Flushing Financial Corporation Adopts Majority Voting Standard

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LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y., Dec. 17, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Company") (Nasdaq:FFIC), the parent holding company for Flushing Bank, today announced that its Board of Directors has unanimously voted to approve a corporate governance initiative to amend and restate the Company's by-laws to adopt a majority vote standard for the election of directors in uncontested elections.

The amended and restated by-laws provide that in uncontested elections, director nominees must be elected by the majority of votes cast at the annual meeting of shareholders. Incumbent directors who fail to receive a majority of votes - and who would otherwise remain in office until a successor is elected under Delaware law - would be required to offer a letter of resignation for consideration by the Board which shall be required to act promptly. Plurality voting will continue to apply if the number of nominees exceeds the number of open director positions. The Board's decision to adopt a majority voting standard for the election of directors in uncontested elections demonstrates the Company's continued commitment to best practices in corporate governance and the best interests of its shareholders.

Flushing Financial Corporation 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 Flushing Financial Corporation may be obtained by visiting the Company's web site at http://www.flushingbank.com.

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