Flushing Bank Completes Its Conversion to New York State Charter

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LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., Feb. 28, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Company") (Nasdaq:FFIC), the parent holding company for Flushing Bank (the "Bank"), announced the completion of the merger of its two subsidiary banks, Flushing Savings Bank, FSB and Flushing Commercial Bank. The combined bank is named Flushing Bank and is a New York State-chartered, full-service commercial bank.

Effective with this merger, the New York State Department of Financial Services serves as the Bank's primary regulator, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation serves as the Bank's primary federal regulator. Flushing Financial Corporation has converted to a bank holding company.

John R. Buran, President and CEO of the Company, stated: "This merger signifies the culmination of a strategy we embarked on to serve consumers, businesses, and municipalities within our local communities. Flushing Bank is a well-capitalized community bank and we look forward to working with our new regulators to support economic growth in New York."

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 stock 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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