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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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ROCHE JOYCE M F				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director				
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(1)	03/31/2006		A		57		<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	57	\$ 70.71 (3)	57	D	
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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ROCHE JOYCE M 120 WALL STREET	X						
NEW YORK, NY 10005							

Signatures

/s/Padma Tatta Cariappa, as attorney-in-fact for Joyce M. Roche pursuant to a Power of Attorney	04/04/2006
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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).
- (1) 1-for-1 conversion.
- (2) Units are to be settled in Common Stock upon the Reporting Person's termination from the Board of Directors.
- (3) The price noted is the average of the value of the stock units granted each month during the quarter for which this report is filed.
- (4) Units are to be received by the Reporting Person upon termination from the Board of Directors.

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