STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading TRAGER SCOTT Issuer Symbol REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/ (Check all applicable) [RBCAA] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director X__ 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 601 WEST MARKET STREET 05/16/2005 Vice Chairman (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 LOUISVILLE, KY 40202 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. +)	
Class A Common Stock						131,482 (2)	D	
Class A Common Stock						1,796.424 (2)	I	By Jaytee Propertes Limited Partnership
Class A Common Stock						25,118 (2)	I	By 401(k) Plan

Reported

(Instr. 4)

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Class A Common Stock						17,186.306 (2)	I	By Teebank Family Limited Partnership		
Class A Common Stock						18,638 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Trager Family Irrevocable Trust (6)		
Class A Common Stock						2,028.444 (2)	I	By ESOP		
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			tive Securities Acqui uts, calls, warrants, o				;d			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivate Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ve Expiration D (Month/Day/	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (!	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 22.84	05/16/2005		A	4,000	05/16/200	9 05/15/2010	Class A 0 Common Stock	4,000	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 22.84	05/16/2005		A	4,000	05/16/201	0 05/15/201	Class A 1 Common Stock	4,000	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 22.84	05/16/2005		A	4,000	05/16/201	1 05/15/2012	Class A 2 Common Stock	4,000	

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Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (10)	\$ 5.33	12/28/2005 12	2/27/2006	Class A Common Stock	16,537
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (10)	\$ 5.33	12/28/2006 12	2/27/2007	Class A Common Stock	16,537
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (10)	\$ 6.18	01/26/2006 01	1/25/2007	Class A Common Stock	5,512
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (10)	\$ 9.62	04/11/2007 04	4/10/2008	Class A Common Stock	11,025
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (10)	\$ 9.62	04/11/2008 04	4/10/2009	Class A Common Stock	11,025
Class B Common Stock	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Class A Common Stock	402.52
Class B Common Stock	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Class A Common Stock	26,748
Class B Common Stock	(7)	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Class A Common Stock	1,080
Class B Common Stock	(7)	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Class A Common Stock	3,726
Class B Common Stock	(7)	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Class A Common Stock	2,224.07

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TRAGER SCOTT							
601 WEST MARKET STREET	X	X	Vice Chairman				
LOUISVILLE, KY 40202							

Signatures

/s/ Scott Trager 05/18/2005

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Each of the options reported relates to a single grant.
 - On January 21, 2005, the Issuer declared a stock dividend, payable to all holders of record of Class A and Class B common stock on
- (2) March 25, 2005, of .05 shares of Class A and Class B common stock, respectively, for each share of Class A and Class B common stock outstanding.
- (3) Includes 387.8404 shares of Class A common stock allocated to the reporting person under the ESOP, based on information provided by the plan administrator.
- (4) Jaytee Properties Limited Parthership is a family limited partnership of which the reporting person is a limited partner.
- (5) Teebank Family Limited Partnership is a family limited partnership of which the reporting person is a limited partner.
- (6) Trager Family Irrevocable Trust is a family trust of which the reporting person is a co-trustee and a beneficiary.
- (7) Conversion is on a share for share basis
- (8) Immediate
- (**9**) None
- (10) This option was previously reported but has been adjusted pursuant to anti-dilution provisions of Issuer's employee stock option plan to reflect the stock dividend declared by Issuer on January 21, 2005.

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