

Flushing Financial Corporation Announces the Death of Its Chairman Emeritus Gerard P. Tully, Sr.

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LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., April 12, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Company") (Nasdaq:FFIC), the parent holding company for Flushing Bank (the "Bank"), announced today that Gerard P. Tully, Sr., Chairman Emeritus, has passed away. He was 85.

Gerard P. Tully, Sr. served as Chairman of the Board of the Company since its formation in 1994, and as Chairman of the Board of the Bank since 1980, until February 15, 2011, at which time the Board elected him Chairman Emeritus. Mr. Tully served as Chief Executive Officer of the Bank from 1981 through 1989. Mr. Tully remained on the Board until his passing.

John R. Buran., President and CEO of Flushing Financial Corporation, stated: "We will be forever grateful to Gerry for his dedication and service to Flushing Financial Corporation and the Bank. His exceptional contributions to the Company and the Bank spanned over 40 years. Under his leadership, Flushing Financial converted to a public company and the Bank has grown from a small community bank to a well-capitalized commercial bank with \$4.5 billion in assets. It's been a privilege for me and the other members of our Board of Directors to work with Gerry over the years. He will be greatly missed by all."

Funeral Arrangements will be posted on the company website @www.flushingbank.com when available.

About Flushing Financial Corporation

Flushing Financial Corporation (Nasdaq:FFIC), with \$4.5 billion in consolidated assets, is the holding company for Flushing Bank, a New York State chartered commercial bank insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Bank serves consumers, businesses, and public entities by offering a full complement of deposit, loan, and cash management services through its 17 banking offices located in Queens, Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Nassau County. The Bank also operates an online banking division, iGObanking.com®, which offers competitively priced deposit products to consumers nationwide.

Additional information on the Bank and Flushing Financial Corporation may be obtained by visiting the Company's website at <http://www.flushingbank.com>.

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