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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading COYLE MICHAEL J Issuer Symbol HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA (Check all applicable) INC [HTLF] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 1398 CENTRAL AVE 01/22/2019 **EVP Senior General Counsel** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DUBUOUE, IA 52001**

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative)	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock							8,209	D	
Common Stock	01/22/2019		M	625	A	\$ 47.54	8,834	D	
Common Stock	01/22/2019		M	225	A	\$ 47.54	9,059	D	
Common Stock	01/22/2019		M	187	A	\$ 47.54	9,246	D	
Common Stock	01/22/2019		M	140	A	\$ 47.54	9,386	D	

Common Stock 2,000 I 401K

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

	1	(e.g., puts, c	calls, warrants, option	-		•				
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. 5. Number Transactionof Code Derivative (Instr. 8) 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. De Se (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2018 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(1)					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	457	
2018 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	<u>(1)</u>					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	609	
2018 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	Ш					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	457	
2017 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(1)					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	436	
2017 Time-Based Restricted	(1)	01/22/2019		F	218	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	218	\$

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Stock									
2017 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	Ш				<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	327	
2017 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	(1)				<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	399	
2016 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(1)				<u>(8)</u>	(8)	Common Stock	291	
2016 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(1)	01/22/2019	F	291	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	0	\$
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	<u>(1)</u>				<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	463	
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	<u>(1)</u>				<u>(10)</u>	(10)	Common Stock	972	
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	<u>(I)</u>	01/22/2019	F	972	<u>(10)</u>	(10)	Common Stock	0	\$
2015 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(1)				<u>(11)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	Common Stock	700	
2015 Time-Based Restricted	<u>(1)</u>	01/22/2019	F	350	(11)	(11)	Common Stock	350	\$

Stock

2014

Time-Based Restricted (12) Common Stock 350

Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COYLE MICHAEL J 1398 CENTRAL AVE DUBUQUE, IA 52001

EVP Senior General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Michael J.

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**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.
- (2) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 3-6-2019, 1/3 vest on 3-6-2020, and 1/3 vest on 3-6-2021.
- (3) These restricted stock units vest in 2021 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (4) These restricted stock units vest on 3-6-2021 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (5) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest in 01-2018, 1/3 vest in 01-2019 and 1/3 vest in 01-2020.
- (6) These restricted stock units vest in 2020 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (7) These restricted stock units vest on 1-19-2020 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (8) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 1-19-2017, 1/3 vest on 1-19-2018, and 1/3 vest on 1-19-2019.
- (9) These restricted stock units vest in 2019 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (10) These restricted stock units vest on 1-19-2019 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (11) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 1-20-2018, 1/3 vest on 1-20-2019, and 1/3 vest on 1-20-2020.
- (12) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 3-11-2017, 1/3 vest on 3-11-2018, and 1/3 vest on 3-11-2019.

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