

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 *
FARAH BEN

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)
 1175 WEST MOANA LANE, SUITE 200
 (Street)
 RENO, NV 89509
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/26/2006

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

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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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 2,354,654 | 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option / right to buy | \$ 11.685 | 05/26/2006 | | S | 19,700 | 05/23/2006 05/23/2007 | Common stock | 19,700 |
| Option / right to buy | \$ 11.685 | 05/30/2006 | | S | 25,000 | 05/23/2006 05/23/2007 | Common stock | 25,000 |
| Option / right to buy | \$ 11.685 | | | | | 05/23/2006 05/23/2007 | Common stock | 55,300 |
| Option / right to buy | \$ 18.06 | | | | | 05/23/2006 05/23/2007 | Common stock | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FARAH BEN 1175 WEST MOANA LANE SUITE 200 RENO, NV 89509 | | X | | |

Signatures

Ben Farahi 05/31/2006
 **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).
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