FLOWERS FOODS INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SPEAR JAMES T Issuer Symbol FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 844 WILLIAMSBURG DRIVE 01/01/2017 below) (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 NAPERVILLE, IL 60540 Person (City) (State) (Zip)

(City)	(State) (A	Table	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock			Code V	or Amount (D) Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 42,755	D	
Common Stock					100	I	Shares owned by child

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number coof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. F Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>	01/01/2017		A	5,010	01/01/2018	(3)	Common Stock	5,010	
Deferred Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>					06/05/2016	(3)	Common Stock	229	
Deferred Stock (1)	(2)					06/09/2016	(3)	Common Stock	6,026	
Deferred Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>					01/02/2016	(3)	Common Stock	4,963	
Deferred Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>					05/25/2017	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	6,934	
Deferred Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>					01/03/2017	(3)	Common Stock	4,660	

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SPEAR JAMES T 844 WILLIAMSBURG DRIVE X NAPERVILLE, IL 60540

Signatures

/s/ Stephen R. Avera, 01/09/2017 Agent

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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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) Granted under the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (2) In accordance with the terms of the Deferred Shares Agreement for Directors, the deferred shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (3) No expiration date.

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