

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
 HOY, DENNIS
 BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INC
 P O BOX 626
 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)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 AUGUST 9, 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)
 VICE PRESIDENT-UPHOLSTERY
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 Date	3. Transaction Code	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	
			Amount	A/D	Price				
COMMON STOCK	7-18-00	P	V	350	A	13.437	350	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 Date	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	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
*OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	22.625				11-07-97	2-06-07	COMMON	1,000	1,000	D
**OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	32.25				11-07-00	3-23-08	COMMON	20,000	20,000	D
**OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	14.875				1-18-01	1-17-10	COMMON	4,446	13,334	D
**OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	14.875				1-18-02	1-17-10	COMMON	4,444		
**OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	14.875				1-18-03	1-17-10	COMMON	4,444		

Explanation of Responses:
 *GRANTED UNDER THE 1993 LONG TERM INCENTIVE PLAN, WHICH IS A RULE 16b-3 PLAN.
 **GRANTED UNDER THE 1997 EMPLOYEE STOCK PLAN, WHICH IS A RULE 16b-3 PLAN.
 SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 DENNIS HOY
 DATE
 AUGUST 9, 2000