BYFUGLIN MAX S

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BYFUGLIN MAX S Issuer Symbol CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC (Check all applicable) [CAKE] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD 01/07/2010 President (Subsidiary) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301 Person

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecuriti	es Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transactio Code	4. Securities Acquired insaction(A) or Disposed of le (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4	(A) or (D)) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock	01/07/2010		A	10,000 (1)	A	\$ 0	26,500	D	
Common stock							39,950	I	By trust (3)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		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	
Options to purchase common stock	\$ 21.42	01/07/2010		A	15,000	(2)	01/07/2018	Common stock	15,000	

Reporting Owners

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

BYFUGLIN MAX S

26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD President (Subsidiary)

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

Signatures

Max Byfuglin by Debby Zurzolo, his attorney in fact 01/11/2010

**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) Restricted stock award which vests as to 60% shares on 1/7/2013 and 20% of the shares on each of 1/7/2014 and 1/7/2015, subject to acceleration upon change in control of the Company.
- (2) The options vest in five equal installments on each of January 7, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015.
- (3) Shares held by the Byfuglin Family Trust u/a 9/27/2003 of which Mr. Byfuglin and his wife are trustees.

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