FISHER MICHAEL D

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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 FISHER MICHAEL D Issuer Symbol STEIN MART INC [SMRT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O STEIN MART INC, 1200 03/21/2006 below) RIVERPLACE BLVD President and CEO (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 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti r(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	posed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	03/21/2006		A <u>(1)</u>	35,140		\$ 17.43	74,788	D	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value							300	I	By Trust

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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (to purchase)	\$ 17.43	03/21/2006		A	153,100	(2)	03/21/2013	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	15

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
.r. g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FISHER MICHAEL D C/O STEIN MART INC 1200 RIVERPLACE BLVD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Michael D.

Fisher 03/23/2006

**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).
- Restricted shares acquired pursuant to Stein Mart, Inc. 2001 Omnibus Plan. The shares cliff vest 100% on the seventh anniversary of the grant, unless the Company meets certain earnings per share targets through the end of 2008, in which case the shares will vest 100% on the second anniversary of the grant.
- (2) Granted pursuant to Stein Mart, Inc. 2001 Omnibus Plan. The options have a 7 year term and vest 33% at third anniversary, 33% at fourth anniversary and 34% at fifth anniversary.

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