

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FARAHI BOB**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC [mcri]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC, 1175 MOANA LANE SUITE 200**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/22/2006**

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

**RENO, NV 89509**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Common stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,491,578   | 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)**

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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. 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) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option / right to buy                      | \$ 11.685  |                                      |  |                                |   | (1)  | 10/21/2014  | Common stock | 100,000                    |
| Option / right to buy                      | \$ 18.06   |                                      |  |                                |   | (2)  | 10/21/2015  | Common stock | 10,000                     |
| Call option (obligation to sell)           | \$ 25  | 02/22/2006 <sup>(3)</sup>            |  | J                              | 80  | 01/30/2006   | 09/15/2006  | Common stock | 8,000                      |
| Call option (obligation to sell)           | \$ 25  |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/30/2006   | 09/15/2006  | Common stock | 2,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |           |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |
| FARAH BOB<br>MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC<br>1175 MOANA LANE SUITE 200<br>RENO, NV 89509 | X             | X         | President |       |

## Signatures

Bob Farahi 03/13/2006

\*\*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) On October 21, 2004, Mr. Farahi was granted an option pursuant to the Company's 1993 Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended, to purchase 100,000 shares of the Company's common stock at \$11.685 per share. The shares' vesting schedule is as follows: 33,332 vested on October 21, 2005; 33,334 vest on October 21, 2006; 33,334 vest on October 21, 2007.

(2) On October 21, 2005, Mr. Farahi was granted an option pursuant to the Company's 1993 Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended, to purchase 10,000 shares of the Company's common stock at \$18.06 per share. All 10,000 shares from this grant vest on October 21, 2008.

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On February 22, 2006, Mr. Farahi cancelled the exchange-traded call options he wrote on January 30, 2006 by re-purchasing identical  
(3) exchange-traded call options. Mr. Farahi has voluntarily disgorged any profits resulting from the cancellation of his short derivative position.

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