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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KIM JASON K			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HOPE BANCORP INC [HOPE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
3200 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1400		SUITE	08/02/2017	X Officer (give title Other (specification) EVP & Chief Comm Banking Ofc		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
LOS ANGELES, CA 90010			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			

	(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
5	Title of Security Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	xecution Date, if Transactiony Code			equired d of	Securities Form Beneficially (D) of Owned India	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	D) or Beneficial ownership
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
	Common Stock	08/02/2017		S	2,750	D	\$ 17.7	1,067	I	By spouse
	Common Stock							70,729	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title [
Time-based Restricted Stock Units	(1)					<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
Performance-based Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>					07/27/2020(2)	(2)	Common Stock
Performance-based Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>					07/27/2020(3)	(3)	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.18					<u>(4)</u>	09/01/2026	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KIM JASON K 3200 WILSHIRE BLVD. SUITE 1400 LOS ANGELES, CA 90010			EVP & Chief Comm Banking Ofc					
Signatures								
/s/Claire Hur as attorney-in-fact for K. Kim	r Jason	08/03/2017						

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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- Total 2,000 Restricted Stock Units (RSU) were granted on July 27, 2017 pursuant to the Hope Bancorp, Inc. 2017 Long-Term Incentive

 (1) Plan ("2017 LTIP") and BBCN Bancorp, Inc. 2016 Incentive Compensation Plan ("2016 ICP"). Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Hope common stock. Installments of 667 shares each will vest annually on July 27, 2018, 2019, and 2020.
 - 1,000 performance-based restricted stock units ("PRSU") were granted on July 27, 2017 pursuant to the 2017 LTIP and the 2016 ICP and subject to a 3-year cliff vesting. Vesting of these PRSU depends upon Hope's achievement of a specified increase in the cumulative quarterly earnings per share during the 10-quarter period from July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019. Each PRSU represents a
- (2) contingent right to receive one share of Hope common stock at Target performance. The "Target" number of shares is reported. Possible payout ranges from 0% of Target if the Threshold goal is not met, 50% to 99% on a prorated basis if the Threshold is met but the Target goal is not met, 100% to 149% on a prorated basis if the Target goal is met but the Stretch goal is not met, and 150% if the Stretch goal is met or exceeded.
 - 1,000 performance-based restricted stock units ("PRSU") were granted on July 27, 2017 pursuant to the 2017 LTIP and the 2016 ICP and subject to a 3-year cliff vesting. Vesting of these PRSU shares depends upon Hope's achievement of a specified relative ranking of the total stockholder return in relation to the KRX Index over a 10-quarter period from July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019. Each PRSU
- (3) represents a contingent right to receive one share of Hope common stock at Target performance. The "Target" number of shares is reported. Possible payout ranges from 0% of Target if the Threshold goal is not met, 50% to 99% on a prorated basis if the Threshold is met but the Target goal is not met, 100% to 149% on a prorated basis if the Target goal is met but the Stretch goal is not met, and 150% if the Stretch goal is met or exceeded.
- Options granted on September 1, 2016 pursuant to the 2016 ICP. Options vest annually in five equal installments on September 1st of 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

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