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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Fortunato Joe

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

Stock") Common

Stock

(First) (Middle) GNC HOLDINGS, INC. [GNC]

(Check all applicable)

GNC HOLDINGS, INC., 300

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

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

SIXTH AVENUE

CEO / PRESIDENT

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

03/26/2012

Person

below)

PITTSBURGH, PA 15222

03/26/2012

(City)	(State) (Zi	Table	I - Non-De	rivative Se	ecuriti	es Acqı	ired, Disposed of	f, 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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	4 and 3 (A) or	1 of 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)
Class A common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
stock, par value \$0.001 ("Common	03/26/2012		M	7,500	A	\$ 7.5	25,116	D	

7,500 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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.5	03/26/2012		M	7,500	<u>(1)</u>	03/15/2017	Common Stock	7,500 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Fortunato Joe GNC HOLDINGS, INC. 300 SIXTH AVENUE PITTSBURGH, PA 15222	X		CEO	PRESIDENT			

Signatures

/s/ Gavin O'Connor, by power of attorney 03/26/2012

**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) Option granted on March 16, 2007. This option, representing a right to purchase 1,262,877 shares of Common Stock, vested in four equal installments on March 16, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

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