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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [BHLB] SULLIVAN PATRICK J (Month/Day/Year) 07/21/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 24 NORTH STREET (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _ Other Person (give title below) (specify below) PITTSFIELD, MAÂ 01201 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 11,277 Common Stock 414 I By 401(k) Common Stock 436 Ι By ESOP Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Date Exercisable and | 3. Title and Amount of | 4. | 5. | 6. Nature of Indirect |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| (Instr. 4) | Expiration Date | Securities Underlying | Conversion | Ownership | Beneficial |
| | (Month/Day/Year) | Derivative Security | or Exercise | Form of | Ownership |

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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|------------|
| Stock Options | 05/17/2011 | 05/17/2020 | Common | 15,662 | \$ 14.75 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| r | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| SULLIVAN PATRICK J 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 01201 | Â | Â | EVP | Â | | |

Signatures

/s/ Patrick J.
Sullivan

**Signature of Reporting Person

O7/28/2011

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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