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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Nume and Address of Reporting Ferson | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENASANT CORP [RNST] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
|---|----------|----------|---|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| HART R RIC | <u>K</u> | | | X | Director | 10% Owner | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | x | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | |
| P. O. BOX 709 | | | 01/17/2017 | SEVP | | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) | ridual or Joint/Group Filing | (Check Applicable | | |
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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) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities / Disposed Of (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) |
|--|--|---|-----------------------------|---|--|---------------|--------|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1150. 4) |
| Common Stock (Performance Based Restricted) | 01/17/2017 | | A | | 8,000(1) | A | \$0.00 | 15,000 | D | |

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

| 1. Title of Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date. | 4. Tranca | | | | 6. Date Exerc | 7. Title and Amount of | | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Number of derivative | 10. Ownership | 11. Nature of Indirect | |
|---------------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|---|---|---|---------------------|--|-------|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | | Code (8) | | Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) | Derivative (Month/Day/Year) securities Acquired A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4 | | Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Security (Instr. 5) | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. This is the target amount of a performance based restricted stock granted 01/17/2017 under the 2011 LTIP which will be available if certain criteria is met at the end of the performance cycle on 12/31/2017. Any adjustments to the target award will be reported at the time of the actual determination of performance as compared to the applicable threshold, target and maxium performance objectives. In no event, however, will the number of shares awarded exceed 150% of the number of shares of the target award. The share price will be determined at the close of business on the end of the performance cycle. These shares were awarded under the Renasant Bank 2011 LTIP Plan

Remarks:

Ronald R. Hart

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/19/2017

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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