FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|--|------|-------------------------|----------|-----------------|--|---|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|---|----------|---|--------------------------------|---|----------------------|--|--|----------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | |
| FITZGERALD TIMOTHY JOHN | | | | | | | | | | | | | X | Direc | ctor | | 10% (| Owner | |
| (Last) | (Fii | rst) (| Middle) | | 3. D | Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | X | Offic below | er (give title w) | e title Othe below | | (specify |
| C/O MIDDLEBY CORPORATION | | | | 04/ | 04/11/2019 | | | | | | | | | Chief Executive Officer | | | | | |
| 1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE | | | | - 4 If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | | |
| (Street) ELGIN | IL | (| 50120 | | | | | | or originar filed (world) | | | | | Line) | | | | | |
| (City) | (St | ate) (| Zip) | | - | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da | | | | Execution Date, | | Date, | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. | | | ırities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar | | | nd 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) o (D) | Price | • | | ansaction(s) estr. 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock 04/11/2 | | | 04/11/2 | 2019 | 19 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 13,724(1) | A | | 1) | 23 | 5,097 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock 04/11 | | | 04/11/2 | 2019 |)19 | | F ⁽²⁾ | | 6,066(2) | D | \$13 | 34.81 22 | | 29,031 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 25,200(3) | | | I | By Spouse and Children ⁽³⁾ | |
| | | Та | ıble II | | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | | Owned | | | | |
| Derivative Conversion Date | | (Month/Day/Year) if any | | ion Date, Trans | | saction de (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | 8. Price Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | rivative curity | | ly | 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 | Amour or Number of Shares | r | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares granted to reporting person that were fully vested at time of grant, subject to contractual agreement not to sell any of such shares for a period of two years following the grant date, subject to certain exceptions.

Date

(D)

- 2. Transaction related to surrender of shares to fund reporting person's tax liability related to shares granted to the reporting person that were fully vested at time of grant.
- 3. These shares were incorrectly combined with reporting person's direct holdings on prior Form 4 filings and is being corrected herein.

04/16/2019 Martin M. Lindsay POA

** 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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