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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP INC [FRBK] Cavallaro Frank A. (Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 132 YALE AVENUE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person SOMERDALE, NJÂ 08083 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Chief Financial Officer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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 $Table\ II\ -\ Derivative\ Securities\ Beneficially\ Owned\ (\textit{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible\ securities)$ 

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	•		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. 6. Nature of Indirect Ownership Beneficial Form of Ownership	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)

Option to Purchase Common Stock

09/02/2013 09/02/2019

Common

7,500 \$ 5.71

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Cavallaro Frank A.

132 YALE AVENUE

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Chief Financial Officer Â

SOMERDALE, NJÂ 08083

## **Signatures**

Frank Cavallaro

09/09/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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