

Bloomin' Brands, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 CHRIS THOMAS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2202 NORTH WEST SHORE
BLVD, SUITE 500

(Street)

TAMPA, FL 33607

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Bloomin' Brands, Inc. [BLMN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/21/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 04/21/2017 | | M | 1,992 A \$ 0 | 1,992 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 399,296 | I | See Footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 807,899 | I | See footnote (2) |

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Common Stock | \$ 0 | 04/21/2017 | | A | 5,308 | (3) (4) | Common Stock | 5,308 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 04/21/2017 | | M | 1,992 | (5) (4) | Common Stock | 1,992 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SULLIVAN CHRIS THOMAS 2202 NORTH WEST SHORE BLVD SUITE 500 TAMPA, FL 33607 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Kelly Lefferts, as
Attorney-in-Fact 04/24/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Represents shares of Bloomin' Brands, Inc. common stock held by a charitable foundation for which Mr. Sullivan serves as trustee.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock owned by CTS Equities, Limited Partnership, an investment partnership ("CTSLP"). Mr. Sullivan is a limited partner of CTSLP and the sole member of CTS Equities, LLC, which is the sole general partner of CTSLP.
- (3) These restricted stock units, in the original grant amount of 5,308, will begin vesting in three equal annual installments immediately prior to the issuer's annual meeting of stockholders in 2018.
- (4) This field is not applicable.
- (5) These restricted stock units, in the original grant amount of 5,978, began vesting in three equal annual installments on April 21, 2017.

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