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		ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility							
					Reported		Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of		
					<pre>// Form 4 Transactions Reported</pre>		the Investment Company Act of 1940		
VARONE	LOUIS	V.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 6. R DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC.("DCOM")						
(Last) 209 HAVEMEYER	(First) R STREET	(Middle)	3. IRS or Social Security 4. Statement for Number of Reporting Month/Year Person (Voluntary) June, 2001						
	(Street)		5. If Amendment, 7. I Date of Original X						
BROOKLYN		11211	(Month/Year)						
	(State)	(Zip)							
TABLE 1 NON	N-DERIVATIVE S	ECURITIES ACQUIRE	D, DISPOSED OF, OR BENEFICIALLY OWNED Transac- 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount o tion or Disposed of (D) curities Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) cially O (Instr. 8) End of I Fiscal Y						
		Day/ Year)	Code V Amount (A) or Price (D)						
COMMON STOCK		2/01/01	л						