

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

( ) Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  
 SANDERS, KEITH  
 BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INC  
 P O BOX 626  
 3525 FAIRYSTONE PARK HWY  
 BASSETT, VA 24055  
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INC  
 BSET
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)  
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4. Statement for Month/Year  
 JANUARY 31, 2000
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
 ( ) Director ( ) 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other  
 (specify below)  
 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT-OPERATIONS
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 ( ) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction		3. Transaction		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
	Date	Code	Date	Code	Amount	A/D Price			
COMMON STOCK	1-24-00	P	V	V	1,000	A 14.00	2,000	D	
	1-24-00	P	V	V	1,000	A 14.50	3,000	D	
	1-25-00	P	V	V	1,000	A 14.00	4,000	D	

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction		4. Transaction		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		Date	Code	Date	Code	Amount	A/D	Exercisable Date	Expiration Date					
*OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	22.50							10-26-01	10-25-08	COMMON	15,000	15,000	D	
*OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	22.5625							6-28-02	6-27-09	COMMON	40,000	40,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

\*GRANTED UNDER THE 1997 EMPLOYEE STOCK PLAN

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

KEITH SANDERS

DATE

FEBRUARY 10, 2000