FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WELCH JOHN R							2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CARTERS INC [ CRI ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
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(Last) (First) (Middle) 32 QUASON LANE							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2007									cer (give title ow)	title Other below		(specify		
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(City)	(St	ate) (	Zip)																		
		Tabl	e I - Non	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	osed o	f, or	Bene	ficia	lly Owr	ned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Day/Year)   E		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A ed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			nd Secu Bene	nount of rities ficially ed Following	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Ind (I) (Instr.	rect lirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								v	Amount		A) or D)	Price	Tran	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(111341.4)				
Common	Stock			05/11/2007 A 3,570 A \$0 <sup>(1)</sup> 29,296 <sup>(2)</sup> D																	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)				Date, ay/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Des Sec (A) Dis of (			osed ) :. 3, 4	6. Date Expiration (Month/Date Exercisal	n Date	•	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Owner Form Direct or Inc (I) (In		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These shares were granted pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan as part of Mr. Welch's annual compensation as a Director of the Issuer.
- $2. \ The amount of securities beneficially owned following the transaction reported in this Form 4 reflects a two-for-one stock split effected on June 6, 2006.$

<u>/s/ John R. Welch</u> <u>05/15/2007</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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