## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br>Scheub Todd M. | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>Finward Bancorp</u> [FNWD ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>9204 COLUMBIA AVENUE            | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/21/2022                | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President  |  |  |  |  |
| (Street)<br>MUNSTER IN 46321                               | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                      | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br>X Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |  |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)                                       |   |   |  |  |  |  |

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

| Table 1 Non Bernauve dedunites Acquired, Bisposed of, of Benenolary Owned  |  |   |   |           |        |                      |  |   |   |            |
|--|--|---|---|-----------|--------|----------------------|--|---|---|------------|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |           |        |                      | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |            |
|  |  |   | Code                                    | v         | Amount | (A) or<br>(D)        | Price  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                                |   | (Instr. 4) |
| Common   |  |   |   | 10,782(1) | Ι      | By Profit<br>Sharing |  |   |   |            |
| Common   |  |   |   |           |        |                      |  | 8,821   | D   |            |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |   |   |           |        |                      |  |   |   |            |

|  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D) (Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |     | Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) |                              | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|--|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|---|--|-----|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--|--|--|
|  |   |  |  | Code                              | v | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                 | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares | ]   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 185 shares acquired through purchases by the Dividend Reinvestment Plan

## /s/ Joshua Van Kleek, POA

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

12/21/2022

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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