

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
FARRELL ROBERT S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC [NYB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

615 MERRICK AVENUE

11/04/2008

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WESTBURY, NY 11590

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/04/2008		S			81,500	D	\$ 15.16	263,489	D	
						(1)		(2)			
Common Stock									2,839	I	By Spouse's IRA
Common Stock									39,168	I	By Spouse
Common Stock									12,240	I	By IRA

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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)	8.
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	07/24/2003 ⁽³⁾	07/24/2012	Common Stock	45,333

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
FARRELL ROBERT S 615 MERRICK AVENUE WESTBURY, NY 11590	X

Signatures

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney 11/06/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) These shares were sold to satisfy tax obligations.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.21 to \$15.13, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to New York Community Bancorp, Inc., any security holder of New York Community Bancorp, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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- (3) Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan are fully vested and exercisable as of July 24, 2005.

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