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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEWIS EARL R</u>				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HARVARD BIOSCIENCE INC [HBIO]									Relations Check all ap X Dire	ng Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 87 PINCKNEY STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2018									Offi bel	cer (give title ow)		ther (s	specify
(Street) BOSTON MA 02114 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)				d Secu Bene	nount of rities ficially ed Following	6. Owners Form: Dire (D) or India (I) (Instr. 4)	ect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
								Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		A) or D)	Price	Trans	saction(s) :. 3 and 4)			(111501.4)	
Common Stock 01/02/					/2018	2018		A		9,700 ⁽¹⁾ A		\$ <mark>0</mark> .	00 4	477,050 ⁽²⁾					
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	e of 2. 3. Transaction ative Conversion Date Execution Date, if any		Date,		ansaction of ode (Instr. Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Insi	ship (D) rect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	٧	(A)	(D)	Exercisal		Date	Title	Sha	res					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents a deferred stock award of 9,700 restricted stock units which vest quarterly in equal installments on March 31, 2018, June 30, 2018, September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2018, and are subject to continued service as a non-employee director on the applicable vesting dates. These retainer awards are granted in lieu and satisfaction of the annual cash retainer compensation to be earned by the director for his service on the Issuer's Board of Directors and its Committees during 2018. The number of shares of common stock subject to such retainer award is equal to the amount of cash that would have been received had the retainers all been paid in cash, divided by the average daily closing market price of the Issuer's common stock for the month of November, rounded to the nearest 100 shares.

2. Includes (a) a deferred stock award of 9,700 restricted stock units which vest quarterly in equal installments on March 31, 2018, June 30, 2018, September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2018; (b) a deferred stock award of 31,300 restricted stock units which fully vest on the earlier of (i) the date of the Issuer's next Annual Meeting of Stockholders after May 18, 2017, immediately prior to the commencement of such meeting, and (ii) May 18, 2018; and (c) 436,050 shares of common stock held by the Reporting Person.

Remarks:

This form has been signed under power of attorney.

/s/ Chad Porter, by power of attorney

01/04/2018

** 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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