PETRARCA STEPHEN M

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETRARCA STEPHEN M

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ASTRO MED INC /NEW/ [ALOT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

600 E GREENWICH AVE

(Month/Day/Year)

03/20/2006

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Check all applicable)

below) below) Vice President

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

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W WARWICK, RI 02893

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock

Option (Right to purchase) \$ 9.9145 03/20/2006 A 7,500 03/20/2006 03/20/2016 Common Stock 7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETRARCA STEPHEN M 600 E GREENWICH AVE W WARWICK, RI 02893

Vice President

Signatures

Margaret D. Farrell (Attorney-in-fact for Stephen M. Petrarca)

03/22/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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