

FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 BURAN JOHN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORP  
 [FFIC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1979 MARCUS AVENUE, SUITE E140

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/20/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President & CEO

(Street)  
 LAKE SUCCESS, NY 11042

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	08/20/2008	08/20/2008	M		26,000 (1) \$ 7.77	D	
Common Stock					8,400 (2)	I	401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Exercise (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.77	08/20/2008	08/20/2008	M	26,000	<u>(1)</u> 01/21/2011	Common Stock 26,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BURAN JOHN R 179 MARCUS AVENUE, SUITE E140 LAKE SUCCESS, NY 11042	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

Signed by Russell A. Fleishman under Power of Attorney by John R.  
 Buran 08/22/2008  
\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Stock option exercise from January 2001 grant. Options became exercisable in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) Shares held in FSB 401(k) a/o 8/21/08.

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