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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Howard Brian A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP [TMP]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) P.O. BOX 4	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/09/2018					Director 10% Owner Section Other (specify below) below) EVP, Pres. Tompkins Fin. Adv.			
ITHACA, N	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose	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	11/09/2018			A	1,435 (1)	A	\$ 75.43	3,962	D		
Common Stock	11/09/2018			F	96 (2)	D	\$ 75.43	3,866	D		
Common Stock								75.277	I	401(K) ESOP	
Common Stock								348.817	I	By 401(K) ISOP	

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. onNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired			Amou Under Securi	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo
	·				(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Howard Brian A P.O. BOX 460 ITHACA, NY 14851

EVP, Pres. Tompkins Fin. Adv.

Signatures

/s/ Brian A. Howard

**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).
- Restricted Stock was granted pursuant to the Tompkins Financial Corporation 2009 Equity Plan. Restricted Stock grants have a five-year (1) vesting schedule with 0% vesting in year one and 25% vesting in years two through five. The grant will expire ten years from the date of the grant.
- (2) Deemed disposition of shares to the Issuer to pay for taxes upon vesting of restricted stock.

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