NARA BANCORP INC Form 4

March 15, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 * Gould Howard

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

3701 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE

220

(City)

(Street)

(State)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90010

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NARA BANCORP INC [NARA]

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

03/13/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

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

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5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Code (Instr. 8)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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

Conversion

or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (ADisposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f(D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shar
Non-statutory Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.86	03/13/2006		A		140,000		<u>(1)</u>	03/13/2016	Common Stock	140

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				

Gould Howard 3701 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 220 X LOS ANGELES, CA 90010

Signatures

Helen Kim 03/15/2006 Attorney-in-fact **Signature of Reporting Date Person

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).
- 20,000 option vests on June 13, 2006 and the remaining 120,000 option vests in three equal installments on March 13, 2007, 2008, and **(1)** 2009.
- (2) No consideration was received for the stock option.

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