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

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Registration No. 333-89450

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)

Copy to: Gloria W. Nusbacher, Esq. Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP One Battery Park Plaza New York, N.Y. 10004

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") and not previously delivered or subject to outstanding awards under such plans or 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 May 31, 2002, registered 202,500 shares for delivery under the Company's Restricted Stock Plan and 810,000 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, none have been delivered or are subject to outstanding awards, and all 202,500 shares are available for future grants. None of the shares registered for delivery under the Option Plan have been delivered, and all 810,000 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, the 202,500 shares that are available for future grants are hereby deregistered from this Registration Statement and transferred to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 contemporaneously filed by the Company with respect to the Omnibus Plan. In addition, to the extent any of the 810,000 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, the shares not delivered shall be available for awards under the 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.

Item 8. EXHIBITS

Exhibit 23.1 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm - filed herewith

Exhibit 24.1 Powers of Attorney - filed herewith

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/ JOHN R. BURAN

John R. Buran
Executive Vice President and
Chief Operating 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
* Michael J. Hegarty	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)
* Gerard P. Tully, Sr.	Director and Chairman
* John R. Buran	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer and Director
* David W. Fry	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
* James D. Bennett	Director
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Steven J. D'Iorio	Director
* Louis C. Grassi	Director
* John J. McCabe	Director
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