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

#### FORM 10-Q

#### QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

Commission file number 001-33013

#### **FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### <u>Delaware</u>

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

#### <u>11-3209278</u>

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

#### 220 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, New York 11556

(Address of principal executive offices)

#### (718) 961-5400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. X Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T ( $\S232.405$  of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). X Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_ Non-accelerated filer

Accelerated filer <u>X</u> Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes X No

The number of shares of the registrant's Common Stock outstanding as of April 30, 2016 was 28,969,566.

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# FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES

**Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition** 

(Unaudited)

### Item 1. Financial Statements

Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		March 31, 2016	]	December 31, 2015
ASSETS				
Cash and due from banks	\$	51,417	\$	42,363
Securities held-to-maturity:				
Other securities (none pledged) (fair value of \$7,885 and \$6,180 at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively)		7,885		6,180
Securities available for sale:		7,005		0,180
Mortgage-backed securities (including assets pledged of \$523,749 and \$496,121 at March 31, 2016 and				
December 31, 2015, respectively; \$2,403 and \$2,527 at fair value pursuant to the fair value option at				
March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.)		668,412		668,740
Other securities (including assets pledged of \$74,885 and none at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015,				
respectively; \$28,361 and \$28,205 at fair value pursuant to the fair value option at March 31, 2016 and				
December 31, 2015, respectively)		372,851		324,657
Loans:				
Multi-family residential		2,039,794		2,055,228
Commercial real estate		1,058,028		1,001,236
One-to-four family — mixed-use property One-to-four family — residential		571,846 191,158		573,043 187,838
Co-operative apartments		8,182		8,285
Construction		7,472		7,284
Small Business Administration		14,701		12,194
Taxi medallion		20,757		20,881
Commercial business and other		531,322		506,622
Net unamortized premiums and unearned loan fees		15,281		15,368
Allowance for loan losses		(21,993)		(21,535)
Net loans		4,436,548		4,366,444
Interest and dividends receivable		19,369		18,937
Bank premises and equipment, net		25,130		25,622
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock		53,368		56,066
Bank owned life insurance		114,405		115,536
Goodwill Other assets		16,127		16,127
	<u>_</u>	47,555	<u>ф</u>	63,962
Total assets	\$	5,813,067	\$	5,704,634
LIABILITIES				
Due to depositors:	¢	280.450	¢	2(0.4(0
Non-interest bearing	\$	280,450	\$	269,469
Interest-bearing: Certificate of deposit accounts		1,362,062		1,403,302
Savings accounts		268,057		261,748
Money market accounts		485,774		472,489
NOW accounts		1,610,932		1,448,695
Total interest-bearing deposits		3,726,825		3,586,234
Mortgagors' escrow deposits		56,612		36,844
Borrowed funds (\$ 27,977 and \$29,018 at fair value pursuant to the fair value option at March 31, 2016 and				
December 31, 2015, respectively)		1,074,789		1,155,676
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		116,000		116,000
Other liabilities		70,612		67,344
Total liabilities		5,325,288		5,231,567
Commitments and contingencies (Note 5)				
<u>STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</u>				
Preferred stock (\$0.01 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; None issued)		-		-
Common stock (\$0.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 31,530,595 shares issued at March 31, 2016				
and December 31, 2015; 28,986,566 shares and 28,830,558 shares outstanding at March 31, 2016 and		315		315
December 31, 2015, respectively) Additional paid-in capital		211,735		210,652
Treasury stock, at average cost (2,544,029 shares and 2,700,037 shares at March 31, 2016 and December 31,		211,755		210,032
2015, respectively)		(46,307)		(48,868)
Retained earnings		320,725		316,530
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Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes	1,311	(5,562)
Total stockholders' equity	 487,779	 473,067
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 5,813,067	\$ 5,704,634

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

### FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Income

#### (Unaudited)

	For the three months ended March 31,							
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	 2016		2015					
Interest and dividend income								
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 47,558	\$	43,534					
Interest and dividends on securities:								
Interest	6,592		5,870					
Dividends	119		118					
Other interest income	 94		21					
Total interest and dividend income	54,363		49,543					
<u>Interest expense</u>								
Deposits	7,973		7,458					
Other interest expense	5,257		4,531					
Total interest expense	13,230		11,989					
Net interest income	 41,133		37,554					
Benefit for loan losses	-		(734)					
Net interest income after benefit for loan losses	41,133		38,288					
Non-interest income								
Banking services fee income	976		884					
Net gain on sale of loans	341		2					
Net loss from fair value adjustments	(987)		(595)					
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock dividends	623		518					
Gain from life insurance proceeds	411		-					
Bank owned life insurance	695		717					
Other income	481		404					
Total non-interest income	2,540		1,930					
<u>Non-interest expense</u>								
Salaries and employee benefits	16,261		14,666					
Occupancy and equipment	2,370		2,713					
Professional services	2,150		1,779					
FDIC deposit insurance	904		749					
Data processing	1,091		1,075					
Depreciation and amortization	1,032		668					
Other real estate owned/foreclosure expense	153		520					
Other operating expenses	 4,536		3,769					
Total non-interest expense	28,497		25,939					
Income before income taxes	15,176		14,279					
Provision for income taxes								
Federal	4,747		4,252					
State and local	868		1,294					
Total taxes	5,615		5,546					
Net income	\$ 9,561	\$	8,733					
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.33	\$	0.30					
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.33	\$	0.30					
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.17	\$	0.16					

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(Unaudited)

	For the three months ended March 31,								
(In thousands)		2016		2015					
Net income	\$	9,561	\$	8,733					
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:									
Amortization of actuarial losses, net of taxes of (\$83) and (\$133) for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively		109		174					
Amortization of prior service credits, net of taxes of \$5 and \$5 for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively		(6)		(6)					
Net unrealized gains on securities, net of taxes of (\$5,028) and (\$3,293) for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively		6,770		4,332					
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax		6,873		4,500					
Comprehensive income	\$	16,434	\$	13,233					

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# FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES

**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows** 

(Unaudited)

		For the three months ended March 31,						
(In thousands)		2016		2015				
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES								
Net income	\$	9,561	\$	8,733				
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:								
Benefit for loan losses		-		(734)				
Depreciation and amortization of bank premises and equipment		1,032		668				
Amortization of premium, net of accretion of discount		2,189		2,143				
Net loss from fair value adjustments		987		595				
Net gain from sale of loans		(341)		(2)				
Income from bank owned life insurance		(695)		(717)				
Gain from life insurance proceeds		(411)		-				
Stock-based compensation expense		2,989		2,778				
Deferred compensation		(1,774)		(1,392)				
Excess tax benefit from stock-based payment arrangements		(303)		(318)				
Deferred income tax provision		1,570		1,925				
Decrease in other liabilities		(2,006)		(4,403)				
Decrease in other assets		3,798		3,336				
Net cash provided by operating activities		16,596		12,612				
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES								
Purchases of bank premises and equipment		(540)		(5,229)				
Net (purchases) redemptions of Federal Home Loan Bank of New York shares		2,698		(3,564)				
Purchases of securities held-to-maturity		(2,330)		-				
Proceeds from maturities of securities held-to-maturity		2,000		-				
Purchases of securities available for sale		(58,472)		(48,962)				
Proceeds from maturities and prepayments of securities available for sale		21,316		31,019				
Proceeds from bank owned life insurance		2,237		-				
Net originations of loans		(53,836)		(59,071)				
Purchases of loans		(12,000)		(111,296)				
Proceeds from sale of real estate owned		853		1,594				
Proceeds from sale of loans		5,915		1,522				
Net cash used in investing activities		(92,159)		(193,987)				
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Net increase (decrease) in non-interest bearing deposits		10,981		(5,750)				
Net increase in interest-bearing deposits		140,370		84,816				
Net increase in mortgagors' escrow deposits		19,768		18,222				
Net proceeds (repayments) from short-term borrowed funds		(90,000)		41,500				
Proceeds from long-term borrowings		81,758		47,706				
Repayment of long-term borrowings		(71,727)		(10,000)				
Purchases of treasury stock		(1,885)		(3,876)				
Excess tax benefit from stock-based payment arrangements		303		318				
Proceeds from issuance of common stock upon exercise of stock options		19		-				
Cash dividends paid		(4,970)		(4,722)				
Net cash provided by financing activities		84,617		168,214				
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		9,054		(13,161)				
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		42,363		34,265				
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	51,417	\$	21,104				
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH_FLOW DISCLOSURE								
Interest paid	\$	12,921	\$	11,948				
Income taxes paid	φ	12,921	φ	1,596				
Taxes paid if excess tax benefits were not tax deductible		1,303		1,914				
Non-cash activities:		1,505		1,714				
Securities purchased not yet settled		1,375		9,877				
Loans transferred to Other Real Estate Owned		533		483				
Loans provided for the sale of Other Real Estate Owned		-		175				
				175				

### FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 (Unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		Total		Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital		Retained Earnings		Treasury Stock	Con	ccumulated Other nprehensive ome (Loss)
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$	473.067	\$	315	\$	210.652	\$	316,530	\$	(48,868)	\$	(5,562)
Net Income	Ψ	9,561	Ψ	-	Ψ	210,002	Ψ	9,561	Ψ	-	Ψ	(3,302)
Award of common shares released from Employee Benefit		,,001						,,001				
Trust (129,831 shares)		1,851		-		1,851		-		-		-
Vesting of restricted stock unit awards (245,111 shares)				-		(4,047)		(396)		4,443		-
Exercise of stock options (18,200 shares)		19		-		16		-		3		-
Stock-based compensation expense		2,960		-		2,960		-		-		-
Stock-based income tax benefit		303		-		303		-		-		-
Purchase of treasury shares (15,300 shares)		(303)		-		-		-		(303)		-
Repurchase of shares to satisfy tax obligation (76,656 shares)		(1,582)		-		-		-		(1,582)		-
Dividends on common stock (\$0.17 per share)		(4,970)		-		-		(4,970)		-		-
Other comprehensive income		6,873		-		-		-		-		6,873
Balance at March 31, 2016	\$	487,779	\$	315	\$	211,735	\$	320,725	\$	(46,307)	\$	1,311
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Balance at December 31, 2014	\$	456,247	\$	315	\$	206,437	\$	289,623	\$	(37,221)	\$	(2,907)
Net Income		8,733		-		-		8,733		-		-
Award of common shares released from Employee Benefit												
Trust (136,114 shares)		1,917		-		1,917		-		-		-
Vesting of restricted stock unit awards (204,110 shares)		-		-		(3,074)		(503)		3,577		-
Exercise of stock options (1,100 shares)		-		-		1		-		(1)		-
Stock-based compensation expense		2,769		-		2,769		-		-		-
Stock-based income tax benefit		318		-		318		-		-		-
Purchase of treasury shares (142,315 shares)		(2,766)		-		-		-		(2,766)		-
Repurchase of shares to satisfy tax obligation (58,461 shares)		(1,110)		-		-		-		(1,110)		-
Dividends on common stock (\$0.16 per share)		(4,722)		-		-		(4,722)		-		-
Other comprehensive income		4,500		-		-		-		-		4,500
Balance at March 31, 2015	\$	465,886	\$	315	\$	208,368	\$	293,131	\$	(37,521)	\$	1,593

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements .

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#### 1. Basis of Presentation

The primary business of Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Holding Company"), a Delaware corporation, is the operation of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Flushing Bank (the "Bank").

The unaudited consolidated financial statements presented in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q ("Quarterly Report") include the collective results of the Holding Company and its direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, including the Bank, Flushing Preferred Funding Corporation, Flushing Service Corporation, and FSB Properties Inc., which are collectively herein referred to as "we," "us," "our" and the "Company."

The Holding Company also owns Flushing Financial Capital Trust II, Flushing Financial Capital Trust III, and Flushing Financial Capital Trust IV (the "Trusts"), which are special purpose business trusts. The Trusts are not included in the Company's consolidated financial statements as the Company would not absorb the losses of the Trusts if any losses were to occur.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and general practices within the banking industry. The information furnished in these interim statements reflects all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of the results for such presented periods of the Company. Such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature, unless otherwise disclosed in this Quarterly Report. All inter-company balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The results of operations in the interim statements are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with the instructions to Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Article 10, Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X for interim financial statements. Accordingly, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The unaudited consolidated interim financial information should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

#### 2. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates that are particularly susceptible to change in the near term are used in connection with the determination of the allowance for loan losses ("ALLL"), the evaluation of goodwill for impairment, the review of the need for a valuation allowance of the Company's deferred tax assets, the fair value of financial instruments including the evaluation of other-than-temporary impairment ("OTTI") on securities. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### 3. Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the total weighted average number of common shares outstanding, which includes unvested participating securities. Unvested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and as such are included in the calculation of earnings per share. The Company's unvested restricted stock unit awards are considered participating securities. Therefore, weighted average common shares outstanding used for computing basic earnings per common share includes common shares outstanding plus unvested restricted stock unit awards. The computation of diluted earnings per share includes the additional dilutive effect of stock options outstanding and other common stock equivalents during the period. Common stock equivalents that are anti-dilutive are not included in the computation of diluted earnings per common share. The numerator for calculating basic and diluted earnings per common share is net income available to common shareholders. The shares held in the Company's Employee Benefit Trust are not included in shares outstanding for purposes of calculating earnings per common share.

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Earnings per common share have been computed based on the following:

		ended				
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		2016		2015		
Net income, as reported	\$	9,561	\$	8,733		
Divided by:						
Weighted average common shares outstanding		29,097		29,397		
Weighted average common stock equivalents		14		22		
Total weighted average common shares outstanding and common stock equivalents		29,111		29,419		
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.33	\$	0.30		
Diluted earnings per common share <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	0.33	\$	0.30		
Dividend payout ratio		51.5%		53.3%		

(1) For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, there were no stock options that were anti-dilutive.

### 4. Debt and Equity Securities

The Company's investments in equity securities that have readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are classified in one of the following three categories and accounted for accordingly: (1) trading securities, (2) securities available for sale and (3) securities held-to-maturity.

The Company did not hold any trading securities at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. Securities available for sale are recorded at fair value. Securities held-to-maturity are recorded at amortized cost.

The following table summarizes the Company's portfolio of securities held-to-maturity at March 31, 2016:

	А	mortized Cost	Fair Value		Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses
			(Ir	ı tho	usands)	
Securites held-to-maturity:						
Municipals	\$	7,885	\$ 7,885	\$	-	\$ -
Total	\$	7,885	\$ 7,885	\$	-	\$ -

The following table summarizes the Company's portfolio of securities held-to-maturity at December 31, 2015:

	A	mortized			Unr	Gross realized		Gross Unrealized
		Cost Fair Value			(	Gains	Losses	
				(In	thousands	5)		
Securites held-to-maturity:								
Municipals	\$	6,180	\$	6,180	\$	-	\$	-
Total	\$	6,180	\$	6,180	\$	-	\$	-

The following table summarizes the Company's portfolio of securities available for sale at March 31, 2016:

						Gross	Gross
	Amortized					Unrealized	Unrealized
		Cost		Fair Value		Gains	Losses
				(In tho	usan	ds)	
Corporate	\$	115,993	\$	111,399	\$	592	\$ 5,186
Municipals		127,023		131,869		4,846	-
Mutual funds		21,507		21,507		-	-
Collateralized loan obligations		101,613		100,926		33	720
Other		7,154		7,150		-	4
Total other securities		373,290		372,851		5,471	5,910
REMIC and CMO		462,677		470,194		8,107	590
GNMA		10,832		11,122		325	35
FNMA		167,229		170,511		3,543	261
FHLMC		16,351		16,585		234	-
Total mortgage-backed securities		657,089		668,412		12,209	886
Total securities available for sale	\$	1,030,379	\$	1,041,263	\$	17,680	\$ 6,796

Mortgage-backed securities shown in the table above includes one private issue collateralized mortgage obligation ("CMO") that is collateralized by commercial real estate mortgages with amortized cost and market value of \$7.6 million at March 31, 2016.

The following table summarizes the Company's portfolio of securities available for sale at December 31, 2015:

						Gross		Gross	
	Α	mortized			Unrealized			Unrealized	
		Cost Fair Value				Gains		Losses	
	(In thou					ds)			
Corporate	\$	115,976	\$	111,674	\$	134	\$	4,436	
Municipals		127,696		131,583		3,887		-	
Mutual funds		21,290		21,290		-		-	
Collateralized loan obligations		53,225		52,898		-		327	
Other		7,214		7,212		-		2	
Total other securities		325,401		324,657		4,021		4,765	
REMIC and CMO		469,987		469,936		3,096		3,147	
GNMA		11,635		11,798		302		139	
FNMA		170,327		170,057		1,492		1,762	
FHLMC		16,961		16,949		87		99	
Total mortgage-backed securities		668,910		668,740	<u> </u>	4,977		5,147	
Total securities available for sale	\$	994,311	\$	993,397	\$	8,998	\$	9,912	

Mortgage-backed securities shown in the table above includes one private issue CMO that is collateralized by commercial real estate mortgages with an amortized cost and market value of \$7.7 million at December 31, 2015.



The following table details the amortized cost and fair value of the Company's securities classified as held-to-maturity at March 31, 2016, by contractual maturity. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

	A	Amortized Cost Fair Val						
		(In tho	usands)					
Due in one year or less	\$	6,845	\$	6,845				
Due after one year through five years		1,040		1,040				
Total securities held-to-maturity	\$	7,885	\$	7,885				

The amortized cost and fair value of the Company's securities, classified as available for sale at March 31, 2016, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

	P	Amortized Cost	Ŧ	Fair Value
			ousands	
Due in one year or less	\$	5,993	\$	6,003
Due after one year through five years		1,825		1,855
Due after five years through ten years		74,821		74,261
Due after ten years		269,144		269,225
Total other securities		351,783		351,344
Mutual funds		21,507		21,507
Mortgage-backed securities		657,089		668,412
Total securities available for sale	\$	1,030,379	\$	1,041,263

The following table shows the Company's available for sale securities with gross unrealized losses and their fair value, aggregated by category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at March 31, 2016:

			Т	otal			Less than	12 r	nonths		12 month	is or	more
				l	Unrealized			U	Inrealized			Unrealized	
	Count	F	Fair Value		Losses	I	Fair Value		Losses	F	Fair Value		Losses
						(Dollars in thousands)							
Corporate	11	\$	74,813	\$	5,186	\$	56,128	\$	3,871	\$	18,685	\$	1,315
Collateralized loan obligations	9		72,328		720		72,328		720		-		-
Other	1		296		4		-		-		296		4
Total other securities	21		147,437		5,910		128,456		4,591		18,981		1,319
REMIC and CMO	10		49,379		590		13,733		60		35,646		530
GNMA	1		6,786		35		-		-		6,786		35
FNMA	4		26,415		261		-		-		26,415		261
Total mortgage-backed securities	15		82,580		886		13,733		60		68,847		826
Total securities available for sale	36	\$	230,017	\$	6,796	\$	142,189	\$	4,651	\$	87,828	\$	2,145

The following table shows the Company's available for sale securities with gross unrealized losses and their fair value, aggregated by category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at December 31, 2015:

			Т	otal	1		Less than	12 1	nonths		12 montl	ths or more			
					Unrealized			ι	Inrealized			Unrealized			
	Count	Fa	air Value		Losses		Fair Value		Losses	Fair Value			Losses		
							(Dollars in	thoi	ısands)						
Corporate	12	\$	85,563	\$	4,436	\$	76,218	\$	3,782	\$	9,345	\$	654		
Collateralized loan obligations	7		52,898		327		52,898		327		-		-		
Other	1		298		2		-		-		298		2		
Total other securities	20		138,759		4,765		129,116		4,109		9,643		656		
REMIC and CMO	33		238,132		3,147		182,010		1,642		56,122		1,505		
GNMA	1		6,977		139		6,977		139		-		-		
FNMA	20		102,225		1,762		75,769		1,043		26,456		719		
FHLMC	3		14,715		99		14,715		99		-		-		
Total mortgage-backed securities	57		362,049		5,147		279,471		2,923		82,578		2,224		
Total securities available for sale	77	\$	500,808	\$	9,912	\$	408,587	\$	7,032	\$	92,221	\$	2,880		

OTTI losses on impaired securities must be fully recognized in earnings if an investor has the intent to sell the debt security or if it is more likely than not that the investor will be required to sell the debt security before recovery of its amortized cost. However, even if an investor does not expect to sell a debt security, the investor must evaluate the expected cash flows to be received and determine if a credit loss has occurred. In the event that a credit loss has occurred, only the amount of impairment associated with the credit loss is recognized in earnings in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Amounts relating to factors other than credit losses are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI") within Stockholders' Equity.

The Company reviewed each investment that had an unrealized loss at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. An unrealized loss exists when the current fair value of an investment is less than its amortized cost basis. Unrealized losses on available for sale securities, that are deemed to be temporary, are recorded in AOCI, net of tax.

The unrealized losses in total securities available for sale at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 were caused by movements in interest rates. It is not anticipated that these securities would be settled at a price that is less than the amortized cost of the Company's investment. Each of these securities is performing according to its terms and, in the opinion of management, will continue to perform according to its terms. The Company does not have the intent to sell these securities and it is more likely than not the Company will not be required to sell the securities before recovery of the securities' amortized cost basis. This conclusion is based upon considering the Company's cash and working capital requirements and contractual and regulatory obligations, none of which the Company believes would cause the sale of the securities. Therefore, the Company did not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

We did not sell any securities during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015.

### 5. Loans

Loans are reported at their principal outstanding balance net of any unearned income, charge-offs, deferred loan fees and costs on originated loans and unamortized premiums or discounts on purchased loans. Interest on loans is recognized on the accrual basis. The accrual of income on loans is generally discontinued when certain factors, such as contractual delinquency of 90 days or more, indicate reasonable doubt as to the timely collectability of such income. Uncollected interest previously recognized on non-accrual loans is reversed from interest income at the time the loan is placed on non-accrual status. A non-accrual loan can be returned to accrual status when contractual delinquency returns to less than 90 days delinquent. Subsequent cash payments received on non-accrual loans that do not bring the loan to less than 90 days delinquent are recorded on a cash basis. Subsequent cash payments can also be applied first as a reduction of principal until all principal is recovered and then subsequently to interest, if in management's opinion, it is evident that recovery of all principal due is likely to occur. Loan fees and certain loan origination costs are deferred. Net loan origination costs and premiums or discounts on loans purchased are amortized into interest income over the contractual life of the loans using the level-yield method. Prepayment penalties received on loans which pay in full prior to their scheduled maturity are included in interest income in the period they are collected.

The Company maintains an allowance for loan losses at an amount, which, in management's judgment, is adequate to absorb probable estimated losses inherent in the loan portfolio. Management's judgment in determining the adequacy of the allowance is based on evaluations of the collectability of loans. This evaluation is inherently subjective, as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revisions as more information becomes available. An unallocated component is maintained to cover uncertainties that could affect management's estimate of probable losses. The unallocated component of the allowance reflects the margin of imprecision inherent in the underlying assumptions used in the methodologies for estimating specific and general losses in the portfolio. The allowance is established through a provision for loan losses based on management's evaluation of the risk inherent in the various components of the loan portfolio and other factors, including historical loan loss experience (which is updated quarterly), current economic conditions, delinquency and non-accrual trends, classified loan levels, risk in the portfolio and volumes and trends in loan types, recent trends in charge-offs, changes in underwriting standards, experience, ability and depth of the Company's lenders, collection policies and experience, internal loan review function and other external factors. The Company segregated its loans into two portfolios based on year of origination. One portfolio was reviewed for loans originated after December 31, 2009 and a second portfolio for loans originated prior to January 1, 2010. Our decision to segregate the portfolio based upon origination dates was based on changes made in our underwriting standards during 2009. By the end of 2009, all loans were being underwritten based on revised and tightened underwriting standards. Loans originated prior to 2010 have a higher delinquency rate and loss history. Each of the years in the portfolio for loans originated prior to 2010 has a similar delinquency rate. The determination of the amount of the allowance for loan losses includes estimates that are susceptible to significant changes due to changes in appraisal values of collateral, national and local economic conditions and other factors. We review our loan portfolio by separate categories with similar risk and collateral characteristics. Impaired loans are segregated and reviewed separately. All non-accrual loans are classified as impaired loans. The Company's Board of Directors reviews and approves management's evaluation of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses on a quarterly basis.

The allowance for loan losses is established through charges to earnings in the form of a provision for loan losses. Increases and decreases in the allowance other than charge-offs and recoveries are included in the provision for loan losses. When a loan or a portion of a loan is determined to be uncollectible, the portion deemed uncollectible is charged against the allowance, and subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The Company recognizes a loan as non-performing when the borrower has demonstrated the inability to bring the loan current, or due to other circumstances which, in management's opinion, indicate the borrower will be unable to bring the loan current within a reasonable time. All loans classified as non-performing, which includes all loans past due 90 days or more, are classified as non-accrual unless there is, in our opinion, compelling evidence the borrower will bring the loan current in the immediate future. Appraisals are obtained and/or updated internal evaluations are prepared as soon as practical, and before the loan becomes 90 days delinquent. The loan balances of collateral dependent impaired loans are compared to the property's updated fair value. The Company considers fair value of collateral dependent loans to be 85% of the appraised or internally estimated value of the property, except for taxi medallion loans. The fair value of the underlying collateral of taxi medallion loans is the value of the underlying medallion based upon the most recently reported arm's length transaction. The balance which exceeds fair value is generally charged-off. In addition, taxi medallion loans on accrual status with a loan-to-value greater than 100% are classified as impaired and allocated a portion of the ALLL in the amount of the excees of the loan-to-value over the loan's principal balance. The 85% is based on the actual net proceeds the Bank has received from the sale of other real estate owned ("OREO") as a percentage of OREO's appraised value.

A loan is considered impaired when, based upon current information, the Company believes it is probable that it will be unable to collect all amounts due, both principal and interest, in accordance with the original terms of the loan. Impaired loans are measured based on the present value of the expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or at the loan's observable market price or, as a practical expedient, the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. Interest income on impaired loans is recorded on the cash basis.

The Company reviews each impaired loan on an individual basis to determine if either a charge-off or a valuation allowance needs to be allocated to the loan. The Company does not charge-off or allocate a valuation allowance to loans for which management has concluded the current value of the underlying collateral will allow for recovery of the loan balance either through the sale of the loan or by foreclosure and sale of the property.

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The Company evaluates the underlying collateral through a third party appraisal, or when a third party appraisal is not available, the Company will use an internal evaluation. The internal evaluations are prepared using an income approach or a sales approach. The income approach is used for income producing properties and uses current revenues less operating expenses to determine the net cash flow of the property. Once the net cash flow is determined, the value of the property is calculated using an appropriate capitalization rate for the property. The sales approach uses comparable sales prices in the market. When an internal evaluation is used, we place greater reliance on the income approach to value the collateral.

In preparing internal evaluations of property values, the Company seeks to obtain current data on the subject property from various sources, including: (1) the borrower; (2) copies of existing leases; (3) local real estate brokers and appraisers; (4) public records (such as for real estate taxes and water and sewer charges); (5) comparable sales and rental data in the market; (6) an inspection of the property and (7) interviews with tenants. These internal evaluations primarily focus on the income approach and comparable sales data to value the property.

As of March 31, 2016, we utilized recent third party appraisals of the collateral to measure impairment for \$27.3 million, or 80.8%, of collateral dependent impaired loans, and used internal evaluations of the property's value for \$6.5 million, or 19.2%, of collateral dependent impaired loans.

The Company may restructure a loan to enable a borrower experiencing financial difficulties to continue making payments when it is deemed to be in the Company's best long-term interest. This restructure may include reducing the interest rate or amount of the monthly payment for a specified period of time, after which the interest rate and repayment terms revert to the original terms of the loan. We classify these loans as Troubled Debt Restructured ("TDR").

These restructurings have not included a reduction of principal balance. The Company believes that restructuring these loans in this manner will allow certain borrowers to become and remain current on their loans. All loans classified as TDR are considered impaired, however TDR loans which have been current for six consecutive months at the time they are restructured as TDR remain on accrual status and are not included as part of non-performing loans. Loans which were delinquent at the time they are restructured as a TDR are placed on non-accrual status and reported as non-performing loans until they have made timely payments for six consecutive months.

The allocation of a portion of the allowance for loan losses for a performing TDR loan is based upon the present value of the future expected cash flows discounted at the loan's original effective rate, or for a non-performing TDR which is collateral dependent, the fair value of the collateral. At March 31, 2016, there were no commitments to lend additional funds to borrowers whose loans were modified to a TDR. The modification of loans to a TDR did not have a significant effect on our operating results, nor did it require a significant allocation of the allowance for loan losses.

The Company did not modify and classify any loans as TDR during the three months ended March 31, 2016.

The following table shows loans modified and classified as TDR during the period indicated:

		For the three months ended March 31, 2015													
(Dollars in thousands)	Number	Balance	Modification description												
Small Business Administration	1	\$	41	Received a below market interest rate and											
Total	1	\$	41	the loan amortization was extended											
	1	φ	71												

The recorded investment of the loan modified and classified to a TDR, presented in the table above, was unchanged as there was no principal forgiven in this modification.

The following table shows our recorded investment for loans classified as TDR that are performing according to their restructured terms at the periods indicated:

	March	31, 2	2016	Decembe	, 2015	
	Number		Recorded	Number		Recorded
(Dollars in thousands)	of contracts		investment	of contracts		investment
Multi-family residential	9	\$	2,611	9	\$	2,626
Commercial real estate	3		2,358	3		2,371
One-to-four family - mixed-use property	6		2,042	6		2,052
One-to-four family - residential	1		341	1		343
Small business administration	1		32	1		34
Commercial business and other	4		2,038	4		2,083
Total performing troubled debt restructured	24	\$	9,422	24	\$	9,509

During the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, there were no TDR loans transferred to non-performing status.

The following table shows our recorded investment for loans classified as TDR that are not performing according to their restructured terms at the periods indicated:

	March	31, 2	016	December 31, 2015					
(Dollars in thousands)	Number of contracts		Recorded investment	Number of contracts		Recorded investment			
Multi-family residential	1	\$	385	1	\$	391			
Total troubled debt restructurings that subsequently defaulted	1	\$	385	1		391			

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The following table shows our non-performing loans at the periods indicated:

(In thousands)	Ν	March 31, 2016		ember 31, 2015
Loans ninety days or more past due and still accruing:				
Multi-family residential	\$	792	\$	233
Commercial real estate		1,083		1,183
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		743		611
One-to-four family - residential		13		13
Construction		570		1,000
Commercial Business and other		-		220
Total		3,201		3,260
Non-accrual mortgage loans:				
Multi-family residential		3,518		3,561
Commercial real estate		3,295		2,398
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		5,519		5,952
One-to-four family - residential		8,861		10,120
Total		21,193		22,031
Non-accrual non-mortgage loans:				
Small business administration		201		218
Taxi Medallion		196		-
Commercial business and other		511		568
Total		908		786
Total non-accrual loans		22,101		22,817
Total non-accrual loans and loans ninety days or more past due and still accruing	\$	25,302	\$	26,077

The following is a summary of interest foregone on non-accrual loans and loans classified as TDR for the periods indicated:

	For the three Mar	months er ch 31,	ıded				
	 2016 2015						
	 (In thousands)						
Interest income that would have been recognized had the loans performed in accordance with their							
original terms	\$ 540	\$	691				
Less: Interest income included in the results of operations	123		148				
Total foregone interest	\$ 417	\$	543				

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The following tables show an age analysis of our recorded investment in loans, including performing loans past maturity, at the periods indicated:

	March 31, 2016														
						Greater									
	30	- 59 Days	60	60 - 89 Days		than	Т	otal Past							
(In thousands)	F	Past Due		ast Due		90 Days		Due	Current	Total Loans					
Multi-family residential	\$	6,644	\$	445	\$	4,310	\$	11,399	\$ 2,028,395	\$ 2,039,794					
Commercial real estate		767		381		4,378		5,526	1,052,502	1,058,028					
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		8,961		326		6,262		15,549	556,297	571,846					
One-to-four family - residential		2,711		276		8,677		11,664	179,494	191,158					
Co-operative apartments		-		-		-		-	8,182	8,182					
Construction loans		-		-		570		570	6,902	7,472					
Small Business Administration		37		-		201		238	14,463	14,701					
Taxi medallion		860		-		196		1,056	19,701	20,757					
Commercial business and other		-		1		353		354	530,968	531,322					
Total	\$	19,980	\$	1,429	\$	24,947	\$	46,356	\$ 4,396,904	\$ 4,443,260					

	December 31, 2015 Greater														
	30 -	- 59 Days	s 60 - 89 Days		than		Total Past								
(In thousands)	Р	Past Due		Past Due 90 Days		90 Days		Due	Current	Total Loans					
Multi-family residential	\$	9,421	\$	804	\$	3,794	\$	14,019	\$ 2,041,209	\$ 2,055,228					
Commercial real estate		2,820		153		3,580		6,553	994,683	1,001,236					
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		8,630		1,258		6,563		16,451	556,592	573,043					
One-to-four family - residential		4,261		154		10,134		14,549	173,289	187,838					
Co-operative apartments		-		-		-		-	8,285	8,285					
Construction loans		-		-		1,000		1,000	6,284	7,284					
Small Business Administration		42		-		218		260	11,934	12,194					
Taxi medallion		-		-		-		-	20,881	20,881					
Commercial business and other		-		2		228		230	506,392	506,622					
Total	\$	25,174	\$	2,371	\$	25,517	\$	53,062	\$ 4,319,549	\$ 4,372,611					

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The following tables show the activity in the allowance for loan losses for the three month periods indicated:

							Ν	Iarch 31,	20	16									
(in thousands)		Multi- family sidential		ommercia eal estate		One-to- four family - mixed- use property	f	One-to- four `amily - sidential	Са	onstruction loans		Small Business Administration		Taxi	b	mmercial pusiness nd other	Un	allocated	Total
<u> </u>						1 1 9													
Allowance for credit losses:	¢	6710	¢	4 220		¢ 4 227	¢	1 227	¢	50		\$ 262	¢	242	¢	4 460	¢		¢ 01 525
Beginning balance	\$	6,718	\$	4,239		\$ 4,227	\$	1,227	\$	50		\$ 262	\$	343	\$	4,469	\$	-	\$21,535
Charge-off's Recoveries		(42)		-		(14) 187		(66) 365		-		- 31		-		(25) 9		-	(147) 605
Provision		(391)		(38)		(893)		(484)		5		(24)		(8)		138		1,695	005
Ending balance	\$	6,298	\$	4,201	_	\$ 3,507	\$	<u> </u>	\$	55	_ ,	\$ 269	\$		\$	4,591	\$	1,695	\$21,993
Ending balance: individually	Ф	0,298	φ	4,201	-	\$ 5,507	<b>ф</b>	1,042	<b>Ф</b>	55	= -	\$ 209	<u>ه</u>	333	\$	4,391	\$	1,095	\$21,995
evaluated for impairment	¢	247	¢	171		\$ 491	¢	50	¢			¢ 47	¢	225	¢	100	¢		¢ 1.420
Ending balance: collectively	\$	247	\$	171	-	\$ 491	\$	50	\$	-	= -	\$ 47	- <del>-</del>	325	\$	108	\$	-	\$ 1,439
evaluated for impairment	\$	6,051	\$	4,030		\$ 3,016	\$	992	\$	55		\$ 222	\$	10	\$	4,483	\$	1,695	\$20,554
(in thousands)			1	Multi- family sidential		ommercia	ıl	Iarch 31, One-to- four family - mixed- use property	1	One-to- four family -	С	onstruction loans A	Bu	mall siness	n n	Taxi nedallion	b	mmercial usiness nd other	Total
Allowance for credit losses: Beginning balance			\$	8,827	\$	4,202		\$ 5,840	\$	1,690	\$	42 \$		279	\$	11	\$	4,205	\$25,096
Charge-off's			φ	(97)	φ	4,202		(78)	φ	(153)	φ	42 \$		219	ф	-	φ	4,203	(397)
Recoveries				23		72		3		(155)		-		20		-		(31)	126
Provision (benefit)				(124)		(354)		(336)		(72)		(19)		(33)		_		204	(734)
Ending balance			\$	· /	\$	3,902	_	\$ 5,429	\$	1,465	\$	<u> </u>		266	- \$		\$	4,366	\$24,091
Ending balance: individually evaluat impairment	ed f	for	\$	- ,	\$	19	= :	\$ 566	\$	54	\$	- \$			\$		\$	139	\$ 1,045
Ending balance: collectively evaluate impairment	ed f	or	\$	8,362	\$	3,883	_ :	\$ 4,863	\$	1,411	\$	23 \$		266	\$	11	\$	4,227	\$23,046

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The following tables show the manner in which loans were evaluated for impairment at the periods indicated:

				At March	31, 2016						
(In thousands)	Multi- family residential	Commercial real estate	One-to- four family - mixed-use property	5	Co- operative apartments		cruction ans	Small Business Administration	Taxi Medallion	Commercial business and other	Total
Financing Dessivables.											
Financing Receivables: Ending Balance	\$2,039,794	\$ 1,058,028	\$ 571,846	\$ 191,158	\$ 8,182	\$	7,472	\$ 14,701	\$ 20,757	\$ 531,322	\$4,443,260
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 8,402	· · ·	-	\$ 11,305		\$		\$ 402	\$ 2,110	\$ 4,366	\$ 46,200
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	\$2,031,392	\$ 1,050,468	\$ 560,361	\$ 179,853	\$ 8,182	\$	6,902	\$ 14,299	\$ 18,647	\$ 526,956	\$4,397,060
				At Decemb	er 31, 2015						
	Multi- family	Commercial		2	Co- operative			Small Business	Taxi	Commercial business	
(In thousands)	residential	real estate	property	residential	apartments	loa	ans	Administration	Medallion	and other	Total
Financing Receivables:											
Ending Balance	\$2,055,228	\$ 1,001,236	\$ 573,043	\$187,838	\$ 8,285	\$	7,284	\$ 12,194	\$ 20,881	\$ 506,622	\$4,372,611
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 8,047	\$ 6,183	\$ 12,828	\$ 12,598	\$ -	\$	1,000	\$ 310	\$ 2,118	\$ 4,716	\$ 47,800
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	\$2,047,181	\$ 995,053	\$ 560,215	\$175,240	\$ 8,285	\$	6,284	\$ 11,884	\$ 18,763	\$ 501,906	\$4,324,811

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The following table shows our recorded investment, unpaid principal balance and allocated allowance for loan losses for impaired loans at the periods indicated:

			Ma	arch 31, 2016 Unpaid						mber 31, 201 Unpaid	15	
	D	ecorded		Principal		Related	р	ecorded		Principal		Related
		vestment		Balance		Allowance		vestment		Balance		Allowance
		ivestillent		Dalalice		Allowallee		vestment		Dalalice	F	liowalice
						(In thou	sands)					
With no related allowance recorded:												
Mortgage loans:												
Multi-family residential	\$	6,108	\$	6,818	\$	-	\$	5,742	\$	6,410	\$	-
Commercial real estate		5,202		5,259		-		3,812		3,869		-
One-to-four family mixed-use property		8,754		9,698		-		10,082		11,335		-
One-to-four family residential		10,964		12,558		-		12,255		14,345		-
Co-operative apartments		-		-		-		-		-		-
Construction		570		570		-		1,000		1,000		-
Non-mortgage loans:												
Small Business Administration		252		252		-		276		276		-
Taxi Medallion		-		-		-		-		-		-
Commercial Business and other		2,374		2,744		-		2,682		5,347		-
Total loans with no related allowance												
recorded		34,224		37,899		-		35,849		42,582		-
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With an allowance recorded:												
Mortgage loans:												
Multi-family residential		2,294		2,294		247		2,305		2,305		252
Commercial real estate		2,358		2,358		171		2,371		2,371		180
One-to-four family mixed-use property		2,731		2,731		491		2,746		2,746		502
One-to-four family residential		341		341		50		343		343		502
Co-operative apartments				-		-		-		-		-
Construction				_		-		_		_		-
Non-mortgage loans:												
Small Business Administration		150		150		47		34		34		-
Taxi Medallion		2,110		2,110		325		2,118		2,118		333
Commercial Business and other		1,992		1,992		108		2,034		2,118		112
Commercial Business and other		1,992		1,992		108		2,034		2,034		112
Total loans with an allowance recorded		11.07(		11.07(		1 420		11.071		11.051		1 420
Total loans with an anowance recorded		11,976		11,976		1,439		11,951		11,951		1,430
Total Impaired Loans:												
	۵	20.000	¢	10 (05	¢	0.50	ф.	10 656	<i>•</i>	44.504	<b>.</b>	005
Total mortgage loans	\$	39,322	\$	42,627	\$	959	\$	40,656	\$	44,724	\$	985
Total non-mortgage loans	\$	6,878	\$	7,248	\$	480	\$	7,144	\$	9,809	\$	445
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The following table shows our average recorded investment and interest income recognized for impaired loans for the periods indicated:

	March	31, 2016	March	n 31, 2015
	 Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
		(In th	ousands)	
With no related allowance recorded:		(11 11	ousunusj	
Mortgage loans:				
Multi-family residential	\$ 5,925	\$ 17	\$ 10,905	\$ 56
Commercial real estate	4,507	12	6,567	39
One-to-four family mixed-use property	9,418	33	11,749	57
One-to-four family residential	11,610	27	13,210	25
Co-operative apartments	-	-	-	-
Construction	785	-	-	-
Non-mortgage loans:				
Small Business Administration	264	3	159	1
Taxi Medallion	-	-	-	-
Commercial Business and other	2,528	46	4,511	69
Total loans with no related allowance recorded	 35,037	138	47,101	247
With an allowance recorded:				
Mortgage loans:				
Multi-family residential	2,300	29	2,597	32
Commercial real estate	2,365	28	1,458	7
One-to-four family mixed-use property	2,739	38	3,085	42
One-to-four family residential	342	3	353	4
Co-operative apartments	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	-	-
Non-mortgage loans:				
Small Business Administration	92	2	21	1
Taxi Medallion	2,114	15	-	-
Commercial Business and other	2,013	25	2,660	35
	,		,	
Total loans with an allowance recorded	 11,965	140	10,174	121
Total Impaired Loans:				
Total mortgage loans	\$ 39,991	\$ 187	\$ 49,924	\$ 262
	\$ 39,991	¢ 18/	\$ 49,924	¢ 202
Total non-mortgage loans	\$ 7,011	\$ 91	\$ 7,351	\$ 106

In accordance with our policy and the current regulatory guidelines, we designate loans as "Special Mention," which are considered "Criticized Loans," and "Substandard," "Doubtful," or "Loss," which are considered "Classified Loans". If a loan does not fall within one of the previous mentioned categories then the loan would be considered "Pass." Loans that are non-accrual are designated as Substandard, Doubtful or Loss. These loan designations are updated quarterly. We designate a loan as Substandard when a well-defined weakness is identified that jeopardizes the orderly liquidation of the debt. We designate a loan Doubtful when it displays the inherent weakness of a Substandard loan with the added provision that collection of the debt in full, on the basis of existing facts, is highly improbable. We designate a loan as Loss if it is deemed the debtor is incapable of repayment. The Company does not hold any loans designated as Loss, as loans that are designated as Loss are charged to the Allowance for Loan Losses. We designate a loan as Special Mention if the asset does not warrant classification within one of the other classifications, but does contain a potential weakness that deserves closer attention.

The following table sets forth the recorded investment in loans designated as Criticized or Classified at the periods indicated:

					ľ	March 31, 2016		
(In thousands)	Spec	ial Mention	5	Substandard		Doubtful	Loss	Total
Multi-family residential	\$	8,505	\$	5,790	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 14,295
Commercial real estate		1,500		5,203		-	-	6,703
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		2,716		9,657		-	-	12,373
One-to-four family - residential		1,538		10,964		-	-	12,502
Co-operative apartments		-		-		-	-	-
Construction loans		-		570		-	-	570
Small Business Administration		504		326		-	-	830
Taxi Medallion		-		2,110		-	-	2,110
Commercial business and other		147		2,803		-	-	2,950
Total loans	\$	14,910	\$	37,423	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 52,333

					De	cember 31, 2015		
(In thousands)	Speci	al Mention	Sı	ubstandard		Doubtful	Loss	Total
Multi-family residential	\$	4,361	\$	5,421	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 9,782
Commercial real estate		1,821		3,812		-	-	5,633
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		3,087		10,990		-	-	14,077
One-to-four family - residential		1,437		12,255		-	-	13,692
Co-operative apartments		-		-		-	-	-
Construction loans		-		1,000		-	-	1,000
Small Business Administration		229		224		-	-	453
Taxi Medallion		-		2,118		-	-	2,118
Commercial business and other		-		3,123		-	-	3,123
Total loans	\$	10,935	\$	38,943	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 49,878

Commitments to extend credit (principally real estate mortgage loans) and lines of credit (principally home equity lines of credit and business lines of credit) amounted to \$164.1 million and \$219.6 million, respectively, at March 31, 2016.

### 6. Loans held for sale

Loans held for sale are carried at the lower of cost or estimated fair value. At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Bank did not have any loans held for sale.

The Company has implemented a strategy of selling certain delinquent and non-performing loans. Once the Company has decided to sell a loan, the sale usually closes in a short period of time, generally within the same quarter. Loans designated held for sale are reclassified from loans held for investment to loans held for sale. Terms of sale include cash due upon the closing of the sale, no contingencies or recourse to the Company and servicing is released to the buyer.

The following table shows delinquent and non-performing loans sold during the period indicated:

		For the three months ended March 31, 2016									
		Net (charge-offs)									
(Dollars in thousands)	Loans sold		Proceeds		recoveries		Net gain				
Multi-family residential	3	\$	874	\$	-	\$	2				
Commercial real estate	2		192		-		-				
One-to-four family - mixed-use property	4		1,315		-		21				
				_							
Total <sup>(1)</sup>	9	\$	2,381	\$	-	\$	23				

 The above table does not include the sale of six performing small business administration loans for proceeds totaling \$3.5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016. These loans were sold for a net gain of \$0.3 million.

The following table shows delinquent and non-performing loans sold during the period indicated:

	For the three months ended March 31, 2015										
	Net (charge-offs)										
(Dollars in thousands)	Loans sold		Proceeds		recoveries		Net gain				
Multi-family residential	2	\$	836	\$	-	\$	2				
One-to-four family - mixed-use property	3		686		-		-				
Total	5	\$	1,522	\$	-	\$	2				

#### 7. Other Real Estate Owned

The following are changes in OREO during the periods indicated:

	F	or the three months e March 31,	ended
	2	016	2015
		(In thousands)	
Balance at beginning of period	\$	4,932 \$	6,326
Acquisitions		533	483
Write-down of carrying value		(47)	-
Sales		(816)	(1,557)
Balance at end of period	\$	4,602 \$	5,252



The following table shows the gross gains, gross losses and write-downs of OREO reported in the Consolidated Statements of Income during the periods indicated:

	Fo	r the three months e March 31,	ended
	20	16	2015
		(In thousands)	
Gross gains	\$	37 \$	216
Gross losses		-	(6)
Total net gain	\$	37 \$	210

We may obtain physical possession of residential real estate collateralizing a consumer mortgage loan via foreclosure on an in-substance repossession. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, we did not foreclose on any consumer mortgages through in-substance repossession. OREO are included in other assets on the Company's balance sheet. At March 31, 2016, we held two foreclosed residential real estate properties totaling \$0.6 million and at December 31, 2015, we held one foreclosed residential real estate property for \$0.1 million. Included within net loans as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 was a recorded investment of \$13.5 million and \$15.2 million, respectively, of consumer mortgage loans secured by residential real estate properties for which formal foreclosure proceedings were in process according to local requirements of the applicable jurisdiction.

#### 8. Repurchase Agreements

As part of the Company's strategy to finance investment opportunities and manage its cost of funds, the Company enters into repurchase agreements with brokerdealers and the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York ("FHLB-NY"). These agreements are recorded as financing transactions and the obligations to repurchase are reflected as a liability in the consolidated financial statements. The securities underlying the agreements are delivered to the broker-dealers or the FHLB-NY who arrange the transaction. The securities remain registered in the name of the Company and are returned upon the maturity of the agreement. The Company retains the right of substitution of collateral throughout the terms of the agreements. As a condition of the repurchase agreements the Company is required to provide sufficient collateral. If the fair value of the collateral were to fall below the required level, the Company is obligated to pledge additional collateral. All the repurchase agreements are collateralized by mortgage-backed securities.

The following tables shows the type of securities pledged and remaining maturity of repurchase agreements held at the periods indicated:

		Re	emaining		,		At March 31, 2016 Remaining Contractual Maturity of Agreements									
	Less	than 1 year		ar to 3 years		ver 3 years		Total								
			-	(In tho	isands)	-										
Repurchase agreements:																
Mortgage-backed securities	\$	38,000	\$	38,000	\$	40,000	\$	116,000								
Total repurchase agreements	\$	38,000	\$	38,000	\$	40,000	\$	116,000								
				At Decemb	er 31, 2	015										
		Re	emaining	g Contractual	Maturit	y of Agreeme	ents									
	Less	than 1 year	1 yea	ar to 3 years	Ov	ver 3 years		Total								
				(In tho	ısands)											
Repurchase agreements:																
Mortgage-backed securities	\$	38,000	\$	38,000	\$	40,000	\$	116,000								
Total repurchase agreements	\$	38,000	\$	38,000	\$	40,000	\$	116,000								

The fair value of the collateral pledged for the repurchase agreements above was \$132.3 million and \$131.4 million at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

#### 9. Stock-Based Compensation

For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, the Company's net income, as reported, includes \$3.0 million and \$2.8 million, respectively, of stock-based compensation costs and \$1.1 million of income tax benefits related to the stock-based compensation plans in each of the periods.

The Company estimates the fair value of stock options using the Black-Scholes valuation model. Key assumptions used to estimate the fair value of stock options include the exercise price of the award, the expected option term, the expected volatility of the Company's stock price, the risk-free interest rate over the options' expected term and the annual dividend yield. The Company uses the fair value of the common stock on the date of award to measure compensation cost for restricted stock unit awards. Compensation cost is recognized over the vesting period of the award using the straight line method. During the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, the Company granted 337,175 and 314,520 restricted stock units, respectively. There were no stock options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015.

The 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan ("2014 Omnibus Plan") became effective on May 20, 2014 after adoption by the Board of Directors and approval by the stockholders. The 2014 Omnibus Plan authorizes the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") to grant a variety of equity compensation awards as well as long-term and annual cash incentive awards, all of which can, but need not, be structured so as to comply with Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Internal Revenue Code"). The 2014 Omnibus Plan authorizes the issuance of 1,100,000 shares. To the extent that an award under the 2014 Omnibus Plan is cancelled, expired, forfeited, settled in cash, settled by issuance of fewer shares than the number underlying the award, or otherwise terminated without delivery of shares to a participant in payment of the exercise price or taxes relating to an award, the shares retained by or returned to the Company will be available for future issuance under the 2014 Omnibus Plan. No further awards may be granted under the Company's 2005 Omnibus Incentive Plan, 1996 Stock Option Incentive Plan, and 1996 Restricted Stock Incentive Plan (the "Prior Plans"). At March 31, 2016, there were 473,040 shares available for delivery in connection with awards under the 2014 Omnibus Plan. To satisfy stock option exercises or find restricted stock and restricted stock unit awards, shares are issued from treasury stock, if available; otherwise new shares are issued. The exercise price per share of a stock option grant may not be less than the fair market value of the common stock of the Company, as defined in the Omnibus Plan, on the date of grant and may not be repriced without the approval of the Company's stockholders. Options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units and other stock based awards granted under the Omnibus Plan are generally subject to a minimum vesting period of three years with stock options having a 10-year maximum contrac

The following table summarizes the Company's restricted stock unit ("RSU") awards under the 2014 Omnibus Plan and the Prior Plans in the aggregate at or for the three months ended March 31, 2016:

	Shares		ighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value
		<b>.</b>	10.10
Non-vested at December 31, 2015	415,909	\$	18.10
Granted	337,175		19.85
Vested	(235,335)		18.71
Forfeited	(900)		19.43
Non-vested at March 31, 2016	516,849	\$	18.97
Vested but unissued at March 31, 2016	280,450	\$	19.28

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As of March 31, 2016, there was \$9.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested full value awards granted under the Omnibus Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.6 years. The total fair value of awards vested for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 were \$4.8 million and \$4.1 million, respectively. The vested but unissued RSU awards consist of awards made to employees and directors who are eligible for retirement. According to the terms of these awards, which provide for vesting upon retirement, these employees and directors have no risk of forfeiture. These shares will be issued at the original contractual vesting and settlement dates.

The following table summarizes certain information regarding the stock option awards under the Omnibus Plan and the Prior Plans in the aggregate at or for the three months ended March 31, 2016:

	Shares		Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (\$000) *
	100.100	<b>•</b>	1614		
Outstanding at December 31, 2015	109,130	\$	16.14		
Granted	-		-		
Exercised	(18,200)		19.03		
Forfeited	-		-		
Outstanding at March 31, 2016	90,930	\$	15.56	2.1	\$ 551

\* The intrinsic value of a stock option is the difference between the market value of the underlying stock and the exercise price of the option.

Cash proceeds, fair value received, tax benefits, and intrinsic value related to stock options exercised, and the weighted average grant date fair value for options granted, during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are provided in the following table:

	For the three months ended March 31,									
(In thousands)	2016	2015								
Proceeds from stock options exercised	\$ 19 \$	-								
Fair value of shares received upon exercised of stock options	328	20								
Tax (expense) benefit related to stock options exercised	(16)	1								
Intrinsic value of stock options exercised	43	2								

*Phantom Stock Plan:* The Company maintains a non-qualified phantom stock plan as a supplement to its profit sharing plan for officers who have achieved the designated level and completed one year of service. Prior to January 1, 2015, the Plan included officers at a level that are no longer qualified to participate, however those that were eligible remain eligible to participate in the Plan. Awards are made under this plan on certain compensation not eligible for awards made under the profit sharing plan, due to the terms of the profit sharing plan and the Internal Revenue Code. Employees receive awards under this plan proportionate to the amount they would have received under the profit sharing plan, but for limits imposed by the profit sharing plan and the Internal Revenue Code. The awards are made as cash awards, and then converted to common stock equivalents (phantom shares) at the then current fair value of the Company's common stock. Dividends are credited to each employee's account in the form of additional phantom shares each time the Company pays a dividend on its common stock. In the event of a change of control (as defined in this plan), an employee's interest is converted to a fixed dollar amount and deemed to be invested in the same manner as his interest in the Bank's non-qualified deferred compensation plan. Employees receive their vested interest in this plan in the form of a change of control. Employees receive their vested interest in this plan in the form of a cash lump sum payment or installments, as elected by the employee, after termination of employment. The Company adjusts its liability under this plan to the fair value of the shares at the end of each period.

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The following table summarizes the Phantom Stock Plan at or for the three months ended March 31, 2016:

Phantom Stock Plan	Shares	Fair Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2015	79,440	\$ 21.64
Granted	10,150	19.88
Forfeited	-	-
Distributions	(1,362)	20.28
Outstanding at March 31, 2016	88,228	\$ 21.62
Vested at March 31, 2016	87,826	\$ 21.62

The Company recorded stock-based compensation expense for the Phantom Stock Plan of \$29,000 and \$9,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The total fair value of the distributions from the Phantom Stock Plan was \$28,000 and \$8,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### 10. Pension and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans

The following table sets forth information regarding the components of net expense for the pension and other postretirement benefit plans.

	Three months ended March 31,								
(In thousands)	 2016		2015						
Employee Pension Plan:									
Interest cost	\$ 226	\$	221						
Amortization of unrecognized loss	201		291						
Expected return on plan assets	(348)		(350)						
Net employee pension expense	\$ 79	\$	162						
Outside Director Pension Plan:									
Service cost	\$ 11	\$	11						
Interest cost	24		24						
Amortization of unrecognized gain	(21)		(14)						
Amortization of past service liability	10		10						
Net outside director pension expense	\$ 24	\$	31						
Other Postretirement Benefit Plans:									
Service cost	\$ 90	\$	95						
Interest cost	80		75						
Amortization of unrecognized loss	12		30						
Amortization of past service liability	(21)		(21)						
Net other postretirement expense	\$ 161	\$	179						

The Company previously disclosed in its Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2015 that it expects to contribute \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million to the Outside Director Pension Plan (the "Outside Director Pension Plan") and the other postretirement benefit plans (the "Other Postretirement Benefit Plans"), respectively, during the year ending December 31, 2016. The Company does not expect to make a contribution to the Employee Pension Plan (the "Employee Pension Plan"). As of March 31, 2016, the Company has contributed \$36,000 to the Outside Director Pension Plan and \$18,000 to the Other Postretirement Benefit Plans. As of March 31, 2016, the Company has not revised its expected contributions for the year ending December 31, 2016.

#### 11. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company carries certain financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value in accordance with GAAP which defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. GAAP permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. At March 31, 2016, the Company carried financial assets and financial liabilities under the fair value option with fair values of \$30.8 million and \$28.0 million, respectively. At December 31, 2015, the Company carried financial assets and financial liabilities under the fair value option with fair values of \$30.7 million and \$29.0 million, respectively. The Company did not elect to carry any additional financial assets or financial liabilities under the fair value option during the three months ended March 31, 2016.

The following table presents the financial assets and financial liabilities reported at fair value under the fair value option, and the changes in fair value included in the Consolidated Statement of Income – Net gain (loss) from fair value adjustments, at or for the periods ended as indicated:

		Fair Value Measurements		Fair Value Measurements	Changes in Fair Values For Items Measured at Fair Value Pursuant to Election of the Fair Val Option					
		at March 31, at December 31,				Three Months Ended				
(In thousands)		2016 2015			March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015				
Mortgage-backed securities	\$	2,403	\$	2,527	\$	5	\$	(8)		
Other securities	Ŷ	28,361	Ψ	28,205	Ψ	96	Ŷ	197		
Borrowed funds		27,977		29,018		1,054		524		
Net gain from fair value adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>					\$	1,155	\$	713		

(1) The net gain from fair value adjustments presented in the above table does not include net losses of \$2.1 million and \$1.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively, from the change in the fair value of interest rate swaps.

Included in the fair value of the financial assets and financial liabilities selected for the fair value option is the accrued interest receivable or payable for the related instrument. The Company reports as interest income or interest expense in the Consolidated Statement of Income, the interest receivable or payable on the financial instruments selected for the fair value option at their respective contractual rates.

The borrowed funds had a contractual principal amount of \$61.9 million at both March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The fair value of borrowed funds includes accrued interest payable of \$0.1 million at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

The Company generally holds its earning assets, other than securities available for sale, to maturity and settles its liabilities at maturity. However, fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time and are based on relevant market information. These estimates do not reflect any premium or discount that could result from offering for sale at one time the Company's entire holdings of a particular instrument. Accordingly, as assumptions change, such as interest rates and prepayments, fair value estimates change and these amounts may not necessarily be realized in an immediate sale.

Disclosure of fair value does not require fair value information for items that do not meet the definition of a financial instrument or certain other financial instruments specifically excluded from its requirements. These items include core deposit intangibles and other customer relationships, premises and equipment, leases, income taxes and equity.

Further, fair value disclosure does not attempt to value future income or business. These items may be material and accordingly, the fair value information presented does not purport to represent, nor should it be construed to represent, the underlying "market" or franchise value of the Company.



Financial assets and financial liabilities reported at fair value are required to be measured based on either: (1) quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments (Level 1); (2) significant other observable inputs (Level 2); or (3) significant unobservable inputs (Level 3).

A description of the methods and significant assumptions utilized in estimating the fair value of the Company's assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value on a recurring basis are as follows:

Level 1 – where quoted market prices are available in an active market. The Company did not value any of its assets or liabilities that are carried at fair value on a recurring basis as Level 1 at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

Level 2 – when quoted market prices are not available, fair value is estimated using quoted market prices for similar financial instruments and adjusted for differences between the quoted instrument and the instrument being valued. Fair value can also be estimated by using pricing models, or discounted cash flows. Pricing models primarily use market-based or independently sourced market parameters as inputs, including, but not limited to, yield curves, interest rates, equity or debt prices and credit spreads. In addition to observable market information, models also incorporate maturity and cash flow assumptions. At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, Level 2 included mortgage related securities, corporate debt, municipals and interest rate swaps.

Level 3 – when there is limited activity or less transparency around inputs to the valuation, financial instruments are classified as Level 3. At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, Level 3 included trust preferred securities owned and junior subordinated debentures issued by the Company and a single issuer trust preferred security.

The methods described above may produce fair values that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. While the Company believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with those of other market participants, the use of different methodologies, assumptions and models to determine fair value of certain financial instruments could produce different estimates of fair value at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth the assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value on a recurring basis and the method that was used to determine their fair value, at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) 2016 2015				Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) 2016 2015			Significant Other Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) 2016 2015 sands)					Total carried at fair valueon a recurring basis20162015			
								(In thou	sana	<i>S)</i>						
Assets:																
Mortgage-backed Securities	\$	-	\$	-	\$	668,412	\$	668,740	\$	-	\$	-	\$	668,412	\$	668,740
Other securities		-		-		365,701		317,445		7,150		7,212		372,851		324,657
Interest rate swaps		-		-		-		48		-		-		-		48
Total assets	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,034,113	\$	986,233	\$	7,150	\$	7,212	\$	1,041,263	\$	993,445
													: =			
Liabilities:																
Borrowings	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	27,977	\$	29,018	\$	27,977	\$	29,018
Interest rate swaps		-		-		11,466		4,314		-		-		11,466		4,314
Total liabilities	\$	-	\$	-	\$	11,466	\$	4,314	\$	27,977	\$	29,018	\$	39,443	\$	33,332
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The following table sets forth the Company's assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value on a recurring basis, classified within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy for the period indicated:

	For the three months ended March 31, 2016							
	preferred curities		subordinated ebentures					
	 (In the	ousands)						
Beginning balance	\$ 7,212	\$	29,018					
Net loss from fair value adjustment of financial assets	(60)		-					
Net gain from fair value adjustment of financial liabilities	-		(1,056)					
Increase in accrued interest payable	-		15					
Change in unrealized gains included in other comprehensive income	(2)		-					
Ending balance	\$ 7,150	\$	27,977					
Changes in unrealized gain (loss) held at period end	\$ (2)	\$	-					

The following table sets forth the Company's assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value on a recurring basis, classified within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy for the period indicated:

	For the three months ended March 31, 2015										
	Municipals			Trust preferred securities (In thousands)		Junior subordinated debentures					
Beginning balance	\$	15,519	\$	7,090	\$	28,771					
Purchases		1,000		-		-					
Principal repayments		(55)		-		-					
Maturities		(2,000)		-		-					
Net gain from fair value adjustment of financial assets		-		94		-					
Net gain from fair value adjustment of financial liabilities		-		-		(524)					
Decrease in accrued interest payable		-		-		(3)					
Change in unrealized gains included in other comprehensive income		-		5		-					
Ending balance	\$	14,464	\$	7,189	\$	28,244					
Changes in unrealized gain (loss) held at period end	\$	-	\$	5	\$	-					

During the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, there were no transfers between Levels 1, 2 and 3.

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The following tables present the quantitative information about recurring Level 3 fair value of financial instruments and the fair value measurements at the periods indicated:

	_			March 31, 2016		
		Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range	Weighted Average
			(Dollars i	n thousands)		
Assets:						
	<u>_</u>		Discounted cash			- 404
Trust preferred securities	\$	7,150	flows	Discount rate	7.0% - 7.12%	7.1%
Liabilities:						
Liabilities:						
			Discounted cash			
Junior subordinated debentures	\$	27,977	flows	Discount rate	7.0%	7.0%
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				December 31, 2015	5	
			Valuation	Unobservable		
		Fair Value	Technique	Input	Range	Weighted Average
			(Dollars i	n thousands)		
Assets:						
			D' (11			
Truct and from discount time	\$	7 212	Discounted cash flows	Discount asta	7.0% - 7.07%	7 10/
Trust preferred securities	\$	7,212	nows	Discount rate	/.0% - /.0/%	7.1%
Liabilities:						
Lindinitiest						
			Discounted cash			
Junior subordinated debentures	\$	29,018	flows	Discount rate	7.0%	7.0%

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Company's trust preferred securities and junior subordinated debentures valued under Level 3 at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, is the effective yields used in the cash flow models. Significant increases or decreases in the effective yield in isolation would result in a significantly lower or higher fair value measurement.

The following table sets forth the Company's assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value on a non-recurring basis and the method that was used to determine their fair value, at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

		Quoted Pric in Active Mar for Identical A (Level 1)	rkets Assets	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)			Significant Other Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)					Total carried at fair value on a recurring basis				
	2	016	2015		2016		2015		2016		2015		2016		2015	
							(In thous	sands	)							
Assets:																
Impaired loans	\$	- \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	15,175	\$	15,360	\$	15,175	\$	15,360	
Other real estate owned		-	-		-		-		4,602		4,932		4,602		4,932	
Total assets	\$	- \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	19,777	\$	20,292	\$	19,777	\$	20,292	

The following tables present the quantitative information about non-recurring Level 3 fair value of financial instruments and the fair value measurements at the periods indicated:

				March 31, 2016				
	Fa	ir Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input		Range	Weighted Average	
Assets:			(Doll	lars in thousands)				
Impaired loans	\$	3,465	Income approach	Capitalization rate Loss severity discount	7.3% 14.0%	to to	8.0% 15.0%	7.6% 14.9%
Impaired loans	\$	4,985	Sales approach	Adjustment to sales comparison value to reconcile differences between comparable sales	- 50.0%	to	20.0%	-3.3%
				Loss severity discount	50.070	15.0%	20.070	15.0%
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Impaired loans	\$	6,725	Blended income and sales approach	Adjustment to sales comparison value to reconcile differences	_			
				between comparable sales	50.0%	to	25.0%	-3.3%
				Capitalization rate	5.3%	to	9.0%	7.1%
				Loss severity discount	5.2%	to	15.0%	13.8%
Other real estate owned	\$	3,750	Income approach	Capitalization rate		9.0%		9.0%
Other real estate owned	\$	852	Sales approach	Adjustment to sales comparison value to reconcile differences				
				between comparable sales	-5.0%	to	25.0%	10.9%
				December 31, 2015				
			Valuation Technique					Weighted
	Fa	ir Value	(D - 11	Unobservable Input lars in thousands)		Range		Average
Assets:			(Doil	ars in inousanas)				
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Impaired loans	\$	3,878	Income approach	Capitalization rate Loss severity discount	7.3%	to 15.0%	8.5%	7.7% 15.0%
Impaired loans	\$	5,555	Sales approach	Adjustment to sales				
				comparison value to reconcile differences	-			
				between comparable sales	50.0%	to	40.0%	-2.2%
				Loss severity discount		15.0%		15.0%
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Impaired loans	\$	5,927	Blended income and sales approach	Adjustment to sales comparison value to reconcile differences	-			
				between comparable sales	50.0%	to	25.0%	-2.2%
				Capitalization rate	5.3%	to	9.0%	7.0%
				Loss severity discount	5.2%	to	15.0%	13.7%
Other real estate owned	\$	3,750	Income approach	Capitalization rate		9.0%		9.0%
Other real estate owned	\$	366	Sales approach	Adjustment to sales comparison value to reconcile differences				

				between comparable sales	-5.0%	to	25.0%	12.0%
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Other real estate owned	\$	816	Blended income and sales approach	Adjustment to sales comparison value to reconcile differences	-			
				between comparable sales	10.0%	to	15.0%	2.5%
				Capitalization rate		8.6%		8.6%

The Company did not have any liabilities that were carried at fair value on a non-recurring basis at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

The fair value of each material class of financial instruments at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 and the related methods and assumptions used to estimate fair value are as follows:

#### Cash and Due from Banks, Overnight Interest-Earning Deposits and Federal Funds Sold:

The fair values of financial instruments that are short-term or reprice frequently and have little or no risk are considered to have a fair value that approximates carrying value.

#### FHLB-NY stock:

The fair value is based upon the par value of the stock which equals its carrying value.

#### Securities:

The fair values of securities are contained in Note 4 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. Fair value is based upon quoted market prices, where available. If a quoted market price is not available, fair value is estimated using quoted market prices for similar securities and adjusted for differences between the quoted instrument and the instrument being valued. When there is limited activity or less transparency around inputs to the valuation, securities are valued using discounted cash flows.

#### Loans:

The fair value of loans is estimated by discounting the expected future cash flows using the current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and remaining maturities.

For non-accruing loans, fair value is generally estimated by discounting management's estimate of future cash flows with a discount rate commensurate with the risk associated with such assets or for collateral dependent loans 85% of the appraised or internally estimated value of the property, except for taxi medallion loans. The fair value of the underlying collateral of taxi medallion loans is the most recent reported arm's length transaction.

#### **Other Real Estate Owned:**

OREO are carried at fair value less selling costs. The fair value is based on appraised value through a current appraisal, or sometimes through an internal review, additionally adjusted by the estimated costs to sell the property.

#### Accrued Interest Receivable:

The carrying amount is a reasonable estimate of fair value due to its short-term nature.

#### **Due to Depositors:**

The fair values of demand, passbook savings, NOW, money market deposits and escrow deposits are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting dates (i.e. their carrying value). The fair value of certificates of deposits are estimated by discounting the expected future cash flows using the rates currently offered for deposits of similar remaining maturities.

#### **Borrowings:**

The fair value of borrowings is estimated by discounting the contractual cash flows using interest rates in effect for borrowings with similar maturities and collateral requirements or using a market-standard model.

#### **Accrued Interest Payable:**

The carrying amount is a reasonable estimate of fair value due to its short-term nature.

#### **Interest Rate Swaps:**

The fair value of interest rate swaps is based upon broker quotes.

### **Other Financial Instruments:**

The fair values of commitments to sell, lend or borrow are estimated using the fees currently charged or paid to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and the present creditworthiness of the counterparties or on the estimated cost to terminate them or otherwise settle with the counterparties at the reporting date. For fixed-rate loan commitments to sell, lend or borrow, fair values also consider the difference between current levels of interest rates and committed rates (where applicable).

At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the fair values of the above financial instruments approximate the recorded amounts of the related fees and were not considered to be material.

The following tables set forth the carrying amounts and estimated fair values of selected financial instruments based on the assumptions described above used by the Company in estimating fair value at the periods indicated:

					Ma	rch 31, 2016				
		Carrying Amount		Fair Value		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
					(Ir	1 thousands)				
Assets:										
Cash and due from banks	\$	51,417	\$	51,417	\$	51,417	\$	-	\$	-
Securities held-to-maturity										
Other securities		7,885		7,885		-		-		7,885
Securities available for sale										
Mortgage-backed securities		668,412		668,412		-		668,412		-
Other securities		372,851		372,851		-		365,701		7,150
Loans		4,458,541		4,501,190		-		-		4,501,190
FHLB-NY stock		53,368		53,368		-		53,368		-
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Total assets	\$	5,612,474	\$	5,655,123	\$	51,417	\$	1,087,481	\$	4,516,225
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Liabilities:										
Deposits	\$	4,063,887	\$	4,082,649	\$	2,701,825	\$	1,380,824	\$	-
Borrowings	Ψ	1,190,789	Ψ	1,206,237	Ψ	2,701,023	Ψ	1,178,260	Ψ	27,977
Interest rate swaps		11,466		11,466		-		11,466		
interest face swaps		11,100		11,100				11,100		
Total liabilities	\$	5,266,142	\$	5,300,352	\$	2,701,825	\$	2,570,550	\$	27,977
					Dece	mber 31, 2015				
		Carrying		Fair						
		Amount		Value		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
					(Ir	ı thousands)				
Assets:										
Cash and due from banks	\$	42,363	\$	42,363	\$	42,363	\$	-	\$	-
Securities held-to-maturity										
Other securities		6,180		6,180		-		-		6,180
Securities available for sale										
Mortgage-backed securities		668,740		668,740		-		668,740		-
Other securities		324,657		324,657		-		317,445		7,212
Loans		4,387,979		4,434,079		-		-		4,434,079
FHLB-NY stock		56,066		56,066		-		56,066		-
Interest rate swaps		48		48		-		48		-
Total assets	\$	5,486,033	\$	5,532,133	\$	42,363	\$	1,042,299	\$	4,447,471
Liabilities:			6		*		~		<i>t</i>	
Deposits	\$	3,892,547	\$	3,902,888	\$	2,489,245	\$		\$	-
Borrowings		1,271,676		1,279,946		-		1,250,928		29,018
Interest rate swaps		4,314		4,314		-		4,314		-

Total liabilities	\$ 5,168,537	\$ 5,187,148	\$	2,489,245	\$ 2,668,885	\$ 29,018
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#### 12. Derivative Financial Instruments

At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company's derivative financial instruments consist of interest rate swaps. The Company's interest rate swaps are used for two purposes. The first purpose is to mitigate the Company's exposure to rising interest rates on a portion (\$18.0 million) of its floating rate junior subordinated debentures that have a contractual value of \$61.9 million. The second purpose is to mitigate the Company's exposure to rising interest rates on certain fixed rate loans totaling \$155.9 million and \$146.9 million at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 derivatives with a combined notional amount of \$36.3 million were not designated as hedges. At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 derivatives with a combined notional amount of \$137.6 million and \$128.5 million were designated as fair value hedges. Changes in the fair value of interest rate swaps not designated as hedges are reflected in "Net gain/loss from fair value adjustments" in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

The following table sets forth information regarding the Company's derivative financial instruments at the periods indicated:

		March	31, 2	016	Decembe	er 31	, 2015
	_	Notional Amount	]	Net Carrying Value <sup>(1)</sup>	 Notional Amount		Net Carrying Value <sup>(1)</sup>
Interest rate swaps (hedge)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 28,588	\$	48
Interest rate swaps (hedge)		137,607		(6,565)	99,955		(1,515)
Interest rate swaps (non-hedge)		36,321		(4,901)	36,321		(2,799)
Total derivatives	\$	173,928	\$	(11,466)	\$ 164,864	\$	(4,266)

(1) Derivatives in a net positive position are recorded as "Other assets" and derivatives in a net negative position are recorded as "Other liabilities" in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition. There were no unrealized losses at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

The following table sets forth the effect of derivative instruments on the Consolidated Statements of Income for the periods indicated:

	For the three r Marc	s ended
(In thousands)	 2016	2015
Financial Derivatives:		
Interest rate swaps (non-hedge)	\$ (2,102)	\$ (1,254)
Interest rate swaps (hedge)	(40)	(54)
Net loss <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ (2,142)	\$ (1,308)

(1) Net gains and losses are recorded as part of "Net gain/loss from fair value adjustments" in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

During the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, the Company did not record any hedge ineffectiveness.

The Company's interest rate swaps are subject to master netting arrangements and are all with the same counterparty. The Company has not made a policy election to offset its derivative positions.

The Company did not have derivative assets presented in the Consolidated Statements of Condition at March 31, 2016.

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The following tables present the effect of the master netting arrangements on the presentation of the derivative assets in the Consolidated Statements of Condition as of the dates indicated:

				Decemb	er 31	, 2015			
						Gross Amounts	s Not Offset in the		
					C	Consolidated Sta	tement of Condition	n	
			Gross Amount	Net Amount of					
			Offset in the	Assets Presented					
	Gross Am	ount of	Statement of	in the Statement		Financial	Cash Collatera	ıl	
(In thousands)	Recognized	d Assets	Condition	of Condition		Instruments	Received		Net Amount
Interest rate swaps	\$	48	\$ -	\$ 48	\$	48	\$	-	\$ -

The following tables present the effect the master netting arrangements had on the presentation of the derivative liabilities in the Consolidated Statements of Condition as of the dates indicated:

			Marcl	n 31, 2016		
				Gross Amounts No	ot Offset in the	
				Consolidated Statem	ent of Condition	
			Net Amount of			-
		Gross Amount	Liabilities			
	Gross Amount	Offset in the	Presented in the			
	of Recognized	Statement of	Statement of		Cash Collateral	
(In thousands)	Liabilities	Condition	Condition	Financial Instruments	Pledged	Net Amount
Interest rate swaps	\$ 11,466 \$		\$ 11,466	\$ -	\$ 11,466	\$ -

					Decemb	,			
						Gross Amounts onsolidated State			
(In thousands)	Rec	Amount of ognized ibilities	Gross Amount Offset in the Statement of Condition	Pr	et Amount of Liabilities resented in the Statement of Condition	Financial Instruments	С	Cash Collateral Pledged	Net Amount
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Interest rate swaps	\$	4,314	\$ -	\$	4,314	\$ 48	\$	4,266	\$ -

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#### 13. Income Taxes

Flushing Financial Corporation files consolidated Federal and combined New York State and New York City income tax returns with its subsidiaries, with the exception of the Company's trusts, which file separate Federal income tax returns as trusts, and Flushing Preferred Funding Corporation, which files a separate Federal income tax return as a real estate investment trust. Additionally, the Bank files New Jersey State tax returns.

Income tax provisions are summarized as follows:

	For the thr ended M	ee montl March 31	
(In thousands)	2016		2015
Federal:			
Current	\$ 3,660	\$	2,914
Deferred	1,087		1,338
Total federal tax provision	 4,747		4,252
State and Local:			
Current	385		707
Deferred	483		587
Total state and local tax provision	 868		1,294
Total income tax provision	\$ 5,615	\$	5,546

The effective tax rate was 37.0% and 38.8% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The decrease in the effective tax rate reflects the greater impact that preferential tax items had on the Company's tax liability during the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015 and changes in New York City tax law signed into law on April 13, 2015.

The effective rates differ from the statutory federal income tax rate as follows:

	For th	e three months end	led March 31,	
(Dollars in thousands)	 2016		2015	
Taxes at federal statutory rate	\$ 5,312	35.0% \$	4,998	35.0%
Increase (reduction) in taxes resulting from:				
State and local income tax, net of Federal income tax				
benefit	564	3.7	841	5.9
Other	(261)	(1.7)	(293)	(2.1)
Taxes at effective rate	\$ 5,615	37.0% \$	5,546	38.8%

The Company has recorded a deferred tax asset of \$31.3 million at March 31, 2016, which is included in "Other assets" in the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition. This represents the anticipated net federal, state and local tax benefits expected to be realized in future years upon the utilization of the underlying tax attributes comprising this balance. The Company has reported taxable income for federal, state, and local tax purposes in each of the past three fiscal years. In management's opinion, in view of the Company's previous, current and projected future earnings trend, the probability that some of the Company's \$23.5 million deferred tax liability can be used to offset a portion of the deferred tax asset, as well as certain tax planning strategies, it is more likely than not that the deferred tax asset will be fully realized. Accordingly, no valuation allowance was deemed necessary for the deferred tax asset at March 31, 2016.



### 14. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income:

The following table sets forth the changes in accumulated other comprehensive income by component for the three months ended March 31, 2016:

	and (I Availa	ized Gains Losses) on ble for Sale ecurities	Per	ned Benefit nsion Items	Total
			(In i	thousands)	
Beginning balance, net of tax	\$	(521)	\$	(5,041)	\$ (5,562)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications, net of tax		6,770		-	\$ 6,770
				102	102
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax		-		103	 103
Net current period other comprehensive income, net of tax		6,770		103	6,873
Ending balance, net of tax	\$	6,249	\$	(4,938)	\$ 1,311

The following table sets forth the changes in accumulated other comprehensive income by component for the three months ended March 31, 2015:

	Unrealize and (Los Available Secu	ses) on for Sale	Pen	ned Benefit sion Items housands)	Total
Beginning balance, net of tax	\$	3,392	\$	(6,299)	\$ (2,907)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications, net of tax		4,332		-	\$ 4,332
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax		-		168	 168
Net current period other comprehensive income, net of tax		4,332		168	4,500
Ending balance, net of tax	\$	7,724	\$	(6,131)	\$ 1,593

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The following tables set forth significant amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income by component for the periods indicated:

	For the three months	s ended March 31, 201	6
Details about Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income Components	Accu Compr	s Reclassified from umulated Other rehensive Income <i>n thousands)</i>	Affected Line Item in the Statement Where Net Income is Presented
Amortization of defined benefit pension items:			
Actuarial losses	\$	(192) (1)	Other expense
Prior service credits		11 (1)	Other expense
		(181)	Total before tax
		78	Tax benefit
	¢	(102)	Net of tax
	For the three months	(103) s ended March 31, 201	
Details about Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income Components	Amounts Accu Compr	s ended March 31, 201 s Reclassified from imulated Other rehensive Income	
Comprehensive Income Components	Amounts Accu Compr	s ended March 31, 201 s Reclassified from imulated Other	5 Affected Line Item in the Statement
	Amounts Accu Compr	s ended March 31, 201 s Reclassified from umulated Other rehensive Income n thousands)	5 Affected Line Item in the Statement Where Net Income is Presented
Comprehensive Income Components Amortization of defined benefit pension items: Actuarial losses	Amounts Accu <u>Compr</u> (In	s ended March 31, 201 s Reclassified from umulated Other rehensive Income <i>n thousands</i> ) (307) (1)	5 Affected Line Item in the Statement
Comprehensive Income Components Amortization of defined benefit pension items:	Amounts Accu <u>Compr</u> (In	s ended March 31, 201 s Reclassified from umulated Other rehensive Income <i>n thousands)</i> (307) (1) 11 (1)	5 Affected Line Item in the Statement Where Net Income is Presented Other expense
Comprehensive Income Components Amortization of defined benefit pension items: Actuarial losses	Amounts Accu <u>Compr</u> (In	s ended March 31, 201 s Reclassified from umulated Other rehensive Income <i>n thousands</i> ) (307) (1)	5 Affected Line Item in the Statement Where Net Income is Presented Other expense Other expense

(1) These accumulated other comprehensive income components are included in the computation of net periodic pension cost (See Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements "Pension and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans".)

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#### 15. Regulatory Capital

Under current capital regulations, the Bank is required to comply with four separate capital adequacy standards. As of March 31, 2016, the Bank continues to be categorized as "well-capitalized" under the prompt corrective action regulations and continues to exceed all regulatory capital requirements. In 2016, a Capital Conservation Buffer ("CCB") requirement became effective for banks. The CCB is designed to establish a capital range above minimum capital requirements and impose constraints on dividends, share buybacks and discretionary bonus payments when capital levels fall below prescribed levels. The minimum CCB in 2016 is 0.625% and increases 0.625% annually through 2019 to 2.5%. The CCB for the Bank at March 31, 2016 was 5.1%.

Set forth below is a summary of the Bank's compliance with banking regulatory capital standards.

	March 31,	, 2016	December 31, 2015			
		Percent of		Percent of		
	Amount	Assets	Amount	Assets		
		usands)				
Tier I (leverage) capital:						
Capital level	\$ 498,308	8.65% \$	494,690	8.89%		
Requirement to be well capitalized	288,017	5.00	278,175	5.00		
Excess	210,291	3.65	216,515	3.89		
Common Equity Tier I risk-based capital:						
Capital level	\$ 498,308	12.51% \$	494,690	12.62		
Requirement to be well capitalized	258,947	6.50	254,768	6.50		
Excess	239,361	6.01	239,922	6.12		
Tier 1 risk-based capital:						
Capital level	\$ 498,308	12.51% \$	494,690	12.62%		
Requirement to be well capitalized	318,703	8.00	313,560	8.00		
Excess	179,605	4.51	181,130	4.62		
Total risk-based capital:						
Capital level	\$ 520,300	13.06% \$	516,226	13.17%		
Requirement to be well capitalized	398,379	10.00	391,950	10.00		
Excess	121,921	3.06	124,276	3.17		

The Holding Company is subject to the same regulatory capital requirements as the Bank. As of March 31, 2016, the Holding Company continues to be categorized as "well-capitalized" under the prompt corrective action regulations and continues to exceed all regulatory capital requirements. The CCB for the Holding Company at March 31, 2016 was 5.1%.

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Set forth below is a summary of the Holding Company's compliance with banking regulatory capital standards.

	March 31	, 2016	December	31, 2015
		Percent of		Percent of
	Amount	Assets	Amount	Assets
		(Dollars in tho	usands)	
Tier I (leverage) capital:				
Capital level	\$ 497,698	8.65% \$	490,919	8.84%
Requirement to be well capitalized	287,543	5.00	277,611	5.00
Excess	210,155	3.65	213,308	3.84
Common Equity Tier I risk-based capital:				
Capital level	\$ 470,685	11.84% \$	462,883	11.83
Requirement to be well capitalized	258,443	6.50	254,335	6.50
Excess	212,242	5.34	208,548	5.33
Tier 1 risk-based capital:				
Capital level	\$ 497,698	12.52% \$	490,919	12.55%
Requirement to be well capitalized	318,084	8.00	313,028	8.00
Excess	179,614	4.52	177,891	4.55
Total risk-based capital:				
Capital level	\$ 519,691	13.07% \$	512,454	13.10%
Requirement to be well capitalized	397,605	10.00	391,285	10.00
Excess	122,086	3.07	121,169	3.10

#### 16. New Authoritative Accounting Pronouncements

In March 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-09, "Compensation – Stock Compensation" which introduces targeted amendments intended to simplify the accounting for stock compensation. Specifically, the ASU requires all excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies (including tax benefits of dividends on share-based payment awards) to be recognized as income tax expense or benefit in the income statement. The tax effects of exercised or vested awards should be treated as discrete items in the reporting period in which they occur. An entity also should recognize excess tax benefits, and assess the need for a valuation allowance, regardless of whether the benefit reduces taxes payable in the current period. That is, off balance sheet accounting for net operating losses stemming from excess tax benefits would no longer be required and instead such net operating losses would be recognized when they arise. Existing net operating losses that are currently tracked off balance sheet would be recognized, net of a valuation allowance if required, through an adjustment to opening retained earnings in the period of adoption. Entities will no longer need to maintain and track an additional paid in capital pool. The ASU elevates the statutory tax withholding threshold to qualify for equity classification up to the maximum statutory tax rates in the applicable jurisdiction(s). The ASU also clarifies that cash paid by an employer when directly withholding shares for tax withholding purposes should be classified as a financing activity. The ASU provides an optional accounting policy election (with limited exceptions), to be applied on an entity-wide basis, to either estimate the number of awards that are expected to vest (consistent with existing U.S. GAAP) or account for forfeitures when they occur. The amendments are effective for public business entities for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those annual periods. Early



In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, "Leases". From the lessee's perspective, the new standard establishes a right-of-use ("ROU") model that requires a lesse to record a ROU asset and a lease liability on the balance sheet for all leases with terms longer than 12 months. Leases will be classified as either finance or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement for a lessee. From the lessor's perspective, the new standard requires a lessor to classify leases as either sales-type, finance or operating. A lease will be treated as a sale if it transfers all of the risks and rewards, as well as control of the underlying asset, to the lessee. If risks and rewards are conveyed without the transfer of control, the lease is treated as a financing. If the lessor doesn't convey risks and rewards or control, an operating lease results. The new standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. A modified retrospective transition approach is required for lessees for capital and operating leases existing at, or entered into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements, with certain practical expedients available. A modified retrospective transition approach is required into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements, with certain practical expedients available. A modified retrospective transition approach is required into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements, with certain practical expedients available. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting this new guidance on our consolidated results of operations and financial condition.

In January 2016, FASB issued ASU No. 2016-01 "Financial Instruments" which requires an entity to: (i) measure equity investments at fair value through net income, with certain exceptions; (ii) present in other comprehensive income the changes in instrument-specific credit risk for financial liabilities measured using the fair value option; (iii) present financial assets and financial liabilities by measurement category and form of financial asset; (iv) calculate the fair value of financial instruments for disclosure purposes based on an exit price and; (v) assess a valuation allowance on deferred tax assets related to unrealized losses of available for sale debt securities in combination with other deferred tax assets. The ASU provides an election to subsequently measure certain nonmarketable equity investments at cost less any impairment and adjusted for certain observable price changes. The ASU also requires a qualitative impairment assessment of such equity investments and amends certain fair value disclosure requirements. The amendments are effective for public business entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is not permitted for the changes that affect the Company. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting this new guidance on our consolidated results of operations and financial condition.

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# ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

This Quarterly Report should be read in conjunction with the more detailed and comprehensive disclosures included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. In addition, please read this section in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contained herein.

As used in this Quarterly Report, the words "we," "us," "our" and the "Company" are used to refer to Flushing Financial Corporation and its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, Flushing Bank (the "Bank"), Flushing Preferred Funding Corporation, Flushing Service Corporation, and FSB Properties Inc.

Statements contained in this Quarterly Report relating to plans, strategies, objectives, economic performance and trends, projections of results of specific activities or investments and other statements that are not descriptions of historical facts may be forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking information is inherently subject to risks and uncertainties and actual results could differ materially from those currently anticipated due to a number of factors, which include, but are not limited to, factors discussed elsewhere in this Quarterly Report and in other documents filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including, without limitation, our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. Forward-looking statements may be identified by terms such as "may," "will," "should," "could," "expects," "plans," "intends," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "forecasts," "potential" or "continue" or similar terms or the negative of these terms. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. We have no obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

#### **Executive Summary**

We are a Delaware corporation organized in May 1994. The Bank was organized in 1929 as a New York State-chartered mutual savings bank. The Bank converted from a federally chartered mutual savings bank to a federally chartered stock savings bank on November 21, 1995, at which time Flushing Financial Corporation acquired all of the stock of the Bank. In 2013, the Bank's charter was changed to a full-service New York State chartered commercial bank, and its name was changed to Flushing Bank. As a result of the Bank's charge in charter to a full-service New York State chartered commercial bank, the Bank's primary regulator became the New York State Department of Financial Services, and its primary federal regulator became the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). Deposits are insured to the maximum allowable amount by the FDIC. Additionally, the Bank is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank system. The primary business of Flushing Financial Corporation has been the operation of the Bank. The Bank owns three subsidiaries: Flushing Preferred Funding Corporation, Flushing Service Corporation, and FSB Properties Inc. The Bank also operates an internet branch, iGObanking.com <sup>®</sup>. The activities of Flushing Financial Corporation if any, received from the Bank, issuances of junior subordinated debt, and issuances of equity securities. Flushing Financial Corporation's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "FFIC."

Our principal business is attracting retail deposits from the general public and investing those deposits together with funds generated from ongoing operations and borrowings, primarily in (1) originations and purchases of multi-family residential loans, commercial business loans, commercial real estate mortgage loans and, to a lesser extent, one-to-four family loans (focusing on mixed-use properties, which are properties that contain both residential dwelling units and commercial units); (2) construction loans, primarily for residential properties; (3) Small Business Administration ("SBA") loans and other small business loans; (4) mortgage loan surrogates such as mortgage-backed securities; and (5) U.S. government securities, corporate fixed-income securities and other marketable securities. We also originate certain other consumer loans including overdraft lines of credit. Our results of operations depend primarily on net interest income, which is the difference between the income earned on its interest-earning assets and the cost of our interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest income is the result of our interest rate margin, which is the difference between the average yield earned on interest-earning assets and the average cost of interest-bearing liabilities, adjusted for the difference in the average balance of interest-earning assets as compared to the average balance of interest-bearing liabilities. We also generate non-interest income from loan fees, service charges on deposit accounts, mortgage servicing fees, and other fees, income earned on Bank Owned Life Insurance ("BOLI"), dividends on Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock and net gains and losses on sales of securities and loans. Our operating expenses consist principally of employee compensation and benefits, occupancy and equipment costs, other general and administrative expenses and income tax expense. Our results of operations also can be significantly affected by our periodic provision for loan losses and specific provision for losses



Our strategy is to continue our focus on being an institution serving consumers, businesses, and governmental units in our local markets. In furtherance of this objective, we intend to:

- continue our emphasis on the origination of multi-family residential mortgage loans, commercial business loans and commercial real estate mortgage loans;
- increase our commitment to the multi-cultural marketplace, with a particular focus on the Asian community in Queens;
- maintain asset quality;
- manage deposit growth and maintain a low cost of funds through
  - business banking deposits,
  - personal accounts,
  - municipal deposits through government banking, and
  - new customer relationships via iGObanking.com®;
- cross sell to lending and deposit customers;
- take advantage of market disruptions to attract talent and customers from competitors;
- manage interest rate risk and capital; and
- manage enterprise-wide risk.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to effectively implement this strategy. Our strategy is subject to change by the Board of Directors.

Our investment policy, which is approved by the Board of Directors, is designed primarily to manage the interest rate sensitivity of our overall assets and liabilities, to generate a favorable return without incurring undue interest rate risk and credit risk, to complement our lending activities and to provide and maintain liquidity. In establishing our investment strategies, we consider our business and growth strategies, the economic environment, our interest rate risk exposure, our interest rate sensitivity "gap" position, the types of securities to be held and other factors. We classify our investment securities as available for sale or held-to-maturity.

We carry a portion of our financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value and record changes in their fair value through earnings in non-interest income on our Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income. A description of the financial assets and financial liabilities that are carried at fair value through earnings can be found in Note 11 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

The first quarter of 2016 continued the trend of improving credit quality, as we continued to see improvements in non-performing assets. Non-performing assets were \$29.9 million at March 31, 2016, which was a decrease of \$1.1 million, or 3.6%, from December 31, 2015. Non-accrual loans decreased \$0.7 million, or 3.1%, during the first quarter to \$22.1 million, and are at their lowest level since the third quarter of 2008. During the first quarter of 2016 we sold nine delinquent loans for proceeds totaling \$2.4 million, realizing a gain on sale of \$23,000. Net recoveries for the three months ended March 31, 2016 were \$0.5 million. Our strong underwriting standards coupled with our practice of obtaining updated appraisals and recording charge-offs, when necessary, has resulted in a 40.6% average loan-to-value ratio on our collateral dependent loans reviewed for impairment at March 31, 2016.

Net loans increased \$70.1 million, or 1.6%, during the first quarter of 2016. Loan originations and purchases for the three months ended March 31, 2016 totaled \$229.2 million. The quarter included the purchase of \$12.0 million in commercial business loans, at a yield of 3.63%. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, originations and purchases were primarily multi-family real estate, commercial real estate and commercial business loans as originations and purchases of these loan types accounted for 84.5% of the quarter's originations. The weighted average yield on loan originations and purchases increased to 3.77% for the first quarter of 2016 from 3.68% and 3.55% for the quarters ended December 31, 2015 and March 31, 2015, respectively. Loan applications in process increased 32.1% during the three months ended March 31, 2016 to \$436.5 million from \$330.5 million at December 31, 2015.

Our net interest margin for the first quarter of 2016 was 3.00%, an increase of two basis points from the trailing quarter. Included in net interest income are prepayment penalties and interest recovered from non-accrual loans. The first quarter of 2016 had an elevated level of prepayment penalty income, while interest recovered from non-accrual loans was slightly above in the trailing quarter. Absent these two items in both periods, the net interest margin would have decreased by one basis point to 2.83% for the first quarter of 2016 from 2.84% for the fourth quarter of 2015.

At March 31, 2016, the Bank was considered to be well-capitalized under all regulatory requirements, with Tier 1 leverage, Common Equity Tier 1, Tier 1 Riskbased, and Total Risk-based capital ratios of 8.65%, 12.51%, 12.51% and 13.06%, respectively. The Company also is subject to the same regulatory requirements. At March 31, 2016, the Company's capital ratios for Tier 1 leverage, Common Equity Tier 1, Tier 1 Risk-based, and Total Risk-based capital ratios were 8.65%, 11.84%, 12.52% and 13.07%, respectively.

#### COMPARISON OF OPERATING RESULTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2016 AND 2015

*General.* Net income for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$9.6 million, an increase of \$0.8 million, or 9.5%, compared to \$8.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Diluted earnings per common share were \$0.33 for the three months ended March 31, 2016, an increase of \$0.03, or 10.0%, from \$0.30 for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

Return on average equity increased to 8.0% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from 7.6% for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Return on average assets was 0.7% for both the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015.

*Interest Income.* Total interest and dividend income increased \$4.8 million, or 9.7%, to \$54.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from \$49.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase in interest income was primarily attributable to an increase of \$629.1 million in the average balance of interest-earning assets to \$5,490.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from \$4,861.6 million for the comparable prior year period, partially offset by a decrease of 12 basis points in the yield of interest-earning assets to 3.96% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from 4.08% in the comparable prior year period. The decline in the yield on interest-earning assets of 12 basis points was primarily due to a 20 basis point reduction in the yield of total loans, net to 4.33% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from 4.53% for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The yield on interest-earning assets was positively impacted by an increase of \$541.6 million in the average balance of higher yielding total loans, net to \$4,389.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, from 2.47% for the comparable prior year period. The 20 basis point decrease in the yield on the total loans, net was primarily due to the decline in the rates earned on new loan originations and purchases, as compared to the existing portfolio, loans modifying to lower rates, and higher yielding loans prepaying. The 17 basis point increase in the yield on the securities portfolio was primarily due to the current year including \$62.1 million in purchases at an average yield of 2.88%. Excluding prepayment penalty income and recovered interest from loans, the yield on total loans, net, would have decreased 21 basis points to 4.13% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from 4.34% for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

*Interest Expense.* Interest expense increased \$1.2 million, or 10.4%, to \$13.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from \$12.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase in interest expense was primarily due to an increase of \$569.7 million in the average balance of interest-bearing liabilities to \$4,959.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, from \$4,389.8 million for the comparable prior year period, partially offset by a decrease of two basis points in the cost of interest-bearing liabilities to 1.07% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from 1.09% for the comparable prior year period. The decline in the cost of interest-bearing liabilities of two basis points was primarily due to a decrease of 19 basis points in the cost of certificates of deposit. The decrease in the cost of certificates of deposit was primarily due to maturing issuances being replaced at lower rates. This decrease was partially offset by increases of 20 basis points, four basis points and four basis points in the cost of money market, savings, NOW accounts and borrowed funds, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from the comparable prior year period. The cost of savings accounts increased as we increased the rate we pay on some of our savings products to attract additional deposits. The cost of NOW accounts increase in the rate we pay on our premium checking product. The cost of borrowed funds increased ue to maturing issuances being replaced at higher rates, as we look to extend the term of our borrowings. Additionally, the cost of interest-bearing liabilities was reduced by an increase in the average balance of lower costing core deposits during the three months ended March 31, 2016 to \$2,342.1 million for the second funds and certificates of deposit, respectively, during the three months ended March 31, 2016 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2016 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2016.



*Net Interest Income.* For the three months ended March 31, 2016, net interest income was \$41.1 million, an increase of \$3.6 million, or 9.5%, from \$37.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase in net interest income was primarily due to an increase of \$629.1 million in the average balance of interest-earning assets to \$5,490.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from \$4,861.6 million for the comparable prior year period. The yield earned on interest-earning assets decreased 12 basis points to 3.96% for the quarter ended March 31, 2016 from 4.08% for the comparable prior year period. The cost of interest-bearing liabilities decreased two basis points to 1.07% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 as compared to 1.09% for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The effects of the above on both the net interest spread and net interest margin was a decrease of 10 basis points to 2.89% and a decrease of nine basis points to 3.00%, respectively, for the quarter ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 totaling \$2.2 million and \$1.2 million, respectively, along with recovered interest from non-accrual loans totaling \$0.1 million and \$0.6 million, respectively. Without the prepayment penalty income and recovered interest, the net interest margin for the three months ended March 31, 2016 would have been 2.83%, a decrease of 11 basis points, as compared to 2.94% for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

*Benefit for Loan Losses.* During the three months ended March 31, 2016 no provision for loan losses was recorded compared to a benefit of \$0.7 million recorded during the comparable prior year period. No provision was recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2016 due to the quarterly analysis of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses indicating that the reserve was at an appropriate level. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Bank recorded net recoveries totaling \$0.5 million, as we continue to see improvement in credit conditions. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, non-accrual loans decreased \$0.7 million to \$22.1 million from \$22.8 million at December 31, 2015. The current average loan-to-value ratio for our non-performing loans collateralized by real estate was 42.1% at March 31, 2016. When we have obtained properties through foreclosure, we have been able to sell the properties at amounts that approximate book value. The Bank continues to maintain conservative underwriting standards. We anticipate that we will continue to see low loss content in our loan portfolio. See "-ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES."

*Non-Interest Income.* Non-interest income for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$2.5 million, an increase of \$0.6 million, or 31.6%, from \$1.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase in non-interest income was primarily due to net gains of \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million from life insurance proceeds and from the sale of loans, respectively.

*Non-Interest Expense.* Non-interest expense was \$28.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, an increase of \$2.6 million, or 9.9%, from \$25.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The increase in non-interest expense was primarily due to an increase of \$1.6 million in salaries and benefits primarily due to annual salary increases and additions in staffing in retail, audit and compliance departments, as well as increases in production incentives and the cost of split dollar life insurance benefits. The first quarter also included an increase of \$0.8 million in other operating expenses, primarily due to increased compliance costs and an increase of \$0.4 million in professional services expense from increase legal and consulting expenses. Additionally, the first quarter included an increase of \$0.4 million in depreciation and amortization expense, primarily due to the opening of two new branches along with the move to our new corporate headquarters both occurring in 2015. The three months ended March 31, 2015 included \$0.5 million in one-time expenses stemming from ATM fraud losses. The efficiency ratio improved to 64.5% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from 64.9% for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

*Income before Income Taxes.* Income before the provision for income taxes increased \$0.9 million, or 6.3%, to \$15.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from \$14.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015 for the reasons discussed above.

*Provision for Income Taxes.* The provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$5.6 million, an increase of \$0.1 million, or 1.2%, from \$5.5 million for the comparable prior year period. The increase was primarily due to an increase of \$0.9 million, or 6.3%, in income before income taxes, partially offset by a reduction in the effective tax rate to 37.0% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 from 38.8% in the comparable prior year period. The decrease in the effective tax rate reflects the impact of a change in New York City tax law enacted in 2015, which based on the Company's lending mix and certain other factors, reduced our New York City tax liability. Additionally, the decrease in the effective tax rate reflects the greater impact that preferential tax items had on the Company's tax liability during the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2015.



#### **FINANCIAL CONDITION**

*Assets.* Total assets at March 31, 2016 were \$5,813.1 million, an increase of \$108.4 million, or 1.9%, from \$5,704.6 million at December 31, 2015. Total loans, net increased \$70.1 million, or 1.6%, during the three months ended March 31, 2016 to \$4,436.5 million from \$4,366.4 million at December 31, 2015. Loan originations and purchases were \$229.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, a decrease of \$77.3 million from \$306.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, we continued to focus on the origination of multi-family residential, commercial real estate and commercial business loans with a full relationship. The loan pipeline totaled \$436.5 million at March 31, 2016 compared to \$330.5 million at December 31, 2015.

The following table shows loan originations and purchases for the periods indicated:

	 For the three months ended March 31,								
(In thousands)	 2016		2015						
Multi-family residential <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 69,643	\$	126,746						
Commercial real estate <sup>(2)</sup>	62,137		86,395						
One-to-four family – mixed-use property	18,245		14,981						
One-to-four family – residential	9,493		13,103						
Construction	1,687		542						
Small Business Administration	6,001		1,248						
Commercial business and other <sup>(3)</sup>	62,034		63,507						
Total	\$ 229,240	\$	306,522						

(1) Includes purchases of \$99.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

(2) Includes purchases of \$12.0 million and \$11.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

(3) Includes purchases of \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

The Bank maintains its conservative underwriting standards that include, among other things, a loan-to-value ratio of 75% or less and a debt coverage ratio of at least 125%. Multi-family residential, commercial real estate and one-to-four family mixed-use property mortgage loans originated during the first quarter of 2016 had an average loan-to-value ratio of 38.7% and an average debt coverage ratio of 248%.

The Bank's non-performing assets totaled \$29.9 million at March 31, 2016, a decrease of \$1.1 million from \$31.0 million at December 31, 2015. Total nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets were 0.51% at March 31, 2015 compared to 0.54% at December 31, 2015. The ratio of allowance for loan losses to total non-performing loans was 86.9% at March 31, 2016 and 82.6% at December 31, 2015. See – "TROUBLED DEBT RESTRUCUTURED AND NON-PERFORMING ASSETS."

During the three months ended March 31, 2016, mortgage-backed securities decreased \$0.3 million to \$668.4 million from \$668.7 million at December 31, 2015. The decrease in mortgage-backed securities during the three months ended March 31, 2016 was primarily due to principal repayments of \$21.3 million and the amortization of premiums totaling \$0.6 million, which were partially offset by an increase of \$11.5 million in the fair value of mortgage-backed securities and purchases of \$10.1 million at an average yield of 2.63%.

During the three months ended March 31, 2016, other securities, including securities held-to-maturity, increased \$49.9 million, or 15.1%, to \$380.7 million from \$330.8 million at December 31, 2015. The increase in other securities during the three months ended March 31, 2016 was primarily due to purchases of \$52.1 million at an average yield of 2.93% and an increase of \$0.4 million in the fair value of other securities, which was partially offset by maturities totaling \$2.0 million and the amortization of premiums totaling \$0.7 million. Other securities primarily consist of securities issued by mutual or bond funds that invest in government agency securities, municipal bonds, collateralized loan obligations and corporate bonds.



*Liabilities.* Total liabilities were \$5,325.3 million at March 31, 2016, an increase of \$93.7 million, or 1.8%, from \$5,231.6 million at December 31, 2015. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, due to depositors increased \$151.6 million, or 3.9%, to \$4,007.3 million, due to an increase of \$192.8 million in core deposits, which was partially offset by a decrease of \$41.2 million in certificates of deposit. The increase in core deposits was due to increases of \$162.2 million, \$13.3 million, \$11.0 million and \$6.3 million in NOW, money market, demand and savings accounts, respectively. Borrowed funds decreased \$80.9 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016. The decrease in borrowed funds was primarily due to a net decrease in short-term borrowings totaling \$90.0 million at an average cost of 0.53% and the maturity of \$71.7 million in long-term borrowings at an average cost of 0.93%, which was partially offset by the addition of \$81.8 million in long-term borrowings at an average cost of 1.49%.

*Equity.* Total stockholders' equity increased \$14.7 million, or 3.1%, to \$487.8 million at March 31, 2016 from \$473.1 million at December 31, 2015. Stockholders' equity increased primarily due to net income of \$9.6 million, an increase in other comprehensive income totaling \$6.9 million, primarily due to an increase in the fair value of the securities portfolio and the net impact totaling \$3.6 million from the vesting and exercising of shares of employee and director stock plans. These increases were partially offset by the declaration and payment of dividends on the Company's common stock of \$0.17 per common share totaling \$5.0 million and the purchase of 15,300 treasury shares, at an average price of \$19.82 per share, for a total cost of \$0.3 million. Book value per common share was \$16.83 at March 31, 2016 compared to \$16.41 at December 31, 2015.

*Cash flow.* During the three months ended March 31, 2016, funds provided by the Company's operating activities amounted to \$16.6 million. These funds combined with \$84.6 million provided from financing activities were utilized to fund net investing activities of \$92.2 million. The Company's primary business objective is the origination and purchase of multi-family residential loans, commercial business loans and commercial real estate mortgage loans and to a lesser extent one-to-four family (including mixed-use properties) and SBA loans. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the net total of loan originations and purchases less loan repayments and sales was \$59.9 million. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company also funded \$58.5 million in purchases of securities available for sale. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, funds were provided by a net increase in total deposits of \$171.1 million and long-term borrowed funds of \$81.8 million. Additionally, funds were provided by \$21.3 million in proceeds from maturities, sales, calls and prepayments of securities available for sale. In addition to funding loan growth, these funds were used to repay \$90.0 million in short-term borrowings and \$71.7 million in long-term borrowings. The Company also used funds of \$5.0 million and \$1.9 million for dividend payments and purchases of treasury stock, respectively, during the three months ended March 31, 2016.

# **INTEREST RATE RISK**

The Consolidated Statements of Financial Position have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America, which require the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering the changes in fair value of certain investments due to changes in interest rates. Generally, the fair value of financial investments such as loans and securities fluctuates inversely with changes in interest rates. As a result, increases in interest rates could result in decreases in the fair value of the Company's interest-earning assets which could adversely affect the Company's results of operations if such assets were sold, or, in the case of securities classified as available-for-sale, decreases in the Company's stockholders' equity, if such securities were retained.

The Company manages the mix of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities on a continuous basis to maximize return and adjust its exposure to interest rate risk. On a quarterly basis, management prepares the "Earnings and Economic Exposure to Changes in Interest Rate" report for review by the Board of Directors, as summarized below. This report quantifies the potential changes in net interest income and net portfolio value should interest rates go up or down (shocked) 200 basis points, assuming the yield curves of the rate shocks will be parallel to each other. The Company's regulators currently place focus on the net portfolio value, focusing on a rate shock up or down of 200 basis points. Net portfolio value is defined as the market value of assets net of the market value of liabilities. The market value of assets and liabilities is determined using a discounted cash flow calculation. The net portfolio value ratio is the ratio of the net portfolio value to the market value of assets. All changes in income and value are measured as percentage changes from the projected net interest income and net portfolio value at the base interest rate scenario. The base interest rate scenario assumes interest rates at March 31, 2016. Various estimates regarding prepayment assumptions are made at each level of rate shock. However, prepayment penalty income is excluded from this analysis. Actual results could differ significantly from these estimates. At March 31, 2016, the Company was within the guidelines set forth by the Board of Directors for each interest rate level.



The following table presents the Company's interest rate shock as of March 31, 2016:

	Projected Perce		
	Net Interest	Net Portfolio	
Change in Interest Rate	Income	Value	Value Ratio
-200 Basis points	-2.61%	6.11%	11.12%
-100 Basis points	0.14	5.68	11.24
Base interest rate	0.00	0.00	10.92
+100 Basis points	-4.26	-10.79	10.04
+200 Basis points	-9.00	-23.57	8.88

# AVERAGE BALANCES

Net interest income represents the difference between income on interest-earning assets and expense on interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest income depends upon the relative amount of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and the interest rate earned or paid on them. The following table sets forth certain information relating to the Company's Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition and Consolidated Statements of Income for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, and reflects the average yield on assets and average cost of liabilities for the periods indicated. Such yields and costs are derived by dividing income or expense by the average balance of assets or liabilities, respectively, for the periods shown. Average balances are derived from average daily balances. The yields include amortization of fees which are considered adjustments to yields.

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					For the three r	nonths ended			
			Mar	ch 31, 2016					
		Average			Yield/	Average			Yield/
		Balance		Interest	Cost	Balance		Interest	Cost
Interest-earning assets:					(Dollars in	thousands)			
Mortgage loans, net <sup>(1)</sup>	¢	3,839,325	\$	42,454	1 129/	\$ 3,358,603	\$	39,440	4.70%
Other loans, net <sup>(1)</sup>	ф		Φ	,			ф		
		550,006		5,104	3.71	489,117		4,094	3.35
Total loans, net		4,389,331		47,558	4.33	3,847,720		43,534	4.53
Taxable securities:		(50 5()		4 1 5 4	0.50	500 505		1 2 0 1	2 40
Mortgage-backed securities		658,764		4,174	2.53	702,507		4,381	2.49
Other securities		229,991		1,745	3.03	129,943		720	2.22
Total taxable securities		888,755		5,919	2.66	832,450		5,101	2.45
Tax-exempt securities: <sup>(2)</sup>									
Other securities		127,355		792	2.49	137,987		887	2.57
Total tax-exempt securities		127,355		792	2.49	137,987		887	2.57
Interest-earning deposits and federal funds sold		85,273		94	0.44	43,485		21	0.19
Total interest-earning assets		5,490,714		54,363	3.96	4,861,642		49,543	4.08
Other assets		284,036				271,317			
Total assets	\$	5,774,750	-			\$ 5,132,959			
Interest-bearing liabilities: Deposits:	¢	2(2,442		200	0.45	¢ 2(( 200		264	0.40
Savings accounts	\$	262,443		298	0.45	\$ 266,208		264	0.40
NOW accounts		1,621,779		1,922	0.47	1,451,446		1,550	0.43
Money market accounts		457,895		606	0.53	304,662		253	0.33
Certificate of deposit accounts		1,404,151		5,121	1.46	1,297,766		5,368	1.65
Total due to depositors		3,746,268		7,947	0.85	3,320,082		7,435	0.90
Mortgagors' escrow accounts		49,947		26	0.21	47,840		23	0.19
Total interest-bearing deposits		3,796,215		7,973	0.84	3,367,922		7,458	0.89
Borrowings		1,163,348		5,257	1.81	1,021,920		4,531	1.77
Total interest-bearing liabilities		4,959,563		13,230	1.07	4,389,842		11,989	1.09
Non interest-bearing demand deposits		273,937				233,685			
Other liabilities		61,826				49,327			
Total liabilities		5,295,326	_			4,672,854			
Equity		479,424				460,105			
Total liabilities and equity	\$	5,774,750	_			\$ 5,132,959			
Net interest income /net interest rate spread			\$	41,133	2.89%		\$	37,554	2.99%
Net interest-earning assets / net interest margin	\$	531,151	_		3.00%	\$ 471,800	_		3.09%
Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities					1.11X				1.11X

Loan interest income includes loan fee income (which includes net amortization of deferred fees and costs, late charges, and prepayment penalties) of approximately \$1.5 million and \$0.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Interest income on tax-exempt securities does not include the tax benefit of the tax-exempt securities. (1)

(2)

# LOANS

The following table sets forth the Company's loan originations (including the net effect of refinancing) and the changes in the Company's portfolio of loans, including purchases, sales and principal reductions for the periods indicated.

	]	For the three month					
(In thousands)		2016		2015			
Mortgage Loans							
At beginning of period	\$	3,832,914	\$	3,321,501			
Mortgage loans originated:							
Multi-family residential		69,643		26,857			
Commercial real estate		50,137		75,427			
One-to-four family – mixed-use property		18,245		14,981			
One-to-four family – residential		9,493		13,103			
Construction		1,687		542			
Total mortgage loans originated		149,205		130,910			
Mortgage loans purchased:							
Multi-family residential		-		99,889			
Commercial real estate		12,000		10,968			
Total mortgage loans purchased		12,000		110,857			
Less:							
Principal and other reductions		115,335		84,235			
Sales		2,304		1,427			
At end of period	\$	3,876,480	\$	3,477,606			
Non-Mortgage Loans							
At beginning of period	\$	539,697	\$	477,153			
Other loans originated:							
Small Business Administration		6,001		1,248			
Commercial business		61,620		62,538			
Other		414		530			
Total other loans originated		68,035		64,316			
Other loans purchased:							
Other		-		439			
Total other loans purchased		-		439			
Less:							
Principal and other reductions		37,741		34,734			
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Sales		3,211					

# TROUBLED DEBT RESTRUCUTURED ("TDR") AND NON-PERFORMING ASSETS

Management continues to adhere to the Company's conservative underwriting standards. The majority of the Company's non-performing loans are collateralized by residential income producing properties that are occupied, thereby retaining more of their value and reducing the potential loss. At times, the Company may restructure a loan to enable a borrower to continue making payments when it is deemed to be in the best long-term interest of the Company. This restructure may include making concessions to the borrower that the Company would not make in the normal course of business, such as reducing the interest rate until the next reset date, extending the amortization period thereby lowering the monthly payments, or changing the loan to interest only payments for a limited time period. At times, certain problem loans have been restructured by combining more than one of these options. The Company believes that restructuring these loans in this manner will allow certain borrowers to become and remain current on their loans. The Company classifies these loans as TDR. Loans which have been current for six consecutive months at the time they are restructured as TDR remain on accrual status. Loans which were delinquent at the time they are not performing in accordance with the restructured terms are excluded from the TDR table below, as they are placed on non-accrual status and reported as non-performing loans.

The following table shows loans classified as TDR that are performing according to their restructured terms at the periods indicated:

<i>In thousands)</i>		March 31, 2016	De	cember 31, 2015
Accrual Status:				
Multi-family residential	\$	2,611	\$	2,626
Commercial real estate		2,358		2,371
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		2,042		2,052
One-to-four family - residential		341		343
Small business administration		32		34
Commercial business and other		2,038		2,083
Total performing troubled debt restructured	\$	9,422	\$	9,509

Interest income on loans is recognized on the accrual basis. The accrual of income on loans is discontinued when certain factors, such as contractual delinquency of 90 days or more, indicate reasonable doubt as to the timely collectability of such income. Additionally, uncollected interest previously recognized on non-accrual loans is reversed from interest income at the time the loan is placed on non-accrual status. Loans in default 90 days or more, as to their maturity date but not their payments, continue to accrue interest as long as the borrower continues to remit monthly payments.

The following table shows non-performing assets at the periods indicated:

(In thousands)	Ν	larch 31, 2016	De	cember 31, 2015
Loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing:				
Multi-family residential	\$	792	\$	233
Commercial real estate		1,083		1,183
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		743		611
One-to-four family - residential		13		13
Construction		570		1,000
Commercial business and other		-		220
Total		3,201		3,260
Non-accrual loans:				
Multi-family residential		3,518		3,561
Commercial real estate		3,295		2,398
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		5,519		5,952
One-to-four family - residential		8,861		10,120
Small business administration		201		218
Taxi Medallion		196		-
Commercial business and other		511		568
Total		22,101		22,817
Total non-performing loans		25,302		26,077
Other non-performing assets:				
Real estate acquired through foreclosure		4,602		4,932
Total		4,602		4,932
Total non-performing assets	<u>\$</u>	29,904	\$	31,009
Non-performing assets to total assets		0.51%		0.54%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans		86.90%		82.60%

Included in loans over 90 days past due and still accruing were nine loans totaling \$3.2 million and ten loans totaling \$3.3 million at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively, which are past their respective maturity dates and are still remitting payments. The Bank is actively working with these borrowers to extend the loans maturity or repay these loans.

Included in non-performing loans was one loan totaling \$0.4 million at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 which was restructured as TDR and not performing in accordance with its restructured terms.

During the three months ended March 31, 2016, 12 loans totaling \$3.4 million were added to non-accrual loans, five loans totaling \$0.9 million were returned to performing status, six loans totaling \$0.9 million were paid in full, five loans totaling \$1.7 million were sold, and one loan totaling \$0.5 million was transferred to other real estate owned.

The following table shows our delinquent loans that are less than 90 days past due and still accruing interest and considered performing at the periods indicated:

		March 31, 2016				Decembe	er 31, 2015		
	60 - 89		30 - 59		60 - 89			30 - 59	
		days		days	days			days	
	(In thou					5)			
Multi-family residential	\$	445	\$	6,644	\$	804	\$	9,422	
Commercial real estate		381		767		153		2,820	
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		326		8,961		1,257		8,630	
One-to-four family - residential		276		2,711		154		4,261	
Small Business Administration		-		37		-		42	
Taxi medallion		-		860		-		-	
Commercial business and other		1		-		2		-	
Total delinquent loans	\$	1,429	\$	19,980	\$	2,370	\$	25,175	

#### CRITICIZED AND CLASSIFIED ASSETS

Our policy is to review our assets, focusing primarily on the loan portfolio, OREO and the investment portfolios, to ensure that the credit quality is maintained at the highest levels. When weaknesses are identified, immediate action is taken to correct the problem through direct contact with the borrower or issuer. We then monitor these assets, and, in accordance with our policy and current regulatory guidelines, we designate them as "Special Mention," which is considered a "Criticized Asset," and "Substandard," "Doubtful," or "Loss" which are considered "Classified Assets," as deemed necessary. These loan designations are updated quarterly. We designate an asset as Substandard when a well-defined weakness is identified that jeopardizes the orderly liquidation of the debt. We designate an asset as Doubtful when it displays the inherent weakness of a Substandard asset with the added provision that collection of the debt in full, on the basis of existing facts, is highly improbable. We designate an asset as Loss if it is deemed the debtor is incapable of repayment. We do not hold any loans designated as loss, as loans that are designated as Loss are charged to the Allowance for Loan Losses. Assets that are non-accrual are designated as Substandard or Doubtful. We designate an asset as Special Mention if the asset does not warrant designation within one of the other categories, but does contain a potential weakness that deserves closer attention. Our total Criticized and Classified assets were \$56.9 million at March 31, 2016, an increase of \$2.1 million from \$54.8 million at December 31, 2015.

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The following table sets forth the Bank's assets designated as Criticized and Classified at March 31, 2016:

(In thousands)	Speci	al Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss		Total
Loans:							
Multi-family residential	\$	8,505	\$ 5,790	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 14,295
Commercial real estate		1,500	5,203	-		-	6,703
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		2,716	9,657	-		-	12,373
One-to-four family - residential		1,538	10,964	-		-	12,502
Co-operative apartments		-	-	-		-	-
Construction loans		-	570	-		-	570
Small Business Administration		504	326	-		-	830
Taxi Medallion		-	2,110	-		-	2,110
Commercial business and other		147	2,803	-		-	2,950
Total loans		14,910	 37,423	 -		-	 52,333
Other Real Estate Owned		-	4,602	-		-	4,602
Total	\$	14,910	\$ 42,025	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 56,935

The following table sets forth the Bank's Criticized and Classified assets at December 31, 2015:

(In thousands)	Spee	cial Mention	 Substandard	 Doubtful	 Loss	 Total
Loans:						
Multi-family residential	\$	4,361	\$ 5,421	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,782
Commercial real estate		1,821	3,812	-	-	5,633
One-to-four family - mixed-use property		3,087	10,990	-	-	14,077
One-to-four family - residential		1,437	12,255	-	-	13,692
Construction loans		-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Small Business Administration		229	224	-	-	453
Taxi Medallion		-	2,118	-	-	2,118
Commercial business and other		-	3,123	-	-	3,123
Total loans		10,935	 38,943	 -	 -	 49,878
Other Real Estate Owned		-	4,932	-	-	4,932
Total	\$	10,935	\$ 43,875	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54,810

On a quarterly basis all collateral dependent loans that are classified as Substandard or Doubtful are internally reviewed for impairment, based on updated cash flows for income producing properties, or updated independent appraisals. The loan balances of collateral dependent loans reviewed for impairment are then compared to the loans updated fair value. We consider fair value of collateral dependent loans to be 85% of the appraised or internally estimated value of the property. The balance which exceeds fair value is generally charged-off against the allowance for loan losses. At March 31, 2016, the current average loan-to-value ratio on our collateral dependent loans reviewed for impairment was 40.6%.

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#### ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

We have established and maintain on our books an allowance for loan losses ("ALLL") that is designed to provide a reserve against estimated losses inherent in our overall loan portfolio. The allowance is established through a provision for loan losses based on management's evaluation of the risk inherent in the various components of the loan portfolio and other factors, including historical loan loss experience (which is updated quarterly), current economic conditions, delinquency and non-accrual trends, classified loan levels, risk in the portfolio and volumes and trends in loan types, recent trends in charge-offs, changes in underwriting standards, experience, ability and depth of our lenders, collection policies and experience, internal loan review function and other external factors. An unallocated component is maintained to cover uncertainties that could affect management's estimate of probable losses. The unallocated component of the allowance reflects the margin of imprecision inherent in the underlying assumptions used in the methodologies for estimating specific and general losses in the portfolio. The Company segregated its loans into two portfolios based on year of origination. One portfolio was reviewed for loans originated after December 31, 2009 and a second portfolio for loans originated prior to January 1, 2010. Our decision to segregate the portfolio based upon origination dates was based on changes made in our underwriting standards during 2009. By the end of 2009, all loans were being underwritten based on revised and tightened underwriting standards. Loans originated prior to 2010 have a higher delinquency rate and loss history. Each of the years in the portfolio for loans originated prior to 2010 have a similar delinquency rate. The determination of the allowance for loan losses includes estimates that are susceptible to significant changes due to changes in appraisal values of collateral, national and local economic conditions and other factors. We review our loan portfolio by separate categories with similar risk and collateral characteristics. Impaired loans are segregated and reviewed separately. All non-accrual loans are classified as impaired. Impaired loans secured by collateral are reviewed based on the fair value of their collateral. For non-collateralized impaired loans, management estimates any recoveries that are anticipated for each loan. In connection with the determination of the allowance, the market value of collateral is generally evaluated by our staff appraiser. On a quarterly basis, the estimated values of impaired collateral dependent loans are internally reviewed, based on updated cash flows for income producing properties, and at times an updated independent appraisal is obtained. The loan balances of collateral dependent impaired loans are then compared to the property's updated fair value. We consider fair value of collateral dependent loans to be 85% of the appraised or internally estimated value of the property, except for taxi medallion loans. The fair value of the underlying collateral of taxi medallion loans is the value of the underlying medallion based upon the most recently reported arm's length transaction. The balance which exceeds fair value is generally charged-off. In addition, taxi medallion loans on accrual status with a loan-to-value greater than 100% are classified as impaired and allocated a portion of the ALLL in the amount of the excess of the loan-to-value over the loan's principal balance. When evaluating a loan for impairment, we do not rely on guarantees, and the amount of impairment, if any, is based on the fair value of the collateral. We do not carry loans at a value in excess of the fair value due to a guarantee from the borrower. Impaired collateral dependent loans that were written down resulted from quarterly reviews or updated appraisals that indicated the properties' estimated value had declined from when the loan was originated. The Board of Directors reviews and approves the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses on a quarterly basis.

In assessing the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses, we review our loan portfolio by separate categories which have similar risk and collateral characteristics, e.g., multi-family residential, commercial real estate, one-to-four family mixed-use property, one-to-four family residential, co-operative apartment, construction, SBA, commercial business, taxi medallion and consumer loans. General provisions are established against performing loans in our portfolio in amounts deemed prudent based on our qualitative analysis of the factors, including the historical loss experience, delinquency trends and local economic conditions. We recorded total net recoveries of \$0.5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016, compared to total net charge-offs of \$0.3 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The Bank's underwriting standards generally require a loan-to-value ratio of no more than 75% at the time the loan is originated. At March 31, 2016, the average loan-to-value ratio for our collateral dependent loans reviewed for impairment was 40.6%. As a result of the quarterly analysis of the allowance for loans losses, the allowance was deemed to be at an appropriate level and, as such, the Company did not recorded a provision or a benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2016, the allowance for loan losses was sufficient to absorb losses inherent in our loan portfolio.

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The following table sets forth the activity in the Company's allowance for loan losses for the periods indicated:

	I	For the three month	ths ended March 31,			
(Dollars in thousands)		2016	2015			
Balance at beginning of period	\$	21,535	\$	25,096		
Provision (benefit) for loan losses		-		(734)		
Loans charged-off:						
Multi-family residential		(42)		(97)		
Commercial real estate		-		(18)		
One-to-four family – mixed-use property		(14)		(78)		
One-to-four family – residential		(66)		(153)		
Commercial business and other		(25)		(51)		
Total loans charged-off		(147)		(397)		
Recoveries:						
Multi-family residential		13		23		
Commercial real estate		-		72		
One-to-four family – mixed-use property		187		3		
One-to-four family – residential		365		-		
Co-operative apartments		-		-		
Small Business Administration		31		20		
Commercial business and other		9		8		
Total recoveries		605		126		
Net charge-offs		458		(271)		
Balance at end of period	\$	21,993	\$	24,091		
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Ratio of net charge-offs (recoveries) during the period to						
average loans outstanding during the period		(0.04)%		0.03%		
Ratio of allowance for loan losses to gross loans at end of period		0.49%		0.60%		
Ratio of allowance for loan losses to non-performing						
assets at end of period		73.54%		63.78%		
Ratio of allowance for loan losses to non-performing						
loans at end of period		86.92%		74.08%		

# ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

For a discussion of the qualitative and quantitative disclosures about market risk, see the information under the caption "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Interest Rate Risk."

# ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

The Company carried out, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of March 31, 2016, the design and operation of these disclosure controls and procedures were effective. During the period covered by this Quarterly Report, there have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II – OTHER INFORMATION FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is a defendant in various lawsuits. Management of the Company, after consultation with outside legal counsel, believes that the resolution of these various matters will not result in any material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes from the risk factors disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

#### ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The following table sets forth information regarding the shares of common stock repurchased by the Company during the three months ended March 31, 2016:

					Maximum
				Total Number of	Number of
	Total			Shares Purchased	Shares That May
	Number			as Part of Publicly	Yet Be Purchased
	of Shares	Ave	erage Price	Announced Plans	Under the Plans
Period	Purchased	Paid per Share		or Programs	or Programs
January 1 to January 31, 2016	-	\$	-	-	899,600
February 1 to February 29, 2016	15,300		19.82	15,300	884,300
March 1 to March 31, 2016	-		-	-	884,300
Total	15,300	\$	19.82	15,300	

During the quarter ended March 31, 2016, the Company repurchased 15,300 shares of the Company's common stock at an average cost of \$19.82 per share. At March 31, 2016, 884,300 shares may still be repurchased under the currently authorized stock repurchase program. Stock will be purchased under the current stock repurchase program from time to time, in the open market or through private transactions, subject to market conditions. There is no expiration or maximum dollar amount under this authorization.

#### ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

#### ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

# **ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

None.

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# PART II – OTHER INFORMATION FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES

#### **ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

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- 3.5 Certificate of Increase of Shares Designated as Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock of Flushing Financial Corporation (2)
- 3.6 Amended and Restated By-Laws of Flushing Financial Corporation (7)
   Rights Agreement, dated as of September 8, 2006, between Flushing Financial Corporation and Computershare Trust Company N.A., as Rights
- Agent, which includes the form of Certificate of Increase of Shares Designated as Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock as Exhibit A, form of
   Right Certificate as Exhibit B and the Summary of Rights to Purchase Preferred Stock as Exhibit C (5)
- Flushing Financial Corporation has outstanding certain long-term debt. None of such debt exceeds ten percent of Flushing Financial Corporation's total assets; therefore, copies of constituent instruments defining the rights of the holders of such debt are not included as exhibits. Copies of
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# FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION and SUBSIDIARIES SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Flushing Financial Corporation,

Dated: May 6, 2016

By: <u>/s/John R. Buran</u> John R. Buran President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: May 6, 2016

By: <u>/s/Susan K. Cullen</u> Susan K. Cullen Senior Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

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#### FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") entered into as of February 5, 2016, by and between Flushing Financial Corporation, a Delaware corporation having its executive offices at 220 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, New York 11556 (the "Holding Company"), and Susan K. Cullen ("Officer").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Holding Company considers the availability of the Officer's services to be important to the successful management and conduct of the Holding Company's business and desires to secure for itself the availability of her services; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of securing for the Holding Company the Officer's continued services, the Board of Directors of the Holding Company ("Board") has authorized the proper officers of the Holding Company to enter into an employment agreement with the Officer on the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Officer is willing to make her services available to the Holding Company on the terms and conditions set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants and obligations hereinafter set forth, the Holding Company and the Officer hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Employment.

The Holding Company hereby agrees to employ the Officer, and the Officer hereby agrees to accept such employment, during the period and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

#### Section 2. Employment Period.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement to the contrary, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be and remain in effect during the period of employment ("Employment Period") established under this section 2. The Employment Period under this Employment Agreement shall be for a term commencing on the date hereof and ending on November 21, 2018, plus such extensions as are provided pursuant to section 2(b) of this Agreement.

(b) On or as of July 1, 2017, and on or as of each July 1 thereafter, the Employment Period shall be extended for one additional year if and only if the Board shall have authorized the extension of the Employment Period prior to July 1 of such year and the Officer shall not have notified the Holding Company prior to July 1 of such year that the Employment Period shall not be so extended. If the Board shall not have authorized the extension of the Employment Period prior to July 1 of any such year, or if the Officer shall have given notice of nonextension to the Holding Company prior to July 1 of such year, then the Employment Period shall not be extended pursuant to this section 2(b) at any time thereafter and shall end on the last day of its term as then in effect. (c) Upon the termination of the Officer's employment with the Holding Company, the extensions provided pursuant to section 2(b) shall cease (if such extensions have not previously ceased).

#### Section 3. Title and Duties.

(a) On the date on which the Employment Period commences, the Officer shall hold the position of Senior Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of the Holding Company with all of the powers and duties incident to such position under law and under the by-laws of the Holding Company. During the Employment Period, the Officer shall: (a) devote her full business time and attention (other than during weekends, holidays, vacation periods and periods of illness or approved leaves of absence) to the business and affairs of the Holding Company and its subsidiaries and use her best efforts to advance the interests of the Holding Company and its subsidiaries, including reasonable periods of service as an officer and/or board member of trade associations, their related entities and charitable organizations; and (b) perform such reasonable additional duties as may be assigned to her by or under the authority of the Board. The Officer shall also serve, for no additional compensation other than the compensation provided in this Agreement, as the Senior Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of Flushing Bank (the "Bank") and in such additional positions with subsidiaries of the Holding Company to which she may be appointed. The Officer shall have such authority as is necessary or appropriate to carry out her duties under this Agreement.

(b) Upon the termination of the Officer's employment with the Holding Company for any reason, the Officer shall be deemed to have resigned from all positions that the Officer holds as an officer of the Holding Company, the Bank or any of their respective affiliates, and the Officer agrees to sign any documents reasonably requested by the Holding Company to confirm or effectuate the foregoing.

#### Section 4. Compensation.

In consideration for services rendered by the Officer under this Agreement:

(a) The Holding Company shall pay to the Officer a salary at an annual rate equal to the greater of (i) \$345,000 or (ii) such higher annual rate as may be prescribed by or under the authority of the Board (the "Current Salary"). The Officer will undergo an annual salary and performance review on or about January 1 of each year commencing in 2017. The Current Salary payable under this section 4 shall be paid in approximately equal installments in accordance with the Holding Company's customary payroll practices.

(b) The Officer shall be eligible to participate in any bonus plan maintained by the Holding Company for its officers and employees.

#### Section 5. Employee Benefits and Other Compensation .

(a) The Officer shall, during the Employment Period, be entitled to participate in and receive benefits under the Holding Company's and the Bank's employee benefit plans and programs, as well as such other compensation plans or programs (whether or not employee benefit plans or programs), as the Holding Company or the Bank may maintain from time to time, in accordance with the terms and conditions of such employee benefit plans and programs an

(b) During the Employment Period, the Holding Company shall provide the Officer with a monthly car allowance for so long as the Officer continues to own her current personal automobile, which allowance shall be the exclusive reimbursement for business use of her vehicle. Once the Officer no longer owns her current personal automobile, for the balance of the Employment Period, the Holding Company shall provide the Officer with a suitable automobile for use in the performance of the Officer's duties hereunder and shall reimburse the Officer for all expenses incurred in connection therewith in accordance with Holding Company policies (but in no event later than the last day of the calendar year next following the calendar year in which the expenses were incurred).

(c) The Officer shall be entitled, without loss of pay, to vacation time in accordance with the policies periodically established by the Board for senior management officials of the Holding Company, which shall in no event be less than four weeks in each calendar year. Except as provided in section 7(b), the Officer shall not be entitled to receive any additional compensation from the Holding Company on account of her failure to take a vacation, nor shall she be entitled to accumulate unused vacation from one calendar year to the next except to the extent authorized by the Board for senior management officials of the Holding Company.

#### Section 6. Working Facilities and Expenses .

The Officer's principal place of employment shall be at the offices of the Holding Company in Nassau County, New York or at such other location upon which the Holding Company and the Officer may mutually agree. The Holding Company shall provide the Officer, at her principal place of employment, with a private office, secretarial services and other support services and facilities consistent with her position with the Holding Company and necessary or appropriate in connection with the performance of her duties under this Agreement. The Holding Company shall reimburse the Officer for her ordinary and necessary business expenses, including, without limitation, travel and entertainment expenses, incurred in connection with the performance of her duties under this Agreement, upon presentation to the Holding Company of an itemized account of such expenses in such form as the Holding Company may reasonably require. Such reimbursements shall be made in accordance with Holding Company policies (but in no event later than the last day of the calendar year next following the calendar year in which the expenses were incurred).

Section 7. Termination with Holding Company Liability.

(a) In the event that the Officer's employment with the Holding Company shall terminate during the Employment Period on account of:

(i) the Officer's voluntary resignation from employment with the Holding Company within one year following an event that constitutes "Good Reason," which is defined as:

(A) the failure of the Holding Company to elect or reelect the Officer to serve as its Senior Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, or such other position as the Officer consents to hold;

(B) the failure of the Holding Company to cure a material adverse change made by it in the Officer's functions, duties, or responsibilities in her position with the Holding Company, respectively, within sixty days following written notice thereof from the Officer;

(C) the failure of the Holding Company to maintain the Officer's principal place of employment at its offices in Nassau County, New York or at such other location upon which the Holding Company and the Officer may mutually agree;

(D) the failure of the Board to extend the Employment Period within the times provided in section 2(b); provided, however, that such failure shall not constitute Good Reason until the earlier of 30 days after any determination by the Board that the Employment Period shall not be so extended or August 1 of such year;

(E) the failure of the Holding Company to cure a material breach of this Agreement by the Holding Company within sixty days following written notice thereof from the Officer; or

(F) after a Change of Control (as defined in section 10), the failure of any successor company to the Holding Company to assume this Agreement; or

(ii) the discharge of the Officer by the Holding Company for any reason other than (A) for "Cause" as defined in section 8(b) of this Agreement or (B) the Officer's death or "Disability" as defined in section 9(a) of this Agreement;

then the Holding Company shall provide the benefits and pay to the Officer as liquidated damages the amounts provided for under section 7(b).

(b) Upon the termination of the Officer's employment with the Holding Company under circumstances described in section 7(a), the Holding Company shall pay and provide to the Officer:

(i) her earned but unpaid Current Salary as of the date of termination, plus an amount representing any accrued but unpaid vacation time and floating holidays, which amounts shall be paid within thirty days of termination; and her earned but unpaid bonus for the year prior to the year of termination, which shall be paid at the same time as bonuses for such year are paid to active employees;

(ii) (A) if the Officer's termination of employment occurs after a Change of Control, a pro rata portion of her bonus for the year of termination, determined by multiplying the amount of the bonus earned by the Officer for the preceding calendar year by the number of full months of employment during the year of termination, and dividing by 12, which amount shall be paid within thirty days of termination; or (B) if the Officer's termination of employment occurs prior to a Change of Control, a pro rata portion of her bonus for the year of termination, determined by multiplying the amount of the bonus which would have been earned by the Officer for the year of termination if she had remained in employment through the end of the year (but only to the extent of achievement of the applicable performance standards for such year) by the number of full months of employment during the year of termination, and dividing by 12, which amount shall be paid at the same time as bonuses for such year are paid to active employees;

(iii) the benefits, if any, to which she is entitled as a former employee under the Holding Company's employee benefit plans and programs and compensation plans and programs, which shall be paid in accordance with the terms of such plans and programs;

(iv) continued health and welfare benefits (including group life, disability, medical and dental benefits), in addition to that provided pursuant to section 7(b)(iii), to the extent necessary to provide coverage for the Officer for the Severance Period (as defined in section 7(c)). Such benefits shall be provided through the purchase of insurance, and shall be equivalent to the health and welfare benefits (including cost-sharing percentages) provided to active employees of the Holding Company (or any successor thereof) as from time to time in effect during the Severance Period. Where the amount of such benefits is based on salary, they shall be provided to the Officer based on the highest annual rate of Current Salary achieved by the Officer during the Employment Period. If the Officer had dependent coverage in effect at the time of her termination of employment, she shall have the right to elect to continue such dependent coverage for the Severance Period. The benefits to be provided under this paragraph (iv) shall cease to the extent that substantially equivalent benefits are provided to the Officer (and/or her dependents) by a subsequent employer of the Officer;

(v) if the Officer is age 55 or older at the end of the Severance Period, she shall be entitled to elect coverage for herself and her dependents under the Holding Company's retiree medical and retiree life insurance programs. Such coverage, if elected, shall commence upon the expiration of the Severance Period, and shall continue for the life of each of the Officer and her spouse and for so long as any other of her covered dependents remain eligible. The coverage and cost-sharing percentage of the Officer and her dependents under such programs shall be those in effect under such programs on the date of the Officer's termination of employment with the Holding Company, and shall not be adversely modified without the Officer's written consent; and

(vi) a cash lump sum payment in an amount equal to the Current Salary and bonus that the Officer would have earned pursuant to sections 4(a) and 4(b), respectively, if she had continued working for the Holding Company for the Severance Period (basing such bonus on the average bonus, if any, paid to the Officer by the Holding Company under section 4(b) of this Agreement for the three most recent calendar years ended prior to the date of termination, or total calendar years of employment prior to the date of termination if fewer than three years).

The amount payable pursuant to clause (vi) of this Section 7(b) is contingent on the execution by the Officer within 45 days following termination of employment of a general release (and the expiration of any applicable revocation period) in such form as may be provided by the Holding Company and will be paid on the 60<sup>th</sup> day following termination of employment. Benefits under clauses (iv) and (v) of this Section 7(b) will be continued immediately following termination of employment but will cease if the Officer does not sign the release within 45 days of termination (or revokes the release during any applicable revocation period). The lump sum payable pursuant to clause (vi) of this section 7(b) is to be paid in lieu of all other payments of Current Salary and bonus provided for under this Agreement relating to the period following any such termination and shall be payable without proof of damages and without regard to the Officer's efforts, if any, to mitigate damages. The Holding Company and the Officer hereby stipulate that the damages which may be incurred by the Officer following any such termination of employment are not capable of accurate measurement as of the date first above written and that the payments and benefits provided under this section 7(b) are reasonable under the circumstances as a combination of liquidated damages and severance benefits. The Officer shall not be entitled to any payment under this Agreement to make up for benefits that would have been earned under the Bank's 401(k) Savings Plan and Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan (SSIP) or the Holding Company's 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan had she continued working for the Holding Company for the Severance Period.

(c) For purposes of this section 7, the Severance Period means a period of 24 months.

Section 8. Other Terminations.

(a) In the event that the Officer's employment with the Holding Company shall terminate during the Employment Period on account of:

(i) the discharge of the Officer by the Holding Company for Cause; or

(ii) the Officer's voluntary resignation from employment with the Holding Company for reasons other than those constituting a Good Reason;

then the Holding Company shall have no further obligations under this Agreement, other than (A) the payment to the Officer of her earned but unpaid Current Salary as of the date of the termination of her employment, which amounts shall be paid within thirty days of termination; and (B) the provision of such other benefits, if any, to which she is entitled as a former employee under the Holding Company's employee benefit plans and programs and compensation plans and programs, which shall be paid in accordance with the terms of such plans and programs.

(b) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Cause" means the Officer's (i) willful failure to perform her duties under this Agreement and failure to cure such failure within sixty days following written notice thereof from the Holding Company, or (ii) intentional engagement in dishonest conduct in connection with her performance of services for the Holding Company or its subsidiaries or conviction of a felony.

#### Section 9. Disability or Death.

(a) The Officer's employment with the Holding Company may be terminated for "Disability" if the Officer shall become disabled or incapacitated during the Employment Period to the extent that she has been unable to perform the essential functions of her employment for 270 consecutive days, subject to the Officer's right to receive from the Holding Company following her termination due to Disability the following percentages of her Current Salary under section 4 of this Agreement: 100% for the first six months, 75% for the next six months and 60% thereafter for the remaining term of the Employment Period (less in each case any benefits which may be payable to the Officer under the provisions of disability insurance coverage in effect for Holding Company employees), which shall be paid in accordance with the Holding Company's customary payroll practices. In addition, the Officer shall receive a cash lump sum equal to her earned but unpaid bonus for the year prior to the year of termination, which shall be paid at the same time as bonuses for such year are paid to active employees.

(b) In the event that the Officer's employment with the Holding Company shall terminate during the Employment Period on account of death, the Holding Company shall promptly (but in any event within ninety days of the date of death) pay the Officer's designated beneficiaries or, failing any designation, her estate a cash lump sum payment equal to her earned but unpaid Current Salary. In addition, the Holding Company shall pay the Officer's designated beneficiaries or, failing any designated but unpaid bonus for the year prior to the year of termination, which shall be paid at the same time as bonuses for such year are paid to active employees.

(c) In the event of the Officer's termination of employment on account of death or Disability prior to a Change of Control, the Compensation Committee of the Holding Company may, in its sole discretion, award the Officer a bonus for the year of termination, in an amount determined by such Committee either at the time of termination of employment or at the time bonuses to active employees are awarded, in which case the Holding Company shall pay such bonus to the Officer or, in the event of death, her designated beneficiaries or estate, as the case may be, promptly (but in any event within thirty days) after it is awarded. In the event of the Officer's termination of employment on account of death or Disability after a Change of Control, the Holding Company shall promptly (but in any event within thirty days after termination) pay the Officer or, in the event of death, her designated beneficiaries or estate, as the case may be, a pro rata portion of her bonus for the year of termination, determined by multiplying the amount of the bonus earned by the Officer for the preceding calendar year by the number of full months of employment during the year of termination, and dividing by 12.

Section 10. Change of Control.

For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Change of Control" means:

(a) the acquisition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Bank or the Holding Company by any person or entity, or by any persons or entities acting in concert;

(b) the occurrence of any event if, immediately following such event, a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Bank or the Holding Company or of any successor corporation shall consist of persons other than Current Members (for these purposes, a "Current Member" shall mean any member of the Board of Directors of the Bank or the Holding Company as of the date of this Agreement and any successor of a Current Member whose nomination or election has been approved by a majority of the Current Members then on the Board of Directors);

(c) the acquisition of beneficial ownership, directly or indirectly (as provided in Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"), or any successor rule), of 25% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Bank or the Holding Company by any person or group deemed a person under Section 13(d)(3) of the Act; or

(d) the consummation of a merger or consolidation of the Bank or the Holding Company with another corporation where the stockholders of the Bank or the Holding Company, immediately prior to the merger or consolidation, would not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, immediately after the merger or consolidation, shares entitling such stockholders to 50% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the surviving corporation.

### Section 11. Excise Tax.

The Officer shall bear all expense of, and be solely responsible for, any excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any similar tax that may hereafter be imposed (such excise tax being the "<u>Excise Tax</u>" and such code being the "<u>Code</u>"); provided, however, that any payment or benefit received or to be received by the Officer (whether payable under the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Holding Company or its subsidiaries) (collectively, the "<u>Payments</u>") that would constitute a "parachute payment" within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code, shall be reduced to the extent necessary so that no portion thereof shall be subject to the Excise Tax but only if, by reason of such reduction, the net after-tax benefit received by the Officer exceeds the net after-tax benefit that would be received by the Officer if no such reduction was made.

The "net after-tax benefit" shall mean (a) the Payments the Officer receives or are then entitled to receive from the Holding Company or its subsidiaries that would constitute "parachute payments" within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code, less (b) the amount of all federal, state and local income and employment taxes payable by the Officer with respect to the foregoing calculated at the highest marginal income tax rate for each year in which the foregoing shall be paid to the Officer (based on the rate in effect for such year as set forth in the Code as in effect at the time of the first payment of the foregoing), less (c) the amount of Excise Tax imposed with respect to the payments and benefits described in the preceding paragraph.

### Section 12. Restrictive Covenants.

(a) The Officer agrees that at all times during her employment and for a period of one year thereafter, the Officer will not, directly or indirectly, (i) solicit for employment, recruit or hire, either as an employee or a consultant, any employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries who was an employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries who was an employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries who was an employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries who was an employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries who was an employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries at any time during the 12 months preceding or following the Officer's termination of employment, to terminate his or her employment with, or otherwise cease his or her relationship with, the Holding Company or its subsidiaries, or (iii) solicit, interfere with, divert or take away or attempt to interfere with, divert or take away, the business or patronage of (A) any of the clients, customers or accounts of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries at any time during the 12 months preceding the clients, customers or accounts of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries at the time of the Officer's termination of employment, or (B) prospective clients, customers or accounts of the Holding Company or any of its subsidiaries at any time during the 12 months preceding the solicitation of which the Officer had knowledge at the time of her termination of employment.

(b) The Officer acknowledges that in the performance of her duties under this Agreement, the Officer may learn confidential or proprietary information about the Holding Company and its subsidiaries or third parties. Confidential or proprietary information includes, among other things, any nonpublic information concerning the Holding Company or its subsidiaries, including their respective business, financial performance, marketing or strategic plans, customers, and product pricing information, as well as any nonpublic information provided by a third party with the expectation that the information will be kept confidential and used solely for the business purpose for which it was conveyed (collectively, "Confidential Information"). The Officer agrees that at all times during her employment and thereafter, the Officer shall not disclose any Confidential Information to others outside of the Holding Company or its subsidiaries or use such information for her own or someone else's benefit. The Officer agrees that such Confidential Information may be disclosed within the Holding Company or its subsidiaries or out their business responsibilities.

(c) While employed by the Holding Company and for a period of seven (7) years thereafter, the Officer shall not, directly or indirectly, make or publish any disparaging statements (whether written or oral) regarding the Holding Company or its subsidiaries, or the affiliates, directors, officers, agents, principal stockholders or customers of any of them. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Officer shall not be prohibited from making any truthful statements in connection with any court proceedings.

(d) The Officer acknowledges and agrees that the restrictions contained in this section 12 are reasonable and necessary protection of the immediate interests of the Holding Company, and any violation of these restrictions would cause substantial injury to the Holding Company and that the Holding Company would not have entered into this Agreement without receiving the protective covenants contained in this section 12. In the event of a breach or a threatened breach by the Officer of these restrictions, the Holding Company will be entitled to an injunction restraining the Officer from such breach or threatened breach (without the necessity of providing the inadequacy as a remedy of money damages or the posting of bond); provided, however, that the right to injunctive relief will not be construed as prohibiting the Holding Company from pursuing any other available remedies, whether at law or in equity, for such breach or threatened breach.

#### Section 13. No Effect on Employee Benefit Plans or Compensation Programs

Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, the termination of the Officer's employment during the term of this Agreement or thereafter, whether by the Holding Company or by the Officer, shall have no effect on the rights and obligations of the parties hereto under the Holding Company's employee benefit plans or programs or compensation plans or programs (whether or not employee benefit plans or programs) that the Holding Company may maintain from time to time.

# Section 14. Successors and Assigns .

This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Officer, her legal representatives and estate or intestate distributees, and the Holding Company and its successors and assigns, including any successor by merger or consolidation or a statutory receiver or any other person or firm or corporation to which all or substantially all of the assets and business of the Holding Company may be sold or otherwise transferred.

#### Section 15. Notices .

Any communication to a party required or permitted under this Agreement, including any notice, direction, designation, consent, instruction, objection or waiver, shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given at such time as it is delivered personally, or five days after mailing if mailed, postage prepaid, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to such party at the address listed below or at such other address as one such party may by written notice specify to the other party:

If to the Officer, at her residence address most recently filed with the Company.

If to the Holding Company:

Flushing Financial Corporation 220 RXR Plaza Uniondale, New York 11556 Attention: Corporate Secretary

Section 16. Severability.

A determination that any provision of this Agreement is invalid or unenforceable shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision hereof.

#### Section 17. Waiver .

Failure to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms, covenants or conditions hereof shall not be deemed a waiver of such term, covenant, or condition. A waiver of any provision of this Agreement must be made in writing, designated as a waiver, and signed by the party against whom its enforcement is sought. Any waiver or relinquishment of any right or power hereunder at any one or more times shall not be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of such right or power at any other time or times.

### Section 18. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

#### Section 19. Governing Law.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without reference to conflicts of law principles.

### Section 20. Headings.

The headings of sections in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and are not intended to qualify the meaning of any section. Any reference to a section number shall refer to a section of this Agreement, unless otherwise stated.

#### Section 21. Entire Agreement; Modifications.

This instrument contains the entire agreement of the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersedes in its entirety any and all prior agreements, understandings or representations relating to the subject matter hereof by and between the Holding Company and the Officer. No modifications of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

#### Section 22. Funding.

The Holding Company may elect in its sole discretion to fund all or part of its obligations to the Officer under this Agreement; provided, however, that should it elect to do so, all assets acquired by the Holding Company to fund its obligations shall be part of the general assets of the Holding Company and shall be subject to all claims of the Holding Company's creditors.

#### Section 23. Required Regulatory Provisions .

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, any payments made to the Officer pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise are subject to and conditioned upon their compliance with 12 U.S.C. section 1828(k) and any regulations promulgated thereunder.

#### Section 24. Indemnification

The Holding Company shall indemnify the Officer to the full extent permitted by applicable law with respect to the services performed by her under this Agreement (including without limitation her services in connection with the preparation and filing of the annual report on Form 10-K for the 2015 fiscal year) in accordance with the terms of the Holding Company's charter and By-Laws and the Indemnity Agreement dated August 10, 2015 between the Bank, the Holding Company and the Officer.

#### Section 25. Compliance with Section 409A

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 7, 8 and 9, if the Officer is a specified employee within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Section 409A"), as determined by the Board in accordance with the election made by the Holding Company for determining specified employees, any amounts payable under sections 7, 8 or 9 (and any other payments to which the Officer may be entitled) which constitute "deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A and which are otherwise scheduled to be paid during the first six months following the Officer's termination of employee) shall be suspended until the six-month anniversary of the Officer's termination of employment (or the Officer's death if sooner), at which time all payments that were suspended shall be paid to the Officer (or her estate) in a lump sum, together with interest on each suspended payment at the prime rate (as reported in the Wall Street Journal) from the date of suspension to the date of payment.

(b) Payment or reimbursement of each of the business expense payments or other reimbursements called for by this Agreement with respect to any calendar year shall not affect the amount eligible for payment or reimbursement in any other calendar year, and such payments and reimbursements may not be exchanged for cash or another benefit.

(c) A termination of employment shall not be deemed to have occurred for purposes of any provision of this Agreement providing for the payment of any amounts or benefits upon or following a termination of employment unless such termination is also a "separation from service" (within the meaning of Code Section 409A).

(d) For purposes of Section 409A, each payment under sections 7, 8 or 9 (and each other severance plan payment) will be treated as a separate

payment.

(e) It is intended that this Agreement comply with the provisions of Section 409A and the regulations and guidance of general applicability issued thereunder so as to not subject the Officer to the payment of additional interest and taxes under Section 409A, and in furtherance of this intent, this Agreement shall be interpreted, operated and administered in a manner consistent with these intentions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

# FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ John R. Buran Name: John R. Buran

Title: President and CEO

/s/ Susan K. Cullen Susan K. Cullen

### CONSULTING AGREEMENT

Agreement dated as of January 29, 2016 between Flushing Bank (the "Bank"), and David W. Fry ("Consultant").

1. <u>Term</u>. The term of this Agreement shall commence on February 6, 2016 and end on February 6, 2017, unless the Agreement is extended on terms mutually acceptable to the Bank and Consultant or terminated earlier as provided in Section 10.

2. <u>Services</u>. During the term of this Agreement, the Bank shall retain Consultant as a consultant to the Bank and Consultant shall perform such services as may be reasonably requested by the Bank or by Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Company") from time to time. Such services shall include assisting with the preparation and production through completion of the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the 2015 fiscal year, including without limitation the financial statements contained therein. In the performance of such services, Consultant shall devote at least 50% of the average business time that he dedicated to his performance of services in any capacity to the Bank and or its affiliates during the 36 months preceding the date hereof.

3. <u>Compensation</u>. It is anticipated that Consultant will provide consulting services to the Bank for approximately 12 months during the term of this Agreement, for which the Bank will pay Consultant a retainer of \$35,900 per month for the period February 6, 2016 through February 6, 2017. In addition, the Bank in its sole discretion may, but shall under no circumstances be obligated to, pay bonus amounts to Consultant. Consultant shall maintain accurate and complete records as to time spent in performance of services hereunder.

4. <u>Expenses</u>. Consultant shall be reimbursed for expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred by him in connection with the performance of his services under this Agreement, in accordance with the Bank's policies and procedures applicable from time to time with respect to consultants. Consultant shall furnish the Bank with appropriate documentation required by the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder or otherwise reasonably required under the Bank's policies in connection with such expenses.

5. <u>Withholding Taxes</u>. The Bank shall not withhold federal, state or local taxes with respect to the compensation payable to Consultant under this agreement, and Consultant shall bear sole responsibility for the payment of all taxes due in connection with such compensation.

6. <u>Independent Contractor Status</u>. Consultant shall provide the consulting services to the Bank as an independent contractor and, as such, Consultant shall be free to exercise his own discretion and judgment in the performance of such consulting services and with respect to the time, place, method and manner of performance. Nothing contained in this Agreement or in the performance of any of the consulting services shall be construed as creating the relationship of employee between the Bank and Consultant. Consultant understands that he will not be entitled to receive any insurance or other employee benefits provided by the Bank to its employees. Consultant expressly agrees that the Bank shall not be responsible for payment of, and that Consultant shall not make a claim against the Bank (or with respect to his services for the Bank under this Agreement) for, workers' compensation, disability benefits, or unemployment insurance.

7. <u>Representation</u>. Consultant represents that as of the date hereof he has expressly advised senior-most management of the Company any information that he believes is not otherwise already known to such management and that would be material to such management in connection with the preparation and completion of the Company's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, including without limitation the financial information contained therein, and with the future business and operations of the Company and the Bank.

8. <u>Non-exclusivity</u>. The Bank understands that Consultant may perform consulting services for other financial institutions. Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent Consultant from working for others during the term of this Agreement. Consultant represents and warrants to, and covenants with, the Bank that during the term of this Agreement Consultant will be under or subject to no contractual or other restriction that is inconsistent with the performance of Consultant's duties hereunder.

9. <u>Confidentiality</u>. The terms of the Letter Agreement dated the date hereof in the form attached hereto as Annex A regarding confidential information (the "Confidentiality Agreement") are incorporated herein by reference and shall be deemed for any and all purposes to be terms of this Agreement.

10. <u>Termination</u>. Consultant or the Bank may terminate this Agreement prior to the expiration of its term on 30 days written notice; provided, however, that this Agreement shall be terminated immediately in the event of Consultant's death. Any amounts due under this Agreement shall be paid promptly upon any such termination. The provisions of Section 9 shall survive termination of this Agreement.

11. <u>Notice</u>. Any notice required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given when delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, duly addressed to the party concerned at the address indicated below or to such other address as such party may subsequently give notice of:

If to the Bank:

Flushing Bank 220 RXR Plaza Uniondale, New York, 11556

If to Consultant:

David W. Fry Address on File 12. Entire Agreement; Modifications. This Agreement together with the Confidentiality Agreement contain the entire understanding between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and may not be altered, varied, revised, or amended except by an instrument in writing signed by Consultant and the Bank subsequent to the date of this Agreement.

13. Assignment. This Agreement is for the personal services of Consultant and shall not be assignable by Consultant.

14. <u>Section 409A</u>. The parties anticipate that Consultant will not incur a "separation from service" with the Bank, within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Section 409A"), until the termination of Consultant's services under this Agreement. Consultant shall bear sole responsibility for any consequences under Section 409A arising out of Consultant's performance of services under this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Consultant and the Bank have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the day of year first above written.

### FLUSHING BANK

By: /s/ John R. Buran John R. Buran President & CEO

> /s/ David W. Fry David W. Fry, Consultant

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, John R. Buran, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Flushing Financial Corporation;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 6, 2016

By: /s/John R. Buran

John R. Buran President and Chief Executive Officer

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Susan K. Cullen, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Flushing Financial Corporation;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 6, 2016

By: /s/Susan K. Cullen

Susan K. Cullen Senior Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Corporation") on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, John R. Buran, Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

(1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Corporation.

By: <u>/s/John R. Buran</u> John R. Buran Chief Executive Officer May 6, 2016

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Corporation") on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Susan K. Cullen, Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

(1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Corporation.

By: <u>/s/Susan K. Cullen</u> Susan K. Cullen Chief Financial Officer May 6, 2016