

Taylor Wayne Kent
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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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Taylor Wayne Kent

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/16/2012

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

Chairman, CEO

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| | | | | | | | \$ |
| Common Stock | 05/16/2012 | | S | | 188,793 | D | 18.14 <u>(1)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | 89,998 | I | By LD Holdings LLC <u>(2)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,350,000 | I | By Taylor Family Partners, Ltd. <u>(3)</u> |

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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) | 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | | | | | (5) | (5) | Common Stock | 70,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | | | | | (6) | (6) | Common Stock | 70,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | | | | | (7) | (7) | Common Stock | 70,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Taylor Wayne Kent C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC. 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, SUITE 200 LOUISVILLE, KY 40205 | X | X | Chairman, CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Celia Catlett, by Power of Attorney

05/17/2012

**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) Weighted average sale price reported. These shares were sold within a range of \$18.00 and \$18.43. The reporting person will provide upon request by the Commission Staff, the issuer, or security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(2) The reporting party is the voting manager of LD Holdings LLC, a Kentucky limited liability company. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Rule 16a-1(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of such portion of those shares in which the reporting person has no actual pecuniary interest.

(3) Certain members of the reporting party's Immediate Family, as defined in Rule 16a-1(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, have a pecuniary interest in Taylor Family Partners, Ltd., a Kentucky limited partnership. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Rule 16a-1, of such portion of those shares in which the reporting person has no actual pecuniary interest.

(4) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional rights to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock.

(5) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2013. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2013, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

(6) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2014. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2014, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

(7) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2015. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2015, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

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