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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person* Golden Deborah A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Midland States Bancorp, Inc. [MSBI]								ationship of k all applica Director	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble) 10% Owner				
(Last) 1201 NET	(Last) (First) (Middle) 1201 NETWORK CENTRE DR.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2018										Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) EFFINGHAM IL 62401					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(:	State)	(Zip)											Person					
		Ta	able I - Non	-Deriv	ative S	Securities	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed c	of, or Be	enefi	icially (Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran- Date (Month					ction ay/Year)	Execution if any	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		action (Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Owned Fo	ly	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									v	Amount	(A) (D)	or	Price	Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock														10)0		D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		Execution Date		nsaction le (Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	•	Securities Under			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Cod	le V			Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Nui	ount or mber of ares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Common Share Equivalents	(1)	09/30/2018		A		218.0685		(3)		(3)	Common Stock	21	8.0685	\$32.1 ⁽²⁾	4,179.1	.609	D		
Common Share Equivalents	(1)	09/30/2018		A		54.5171		(3)		(3)	Common Stock	54	4.5171	\$32.1 ⁽⁴⁾	4,233.6	678	D		
Common Share Equivalents	(1)	09/30/2018		A		27.1477		(3)		(3)	Common	27	7.1477	\$32.1 ⁽⁵⁾	4,260.8	257	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. No exercise price for this type of award
- 2. Represents common share equivalents acquired by the reporting person under the Issuers Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (DDCP) with respect to director fees deferred by the reporting person during the quarter, based upon the closing price of the underlying shares on the last day of the quarter. Each common share equivalent is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. Common share equivalents received for deferred director fees fully vested on the transaction date listed above and become payable upon termination of service as a director.
- 3. Common share equivalents become payable upon termination of service as a director except for any unvested portion of the Issuer matching contribution.
- 4. Represents common share equivalents acquired by the reporting person in the DDCP through the 25% Issuer matching contribution for the director fees paid to the reporting person during the quarter, based upon the closing price of the underlying shares on the last day of the quarter. Common share equivalents received for the Issuer matching contribution vest in four equal annual portions beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, and unvested matching contributions are forfeited at the time service as a director terminates.
- 5. Represents common share equivalents acquired by the reporting person in the DDCP pursuant to the reinvestment of dividends received during the quarter on common share equivalents held in the DDCP by the reporting person at the time such dividend was paid on the underlying shares, based upon closing price of the underlying shares on the last day of the quarter. Common share equivalents received for dividend reinvestments fully vested on the transaction date listed above and become payable upon termination of service as a director.

Remarks:

 /s/ Golden Deborah A
 10/02/2018

 /s/ Douglas J. Tucker, attorney 10/02/2018

** 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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Douglas

J. Tucker and Sarah Leonard as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, and submit to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the Commission of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a reporting person of Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") pursuant to Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto and file such fonn with the Commission and the applicable stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of any of such attorneys-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by any of such attorneys in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as any of such attorneys-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to act separately and to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that any of such attorneys-in-fact, or the substitute or substitutes of any of such attorneys-in-fact, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as

of this 2nd day of February, 2016

/s/Deborah A. Golden Signature

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