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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Biviano Michael                          |               |                | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.</u><br>[ TAST ] |                        | tionship of Reporting Perso<br>all applicable)<br>Director<br>Officer (give title<br>below)     | on(s) to Issuer<br>10% Owner<br>Other (specify<br>below) |  |
|---|---------------|----------------|--|------------------------|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>C/O CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.<br>968 JAMES STREET |               | ( )            | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>01/15/2008                                   |                        | Executive VP - Taco Cabana  |  |  |
| (Street)<br>SYRACUSE<br>(City)  | NY<br>(State) | 13203<br>(Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)   | 6. Indiv<br>Line)<br>X | idual or Joint/Group Filing (<br>Form filed by One Repor<br>Form filed by More than (<br>Person | ting Person  |  |

#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 4. Securities /<br>Disposed Of (<br>5) |               |       | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|---------------|-------|---|---|---|
|                                 |  |   | Code                         | v | Amount                                 | (A) or<br>(D) | Price | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (1130.4)  |

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 5. Num<br>of<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>Acquir<br>(A) or<br>Dispos<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. :<br>and 5) | tive<br>ties<br>ed<br>sed<br>3, 4 | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y | te                 | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
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|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)   | (D)                               | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |  |  |
| Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                        | \$8.08  | 01/15/2008                                 |   | A                            |   | 7,500   |                                   | (1)  | 01/15/2015         | Common<br>Stock,<br>par value<br>\$.01 per<br>share  | 7,500                                  | \$0   | 7,500  | D  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The Options were granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan and will vest and become exercisable over a period of five years, with one-fifth (1/5) of such Options vesting on each of January 15, 2009, January 15, 2010, January 15, 2011, January 15, 2012 and January 15, 2013.

# <u>/s/ Michael Biviano</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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