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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement GENTEX CORP [GNTX] Chiodo Matthew (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 600 N CENTENNIAL (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) ZEELAND, MIÂ 49464 Form filed by More than One Vice President of Sales Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 25,531 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

 $Table\ II\ -\ Derivative\ Securities\ Beneficially\ Owned\ (\textit{e.g.},\ puts,\ calls,\ warrants,\ options,\ convertible\ securities)$ 

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:		
					Security Direct (D)			
						or Indirect		

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/15/2018(2)	02/15/2028	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 22.94 (1)	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/31/2015(2)	03/31/2020	Common Stock	3,060	\$ 18.3 <u>(1)</u>	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/31/2016(2)	03/31/2021	Common Stock	7,500	\$ 15.69 <u>(1)</u>	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/28/2014(2)	03/28/2019	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 15.41 <u>(1)</u>	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
.t	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Chiodo Matthew 600 N CENTENNIAL ZEELAND, MI 49464	Â	Â	Vice President of Sales	Â		

### **Signatures**

/s/ Robert L. Hughes for Matthew W Chiodo by Power of Attorney 02/20/2018

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Options granted under the Gentex Corporation Employee Stock Option Plan which is a Rule 16B plan.
- (2) These shares become exercisable as to 25% one year after date of grant and an additional 25% at each ensuing anniversary date.

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