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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Spero Vincent A

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

PEAPACK GLADSTONE

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

FINANCIAL CORP [PGC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

below)

(Month/Day/Year) 190 MAIN STREET, PO BOX 178 11/19/2009

(Middle)

(Zip)

EVP & Chief Lending Officer

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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Person

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

GLADSTONE, NJ 07934

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

1,808.399 D

Common

Stock

Ι 1.250.9773

Plan/Profit Sharing

(9-02)

401K

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)

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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. Transactio 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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.01					(3)	06/02/2018	Common Stock	1,050
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.91	11/19/2009		A	3,000	<u>(1)</u>	11/19/2019	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Hume / Humess	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Spero Vincent A 190 MAIN STREET PO BOX 178 GLADSTONE, NJ 07934

EVP & Chief Lending Officer

Signatures

Vincent A.
Spero

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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) The options are exercisable in five equal annual installments on November 19, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014.
- (2) Option grant has no purchase or sale price
- (3) The options are exercisable in five equal annual installments on June 2, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

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