FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MELITO DAVID P (Last) (First) (Mic C/O SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD | ddle) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Synchrony Financial [SYF] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2020 | | | | | | | | all applicabl Director | Officer (give title Other (specify | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|------------|------------------------|---|---|----------|------------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|---------|--|
| (Street) STAMFORD CT 069 (City) (State) (Zip | | 4. If Am | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| Та | ble I - Non-De | erivative | Secu | rities Acq | uired, | Disp | osed of | , or Be | enefici | ally Owi | ned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tr Date (Mor | | | Execution if any | | Transaction Disposed (| | ties Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | or and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Following F | / Owned Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A (D | A) or F | Price | (Instr. 3 and | | | | (ca. i) | |
| Dividend Equivalent Unit 02/ | | | | | A | | 114(1) |) A \$33 | | \$33.82(1) | 23,5 | 23,560 | | D | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Derivative Expiration Date Securities Under (Instr. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities | | | Expiration Date Securities Underly (Month/Day/Year) Securities Underly Derivative Securit | | | rlying | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported | e s illy | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| Explanation of Responses | | Code V | | | | | amount or lumber of shares | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | | | | | | |

1. Represents dividend equivalent units accrued on February 13, 2020 as dividends were paid on the common shares underlying restricted stock units. The dividend equivalent units vest proportionately with and are subject to settlement and expiration upon the same terms as the restricted stock units to which they relate. Each dividend equivalent unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Synchrony Financial common stock.

Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller

/s/ Danielle Do, as attorney in fact 02/18/2020

** 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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