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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SEVERINO MICHAEL</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1 N. WAUKEGAN ROAD</u> (Street) <u>NORTH CHICAGO IL 60064</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AbbVie Inc. [ABBV]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Vice Chairman</u> |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/20/2020</u> | |
| | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | |
| | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 02/20/2020 | | A | | 41,562 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$0 | 157,419 | D | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 02/20/2020 | | A | | 14,989 ⁽²⁾ | A | \$0 | 172,408 | D | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 02/20/2020 | | A | | 8,565 ⁽³⁾ | A | \$0 | 180,973 | D | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 02/20/2020 | | A | | 10,479 ⁽⁴⁾ | A | \$0 | 191,452 | D | |

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. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | |
| Option (right to buy) ⁽⁵⁾ | \$93.5 | 02/20/2020 | | A | | 114,566 | 02/20/2021 | 02/19/2030 | Common Stock | 114,566 | \$0 | 114,566 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance share award granted to the reporting person on February 16, 2017. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on earnings per share and relative total shareholder return. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2020.
- Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance vesting restricted stock unit award granted to the reporting person on February 16, 2017. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on a relative return on equity measure. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2020.
- Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance vesting restricted stock unit award granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2018. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on a relative return on equity measure. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2020.
- Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance vesting restricted stock unit award granted to the reporting person on February 21, 2019. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on a relative return on equity measure. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2020.
- Employee stock option granted pursuant to the AbbVie 2013 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 38,189 on February 20, 2021, 38,189 on February 20, 2022, and 38,188 on February 20, 2023.

Steven L. Scroggham, attorney-in-fact for Michael Severino 02/24/2020

** Signature of Reporting Person 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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