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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Nerbonne Robert A (Last) (First) (Middle)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MIDDLEBY CORP</u> [MIDD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2020	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION 1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE		PORATION		
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			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(Street)				X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	03/02/2020		A ⁽¹⁾		1,161	A	(1)	2,443	D					
Common Stock								2,745	Ι	Through Irrevocable Trust				

 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)	Code (Inst		saction of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		A T. 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)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Reporting person was granted 1,161 shares of restricted stock on March 2, 2020. The grant is subject to a one-year vesting schedule that vests in full on the first anniversary of the grant date.

Michael D. Thompson POA 03/

** Signature of Reporting Person D

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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