FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Accordino Daniel T						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.</u>								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
recording burner 1						[TAST]											10% Ow		
(Last)	(Fi	rst)	(Middle)	⁻╚										Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
C/O CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2010								President and COO					
968 JAMES STREET						01/15/2010													
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)														Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
SYRACUSE NY 13203												Form filed by More than One Reporting							
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)	_										Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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Date (Month/Da					ear)	if any	ecution Date, any onth/Day/Year)				l Of (D) (Ins	nd	Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Forn		n: Direct c	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								` ` 	v	Amount	(A) or	Price	Reporte		on(s)			Instr. 4)	
		-	Cable II - Deri	vativo	ve Securities Acquired Disposed of or Benefici							oficiall	ially Owned						
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	Conversion Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) Price of Perivative		4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exe Expiration I (Month/Day		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares							
Options (Right to Buy)	\$6.48	01/15/2010		A		60,000		(1)	0	1/15/2017	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	60,000		\$0	60,000	0	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 January 15, 2011 an additional one-sixtieth (1/60) of such options vesting and becoming exercisable on the first day of each month after January 15, 2011.

/s/ Daniel Accordino

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/27/2010

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).
- ** 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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