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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 5

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Townsend Andrew E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1398 CENT	(First)	(Middle)	INC [HTLF] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2018					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
DUBUQUE	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2018					EVP, Chief Credit Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(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 D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock				Code V	rinount	(D)	THEC	26,155	D (1)	
Common Stock	08/20/2018			S	1,500	D	\$ 61.25	24,655	D (1)	
Common Stock								1,163	I	401(k)

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

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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)	Code	TransactionNumber Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secu (Insti	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2018 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	785	
2018 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,047	
2018 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	785	
2017 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)					<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	689	
2017 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	516	
2017 Performance Based	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(8)</u>	(8)	Common Stock	631	

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Restricted Stock (1-year performance)					
2016 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	667 (10)
2016 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	413
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	(2)	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	Common Stock	657
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	(2)	(11)	(11)	Common Stock	1,379
2015 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(12)</u>	(12)	Common Stock	833
2014 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)	<u>(13)</u>	<u>(13)</u>	Common Stock	417

Reporting Owners

**Signature of Reporting

Person

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Transfer and the same	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Townsend Andrew E 1398 CENTRAL AVE DUBUQUE, IA 52001			EVP, Chief Credit Officer					
Signatures								
/s/ Andrew E Townsend	8/21/2018	3						

Date

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- * 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) These shares are held in Jt. Ten.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.
- (3) 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.
- (4) These restricted stock units vest in 2021 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (5) These restricted stock units vest on 3-6-2021 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (6) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest in 01-2018, 1/3 vest in 01-2019 and 1/3 vest in 01-2020.
- (7) These restricted stock units vest in 2020 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (8) These restricted stock units vest on 1-19-2020 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (9) 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.
- (10) These restricted stock units were granted outside of the annual awarding of restricted stock units due to employment change.
- (11) These restricted stock units vest in 2019 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (12) 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.
- (13) 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.

Remarks:

Amended form based on difference of sale price between initial sale request and final batch sale confirmation

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