Check Ap orting Perso n One Repo	n
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Stock Option (right to	\$3.27	06/25/2020			A		40,000		(1)	0	01/25/2030	Common	40	,000	\$0.00	40,00	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The stock option will vest as to 100% of the underlying shares on June 23, 2021, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service as a director through the vesting date.

## Remarks:

/s/ Marc D. Mantell, Attorneyin-Fact

06/25/2020

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Stephen S. Yoder, President and Chief Executive Officer of Pieris Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company"), Allan Reine, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, Ahmed Mousa, General Counsel and Secretary of the Company, and Marc D. Mantell, Brian J. Shea, Christina Bailey, Amanda Mei, Anne T. Leland, Brenda L. Meyette and Jacquelyn Cannata of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., signing singly, with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, forms and authentication documents for EDGAR Filing Access;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such forms and authentication documents;
- (3) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (4) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (5) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interests 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 each 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 substitute or 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 attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed on July 24, 2019.

/s/ Maya R. Said Maya R. Said