

Benito Michael Eugene
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Benito Michael Eugene

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HERITAGE COMMERCE CORP
 [HTBK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 150 ALMADNE BLVD.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/24/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP

SAN JOSE, CA 95113
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2018 | | S | D | 6,000 \$ 17 | 41,600 | 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)

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| 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. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. F... Der... Sec... (Ins... | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Standard Employee Option - NSO | \$ 7.43 | | | | | 05/04/2009 | 05/04/2019 | Common Stock | 4,500 |
| Standard Employee Option - NSO | \$ 3.57 | | | | | 07/26/2010 | 07/26/2020 | Common Stock | 4,500 |
| Standard Employee Option - NSO | \$ 6.57 | | | | | 04/30/2013 | 04/30/2023 | Common Stock | 10,000 |
| Standard Employee Option - NSO | \$ 8.07 | | | | | 02/27/2014 | 02/27/2024 | Common Stock | 12,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Benito Michael Eugene 150 ALMADNE BLVD. SAN JOSE, CA 95113 | | | EVP | |

Signatures

/s/ Debbie Reuter as Attorney in fact for Michael Eugene Benito 05/25/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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