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### **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## **SCHEDULE 14A**

# PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE SECURITIES

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#### IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF

#### PROXY MATERIALS FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF

#### FIFTH THIRD BANCORP

## **TO BE HELD ON APRIL 16, 2019**

#### WHEN AND WHERE IS THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING?

The 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Fifth Third Bancorp will be held at the Renaissance Hotel, at 36 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, on Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at 11:30 a.m., eastern daylight saving time.

### WHAT IS BEING VOTED ON AT THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING?

- 1. Election of all members of the Board of Directors to serve until the Annual Meeting of Shareholders in 2020.
- 2. Approval of the appointment of the firm of Deloitte & Touche LLP to serve as the independent external audit firm for the Company for the year 2019.
- 3. An advisory approval of the Company s executive compensation.
- 4. An advisory vote to determine whether the shareholder vote on the compensation of the Company s executives will occur every 1, 2, or 3 years.
- 5. Approval of the Fifth Third Bancorp 2019 Incentive Compensation Plan Including the Issuance of Shares of Common Stock Authorized Thereunder.
- 6. Approval of an Amendment to the Company s Articles of Incorporation to Authorize a New Class of Preferred Stock.

#### WHAT DOES THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMEND?

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the election of Directors, FOR Items 2, 3, 5, and 6 and FOR 1 YEAR on Item 4.

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access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

The following documents can be viewed at: www.ViewMaterial.com/fitb

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders Proxy Statement Annual Report on Form 10-K If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before April 2, 2019 to facilitate timely delivery.

You may request a paper or e-mail copy of the proxy materials by following the instructions below. You will be asked to provide your 11-digit control number located by the arrow in the box below.

- 1. Call the toll-free telephone number 1-800-516-1564 and follow the instructions provided, or
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Please note that space limitations make it necessary to limit attendance only to shareholders of the Company and the holders of shareholder proxies. Admission to the Annual Meeting will be on a first-come, first-served basis and will require presentation of a valid driver s license or other federal or state-issued photo identification card. Shareholders of record must bring the admission ticket attached to their proxy card or the Notice of Internet Availability they receive in order to be admitted to the meeting. Street name—shareholders must bring a notice regarding the availability of proxy materials, the top portion of a voting instruction form, or a recent proxy or letter from the bank, broker or other intermediary that holds the beneficial holders—shares and which confirms the beneficial holders—ownership of those shares. Registration and seating will begin at approximately 11:00 a.m. eastern daylight saving time. Communication and recording devices will not be permitted at the Annual Meeting. A copy of the regulations for conduct at the Annual Meeting is attached as Annex C to the proxy statement.

To vote your Fifth Third Bancorp shares, you can

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vote in person or you can:

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