Kappitt Michael Form 4 February 14, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kappitt Michael

> (First) (Middle)

2202 NORTH WEST SHORE

BOULEVARD, SUITE 500

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Bloomin' Brands, Inc. [BLMN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ __ Other (specify below)

EVP & President of Carrabba's

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

TAMPA, FL 33607

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	, ,	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/12/2018		M	6,250 (1)	A	\$0	25,401	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2018		F	1,515 (2)	D	\$ 20.73	23,886	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)	02/12/2018		M		6,250 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	6,250
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0						<u>(7)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	11,222
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0						(8)	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	8,401
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.27						<u>(9)</u>	02/24/2027	Common Stock	26,733
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.15						(10)	02/25/2026	Common Stock	26,113
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.8						<u>(11)</u>	03/01/2026	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.36						(12)	02/26/2025	Common Stock	15,074
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.32						<u>(13)</u>	02/27/2024	Common Stock	12,490
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.87						(14)	01/02/2024	Common Stock	100,000

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Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.4	(14)	02/26/2023	Common Stock	10,021
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.03	(14)	07/05/2021	Common Stock	32,818

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
,	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Kappitt Michael 2202 NORTH WEST SHORE BOULEVARD SUITE 500 TAMPA, FL 33607			EVP & President of Carrabba's			

Signatures

/s/ Kelly Lefferts, as Attorney-in-Fact

02/14/2018

**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).
- (1) These shares of common stock were acquired upon the vesting and settlement of certain restricted stock units.
- (2) These shares of common stock were delivered to the issuer to pay for the applicable withholding tax due upon vesting of certain restricted stock units.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the issuer.
- (4) These restricted stock units were surrendered in exchange for shares of common stock of the issuer.
- (5) These restricted stock units, in the original grant amount of 25,000, began vesting in four equal annual installments on February 12, 2017.
- (6) This field is not applicable.
- These restricted stock units, in the original grant amount of 11,222, will begin vesting in four equal annual installments on February 24, 2018.
- (8) These restricted stock units, in the original grant amount of 11,201, began vesting in four equal annual installments on February 25, 2017.
- (9) These stock options, in the original grant amount of 26,733, will begin vesting in four equal annual installments on February 24, 2018.
- (10) These stock options, in the original grant amount of 26,113, began vesting in four equal annual installments on February 25, 2017.
- (11) These stock options, in the original grant amount of 50,000, began vesting in four equal annual installments on February 12, 2017.
- (12) These stock options, in the original grant amount of 15,074, began vesting in four equal annual installments on February 26, 2016.
- (13) These stock options, in the original grant amount of 12,490, began vesting in four equal annual installments on February 27, 2015.
- (14) These stock options are fully vested.

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