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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Oh Christine Yoon | | (Month/Day/Year) | NARA BANCORP INC [NARA] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 04/13/2009 | | |
| 3731 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1000 | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| (Street) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| LOS ANGELES,Â CAÂ 90010 | | | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | SVP & Controller | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

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|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |

(Instr. 5)

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------|----------|---|---|
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (1) | 06/04/2013 | Common Stock | 33,800 | \$ 8.75 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (1) | 06/04/2013 | Common Stock | 6,200 | \$ 8.75 | D | Â |
| Restricted Unit | 08/10/2009(2) | 08/10/2016(2) | Common Stock (3) | 3,000 | \$ 0 (4) | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Oh Christine Yoon 3731 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1000 LOS ANGELES, CA 90010 | Â | Â | Â SVP & Controller | Â |

Signatures

/s/ Christine Yoon Oh 04/10/2009

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Options vest in five equal installments on June 4, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008.
- (2) The restricted units will vest on August 10, 2009.
- (3) Each restricted unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NARA common stock.
- (4) No consideration was received for the restricted units.

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