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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Reporti	ing Ov	vners														
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.22	09/01/2005		A		10,00	0	(1)	09/01	/2015	Commor Stock	10,000	\$ 0	10,000	D	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab	Expirate Date	tion	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction Code		Ils, warrants, 5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		securi		l Amount ing		Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s	Ownershi Form of Derivativ Security: Direct (D or Indirects)	Benefici Ownersh (Instr. 4)
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1.Title of Security 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Vea				2A. Deemed Execution Date,		ate, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		f(D) Own	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)			Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
(City)		(State)	(Zip)			Т	able I	- Non-Der	ivative Se	curitie	s Acquired,	Disposed	of, or Bene	ficially Owne	d	
(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 PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person				
6312 S. FII 200 NORT	E CITEEE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2005									Semor v	1, restauran	Оры.			
Name and Address of Reporting Person * MERULLO ROBERT				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 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Senior VP, Restaurant Ops.				

Other

Signatures

MERULLO ROBERT

SUITE 200 NORTH

Attorney-in Fact/ John W. Grant	09/07/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

Reporting Owner Name / Address

6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

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Owner

Director

Officer

Senior VP, Restaurant Ops.

The option shall become vested as to 1/4th of the total number of shares of Common Stock subject to the option on September 1, 2006. The remaining number of shares of Common Stock (1) subject to the option shall become vested in 36 substantially equal monthly installments beginning on October 1, 2006.

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