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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* <u>GRAY R BRADLEY</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N</u> (Street) <u>SEATTLE WA 98109</u> (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NanoString Technologies Inc [NSTG]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>President and CEO</u>		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/16/2020</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/16/2020		M		21,994	A	\$0	111,558	D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	03/16/2020		F		8,655 ⁽²⁾	D	\$19.53	102,903	D	

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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	03/16/2020		M			21,994	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	21,994	\$0	43,988	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The reporting person is voluntarily reporting the acquisition of shares of the issuer's common stock pursuant to the NanoString Technologies, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"), for the ESPP Purchase Period (as defined in the ESPP) of September 1, 2016 through March 1, 2017. This transaction is also exempt under rule 16b-3(c).
- The reported shares were withheld to cover the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of RSUs. The shares were not issued to or sold by the reporting person.
- Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of Issuer's common stock.
- 1/3 of the RSUs vest on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of March 13, 2019 (the "RSU Vesting Commencement Date"), and 1/3 of the RSUs vest annually each year on the first market trading day after the second and third anniversary of the RSU Vesting Commencement Date, in each case, subject to Participant's continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan) through each such date.

Remarks:

/s/ Shannon Atchison, Attorney in Fact 03/18/2020

** 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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