

MERCANTILE BANK CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 SULLIVAN THOMAS R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MERCANTILE BANK CORP  
 [MBWM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/06/2016

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

C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD STREET

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/06/2016                           |  | A                              | 750 A \$ 0  | 24,523  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 72,426.661  | I  | By IRA                            |

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. P Der Sec (Ins |                            |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------|----------------------------|
|   |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title             | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy) | \$ 22  |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/01/2014 11/27/2016                                    | Common Stock  | 1,575             |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy) | \$ 16  |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/01/2014 12/03/2017                                    | Common Stock  | 7,000             |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy) | \$ 7.8   |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/01/2014 11/24/2018                                    | Common Stock  | 7,000             |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 22.14   |                                      |  |                                |   | 11/13/2016 11/12/2021                                    | Common Stock  | 1,488             |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (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  
GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

## Signatures

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

06/08/2016

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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