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SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC Form 8-K April 25, 2007

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): April 13, 2007

Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
COMMISSION FILE NUMBER:

Maryland

52-1532952

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

17801 Georgia Avenue

Olney, MD 20832

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

301-774-6400

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Item 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

At the close of the Annual Meeting on April 18, 2007, in accordance with long-standing custom and the governance policy, Robert L. Mitchell left the Boards of Directors of Sandy Spring Bancorp and Sandy Spring Bank after 16 years of faithful and dedicated service.

SIGNATURE

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.

Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc.

By: /s/ Hunter R. Hollar

Name: Hunter R. Hollar Title: President and CEO Date: April 25, 2007