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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 19, 2016

Chemical Financial Corporation (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Michigan 000-08185 38-2022454 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

235 E. Main Street
Midland, Michigan
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

48640
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (989) 839-5350

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Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Chemical Financial Corporation ("Chemical") held a special meeting of shareholders on Tuesday, July 19, 2016 related to its proposed merger with Talmer Bancorp, Inc. ("Talmer"). At the special meeting, Chemical's shareholders voted on five proposals, as described in the joint proxy statement and prospectus of Chemical and Talmer dated June 9, 2016, and cast their votes as described below.

Proposal 1 - Merger Agreement Proposal

Chemical's shareholders approved the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated January 25, 2016, by and between Chemical and Talmer, under which Talmer will merge with and into Chemical (the "merger"). The following is a tabulation of the voting results:

Votes For Votes Against Abstentions Broker Non-Votes Uncast

27,197,054 291,452 114,338 153,440 —

Proposal 2 - Share Issuance Proposal

Chemical's shareholders approved the issuance of shares of Chemical common stock, \$1 par value per share, to shareholders of Talmer in connection with the merger. The following is a tabulation of the voting results:

Votes For Votes Against Abstentions Broker Non-Votes Uncast

27,108,300 342,893 151,651 153,440 —

Proposal 3 - Proposal to Amend Articles of Incorporation

Chemical's shareholders approved amending Chemical's Articles of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 60 million to 100 million. The following is a tabulation of the voting results:

Votes For Votes Against Abstentions Broker Non-Votes Uncast

26,759,947 631,714 211,010 153,440 172

Proposal 4 - Merger-Related Compensation Proposal

Chemical's shareholders approved, on a non-binding, advisory basis, the compensation that may be paid or become payable to Chemical's named executive officers that is based on or otherwise related to the merger. The following is a tabulation of the voting results:

Votes For Votes Against Abstentions Broker Non-Votes Uncast

17,413,864 9,371,717 817,262 153,440 -

Proposal 5 - Adjournment Proposal

Chemical's shareholders approved a proposal to adjourn or postpone the special meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in the event there were not sufficient votes at the time of the special meeting to approve proposals 1 through 3 listed above. Although proposal 5 was approved, adjournment of the special meeting was not necessary because Chemical's shareholders approved proposals 1 through 3. The following is a tabulation of the voting results:

Votes For Votes Against Abstentions Broker Non-Votes Uncast

25,478,938 2,089,595 187,750 — — —

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: July 20, 2016 CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

/s/ Lori A. Gwizdala Lori A. Gwizdala Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer