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ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file number 811-04605

First Financial Fund, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 444-5483

Date of fiscal year end: March 31

Date of reporting period: July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

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PROXY VOTING RECORD FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 2007 TO JUNE 30, 2008

Name of Issuer	Ticker Symbol					Description of Matter to be Voted On
Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc.	BHLB	84680107	8/28/07	7/13/07	Special	Adoption of agreement and 1 plan of merger Adoption of proposal to adjourn meeting to a later date to permit further solicitation of proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the 2 special meeting
Carver Bancorp, Inc.	CARV	146875109	9/18/07	7/31/07	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Ratify appointment of KPMG LLP as accounting firm for 2 YE 3/31/08
Yardville National Bancorp	YANB	985021104	10/19/07	8/24/07	Special	Approve the agreement and plan of merger between 1 Yardville and PNC Approve adjournment of meeting to solicit 2 additional proxies
Beverly Hills Bancorp, Inc.	BHBC	087866109	10/25/07	8/27/07	Annual	Election of seven (7) 1 directors
Jefferson Bancshares, Inc	JFBI	472375104	10/25/07	8/31/07	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Craine, Thompson & Jones PC as accounting firm for YE 2 6/30/08
Georgetown Bancorp, Inc	GTWN	372590109	10/23/07	9/13/07		Election of seven (7) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Wolf & Company PC as accounting 2 firm for YE 6/30/08
Hampden Bancorp, Inc	HBNK	40867E107	11/1/07	9/17/07	Annual	Election of five (5) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Wolf & Company PC as accounting 2 firm for YE 6/30/08

Royal Financial, Inc.	RYFL	78027P109	10/31/07	9/19/07	Annual		Election of two (2) directors Ratify appointment of Crowe, Chizek and Company LLC as accounting firm for YE 6/30/08
HF Financial Corp	HFFC	404172108	11/14/07	9/28/07	Annual		Election of two (2) directors
Security Capital Assurance LTD	SCA	G8018D107	11/6/07	10/1/07	Special		Approve the name change to Syncora Holdings, LTD
Osage Bancshares, Inc	OSBK	68764U106	11/21/07	10/3/07	Annual	1 0	Election of two (2) directors Approval of the Osage Bancshares 2007 stock compensation and incentive plan
Oritani Financial Corp	ORIT	686323106	11/21/07	10/5/07	Annual	1 (Election of two (2) directors Ratify appointment of KPMG, LLP as accountants for YE 6/30/08
Provident Financial Holdings. Inc	PROV	743868101	11/27/07	10/12/07	Annual	1 (Election of three (3) directors Ratify appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as accountants for YE 6/30/08
First Indiana Corporation	FINB	32054R108	12/19/07	10/17/07	Special	1 0	Approve agreement and plan of merger Adjourn meeting to solicit additional proxies
Redwood Financial, Inc	REDW	757903109	12/12/07	10/18/07	Annual		Election of two (2) directors
Home Federal Bancorp, Inc.	HOME	43709A101	12/17/07	11/9/07	Special	1 (1) 2 (2) 3 (2)	Conversion to stock holding company form Adjournment of meeting, if necessary to solicit additional proxies Increase authorized shares of capital stock Supermajority of stock holders to vote and approve mergers and consolidations Approval limiting ability of stockholders to remove directors Limit voting rights of shares beneficially owned in excess of 10% Require supermajority stockholder vote to amend provisions Provision in bylaws requiring supermajority

							older vote to amend sions of new bylaws
American Bancorp of NJ	ABNJ	02407E104	2/26/08	1/7/08	Annual	l direct Ratify Crowe,	appointment of Chizek and Company auditors for YE
Perpetual Federal Savings Bank	PFOH	714273109	1/16/08	11/20/07	Annual	l direct Ratify Crowe,	appointment of Chizek and Company auditors for YE
Hampden Bancorp, Inc	HBNK	40867E107	1/29/08	12/12/07	Special		al of 2008 Equity ive Plan
Abington Bancorp, Inc	ABBC	00650L109	1/30/08	12/17/07	Special	l option Approv recogn	re the 2007 stock a plan re the 2007 hition and retention and trust agreement
Commerce Bancorp, Inc.	СВН	200519106	2/6/08	12/14/07	Special	Adjour necess	re plan of merger comment of meeting, if sary to solicit conal proxies
Liberty Bancorp, Inc.	LBCP	53017Q102	2/6/08	12/21/07	Annual	Electi l direct	on of one (1) ors
Bank United Financial Corporation	BKUNA	06652B103	2/8/08	12/3/07	Annual	Electi l direct	on of four (4) ors
Charter Financial Corporation	CHFN	16122M100	2/20/08	1/15/08	Annual		on of four (4) ors
Canadian Western Bank	CWB	13677F101	3/6/08	1/17/08	Annual	l audito Electi 2 out in Amendm	tment of KPMG, LLP as ors of the bank on of Directors set a management Proxy ment to the share tive plan
Deerfield Triarc Capital Corporation	DTCC	244331104	3/11/08	2/4/08	Special	shares prefer issued common	se shares reserved
Cardinal State Bank	CSNC	141546101	3/19/08	2/11/08	Special	l Yadkin	ve plan of merger with A Valley Bank ve adjournment to

						solicit additional proxies, 2 if necessary
UMB Financial Corporation	UMBF	902788108	4/22/08	3/4/08	Annual	<pre>Election of Five (5) directors Ratify audit committee's retention of Deloitte to serve as the company's independent auditors Amend the long term incentive compensation plan Amend the incentive compensation plan. Eliminate classification of terms to require that all directors stand for election annually</pre>
Eastern Virginia Bankshares, Inc.	EVBS	277196101	4/17/08	3/6/08	Annual	Election of ten (10) 1 directors
Old Point Financial Corporation	OPOF	680194107	4/22/08	2/13/08	Annual	Election of sixteen (16) 1 directors
People's United Financial, Inc.	PBCT	712704105	4/17/08	2/20/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Adoption of the long-term 2 incentive program Amendment of the recognition and incentive 3 plan. Amendment of the stock 4 option plan Ratify KPMG as independent 5 auditors
Capstead Mortgage Corp	СМО	14067E506	5/1/08	2/20/08	Annual	Election of seven (7) 1 directors Authorize increase of 2 common shares Ratify Ernst & Young as 3 independent auditors
River Valley Bancorp	RIVR	768475105	4/16/08	2/22/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors
Centrue Financial Corporation	TRUE	15643B106	4/23/08	2/25/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors
Bank of Florida Corporation	BOFL	062128103	4/24/08	2/25/08	Annual	Election of thirteen (13) 1 directors Ratify Grant Hacker, Johnson & Smith PA as 2 independent auditors Permit adjournment to 3 solicit additional proxies
Southcoast Financial Corporation	SOCB	84129R100	4/10/08	2/28/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors

Signature Bank	SBNY	82669G104	4/17/08	2/29/08	Annual	1 2	Approve amended long-term
OritanI Financial Corp.	ORIT	686323106	4/22/08	2/29/08	Special	1	Approve the equity incentive Plan
TIB Financial Corporation	TIBB	872449103	4/29/08	2/29/08	Annual	1	Election of four (4) directors
ECB Bancorp, Inc.	ECBE	268253101	4/15/08	3/3/08	Annual	1 2 3	Election of three (3) directors Approve equity plan Ratify appointment of Dixon Hughes, PLLC as accountants for 2008
Amerserv Financial, Inc.	ASRV	03074A102	4/22/08	3/3/08	Annual	1	Election of six (6) directors
Leesport Financial Corp,		524477106	4/22/08	3/3/08	Annual	1 2	Election of four (4) directors Ratify independent auditors
Republic First Bancorp, Inc.	FRBK	760416107	4/22/08	3/3/08	Annual	1	Election of three (3) directors
Capital Financial Corporation	CFNL	14149F109	4/18/08	3/3/08	Annual	1 2	Election of four (4) directors Ratify KPMG. LLP as independent auditors
Cambridge Bancorp	CATC	132152109	4/28/08	3/3/08	Annual	1	Election of four (4) directors
SCBT Financial Corporation	SCBT	78401V102	4/22/08	3/4/08	Annual	1 2	Election of five (5) directors Ratify appointment of Dixon Hughes, PLLC as accountants for 2008
Firstfed Financial Corp.	FED	337907109	4/20/08	3/5/08	Annual	1 2	Ratify Grant Thornton, LLP
Ram Holdings Ltd.	RAMR	G7368R104	5/2/08	3/6/08	Annual	3 4	Election of eleven (11) directors Ratify PWC, LLP as independent auditors Amendment to memo of Association Amendment to bye-laws Authorization of election of directors
CFS Bancorp, Inc	CITZ	12525D102	4/29/08	3/7/08	Annual	1 2	Election of three (3) directors Proposal to adopt the CFS Bancorp, Inc. equity incentive plan

						Proposal to ratify the 3 appointment
LSB Corporation	LSBX	50215P100	5/6/08	3/7/08	Annual	Election of four (4) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Wolf & Company PC as accountants 2 for 2008
Rome Bancorp	ROME	77587P103	5/7/08	3/7/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Crowe, Chizek and Company LLC as accounting firm for 2 YE 12/31/08
Northrim Bancorp, Inc.	NRIM	666762109	5/1/08	3/10/08	Annual	Election of ten (10) 1 directors
BCB Bancorp, Inc.	BCBP	055298103	4/24/08	3/10/08	Annual	Election of four (4) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Bearc Miller Company as 2 accountants for 2008
Legacy Bancorp, Inc	LEGC	52463G105	5/8/08	3/11/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Wolf & Company PC as accountants 2 for 2008
Rockville Financial, Inc.	RCKB	774186100	4/29/08	3/13/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Deloitte LLP as auditors 2 for 2008
Sterling Banks Inc.	STBK	85915B100	4/22/08	3/14/08	Annual	Election of fourteen (14) 1 directors Approve employee stock 2 option plan Approval of director stock 3 option plan
Oak Ridge Financial Services, Inc.	BKOR	671768109	5/8/08	3/14/08	Annual	Election of four (4) 1 directors Ratify Elliot Davis, PLLC 2 as auditor
Metrocorp Bancshares, Inc.	MCBI	591650106	5/9/08	3/14/08	Annual	Election of five (5) 1 directors Ratify appointment of PWC. LLP as accounting firm for 2 YE 12/31/08
Redwood Financial, Inc.	REDW	757903109	5/14/08	3/14/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors
Beacon Federal Bancorp		073582108	5/22/08	3/14/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors Ratify appointment of

						Crowe, Chizek and Company LLC as accounting firm for 2 YE 12/31/08
PHH Corporation	РНН	693320202	6/11/08	3/14/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors 2 Approve issuance of shares Ratify appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as 3 accountants for 2008
Wainwright Bank and Trust Company	WAIN	930705108	5/14/08	3/17/08	Annual	Election of twelve (12) 1 directors Election of Clerk of the 2 Bank Ratify appointment of Vitale, Caturano & Co., LTD 3 as accounting firm for 2008
Bridge Capital Holdings	BBNK	108030107	5/15/08	3/17/08	Annual	Election of eleven (11) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP as accounting firm for 2 2008
Bancorp, Inc.	TBBK	05969A105	5/22/08	3/17/08	Annual	Election of eleven (11) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Grant Thornton, LLP as accounting 2 firm for 2008
Third Century Bancorp	TDCB	884120106	5/21/08	3/18/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors Ratify appointment of BKD, LLP as accounting firm for 2 2008
Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc	BHLB	084680107	5/15/08	3/20/08	Annual	Election of five (5) 1 directors Approval of 2003 equity 2 compensation plan Ratify appointment of BKD, LLP as accounting firm for 3 2008
Pennsylvania Commerce Bancorp, Inc.	СОВН	708677109	5/16/08	3/20/08	Annual	Election of nine (9) 1 directors Amendment to the 2001 2 directors stock option plan Amendment to the 2006 3 employee stock option plan Take action on other 4 businesses
Tidelands Bancshares, Inc.	TDBK	886374107	5/19/08	3/20/08	Annual	Election of six (6) 1 directors Phase-out the classified 2 Board of directors structure
Bank Atlantic						Election of three (3)

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Bancorp, Inc.	BBY	065908501	5/20/08	3/20/08	Annual		directors Approval of amendment to articles of incorporation
Citizens First Bancorp, Inc.	CTZN	17461R106	5/22/08	3/20/08	Annual	1 2	Election of three (3) directors Ratify appointment of BDO Seidman, LLP as accounting firm for 2008 Approve amended employee stock purchase plan
Parkway Bank	PKWY	70153M109	5/27/08	3/20/08	Annual	1 2	Election of four (4) directors Approve stock repurchase plan Ratify appointment of Dixon Hughes PLLC as accounting firm for 2008
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	ACGL	G0450A105	5/9/08	3/24/08	Annual	1	Election of three (3) directors Ratify appointment of PWC , LLP as accounting firm for 2008
Central Virginia Bankshares, Inc.	CVBK	155792104	5/13/08	3/24/08	Annual	1	Election of three (3) directors Ratify appointment of Yount, Hyde & Barbour, PC as accounting firm for 2008
Southern First Bancshares, Inc.	SFST	842873101	5/13/08	3/24/08	Annual		Election of four (4) directors
Newport Bancorp, Inc.	NFSB	651754103	5/15/08	3/24/08	Annual	1	Election of five (5) directors Ratify appointment of Yount, Hyde & Barbour, PC as accounting firm for 2008
Dearborn Bancorp, Inc.	DEAR	24242R108	5/20/08	3/24/08	Annual		Election of three (3) directors
The Connecticut Bank & Trust Company	CTBC	207546102	5/20/08	3/25/08	Annual		Election of four (4) directors
Abington Bancorp, Inc.	ABBC	00350L109	5/13/08	3/28/08	Annual	1	Election of three (3) directors Ratify appointment of Beard Miller Company LLP as accounting firm for 2008
Bank of Virginia	BOVA	06544P104	5/15/08	3/28/08	Annual	1	Election of two (2) directors Ratify appointment of Yount, Hyde & Barbour, PC as accounting firm for 2008
Sun Bancorp, Inc.	SNBC	86663B102	5/15/08	3/28/08	Annual		Election of fifteen (15) directors

						2	Ratify appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP, PC as accounting firm for 2008
Heritage Oaks Bancorp	HEOP	42724R107	5/22/08	3/28/08	Annual		Election of eleven (11) directors Ratify appointment of Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co. as accounting firm for 2008
Coastal Banking Company	CBCO	19041N100	5/16/08	3/31/08	Annual	1	Election of four (4) directors
Bank of Commerce Holdings	BOCH	06424J103	5/20/08	3/31/08	Annual		Election of eleven (11) directors Ratify appointment of Moss Adams LLP as accounting firm for 2007
FNB Bancorp	FNBG	302515101	5/21/08	3/31/08	Annual	1 2 3	
First Regional Bancorp	FRGB	33615C101	5/22/08	3/31/08	Annual	1 2	Election of four (4) directors Other business
First California Financial Group, Inc.	FCAL	319395109	5/28/08	3/31/08	Annual	1	Election of ten (10) directors
Pacific Premier Bancorp	PPBI	69478X105	5/28/08	3/31/08	Annual	1 2	Ratify appointment of Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co.
International Bancshares Corporation	IBOC	459044103	5/19/08	4/1/08	Annual		Ratify appointment of McGladrey & Pullen LLP as auditors for 2008 Approve amendment to the
First Capital Bancorp, Inc.	FCVA	319438107	5/21/08	4/1/08	Annual	1	Election of four (4) directors Ratify appointment of Cherry, Bekaert & Holland LLP
Appalachian Bancshares, Inc.	APAB	037675105	5/20/08	4/2/08	Annual	1	Election of three (3) directors
Central Federal Corporation	CFBK	15346Q103	5/15/08	4/4/08	Annual	1	Election of two (2) directors Ratify appointment of Crowe, Chizek and Company

						LLC as accounting firm for 2 YE 12/31/08
Valley Commerce Bancorp	VCBP	919518100	5/20/08	4/4/08	Annual	Election of nine (9) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Perry-Smith LLC as accounting firm for YE 2 12/31/08
Beneficial Mutual Bancorp, Inc.	BNCL	08173R104	5/22/08	4/4/08	Annual	Election of thirteen (13) 1 directors Approval of equity 2 incentive plan Ratify appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP, PC 3 as accounting firm for 2008
Goldleaf Financial Solutions, Inc	GFSID	38144H208	5/21/08	4/7/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors 2 Other matters
Old Line Bankshares Inc	OLBK	6798M100	5/29/08	4/7/08	Annual	Election of five (5) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Rowles & Co. LLP, PC as 2 accounting firm for 2008
Gateway Financial Holdings, Inc.	GBTS	368140109	5/19/08	4/8/08	Annual	Election of five (5) 1 directors
Southern Connecticut Bancorp, Inc.	SCNO	84262A102	5/20/08	4/8/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors
Northfield Bancorp Inc.	NFBK	66611L105	5/28/08	4/10/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Ratify appointment of KPMG. LLP, PC as accounting firm 2 for 2008
Beverly National Corporation	BNV	088115100	5/29/08	4/10/08	Annual	<pre>Fix the number of directors 1 at twelve (12) Election of four (4) 2 directors Ratify appointment of Shatswell, MacLeod & Company, PC, PC as auditors 3 for 2008</pre>
United Financial Bancorp, Inc.	UBNK	91030T109	6/10/08	4/21/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Approve the equity 2 incentive plan
Capital Corp of the West	CCOW	140065202	6/19/08	4/21/08	Annual	Election of four (4) 1 directors Approve amended and 2 restated Stock plan Ratify appointment of Perry-Smith LLP, PC as 3 accounting firm for 2008

Mackinac Financial Corp	MFNC	554571109	5/28/08	4/22/08	Annual	Election of four (4) 1 directors
Thornburg Mortgage, Inc.	TMA	885218701	6/12/08	4/25/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Amend company charter to increase the number of
						2 shares Amend company charter to modify terms of each series 3 preferred stock
TICC Capital Corporation	TICC	87244T109	6/16/08	4/25/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors Ratify appointment of PWC. LLP as accounting firm for 2 YE 12/31/08
						<pre>Sell shares below price, 3 then at NAV in offer Issue securities to subscribe to, convert to or purchase shares in 4 offering/s</pre>
Broadway Financial Corporation	BYFC	111444105	6/25/08	4/28/08	Annual	Election of three (3) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Crowe, Chizek and Company LLC as auditor for YE
						<pre>2 12/31/08 Approve long term incentive 3 plan</pre>
First Advantage Bancorp	FABK	31848L104	6/11/08	4/30/08	Annual	Election of nine (9) 1 directors Approve the equity 2 incentive plan Ratify appointment of BKD
						LLP, PC as accounting firm 3 for 2008
Maiden Holdings, Ltd	MHLD	560292104	6/19/08	5/5/08	Annual	Election of eight (8) 1 directors Removal of PWC as
						Accounting firm of the 2 company Ratify appointment of BDO Seidman LLP, PC as
						<pre>3 accounting firm for 2008 Removal of PWC as auditor 5 of the company Authonian appointment of</pre>
						Authorize appointment of Arthur Morris & Co as 6 auditor for YE 12/31/08
Bank Financial Corporation	BFIN	06643P104	6/24/08	5/5/08	Annual	Election of two (2) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Crowe, Chizek and Company LLC as accounting firm for 2 YE 12/31/08

Alliance Bankshares Corporation	ABVA	018535104	6/19/08	5/12/08	Annual	Election of four (4) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Yount, Hyde & Barbour, PC as accounting firm for YE 2 12/31/08
Muni Funding Company of America, LLC		62618W103	6/19/08	5/12/08	Annual	Election of eight (8) 1 directors Prepare plan of liquidation 2 for shareholder approval
Fidelity Federal Bancorp	FDLB	315921205	6/23/08	5/22/08	Annual	Election of eight (8) 1 directors Ratify appointment of BKD, LLP as accounting firm and 2 auditors for YE 12/31/08
Highland Financial Partners, LP	HFP	43009L203	7/15/08	6/2/08	Annual	Election of five (5) 1 directors Amendment to restated limited partnership 2 agreement Adopt and amend partnership's 2006 LP unit 3 incentive plan
MF Global LTD	MF	G60642108	7/28/08	6/16/08	Annual	Election of seven (7) 1 directors Ratify appointment of PWC, LLP as auditors for YE 12/31/08 and authorize the board of directors to 2 determine the fee
New England Bancshares, Inc.	NEBS	643863202	8/14/08	6/23/08	Annual	Election of seven (7) 1 directors Ratify appointment of Shatswell, MacLeod & Co. PC 2 as auditors for YE 3/31/09
Meridian Interstate Bancorp, Inc.	EBSB	58964Q104	8/19/08	6/30/08	Annual	Election of four (4) directors Approval of equity incentive plan Ratify appointment of Wolf & Company PC as accounting firm and auditors for YE 12/31/08
Cape Bancorp, Inc.	CBNJ	139209100	8/25/08	7/8/08	Annual	Election of four (4) 1 directors Approval of equity 2 incentive plan Ratify appointment of Crowe, Chizek & Co, LLC as accounting firm and 3 auditors for YE 12/31/08

SIGNATURES

*Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.