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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

See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COSTELLO JOHN H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HOME DEPOT INC [HD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
2455 PACES FERRY ROAD (Street)			(Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2005	Director 10% Owned Selow) EVP - Merchandising/Marketing		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	 Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 		

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(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecuritio	es Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
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(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if Transaction		n(A) or Disposed of			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
	any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5))	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)		Reported		
						Transaction(s)		
		Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
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03/23/2005		A	25,000	(1)	\$ 0	222,000	D	
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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	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 or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options	\$ 37.7	03/23/2005		A	67,000	(2)	03/22/2015	Common Stock	67,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COSTELLO JOHN H 2455 PACES FERRY ROAD ATLANTA, GA 30339

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Signatures

/s/Rita L. Fadell, Attorney-in-Fact

**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) The restricted shares were issued under The Home Depot, Inc. 1997 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan and vest 100% on the 5th anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) The stock options were issued under The Home Depot, Inc. 1997 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan and are exercisable in 25% increments on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th anniversaries of the grant date.

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