AXELROD NORMAN

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A AXELROD	ddress of Reporting Person NORMAN	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
		GNC HOLDINGS, INC. [GNC]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (Middle	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
		(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
C/O GNC H SIXTH AVI	IOLDINGS, INC., 300 ENUE	11/07/2011	Officer (give title Delow) Other (specify below)		
	(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		
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(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly 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 ior(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 ("Common Stock")	11/07/2011		Code V	Amount 12,492	(D)	Price	65,586	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2011		S	12,492	D	\$ 24.75	53,094	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2011		S	1,056	D	\$ 24.75	18,374	I	By AS Skip, LLC ("AS

Skip") (1)

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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)

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)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5	11/07/2011		M	12,492	(2)	06/05/2017	Common Stock	12,492 (2)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
AXELROD NORMAN C/O GNC HOLDINGS, INC. 300 SIXTH AVENUE PITTSBURGH, PA 15222	X						

Signatures

/s/ Gavin O'Connor, by power of attorney 11/07/2011

**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) The shares are held by AS Skip, a Delaware limited liability company, of which Mr. Axelrod is the managing member.
- Option granted on June 5, 2007. This option, representing a right to purchase 158,641 shares of Common Stock, vests in five equal installments on March 16, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

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