FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Gilmartin Jane F					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ROSS STORES INC [ ROST ]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/19/2005										<b>x</b> 0	fficer (give title elow)		Other (specify below)		
(Street) PLEASANTON CA 94588  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Lin	e) <mark>X</mark> Fo	′				
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								Code	v	Amount	(A (D	) or )	Price	Re Tra	llowing ported insaction(s) str. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	nstr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock 07/19/20					005	005		D		50,42	2	D \$0.0		00	466					
		Та	ble II	- Derivat (e.g., pu											/ Own	ed				
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 Derivati Security (Instr. 5	Beneficially	Owne Form Direc or Ind (I) (In 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	or Nui of	mber ares	er					

Explanation of Responses:

/s/Jane Marvin, for Jane F. Gilmartin, SVP General Merchandise Manager

07/19/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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