SVB FINANCIAL GROUP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** KELLOGG HARRY W JR | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|---|------------|----------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | | W DI | | |
| 3003 TASMAN DRIVE | | | (Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2006 | X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President of Merchant Bank | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |
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| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-I | Derivative | Secu | rities Ac | equired, Disposed | l of, or Benefic | ially Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|------|------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/14/2006 | | M | 5,000 | A | \$ 8.25 | 9,544 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/14/2006 | | S | 5,000 | D | \$ 50.9 | 4,544 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/14/2006 | | M | 5,000 | A | \$ 8.25 | 9,544 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/14/2006 | | S | 5,000 | D | \$ 50.5 | 4,544 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 471 | I | By self in 401k/ESOP |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | | | ative Expiration Date es (Month/Day/Year) d | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|-----|-------|---|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 8.25 | 02/14/2006 | | M | | 5,000 | 01/07/1998 | 01/07/2007 | Common Stock | 5,000 |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| F | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| KELLOGG HARRY W JR 3003 TASMAN DRIVE SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 | X | | President of Merchant Bank | | | | | |

Signatures

By: Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact For: Harry W. Kellogg 02/15/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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