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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Barney Thomas W		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [BHLB]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 24 NORTH		Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D 09/14/20	•	ransaction			DirectorX Officer (give below) SVP - Ass		Owner er (specify
PITTSFIEL	(Street) D, MA 01201			ndment, Da nth/Day/Year	_	1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Form filed by N Person		rson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	09/14/2009			I	5,016	D	\$ 22.97	4,447	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock								9,157	D	
Common Stock								1,063	I	By Stock Award IV
Common								561	ī	By Stock

561

Award III

(1)

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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)

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		re e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of
Stock Option	\$ 37.8			Code V	(A) (D)	01/30/2006	01/30/2014	Common	Shares 1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Barney Thomas W 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 01201

SVP - Asset Management/Trust

Signatures

(right-to-buy)

/s/ Thomas W. 09/16/2009 Barney

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2009.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2010.

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