SULLIVAN THOMAS R

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Stock

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Common

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SULLIVAN THOMAS R Issuer Symbol MERCANTILE BANK CORP (Check all applicable) [MBWM] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O MERCANTILE BANK 11/20/2017 CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$ Common

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			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 (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 7.8					06/01/2014	11/24/2018	Common Stock	7,000
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 22.14					11/13/2016	11/12/2021	Common Stock	1,488
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 27.66					11/19/2017	11/18/2022	Common Stock	620

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SULLIVAN THOMAS R C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION 310 LEONARD STREET

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GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

Signatures

/s/ Bradley J. Wyatt, Attorney-in-Fact

11/22/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$35.07 to \$35.17, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Mercantile Bank Corporation, any security holder of Mercantile Bank Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in the preceding sentence.

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