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Form 5

February 13, 2019

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Titl Amou Under	int of	8. Price of Derivative Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e	10,	Secur	, ,	(Instr. 5)
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FERNANDEZ FELIX S 777 NORTH BROADWAY LOS ANGELES, CA 90012	ÂX	Â	Â	Â			

Signatures

/s/ Georgia Lo, attorney-in-fact 02/13/2019

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) On May 30, 2018, 1,606 shares of common stock of Cathay General Bancorp were transferred to the Felix and Katherine Fernandez Trust as indirect ownership, without the payment of any consideration.
- (2) On May 30, 2018, the Felix and Katherine Fernandez Trust received 1,606 shares of common stock of Cathay General Bancorp from Felix S. Fernandez, without the payment of any consideration.

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