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SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, MAY 28, 2013

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus Dated January 28, 2013)

Shares

% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (Liquidation Preference \$25.00 Per Share)

New York Mortgage Trust, Inc. is offering to the public _____ shares of its _____ % Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, which we refer to in this prospectus supplement as the Series B Preferred Stock. This is an original issuance of the Series B Preferred Stock. We will pay quarterly cumulative dividends on the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock, in arrears, on the 15th day of each January, April, July and October commencing on July 15, 2013 (provided that if any dividend payment date is not a business day, then the dividend that would otherwise have been payable on that dividend payment date may be paid on the next succeeding business day) from, and including, the date of original issuance at _____ % of the \$25.00 per share liquidation preference per annum (equivalent to \$ _____ per annum per share).

The Series B Preferred Stock will not be redeemable before _____, 2018, except under circumstances where it is necessary to preserve our qualification as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for federal income tax purposes and except as described below upon the occurrence of a Change of Control (as defined herein). On or after _____, 2018, we may, at our option, redeem any or all of the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock at \$25.00 per share plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the redemption date. In addition, upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, we may, at our option, redeem any or all of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock within 120 days after the first date on which such Change of Control occurred at \$25.00 per share plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the redemption date. The Series B Preferred Stock has no stated maturity, is not subject to any sinking fund or mandatory redemption and will remain outstanding indefinitely unless repurchased or redeemed by us or converted into our common stock in connection with a Change of Control by the holders of Series B Preferred Stock.

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series B Preferred Stock will have the right (subject to our election to redeem the Series B Preferred Stock in whole or in part, as described above, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein)) to convert some or all of the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock held by such holder on the Change of Control Conversion Date into a number of shares of our common stock per share of Series B Preferred Stock equal to the lesser of:

the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of the \$25.00 liquidation preference per share of the Series B Preferred Stock plus the amount of any accumulated and unpaid dividends thereon to, but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (unless the Change of Control Conversion Date is after a dividend record date (as defined herein) and prior to the corresponding dividend payment date (as defined herein) for the Series B Preferred

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Stock, in which case no additional amount for such accumulated and unpaid dividends will be included in this sum) by (ii) the Common Stock Price (as defined herein); and

(the Share Cap), subject to certain adjustments as explained herein; in each case, on the terms and subject to the conditions described in this prospectus supplement, including provisions for the receipt, under specified circumstances, of alternative consideration as described in this prospectus supplement.

No current market exists for the Series B Preferred Stock. We have applied to list the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market, under the symbol NYMTP. If the application is approved, trading of the Series B Preferred Stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market is expected to begin within 30 days after the date of initial issuance of the Series B Preferred Stock. Our common stock is traded on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol NYMT .

There are restrictions on transfer and ownership of the Series B Preferred Stock intended to preserve our qualification as a REIT. Please see the sections entitled Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Restrictions on Transfer and Ownership in this prospectus supplement and Description of Common Stock Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer in the accompanying prospectus. In addition, except under limited circumstances as described in this prospectus supplement, holders of the Series B Preferred Stock generally do not have any voting rights.

Investing in the Series B Preferred Stock involves a high degree of risk. The Series B Preferred Stock has not been rated and is subject to risks associated with non-rated securities. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-9 of this prospectus supplement and in the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

	Per Share	Total ⁽¹⁾
Price to the public	\$	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions	\$	\$
Proceeds to us (before expenses)	\$	\$

(1) Assumes no exercise of the underwriters over-allotment option.

Neither the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus to which it relates is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The underwriters have an option to purchase a maximum of additional shares of our Series B Preferred Stock to cover over-allotments, if any, on the same terms and conditions set forth above within 30 days of the date of this prospectus supplement.

Delivery of the shares of the Series B Preferred Stock will be made on or about , 2013, only in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company.

Joint Book-Running Managers

Citigroup

Keefe, Bruyette & Woods

A Stifel Company

Joint-Lead Managers

Barclays

Credit Suisse

Deutsche Bank Securities

Co-Managers

JMP Securities

The date of this prospectus supplement is May , 2013.

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You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized anyone to provide you with different information.

We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock covered by this prospectus supplement in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted.

You should assume that the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein is accurate only as of their respective dates.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

This document consists of two parts. The first part is the prospectus supplement, which describes the specific terms of the offering, and also adds to and updates information contained in the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. The second part is the accompanying prospectus, which describes more general information, some of which may not apply to this offering. Before you buy any shares of our Series B Preferred Stock, it is important for you to read and consider the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus together with additional information described under the headings "Incorporation by Reference of Information Filed with the SEC" and "Where You Can Find More Information."

If the information set forth in this prospectus supplement differs in any way from the information set forth in the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information set forth in this prospectus supplement.

In this prospectus supplement, we refer to New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., together with its consolidated subsidiaries, as we, us, the Company, or our, unless we specifically state otherwise or the context indicates otherwise. In addition, the following defines certain of the commonly used terms in this prospectus supplement.

Agency ARMs refers to Agency RMBS comprised of adjustable-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS;

Agency IOs refers to IOs that represent the right to the interest components of the cash flow from a pool of mortgage loans issued or guaranteed by a GSE or an agency of the U.S. government;

Agency RMBS refers to RMBS representing interests in or obligations backed by pools of residential mortgage loans issued or guaranteed by a federally chartered corporation, such as the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac), or an agency of the U.S. government, such as the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae);

ARMs refers to adjustable-rate residential mortgage loans;

CMBS refers to commercial mortgage-backed securities comprised of commercial mortgage pass-through securities, as well as IO or PO securities that represent the right to a specific component of the cash flow from a pool of commercial mortgage loans;

CLO refers to collateralized loan obligations.

Consolidated K-Series refers to four separate Freddie-Mac sponsored multi-family loan K-Series securitizations, of which we, or one of our special purpose entities, own the first loss principal only securities and certain IOs issued by the securitizations;

IOs refers collectively to interest only and inverse interest only mortgage-backed securities that represent the right to the interest component of the cash flow from a pool of mortgage loans;

multi-family CMBS refers to CMBS backed by commercial mortgage loans on multi-family properties;

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POs refers to mortgage-backed securities that represent the right to the principal component of the cash flow from a pool of mortgage loans;

prime ARM loans refers to prime credit quality residential ARM loans held in securitization trusts; and

RMBS refers to residential mortgage-backed securities that are adjustable-rate, hybrid adjustable-rate, fixed-rate, interest only and inverse interest only or principal only securities.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

When used in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus, in future filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, or in press releases or other written or oral communications, statements which are not historical in nature, including those containing words such as believe, expect, anticipate, estimate, plan, continue, intend, should, would, could, goal, objective, will, are intended to identify forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or Exchange Act, and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions.

Forward-looking statements are based on our beliefs, assumptions and expectations of our future performance, taking into account all information currently available to us. These beliefs, assumptions and expectations are subject to risks and uncertainties and can change as a result of many possible events or factors, not all of which are known to us. If a change occurs, our business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations may vary materially from those expressed in our forward-looking statements. The following are examples of those factors that could cause actual results to vary from our forward-looking statements: changes in interest rates and the market value of our securities; changes in credit spreads; the impact of the downgrade of the long-term credit ratings of the United States, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and Ginnie Mae; market volatility; changes in the prepayment rates on the mortgage loans underlying our investment securities; increased rates of default and/or decreased recovery rates on our assets; our ability to borrow to finance our assets; changes in government regulations affecting our business; our ability to maintain our qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes; our ability to maintain our exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended; and risks associated with investing in real estate assets, including changes in business conditions and the general economy. These and other risks, uncertainties and factors, including the risk factors described below and in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as updated by those risk factors included in our subsequent filings under the Exchange Act, could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements we make. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made. New risks and uncertainties arise over time and it is not possible to predict those events or how they may affect us. Except as required by law, we are not obligated to, and do not intend to, update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act, and, in accordance with those requirements, file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Such reports, proxy statements and other information, as well as the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules thereto, can be inspected at the public reference facilities maintained by the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such materials may be obtained at prescribed rates. Information about the operation of the public reference facilities may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding registrants, including us, that file such information electronically with the SEC. The address of the SEC's website is www.sec.gov. Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market and our corporate website address is www.nymtrust.com. Our internet website and the information contained therein or connected thereto do not constitute a part of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto.

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INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus the information we file with the SEC, which means that we can disclose important business, financial and other information to you by referring you to other documents separately filed with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus from the date we file that document. Any reports filed by us with the SEC after the date of this prospectus supplement and before the date that the offering of the securities by means of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is terminated will automatically update and, where applicable, supersede any information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

We incorporate by reference the following documents or information filed with the SEC and any subsequent filings we make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this prospectus supplement and prior to completion of the offering of the Series B Preferred Stock described in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus (other than, in each case, documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules):

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, filed on March 18, 2013;

our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013, filed on May 10, 2013;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 3, 2013, March 8, 2013 (with respect to Item 5.02 only), March 19, 2013, March 26, 2013, April 29, 2013 (with respect to Item 8.01 only), May 2, 2013, May 10, 2013 (with respect to Item 5.07 only) and May 28, 2013;

the information specifically incorporated by reference into our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 from our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed on March 26, 2013; and

the description of our capital stock in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on June 3, 2008.

We will provide without charge to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are delivered, upon his or her written or oral request, a copy of any or all documents referred to above that have been or may be incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, excluding exhibits to those documents unless they are specifically incorporated by reference into those documents. You may request those documents from us by writing to New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., c/o Investor Relations, 275 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10016 or by calling Investor Relations at (646) 216-2363.

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SUMMARY

The following summary is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information included elsewhere or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Because this is a summary, it may not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should read the entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the section entitled Risk Factors and the documents incorporated by reference herein before making an investment decision.

The Company

We are a real estate investment trust, or REIT, in the business of acquiring, investing in, financing and managing primarily mortgage-related assets and, to a lesser extent, financial assets. Our objective is to manage a portfolio of investments that will deliver stable distributions to our stockholders over diverse economic conditions. We intend to achieve this objective through a combination of net interest margin and net realized capital gains from our investment portfolio. Our portfolio includes certain credit sensitive assets and investments sourced from distressed markets in recent years that create the potential for capital gains, as well as more traditional types of mortgage-related investments that generate interest income.

Under our investment strategy, our targeted assets currently include Agency ARMs, Agency fixed-rate RMBS, Agency IOs, multi-family CMBS, mezzanine loans to, and preferred equity investments in, owners of multi-family properties, and residential mortgage loans, including loans sourced from distressed markets. Subject to maintaining our qualification as a REIT, we also may opportunistically acquire and manage various other types of mortgage-related assets and financial assets that we believe will compensate us appropriately for the risks associated with them, including, without limitation, non-Agency RMBS (which may include IOs and POs), collateralized mortgage obligations and securities issued by newly originated residential securitizations, including credit sensitive securities from these securitizations. In addition, we will continue to seek new areas of opportunity in the residential space, including investments in mortgage servicing rights which may complement our Agency IO strategy.

We strive to maintain and achieve a balanced and diverse funding mix to finance our assets and operations. To this end, we rely primarily on a combination of short-term borrowings, such as repurchase agreements with terms typically of 30 days, and longer term structured financings, such as securitization and resecuritization transactions, with terms longer than one year.

We internally manage a certain portion of our portfolio, including Agency ARMs, Agency fixed-rate RMBS, non-Agency RMBS, CLOs and certain residential mortgage loans held in securitization trusts. In addition, as part of our investment strategy, we also contract with certain external investment managers to manage specific asset types targeted by us. We are a party to separate investment management agreements with The Midway Group, L.P., or Midway, RiverBanc, LLC, or RiverBanc, and Headlands Asset Management, LLC, or Headlands, with Midway providing investment management services with respect to our investments in Agency IOs, RiverBanc providing investment management services with respect to our investments in multi-family CMBS and certain commercial real estate-related debt investments, and Headlands providing investment management services with respect to our investments in certain distressed residential mortgage loans.

We have elected to be taxed as a REIT and have complied, and intend to continue to comply, with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code, with respect thereto. Accordingly, we do not expect to be subject to federal income tax on our REIT taxable income that we currently distribute to our stockholders if certain asset, income and ownership tests and recordkeeping requirements are fulfilled. Even if

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we maintain our qualification as a REIT, we expect to be subject to some federal, state and local taxes on our income generated in our taxable REIT subsidiaries, or TRSs.

Our principal executive offices are located at 275 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10016, and our telephone number is (212) 792-0107. Our website is *www.nymtrust.com*. Our website and the information contained at or connected to our website do not constitute a part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

Recent Developments

On May 22, 2013, we completed the purchase of a first loss PO security and certain IO securities issued by a Freddie Mac-sponsored multi-family K-Series securitization for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$41.3 million.

In addition, on May 21, 2013, we completed the purchase of a pool of distressed residential mortgage loans composed of performing and re-performing, fixed and adjustable-rate, fully-amortizing, interest-only and balloon, seasoned mortgage loans secured by first liens on one- to four-family properties for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$132.4 million. Headlands will serve as external manager of these distressed residential mortgage loans and will be entitled to base management and incentive fees in connection therewith.

We used the net proceeds from our April 2013 public stock offering and general corporate liquidity, including repurchase agreements, to fund the purchase of these assets.

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The Offering

Issuer	New York Mortgage Trust, Inc.
Securities Offered	<p>shares of our % Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value per share (plus up to an additional shares of our % Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock that we will issue and sell in the event the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option).</p>
Dividends	<p>Holders of the Series B Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive cumulative cash dividends at a rate of % per annum of the \$25.00 per share liquidation preference (equivalent to \$ per annum per share).</p> <p>Dividends will be payable quarterly in arrears on the 15th day of each January, April, July and October, provided that if any dividend payment date is not a business day, then the dividend which would otherwise have been payable on that dividend payment date may be paid on the next succeeding business day. Dividends will accumulate and be cumulative from, and including, the date of original issuance, which is expected to be , 2013. The first dividend will be payable on July 15, 2013 in the amount of \$ per share and will be paid to the persons who are the holders of record of the Series B Preferred Stock at the close of business on the corresponding record date, which will be July 1, 2013.</p>
No Maturity	<p>The Series B Preferred Stock has no stated maturity and will not be subject to any sinking fund or mandatory redemption. Shares of the Series B Preferred Stock will remain outstanding indefinitely unless we decide to redeem or otherwise repurchase them or they become convertible and are converted as described below under Conversion Rights. We are not required to set apart for payment the funds to redeem the Series B Preferred Stock.</p>
Optional Redemption	<p>The Series B Preferred Stock is not redeemable by us prior to , 2018, except under circumstances intended to preserve our qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes and except as described below under Special Optional Redemption. On and after , 2018, we may, at our option, redeem the Series B Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, for cash at a redemption price equal to \$25.00 per share, plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the date fixed for redemption. Please see the section entitled Description of Series B Preferred Stock Redemption Optional Redemption.</p>
Special Optional Redemption	<p>Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, we may, at our option, redeem the Series B Preferred Stock, in whole or in part, within 120 days after the first date on which such Change of Control occurred, for cash at a redemption price of \$25.00 per share, plus any</p>

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accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the date fixed for redemption. If, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined herein), we have provided notice of our election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock (whether pursuant to our optional redemption right described above or this special optional redemption right), the holders of Series B Preferred Stock will not have the conversion right described below under Conversion Rights with respect to the shares of Series B Preferred Stock called for redemption. Please see the section entitled Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Redemption in this prospectus supplement.

A Change of Control is deemed to occur when, after the original issuance of the Series B Preferred Stock, the following have occurred and are continuing:

the acquisition by any person, including any syndicate or group deemed to be a person under Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act of beneficial ownership, directly or indirectly, through a purchase, merger or other acquisition transaction or series of purchases, mergers or other acquisition transactions of our stock entitling that person to exercise more than 50% of the total voting power of all our stock entitled to vote generally in the election of our directors (except that such person will be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all securities that such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only upon the occurrence of a subsequent condition); and

following the closing of any transaction referred to in the bullet point above, neither we nor the acquiring or surviving entity has a class of common securities (or American Depositary Receipts representing such securities) listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE), the NYSE MKT LLC (the NYSE MKT) or the Nasdaq Stock Market, or listed or quoted on an exchange or quotation system that is a successor to the NYSE, the NYSE MKT or the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Conversion Rights

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series B Preferred Stock will have the right (unless we have exercised our right to redeem the Series B Preferred Stock in whole or part, as described above under Optional Redemption or Special Optional Redemption, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date) to convert some or all of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock held by such holder on the Change of Control Conversion Date into a number of shares of our common stock per share of Series B Preferred Stock to be converted equal to the lesser of:

the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of the \$25.00 liquidation preference per share of Series B Preferred Stock plus the amount of any accumulated and unpaid dividends thereon to,

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but not including, the Change of Control Conversion Date (unless the Change of Control Conversion Date is after a dividend record date (as defined herein) and prior to the corresponding dividend payment date (as defined herein) for the Series B Preferred Stock, in which case no additional amount for such accumulated and unpaid dividends will be included in this sum) by (ii) the Common Stock Price (as defined herein); and

, or the Share Cap, subject to adjustments to the Share Cap for any splits, subdivisions or combinations of our common stock;

in each case, on the terms and subject to the conditions described in this prospectus supplement, including provisions for the receipt, under specified circumstances, of alternative consideration as described in this prospectus supplement.

For definitions of Change of Control Conversion Right, Change of Control Conversion Date and Common Stock Price and a description of certain adjustments and provisions for the receipt of alternative consideration that may be applicable to the conversion of Series B Preferred Stock in the event of a Change of Control, and for other important information, please see the section entitled Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Conversion Rights.

Liquidation Preference

If we liquidate, dissolve or wind up, holders of the Series B Preferred Stock will have the right to receive \$25.00 per share, plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the date of payment, before any payment is made to the holders of our common stock. Please see the section entitled Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Liquidation Preference.

Ranking

The Series B Preferred Stock will rank, with respect to rights to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, (1) senior to all classes or series of our common stock and to all other equity securities issued by us other than equity securities referred to in clauses (2) and (3); (2) on a parity with all equity securities issued by us with terms specifically providing that those equity securities rank on a parity with the Series B Preferred Stock with respect to rights to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up; (3) junior to all equity securities issued by us with terms specifically providing that those equity securities rank senior to the Series B Preferred Stock with respect to rights to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up; and (4) effectively junior to all of our existing and future indebtedness (including indebtedness convertible into our common stock or preferred stock) and to the indebtedness of any of our existing or future subsidiaries. Please see the section entitled Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Ranking.

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Voting Rights

Holders of Series B Preferred Stock will generally have no voting rights. However, if we do not pay dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock for six or more quarterly dividend periods (whether or not consecutive), the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock, voting together as a single class with the holders of all other classes or series of our preferred stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable and which are entitled to vote as a class with the Series B Preferred Stock in the election referred to below, will be entitled to vote for the election of two additional directors to serve on our board of directors until we pay, or declare and set apart funds for the payment of, all dividends accumulated on the Series B Preferred Stock for all past dividend periods and the then current dividend period. In addition, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock, voting together as a single class with the holders of all other classes of our preferred stock we may issue upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable, is required for us (a) to authorize or issue shares of any class or series of stock ranking senior to the Series B Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or the distribution of assets on liquidation, dissolution or winding up, or (b) to amend any provision of our charter so as to materially and adversely affect any rights of the Series B Preferred Stock or to take certain other actions. Please see the section entitled Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Voting Rights.

Information Rights

During any period in which we are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and any shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, we will use our best efforts to (i) transmit by mail (or other permissible means under the Exchange Act) to all holders of Series B Preferred Stock, as their names and addresses appear on our record books and without cost to such holders, copies of the annual reports on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q that we would have been required to file with the SEC pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act if we were subject thereto (other than any exhibits that would have been required) and (ii) promptly, upon request, supply copies of such reports to any holders or prospective holder of Series B Preferred Stock. We will use our best efforts to mail (or otherwise provide) the information to the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock within 15 days after the respective dates by which a periodic report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, as the case may be, in respect of such information would have been required to be filed with the SEC, if we were subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, in each case, based on the dates on which we would be required to file such periodic reports if we were a non-accelerated filer within the meaning of the Exchange Act.

Listing

No current market exists for the Series B Preferred Stock. We have filed an application to list the Series B Preferred Stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol NYMTP. If approved for listing, we expect that trading on the Nasdaq Capital Market will commence

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within 30 days after the date of initial issuance of the Series B Preferred Stock. The underwriters have advised us that they intend to make a market in the Series B Preferred Stock prior to the commencement of any trading on the Nasdaq Capital Market, but they are not obligated to do so and may discontinue market making at any time without notice. We cannot assure you that a market for the Series B Preferred Stock will develop prior to commencement of trading on the Nasdaq Capital Market or, if developed, will be maintained or will provide you with adequate liquidity.

Restrictions on Transfer and Ownership

In order to ensure that we remain a qualified REIT for federal income tax purposes, our charter, including the articles supplementary setting forth the terms of the Series B Preferred Stock, or the Articles Supplementary, provides that generally no person may own, or be deemed to own by virtue of the attribution provisions of the Code, either (i) more than 9.9% in value of the aggregate of our outstanding shares of capital stock or (ii) more than 9.9% in value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive, of the aggregate of shares of our outstanding common stock. These provisions may restrict the ability of a holder of Series B Preferred Stock to convert such stock into our common stock. Our board of directors may, in its sole discretion, exempt a person from the 9.9% ownership limits under certain circumstances. Please see the sections entitled *Description of the Series B Preferred Stock*, *Restrictions on Transfer and Ownership* in this prospectus supplement and *Description of Preferred Stock*, *Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer*; *Change of Control Provisions* and *Description of Common Stock*, *Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer* in the accompanying prospectus.

Book Entry and Form

The Series B Preferred Stock will be represented by one or more global certificates in definitive, fully registered form deposited with a custodian for, and registered in the name of, a nominee of The Depository Trust Company.

Use of Proceeds

We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering to acquire primarily distressed residential mortgage loans and commercial mortgage-related debt investments. We may also use a portion of the net proceeds for general working capital purposes, including the repayment of indebtedness. See *Use of Proceeds*.

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Federal Income Tax Considerations

For a discussion of the federal income tax consequences of purchasing, owning and disposing of the Series B Preferred Stock and any common stock received upon conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock, please see the section entitled Additional Federal Income Tax Considerations.

Risk Factors

An investment in the Series B Preferred Stock is subject to risks. Please refer to Risk Factors and other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus for a discussion of factors you should carefully consider before investing in shares of our Series B Preferred Stock.

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RISK FACTORS

An investment in shares of our Series B Preferred Stock is subject to certain risks. The trading price of our Series B Preferred Stock could decline due to any of these risks, and you may lose all or part of your investment. Before you decide to invest in our Series B Preferred Stock, you should consider the risk factors below relating to the offering as well as the risk factors described under the caption "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

Risks Related to the Offering

The Series B Preferred Stock ranks junior to all of our indebtedness and other liabilities.

In the event of our bankruptcy, liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of our affairs, our assets will be available to pay obligations on the Series B Preferred Stock only after all of our indebtedness and other liabilities have been paid. The rights of holders of the Series B Preferred Stock to participate in the distribution of our assets will rank junior to the prior claims of our current and future creditors and any existing or future series or class of preferred stock we may issue that ranks senior to the Series B Preferred Stock. In addition, the Series B Preferred Stock would effectively rank junior to all indebtedness and other liabilities of any existing or future subsidiaries. Such subsidiaries are or would be separate legal entities and have or will have no legal obligation to pay any amounts to us in respect of dividends due on the Series B Preferred Stock. If we are forced to liquidate our assets to pay our creditors, we may not have sufficient assets to pay amounts due on any or all of the Series B Preferred Stock then outstanding. We have incurred and may in the future incur substantial amounts of debt and other obligations that will rank senior to the Series B Preferred Stock.

Future offerings of debt or senior equity securities may adversely affect the market price of the Series B Preferred Stock. Moreover, under the terms of certain of our securitizations or structured financings, our operating flexibility is constrained and, if we decide to issue debt or senior equity securities in the future, it is possible that these securities will be governed by an indenture or other instrument containing covenants or other provisions that will further restrict our operating flexibility. Additionally, any convertible or exchangeable securities that we issue in the future may have rights, preferences and privileges more favorable than those of the Series B Preferred Stock and may result in dilution to owners of the Series B Preferred Stock. We and, indirectly, our stockholders, will bear the cost of issuing and servicing such securities. Because our decision to issue debt or equity securities in any future offering will depend on market conditions and other factors beyond our control, we cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing or nature of our future offerings. Thus, holders of the Series B Preferred Stock will bear the risk of our future offerings reducing the market price of the Series B Preferred Stock and diluting the value of their holdings in us.

The Series B Preferred Stock has not been rated.

We have not sought to obtain a rating for the Series B Preferred Stock, and the Series B Preferred Stock may never be rated. It is possible, however, that one or more rating agencies might independently determine to assign a rating to the Series B Preferred Stock or that we may elect to obtain a rating of our Series B Preferred Stock in the future. Furthermore, we may elect to issue other securities for which we may seek to obtain a rating. If any ratings are assigned to the Series B Preferred Stock in the future or if we issue other securities with a rating, such ratings, if they are lower than market expectations or are subsequently lowered or withdrawn, could adversely affect the market for or the market value of the Series B Preferred Stock.

Ratings only reflect the views of the issuing rating agency or agencies and such ratings could at any time be revised downward or withdrawn entirely at the discretion of the issuing rating agency. Further, a rating is not a recommendation to purchase, sell or hold any particular security, including the Series B Preferred Stock. In

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addition, ratings do not reflect market prices or suitability of a security for a particular investor and any future rating of the Series B Preferred Stock may not reflect all risks related to the Company and its business, or the structure or market value of the Series B Preferred Stock.

We may issue additional shares of Series B Preferred Stock and additional series of preferred stock that rank on parity with the Series B Preferred Stock as to dividend rights, rights upon liquidation or voting rights.

We are allowed to issue additional shares of Series B Preferred Stock and additional series of preferred stock that would rank equally to the Series B Preferred Stock as to dividend payments and rights upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up of our affairs, which we refer to in this prospectus supplement as parity preferred stock, pursuant to our charter, including the Articles Supplementary, without any vote of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock. The issuance of additional shares of Series B Preferred Stock and additional series of parity preferred stock could have the effect of reducing the amounts available to the Series B Preferred Stock issued in this offering upon our liquidation or dissolution or the winding up of our affairs. It also may reduce dividend payments on the Series B Preferred Stock issued in this offering if we do not have sufficient funds to pay dividends on all Series B Preferred Stock outstanding and other classes of stock with equal priority with respect to dividends.

In addition, although holders of Series B Preferred Stock are entitled to limited voting rights, as described in Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Voting Rights, with respect to such matters, the Series B Preferred Stock will vote as a class along with all other classes or series of our preferred stock that we have issued and may in the future issue upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable. As a result, the voting rights of holders of Series B Preferred Stock may be significantly diluted, and the holders of such other series of preferred stock that we have issued and may in the future issue may be able to control or significantly influence the outcome of any vote.

Future issuances and sales of Series B Preferred Stock or parity preferred stock, or the perception that such issuances and sales could occur, may cause prevailing market prices for the Series B Preferred Stock and our common stock to decline and may adversely affect our ability to raise additional capital in the financial markets at times and prices favorable to us.

We may not be able to pay dividends or other distributions on the Series B Preferred Stock.

Under Maryland law, no distributions on capital stock may be made if, after giving effect to the distribution, (a) the corporation would not be able to pay the indebtedness of the corporation as such indebtedness becomes due in the usual course of business or, (b) except in certain limited circumstances when distributions are made from net earnings, the corporation's total assets would be less than the sum of the corporation's total liabilities plus, unless the charter provides otherwise (which our charter does, with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock), the amount that would be needed, if the corporation were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of stockholders whose preferential rights on dissolution are superior to those receiving the distribution. There can be no guarantee that we will have sufficient cash to pay dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock. Our ability to pay dividends may be impaired if any of the risks described in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus were to occur. In addition, payment of our dividends depends upon our earnings, our financial condition, maintenance of our REIT qualification and other factors as our board of directors may deem relevant from time to time. We cannot assure you that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations or that future borrowings will be available to us in an amount sufficient to enable us to make distributions on our common stock and preferred stock, including the Series B Preferred Stock offered by this prospectus supplement, to pay our indebtedness or to fund our other liquidity needs.

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Future issuances and sales of parity preferred stock, or the perception that such issuances and sales could occur, may cause prevailing market prices for the Series B Preferred Stock and our common stock to decline and may adversely affect our ability to raise additional capital in the financial markets at times and prices favorable to us.

You may not be able to exercise conversion rights upon a Change of Control. If exercisable, the change of control conversion rights described in this prospectus supplement may not adequately compensate you. These change of control conversion rights may also make it more difficult for a party to acquire us or discourage a party from acquiring us.

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of the Series B Preferred Stock will have the right (unless, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, we have provided notice of our election to redeem some or all of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock held by such holder as described under Description of Series B Preferred Stock Redemption Optional Redemption or Special Optional Redemption, in which case such holder will have the right only with respect to shares of Series B Preferred Stock that are not called for redemption) to convert some or all of such holder's Series B Preferred Stock into shares of our common stock (or under specified circumstances certain alternative consideration). Notwithstanding that we generally may not redeem the Series B Preferred Stock prior to _____, 2018, we have a special optional redemption right to redeem the Series B Preferred Stock in the event of a Change of Control, and holders of the Series B Preferred Stock will not have the right to convert any shares that we have elected to redeem prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date. Please see the sections entitled Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Redemption Special Optional Redemption and Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Conversion Rights.

If we do not elect to redeem the Series B Preferred Stock prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, then upon an exercise of the conversion rights provided to the holders of our Series B Preferred Stock, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock will be limited to a maximum number of shares of our common stock (or, if applicable, the Alternative Conversion Consideration (as defined below)) equal to the Share Cap multiplied by the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock converted. If the Common Stock Price is less than \$ _____ per share (which is 50% of the per share closing sale price of our common stock reported on the Nasdaq Capital Market on _____, 2013), subject to adjustment in certain circumstances, the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock will receive a maximum of _____ shares of our common stock per share of Series B Preferred Stock, which may result in a holder receiving shares of common stock (or Alternative Conversion Consideration, as applicable) with a value that is less than the liquidation preference of the Series B Preferred Stock plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends.

In addition, the Change of Control conversion feature of the Series B Preferred Stock may have the effect of discouraging a third party from making an acquisition proposal for us or of delaying, deferring or preventing certain of our change of control transactions under circumstances that otherwise could provide the holders of our common stock and Series B Preferred Stock with the opportunity to realize a premium over the then-current market price of such stock or that stockholders may otherwise believe is in their best interests.

The market price of the Series B Preferred Stock could be substantially affected by various factors.

The market price of the Series B Preferred Stock will depend on many factors, which may change from time to time, including:

prevailing interest rates, increases in which may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Series B Preferred Stock;

trading prices of common and preferred equity securities issued by REITs and other similar companies;

the annual yield from distributions on the Series B Preferred Stock as compared to yields on other financial instruments;

general economic and financial market conditions;

government action or regulation;

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the financial condition, performance and prospects of us and our competitors;

changes in financial estimates or recommendations by securities analysts with respect to us, our competitors or our industry;

our issuance of additional preferred equity or debt securities; and

actual or anticipated variations in quarterly operating results of us and our competitors.

As a result of these and other factors, investors who purchase the Series B Preferred Stock in this offering may experience a decrease, which could be substantial and rapid, in the market price of the Series B Preferred Stock, including decreases unrelated to our operating performance or prospects.

Our charter, including the Articles Supplementary, contains restrictions upon transfer and ownership of our capital stock and common stock, which may impair the ability of holders to acquire the Series B Preferred Stock or convert Series B Preferred Stock into our common stock.

Our charter, including the Articles Supplementary, contains restrictions on transfer and ownership of our capital stock and common stock intended to assist us in maintaining our qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. Our charter provides that generally no person may own, or be deemed to own by virtue of the attribution provisions of the Code, either (i) more than 9.9% in value of the aggregate of our outstanding shares of capital stock or (ii) more than 9.9% in value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive, of the aggregate of shares of our outstanding common stock. See [Description of Series B Preferred Stock Restrictions on Transfer and Ownership of Stock](#) in this prospectus supplement. You should consider these ownership limitations prior to your purchase of the Series B Preferred Stock. No holder of Series B Preferred Stock will be entitled to convert such stock into our common stock to the extent that receipt of shares of our common stock would cause the holder to exceed any of the ownership limitations contained in our charter. In addition, these restrictions could have anti-takeover effects and could reduce the possibility that a third party will attempt to acquire control of us, which could adversely affect the market price of the Series B Preferred Stock.

As a holder of Series B Preferred Stock, you will have extremely limited voting rights.

Your voting rights as a holder of Series B Preferred Stock will be limited. Our common stock is the only class of our securities that carries full voting rights. Holders of Series B Preferred Stock may vote only (a) to elect two additional directors to our board of directors, as described in the section entitled [Description of the Series B Preferred Stock Voting Rights](#), in the event that six quarterly dividends (whether or not consecutive) payable on the Series B Preferred Stock are in arrears, (b) on amendments to our charter that materially and adversely affect the rights of the holders of Series B Preferred Stock or (c) to authorize, increase or create additional classes or series of our shares that are senior to the Series B Preferred Stock. The Series B Preferred Stock will vote together as a single class along with all other series of our preferred stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable on each of these matters. However, holders of any parity preferred stock shall not be entitled to vote together as a class with the