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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hooley Stephen C</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>11225 N COMMUNITY HOUSE RD</u> _____ (Street) <u>CHARLOTTE NC 28277</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Brighthouse Financial, Inc. [BHF]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/02/2026</u> | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 06/02/2026 | | M | | 2,837 ⁽²⁾ | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 2,837 | \$0 | 0 | D | |
| Deferred Restricted Stock Units | (4) | 06/02/2026 | | M | | 2,837 ⁽²⁾ | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 2,837 | \$0 | 20,716 | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 06/02/2026 | | A | | 2,651 ⁽²⁾ | | (5) | (5) | Common Stock | 2,651 | \$0 | 2,651 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") represents the contingent right to receive one share of Brighthouse Financial, Inc. ("BHF") common stock.
- Award for service as a Board member pursuant to the Brighthouse Financial, Inc. 2017 Non-Management Director Stock Compensation Plan.
- The RSUs vested on the date of the 2026 annual meeting of stockholders of BHF. The Reporting Person has elected to defer these shares pursuant to the Brighthouse Services, LLC Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Management Directors (the "Deferred Compensation Plan"). Payment of the shares will be made (i) in accordance with the Reporting Person's deferral election; or, if earlier, (ii) starting upon termination of the Reporting Person's service as a Director.
- Each deferred RSU represents the deferred right to receive one share of BHF common stock, or a cash payment equal to the value of one share of BHF common stock.
- The RSUs will vest on the earlier of the first anniversary of the grant date or the date of the 2027 annual meeting of stockholders of BHF. Vested shares will be deferred in accordance with the Reporting Person's deferral election pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan.

Remarks:

/s/ Alexander V. Ulianov,
Attorney-in-Fact, on behalf of 06/04/2026
Stephen C. Hooley

** 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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