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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type	e Responses)																
Name and Address of Reporting Person * Laping Chris				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS INC [RRGB]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director					
(East) (First) (Middle) 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE, SUITE 200N				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2012										Chief In	formation O	fficer	
(Street) GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)		(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui						ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			if Co	Transa ode nstr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	Owned Follow Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4				Ownership of Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
				(Month/Day/Year)		11)	Code		Amount (A) or (D)						Price	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Instr. 4)
Common S	Stock		02/21/2012				A		1,156 (1)	A	\$ 0	8,120	0 (2)			D	
			Table II -					red, Disp		or Bene	ficially			iumber.			
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, i	4. 5. N if Transaction of Code Deri ar) (Instr. 8) Sect Acq (A) Diss of (I		Numberivation curitic equire (pure spose (D) astr. 3	ber 6 Eive (I es	. Date Ex Expiration	xercisable	Date ny/Year)		7. Title and Amou of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			9. Number Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owners Form of Derivati Security Direct (or Indire	Ownership (Instr. 4) D)
				Code	V	A)		Date Exercisab	Expira le Date	ation	Title		Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.46	02/21/2012		A	5,	481		(3)	02/21	1/2022	Com		5,481	\$ 0	18,148	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Laping Chris 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE SUITE 200N GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111			Chief Information Officer				

Signatures

/s/ Annita M. Menogan, Attorney-in-Fact	02/23/2012		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Represents a grant of time-based restricted stock units under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2007 Performance Incentive Plan. Each time-based restricted stock unit (1) represents the contingent right to receive, upon vesting of the unit, one share of the issuer's common stock. 25% of the time-based restricted stock units are scheduled to vest on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant as long as the reporting person remains in the service of the issuer through the respective vesting date.
- (2) Includes 6,400 restricted stock units and 1,064 shares of restricted stock that are subject to vesting and forfeiture restrictions, issued under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2007 Performance Incentive Plan.
- (3) 25% of the options are scheduled to vest on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant.

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