Caldwell William J. Form 4 November 21, 2017

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Caldwell William J.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Other (specification) Executive Vice President			
	HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/ [HMN]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1 HORACE MANN PLAZA	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2017				
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	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 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) 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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/17/2017		M	2,391	A	\$ 30.24	11,658.669 (1)	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2017		F	1,587 (2)	D	\$ 45.55	10,071.669 ⁽³⁾	D	

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	tive Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.24	11/17/2017		M	2,391	12/11/2016	12/11/2020	Common Stock	2,391

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Caldwell William J. 1 HORACE MANN PLAZA SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Linea K. Michael, Attorney in Fact for William J. Caldwell

11/21/2017

**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) Represents 21.669 vested restricted stock units and 11,637 shares of Common Stock.
- (2) Disposition of pre-owned shares to satisfy exercise pursuant to the 2010 Comprehensive Executive Compensation Plan as amended and restated.
- (3) Represents 21.669 vested restricted stock units and 10,050 shares of Common Stock.

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