Hart Gerard Johan Form 4 January 09, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Hart Gerard Johan

(First) (Middle)

C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE. INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, **SUITE 200**

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/07/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

CEO & President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

8.39

| (City) | (State) (| (Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | Securi | ties Acq | uired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--------|------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) | sposed | of (D) | 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) |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | | | 15,000 | D | |
| Class A Common Stock | 01/07/2009 | | M | 60,000 (1) | A | \$ 0 | 75,000 | D | |
| Class A Common | 01/07/2009 | | F | 20,260 | D | \$ 8 39 | 54,740 | D | |

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

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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) | Code | etion 3) | 5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--------|-------------|---|--------|--|--------------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code ' | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | 01/07/2009 | | M | | | 60,000 | (3) | (3) | Class A Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | | | | | | | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | | | | | | | (5) | (5) | Class A Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | | | | | | | <u>(6)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | | | 10/08/2005 | 10/08/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 57,000 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | | | 10/08/2006 | 10/08/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 57,000 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | | | 10/08/2007 | 10/08/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 277,87 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| Hart Gerard Johan | X | | CEO & President | | | | | |
| C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC. | | | | | | | | |

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6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, SUITE 200 LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

Signatures

/s/ Sheila C. Brown, by Power of Attorney

01/09/2009

**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).
- (1) Represents restricted stock units which are fully vested on the transaction date.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2009. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2009, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2010. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2010, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2011. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2011, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (6) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2012. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2012, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

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