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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Sloan Rodney 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 03/11/2019 **EVP Chief Risk Officer** 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

DUBUQUE, IA 52001

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	7,204 (1)	D	
Common Stock	03/11/2019		M	220	A	\$ 45.77	7,424	D	

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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)			
				Code V	(A	v) (E	D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2018 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(2)</u>							<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	287
2018 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	(2)							<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	573
2018 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	(2)							<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	97 <u>(6)</u>
2017 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)							<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	240
2017 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	<u>(2)</u>							(8)	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	360
2017 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	(2)							<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	439

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Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	<u>(2)</u>				(10)	(10)	Common Stock	561	
2015 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)				(11)	<u>(11)</u>	Common Stock	317	
2014 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)				(12)	(12)	Common Stock	317	
2014 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(2)</u>	03/11/2019	M	317	(12)	(12)	Common Stock	0	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sloan Rodney

1398 CENTRAL AVE EVP Chief Risk Officer

DUBUQUE, IA 52001

Signatures

/s/ Rodney L. 03/12/2019 Sloan

**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) These shares are held as 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) Reflects the forfeiture of 333 Performance Based Restricted Stock Units granted but not earned in 2018.
- (7) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest in 01-2018, 1/3 vest in 01-2019 and 1/3 vest in 01-2020.
- (8) These restricted stock units vest in 2020 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.

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- (9) These restricted stock units vest on 1-19-2020 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (10) These restricted stock units vest in 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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