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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page 1. Registrant Name: THE HOME DEPOT 101 CONSTITUTION AVENUE, NW SUITE 800 WEST, WASHINGTON, DC 20001 3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2): Country City: ATLANTA State/Zip(or Country): GA 30339 4. Contact Name: KENT KNUTSON Telephone: 202-772-2497 E-mail (optional): kent_knutson@homedepot.com Senate ID #: 56771-12 House ID #: 35173000 7. Client Name: X Self TYPE OF REPORT __ Midyear (January 1 - June 30): 🛛 OR Year End (July 1 - December 31): 🗌 9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report: 10. Check if this is a Termination Report:

=> Termination Date: 11. No Lobbying Activity: INCOME OR EXPENSES Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13 12. Lobbying Firms INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000: -\$10,000 or more: => Income (nearest \$20,000);_ Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client). 13. Organizations EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000: -\$10,000 or more: |X| => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): 250,000.00 14. Reporting Method. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

X Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only

Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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- 15. General issue area code: BAN (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Industrial bank holding company regulation (H.R. 5746), interest in ensuring fair regulations of industrial loan corporations.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: JACOBS, BRYAN
Covered Official Position (if applicable):
Name: KENNEDY, HEATHER
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- 15. General issue area code: ENG (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

None

- 17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: None
- 18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

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Covered Official Position (if applicable):
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- 15. General issue area code: ENV (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Electronics Recycling/Product Stewardship (H.R. 425), general interest in product take-back mandate provisions.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate

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- 15. General issue area code: FIN (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Consumer Notification and Financial Data Protection Act (H.R. 3374), general interest in consumers ability to apply for credit.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

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- 15. General issue area code: IMM (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Border Protection, Antiterrorism, and Illegal Immigration Control Act of 2005 (H.R.4437, S. 2611), general interest in employer mandates.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate

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- 15. General issue area code: TAX (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Work Opportunity Tax Credit (H.R. 5970), interest in reauthorizing program. Accelerate the depreciation of retail building improvements (H.R. 1062), interest in equalizing depreciation in leased and owned building improvements. Federal tax reform (H.R. 25), interest in mandate to collect federal taxes through a national sales tax.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate

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- 15. General issue area code: TOR (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Asbestos liability reform (S. 852), general interest in tort reform.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate

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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. None

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- 15. General issue area code: TRA (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Intermodal shipping container transportation security fee (S. 376), interest in increased container fees for imported goods. Port security fees/random cargo inspections (S. 1052, S. 2459), interest in keeping global trade moving.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

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- 15. General issue area code: TRD (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

US Trade Enforcement Act (H.R. 3283), interest in equalizing international trade practices. China trade and currency (S. 295, S. 14, S. 377, S. 1048, H. Con. Res. 33, H.R. 1575, H.R. 2414, H.R. 278, H.R. 1498, H.R. 1216, S. 593, H.R. 3306), Interest in keeping China currency and economy stable. Tariff reduction on imported ceiling fans (HR 4), extending current duty free status of imported ceiling fans. Misc Tariff Bills (S.2971, S.2972, S.2973, S.2974, S.2975, S.2976, S.2977, S.2978, S.3148, S.3149, S.3150, S.3151, S.3152, S.3153, S.3154), interest in taking duties off qualified, imported products.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: House of Representatives Senate Department of Commerce

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

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Signature: ON FILE Date: Aug 14, 2006

Printed Name and Title: Kent Knutson, Vice President Government Relations -