

FLYNN THOMAS L  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
FLYNN THOMAS L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA INC [HTLF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1398 CENTRAL AVE.  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/05/2018

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

DUBUQUE, IA 52001

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					29,342	D	
Common Stock					36,170.7033 (1)	D (2)	
Common Stock	06/05/2018		M	1,220 A \$ 56.45	37,390.7033 (1)	D (2)	
Common Stock					10,177.947	I	IRA (3)
Common Stock					2,986.398	I	IRA, Wife

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
2017 Director Restricted Stock Unit	(4)					(5) (5)	Common Stock	1,220
2017 Director Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	06/05/2018		M	1,220	(5) (5)	Common Stock	0 \$ 5
2018 Director Restricted Stock Units (retainer)	(4)					(5) (5)	Common Stock	460 (6)
2018 Director Restricted Stock Units	(4)					(5) (5)	Common Stock	1,425

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FLYNN THOMAS L 1398 CENTRAL AVE.	X			

DUBUQUE, IA 52001

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas L.  
Flynn

06/06/2018

\_\_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) These shares participate in a Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) These shares are held as Jt. Ten.
- (3) Self directed IRA Trust
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.
- (5) These restricted stock units are granted under the 2012 Long-term Incentive Plan. These shares are subject to a one (1) year vesting schedule.
- (6) HTLF Directors may elect RSUs or cash for the retainer portion of their Director Compensation

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