FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORP Form S-8 POS May 31, 2005

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Registration No. 333-3878

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

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-8

Registration Statement

Under

The Securities Act of 1933

FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE DELAWARE ______

(State or other jurisdiction of (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1979 MARCUS AVENUE, SUITE E140, LAKE SUCCESS, NY

11042 LARE SUCCESS, NI

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

> 1996 Stock Option Incentive Plan and 1996 RESTRICTED STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN _____ (Full title of the plans)

John R. Buran Flushing Financial Corporation, 1979 Marcus Avenue, Suite E140, Lake Success, NY 11042 (718) 961-5400

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 is being filed by Flushing Financial Corporation (the "Company") to transfer shares of the Company's common stock

originally registered for delivery under the Company's 1996 Restricted Stock Incentive Plan ("Restricted Stock Plan") and 1996 Stock Option Incentive Plan ("Option Plan") which become available for awards after the date hereof to a new Registration Statement on Form S-8 to be filed contemporaneously to register shares for delivery under the Company's 2005 Omnibus Incentive Plan ("Omnibus Plan").

The original registration statement, filed April 22, 1996, registered 1,164,375 shares for delivery under the Company's Restricted Stock Plan and 2,910,937 shares for delivery under the Company's Option Plan, in each case as adjusted for stock splits. Of the shares registered for delivery under the Restricted Stock Plan, 1,074,758 shares have been delivered and the remaining 89,617 shares are subject to outstanding awards. Of the shares registered for delivery under the Option Plan, 2,595,603 shares have been delivered upon the exercise of stock options and the remaining 315,334 shares are subject to outstanding awards.

The Omnibus Plan, which was adopted on May 17, 2005, provides that shares previously authorized for issuance under the Restricted Stock Plan and the Option Plan which have not been delivered under such plans and are not subject to outstanding awards under such plans as of May 17, 2005 or which subsequently become available for awards as a result of forfeitures or application of shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations shall instead be used for awards under the Omnibus Plan. Accordingly, to the extent any of the 404,951 shares registered on this registration statement that are subject to outstanding awards are not delivered to award holders as a result of forfeiture of awards or application of shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations, the shares not delivered shall be available for awards under Omnibus Plan and shall be deemed transferred to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 contemporaneously filed by the Company with respect to such plan.

SIGNATURES

THE REGISTRANT. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Amendment to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the County of Nassau, State of New York, on this 27th day of May, 2005.

FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /S/ MICHAEL J. HEGARTY

----Michael J. Hegarty
President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated on this 27th day of May, 2005.

SIGNATURE CAPACITY

*	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director	
Michael J. Hegarty	(Principal Executive Officer)	
*	Director and Chairman	
Gerard P. Tully, Sr.		
/S/ JOHN R. BURAN	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer and Director	
John R. Buran	operating critical and pricedur	
/S/ DAVID W. FRY	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	
David W. Fry	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	
James D. Bennett	Director	
SIGNATURE	CAPACITY	
Steven J. D'Iorio	Director	
Louis C. Grassi	Director	
John J. McCabe	Director	
*	Director	
Vincent F. Nicolosi		
Donna M. O'Brien	Director	
*	Director	
Franklin F. Regan, Jr.		

*	Director
John E. Roe, Sr.	
SIGNATURE	CAPACITY
*	Director
Michael J. Russo	
* By: /S/ MICHAEL J. HEGARTY	
as authorized by Power of Attorney included in original Registration Statement	