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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] WILLIAMS JENNIFER B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ROSS STORES INC</u> [ROST]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4440 ROSEWOOD DR.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2005									X		er (give title w)	GMM	Other below)	(specify	
(Street) PLEASA (City)	NTON CA	N CA 94588 (State) (Zip)			4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Indiv ne) X	Form	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable n filed by One Reporting Person n filed by More than One Reporting son				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day/					/Year)	Execution Date,							ties Acquired (A I Of (D) (Instr. 3			Secur	icially d		ect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Common Stock 05/20/20					005	05			S		9,197		D	\$27	.73 47,9		7,977		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)	if any	eemed tion Date, h/Day/Year)	Code (Ir	Transaction Code (Instr.		mber ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amoun or		nstr. nount	1		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ov Fo Di or (I) 4)	wnership orm: irect (D) Indirect (Instr.	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Explanation of Responses:

/s/Jennifer B. Williams, SVP, 05/20/2005

General Merchandise Manager

** 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).

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