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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LIBERATION INVESTMENT **GROUP LLC**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

BALLY TOTAL FITNESS HOLDING CORP [BFTH]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director Officer (give title below)

_ 10% Owner Other (specify

330 MADISON AVENUE, 6TH **FLOOR**

(State)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

07/05/2007

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 Person

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(City)

per share

(Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Ownership (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price (D) Code V Amount Common \$ See 412,570 0.5 Stock, par 07/05/2007 S D 4,206,880 I footnotes (4) (3)value \$0.01 (1)(2)(5)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate Amou		int of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative		e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									Amount		
						Date Expiration Exercisable Date	Expiration	Title I	or Name		
							Date		Number		
				G 1 W	(A) (B)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LIBERATION INVESTMENT GROUP LLC 330 MADISON AVENUE, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017

X

Signatures

/s/ Emanuel R.

Pearlman (6) 07/06/2007

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

/s/ Emanuel R.

Pearlman (7) 07/06/2007

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

/s/ Emanuel R.

Pearlman (8) 07/06/2007

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

/s/ Emanuel R.

Pearlman 07/06/2007

**Signature of Reporting Date 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).

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This is a joint filing by Liberation Investments, L.P. ("LILP"), Liberation Investments Ltd. ("LILtd"), Liberation Investment Group, LLC ("LIGLLC") and Emanuel R. Pearlman (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"). LIGLLC is the designated filer. LILP directly owns 2,710,042 shares of common stock and LILTD directly owns 1,461,838 shares of common stock. LIGLLC, as the sole general partner of LILP and the sole investment advisor to LILTD, may be deemed to beneficially own 4,171,880 shares of common stock. Mr. Pearlman directly owns 35,000 shares of common stock and, as the General Manager, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of LIGLLC, may be deemed to beneficially own 4,206,880 shares of common stock. (continued in footnote 2)

- (continued from footnote 1) The Reporting Persons are filing this joint Form 4 because they may be regarded as a group. However, each

 Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the other Reporting Persons and disclaims membership in a group, and this filing shall not constitute an acknowledgement that the Reporting Persons constitute a group.
- (3) The Reporting Persons are reporting the sale of 412,570 shares of Common Stock by LILP and LILtd in a private sale.
 - Does not include (i) contingent post closing consideration in the form of a right to receive 10% of any return received by Harbinger or its affiliates on its investment in the Issuer in connection with a reorganization of the Issuer by Harbinger and sellers which
- (4) reorganization is actually consummated within 360 days of the sale described in this Form 4 (an "Acceptable Reorganization"), after certain expenses, in excess of the amount required to provide Harbinger with an annual internal rate of return of 20% on such investment, (Continue with footnote 5)
 - And (ii) a right to receive additional cash compensation based on the increase in value of the Common Stock of the Issuer from \$0.60 per share to the fair market value at the Measurement Date in respect of 4,171,880 shares of Common Stock or such other number of shares equivalent to the number of shares a 10% owner of the Issuer as of June 30, 2007 would be entitled to receive in an Acceptable
- shares equivalent to the number of shares a 10% owner of the Issuer as of June 30, 2007 would be entitled to receive in an Acceptable Reorganization (x) upon a disposition by Harbinger of equity securities of the Issuer as a result of which Harbinger will own less than 10% of the total common stock of the Issuer or (y) upon the second anniversary of the closing of an investment pursuant to an Acceptable Reorganization, each of (x) or (y), as applicable a "Measurement Date."

Remarks:

- (6) Mr. Pearlman is signing in his capacity as General Manager, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of LIGLLC, the sole g
- (7) Mr. Pearlman is signing in his capacity as General Manager, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of LIGLLC, the sole in
- (8) Mr. Pearlman is signing in his capacity as General Manager, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of LIGLLC.

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