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GROWTH IN QUARTERLY EARNINGS

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS (NASDAQ – HIFS), Hingham, Massachusetts announced second quarter earnings for 2013. Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2013 was \$3,275,000 or \$1.54 per share (basic and diluted) as compared to \$3,205,000 or \$1.51 per share (basic and diluted) in earnings for the first quarter of 2013. This also compares to \$3,368,000 or \$1.58 per share (basic and diluted) for second quarter 2012. The Bank's annualized return on average equity for the second quarter of 2013 was 13.39%, and the annualized return on average assets was 1.07%. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2013 was \$6,480,000 or \$3.05 per share basic and \$3.04 per share diluted as compared to \$6,609,000 or \$3.11 per share (basic and diluted) for the same period last year. The Bank's annualized return on average assets was 1.07%.

Strong growth trends of recent years continued, as deposits increased by \$21.9 million from December 31, 2012 and \$64.9 million from June 30, 2012, representing a 5% annualized growth year to date and 8% from June 30, 2012. Net loans increased by \$41.2 million from December 31, 2012 and \$107.6 million from June 30, 2012, representing 9% annualized growth year to date and 12% growth from June 30, 2012. Total assets increased by \$49.8 million from December 31, 2012 and \$96.6 million from June 30, 2012, representing an 8% annualized growth year to date and 8% from June 30, 2012. Stockholders' equity increased to \$98 million as of June 30, 2013, representing an 11% annualized growth year to date and a 12% increase from June 30, 2012. Book value per share increased to \$46.08 per share at June 30, 2013 from \$43.65 per share at December 31, 2012 and \$41.29 per share at June 30, 2012.

At June 30, 2013, non-performing assets totaled 0.38% of total assets, consistent with 0.28% at December 31, 2012 and a significant decrease from 0.74% at June 30, 2012. For the quarter ended June 30, 2013, a provision of \$100,000 was made to the allowance for loan losses compared to \$200,000 for the same period in 2012.

President Robert H. Gaughen, Jr. stated, "Despite the extended period of low interest rates that have had a negative impact on industry earnings, we continue to see strong earnings performance with our second quarter 2013 results improving over those of the first quarter. We also continue to see solid growth in our balance sheet. This growth, combined with our diligent cost control, continues to produce some of the strongest earnings in the industry."

Hingham Institution for Savings is a Massachusetts-chartered savings bank located in Hingham, Massachusetts. Incorporated in 1834, it is the oldest financial institution headquartered in Hingham and one of the oldest in the Commonwealth. The Bank's main office is located on Main Street, Hingham, Massachusetts. The Bank also maintains branch offices in South Hingham and the neighboring towns of Cohasset, Hull, Scituate, Weymouth and Norwell as well as two branches in Boston. It anticipates opening its newest branch on Nantucket in August.

The Bank's shares of common stock are listed and traded on The NASDAQ Stock Market under the symbol HIFS.

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Dollars in thousands except per share data)		June 30, 2013		December 31, 2012		June 30, 2012	
(Unaudited) ASSETS							
Cash and due from banks	\$	8,570	\$	7,961	\$	7,833	
Short-term investments		87,195	_	79,373		100,261	
Cash and cash equivalents		95,765		87,334		108,094	
Certificates of deposit		13,055		13,737		13,804	
Securities available for sale, at fair value		103,580		102,866		103,068	
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost		14,043		14,105		13,406	
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$8,330 at June 30, 2013, \$7,999 at December 31, 2012							
and \$7,821 at June 30, 2012		990,831		949,662		883,221	
Foreclosed assets		471		471		3,161	
Bank-owned life insurance		15,160		14,945		14,734	
Premises and equipment, net		15,101		14,180		10,456	
Accrued interest receivable		3,119		2,667		2,860	
Deferred income tax asset, net		2,676		2,556		3,458	
Other assets		1,848	<u> </u>	3,361		2,743	
Total assets	\$	1,255,649	\$	1,205,884	\$	1,159,005	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY							
Deposits	\$	891,772	\$	869,886	\$	826,845	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		257,795		234,355		236,414	
Mortgage payable		1,043		1,065		1,086	
Mortgagors' escrow accounts		3,092		3,231		2,700	
Accrued interest payable		448		478		454	
Other liabilities		3,473		4,070		3,742	
Total liabilities		1,157,623		1,113,085		1,071,241	
Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value, 2,500,000 shares authorized, none issued		_				_	
Common stock, \$1.00 par value, 5,000,000 shares authorized; 2,127,250 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2013 and 2,125,750 issued and outstanding at							
December 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012.		2,127		2,126		2,126	
Additional paid-in capital		10,587		10,519		10,519	
Undivided profits		85,303		79,930		74,929	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		9		224		190	
Total stockholders' equity		98,026		92,799		87,764	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	1,255,649	\$	1,205,884	\$	1,159,005	

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS Consolidated Statements of Income

	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,		
		2013	2012	2013	2012	
(Unaudited)	(In thousa	unds, except	t per share a	mounts)	
Interest and dividend income:						
Loans	\$	11,991	\$ 11,926	\$ 23,779	\$ 23,769	
Debt securities		104	139	213	288	
Equity securities		38	44	76	86	
Short-term investments and certificates of deposit		66	92	134	181	
Total interest and dividend income		12,199	12,201	24,202	24,324	
Interest expense:						
Deposits		1,405	1,436	2,834	2,942	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		1,209	1,235	2,417	2,475	
Mortgage payable		15	17	31	33	
Total interest expense		2,629	2,688	5,282	5,450	
Net interest income		9,570	9,513	18,920	18,874	
Provision for loan losses		100	200	200	425	
Net interest income, after provision for loan losses		9,470	9,313	18,720	18,449	
Other income:						
Customer service fees on deposits		256	253	494	506	
Increase in bank-owned life insurance		106	113	215	210	
Miscellaneous		57	58	107	115	
Total other income		419	424	816	831	
Operating expenses:						
Salaries and employee benefits		2,604	2,368	5,158	4,703	
Data processing		240	213	479	444	
Occupancy and equipment		459	428	940	847	
Deposit insurance		168	156	335	289	
Foreclosure		119	44	199	244	
Marketing		130	215	208	349	
Other general and administrative		637	645	1,256	1,270	
Total operating expenses		4,357	4,069	8,575	8,146	
Income before income taxes		5,532	5,668	10,961	11,134	
Income tax provision		2,257	2,300	4,481	4,525	
Net income	\$	3,275	\$ 3,368	\$ 6,480	\$ 6,609	
Weighted average common shares outstanding:						
Basic		2,127	2,126	2,127	2,126	
Diluted		2,129	2,127	2,129	2,127	
Earnings per common share:						
Basic	\$	1.54	\$ 1.58	\$ 3.05	\$ 3.11	
Diluted	\$	1.54	\$ 1.58	\$ 3.04	\$ 3.11	

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS Net Interest Income Analysis

	Three Months Ended June 30,						
		2013		2012			
	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST	YIELD/ RATE	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST	YIELD/ RATE	
(Dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)							
Loans (1) (2) Securities (3) (4) Short-term investments and certificates of deposit Total earning assets Other assets Total assets	\$ 984,444 113,924 85,227 1,183,595 36,535 \$ 1,220,130	\$ 11,991 142 <u>66</u> 12,199	4.87 % 0.50 0.31 4.12	\$ 882,684 108,318 117,639 1,108,641 37,467 \$1,146,108	\$ 11,926 183 <u>92</u> 12,201	5.40 % 0.68 0.31 4.40	
Interest-bearing deposits (5) Borrowed funds Total interest-bearing liabilities Demand deposits Other liabilities Total liabilities Stockholders' equity Total liabilities and stockholders' equity Net interest income	\$ 793,668 243,374 1,037,042 82,166 3,559 1,122,767 97,363 \$ 1,220,130	1,405 1,224 2,629 \$ 9,570	0.71 2.01 1.01	\$ 742,847 242,903 985,750 68,750 4,581 1,059,081 87,027 \$ 1,146,108	1,436 <u>1,252</u> <u>2,688</u> \$ 9,513	0.77 2.06 1.09	
Weighted average spread			3.11 %			3.31%	
Net interest margin (6)			3.23 %			3.43 %	
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities (7)			<u>114.13</u> %			<u>112.47</u> %	

(1) Before allowance for loan losses.

(2) Includes non-accrual loans.

(3) Excludes the impact of the average net unrealized gain or loss on securities available for sale.

(4) Includes Federal Home Loan Bank stock.

(5) Includes mortgagors' escrow accounts.

(6) Net interest income divided by average total earning assets.

(7) Total earning assets divided by total interest-bearing liabilities.

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS Net Interest Income Analysis

	Six Months Ended June 30,						
		2013		2012			
			YIELD/	AVERAGE		YIELD/	
	BALANCE	INTEREST	RATE	BALANCE	INTEREST	RATE	
(Dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)							
Loans (1) (2)	\$ 971,146	\$ 23,779	4.90 %	\$ 873,408	\$ 23,769	5.44 %	
Securities (3) (4)	114,812	289	0.50	107,884	374	0.69	
Short-term investments and certificates of deposit	89,444	134	0.30	116,672	181	0.31	
Total earning assets	1,175,402	24,202	4.12	1,097,964	24,324	4.43	
Other assets	36,234			37,152			
Total assets	\$ 1,211,636			\$ 1,135,116			
Interest-bearing deposits (5)	\$ 793,801	2,834	0.71	\$ 739,249	2,942	0.80	
Borrowed funds	239,102	2,448	2.05	239,860	2,508	2.09	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1,032,903	5,282	1.02	979,109	5,450	1.11	
Demand deposits	79,188			66,051			
Other liabilities	3,102			4,330			
Total liabilities	1,115,193			1,049,490			
Stockholders' equity	96,443			85,626			
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,211,636			\$ 1,135,116			
Net interest income		\$ 18,920			\$ 18,874		
Weighted average spread			3.10 %			3.32 %	
Net interest margin (6)			<u>3.22</u> %			3.44%	
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities (7)			<u>113.80</u> %			<u>112.14</u> %	

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(7) Total earning assets divided by total interest-bearing liabilities.

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS Selected Financial Ratios

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2	2013	2012	2013		2012	
(Unaudited)							
Key Performance Ratios							
Return on average assets (1)		1.07 %	1.18 %	1.07 %		1.16 %	
Return on average equity (1)		13.45	15.48	13.44		15.44	
Interest rate spread (1) (2)		3.11	3.31	3.10		3.32	
Net interest margin (1) (3)		3.23	3.43	3.22		3.44	
Non-interest expense to average assets (1)		1.43	1.42	1.42		1.44	
Efficiency ratio (4)		43.62	40.95	43.45		41.34	
Average equity to average assets		7.98	7.59	7.96		7.54	
Average interest-bearing assets to average interest							
bearing liabilities	1	14.13	112.47	113.80		112.14	
(Unaudited)		June 30, 2013	Dec	ember 31, 2012		ine 30, 2012	
Asset Quality Ratios							
Allowance for loan losses/total loans		0.83	%	0.84 %		0.88 %	
Allowance for loan losses/non-performing loans	191.32			273.66		144.94	
Non-performing loans/total loans		0.44		0.31		0.61	
Non-performing loans/total assets	0.35			0.24		0.47	
Non-performing assets/total assets	0.38			0.28		0.74	
Share Related							
Book value per share	\$	46.08	\$	43.65	\$	41.29	
Market value per share	\$	67.88		62.60	4	60.47	
Shares outstanding at end of period	Ŧ	2,127,250		2,125,750	\$ 2	,125,750	

(1) Annualized

(2) Interest rate spread represents the difference between the yield on earning assets and cost of interest-bearing liabilities.

(3) Net interest margin represents net interest income divided by average earning assets.

(4) The efficiency ratio represents non-interest expense, divided by the sum of net interest income and non-interest income.