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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Marotta Richard M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [BHLB]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner			
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
24 NORTH STREET			08/17/2017	SEVP			
	(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			
PITTSFIELD	, MA 01201			Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) tiomr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	08/17/2017		S	8,478	D	\$ 33.3114	28,523	D		
Common Stock	08/17/2017		S	622	D	\$ 33.35	27,901	D		
Common Stock	08/17/2017		S	400	D	\$ 33.375	27,501	D		
Common Stock							2,008	I	By Stock Award VIII (1)	
Common Stock							3,900	I	By Stock Award IX	

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			<u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	4,571	I	By Stock Award X
Common Stock	611 <u>(4)</u>	I	By 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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D	ate	7. Title Amou	nt of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
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						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Marotta Richard M 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 01201			SEVP				

Signatures

/s/ Lawrence M.F. Spaccasi, pursuant to power of attorney 08/18/2017

**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).
- (1) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2013 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2016.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2013 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2017.
- (3) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2013 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2018.
- (4) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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