Flocco Theodore J JR Form 4 February 26, 2018

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Flocco Theodore J JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP INC

[FRBK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2018

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

X_ Director

(Check all applicable)

(First) C/O REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP.

INC., 50 S. 16TH STREET, SUITE 2400

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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 of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 8.4	02/22/2018		A	25,000	02/22/2019	02/22/2028	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

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

Flocco Theodore J JR C/O REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP, INC. 50 S. 16TH STREET, SUITE 2400 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

X

Signatures

/s/ Theodore J. 02/26/2018 Flocco, Jr.

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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