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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Add | | orting Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|---------------------|----------|-----------------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | HEALTHWAYS, INC [HWAY] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| 3841 GREEN | HILLS V | ILLAGE DR | (Month/Day/Year) 12/05/2006 | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |
| NASHVILLE, TN 37215 | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc | quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne | | |

| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | Securi | ties Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common | 12/05/2007 | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | D | |
| Stock | 12/05/2006 | | M | 53,000 | Α | 1.89 | 53,000 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/05/2006 | | S | 53,000 | D | \$ 47.5 | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 3,733 | I | Held in 401(k) Plan |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) A) | | 7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Option to Buy | \$ 1.89 | 12/05/2006 | | M | 38,000 | 09/01/2001(1) | 09/01/2010 | Common Stock | 38,000 |
| Option to Buy | \$ 1.89 | 12/05/2006 | | M | 15,000 | 09/29/2001(2) | 09/29/2010 | Common Stock | 15,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HUNTER MARY D 3841 GREEN HILLS VILLAGE DR NASHVILLE. TN 37215

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/Mary A. Chaput, by power of attorney for Mary D. Hunter

12/07/2006

**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) Option vests 25% per year beginning on 9/1/2001.
- (2) Option vests 25% per year beginning on 9/29/2001.
- (3) Information in this column is left blank because the transaction represents the conversion of a security.

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