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HINGHAM REPORTS SECOND QUARTER 2019 RESULTS

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS (NASDAQ: HIFS), Hingham, Massachusetts announced second quarter results for 2019.

Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 was \$8,706,000 or \$4.08 per share basic and \$3.99 per share diluted, as compared to \$7,975,000 or \$3.74 per share basic and \$3.64 per share diluted for the same period last year. The Bank's annualized return on average equity for the second quarter of 2019 was 15.32%, and the annualized return on average assets was 1.37%, as compared to 15.97% and 1.40% for the same period in 2018. Net income per share (diluted) for the second quarter of 2019 increased 10% over the same period of 2018.

Excluding the after-tax gains and losses on securities, both realized and unrealized, core net income for the second quarter of 2019 was \$7,794,000 or \$3.65 per share basic and \$3.57 per share diluted, as compared to \$8,147,000 or \$3.82 per share basic and \$3.73 per share diluted for the same period last year. The Bank's annualized core return on average equity for the second quarter of 2019 was 13.71%, and the annualized core return on average assets was 1.23%, as compared to 16.31% and 1.43% for the same period in 2018. Core net income per share (diluted) for the second quarter of 2019 declined by 4% over the same period in 2018.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2019 was \$18,530,000 or \$8.69 per share basic and \$8.49 per share diluted, as compared to \$16,887,000 or \$7.92 per share basic and \$7.72 per share diluted for the same period last year. The Bank's annualized return on average equity for the first six months of 2019 was 16.62%, and the annualized return on average assets was 1.50%, as compared to 17.24% and 1.48% for the same period last year. Net income per share (diluted) for the first six months of 2019 increased 10% over the same period in 2018.

Excluding the after-tax gains on securities, both realized and unrealized, core net income for the six months ended June 30, 2019 was \$15,381,000 or \$7.21 per share basic and \$7.05 per share diluted, as compared to \$16,305,000 or \$7.65 per share basic and \$7.46 per share diluted for the same period last year. The Bank's annualized core return on average equity for the first six months of 2019 was 13.80% and the annualized core return on average assets was 1.25%, as compared to 16.64% and 1.43% for the

same period last year. Core net income per share (diluted) for the first six months of 2019 declined by 5% over the same period in 2018.

Balance sheet growth was mixed, as deposits increased to \$1.658 billion at June 30, 2019, representing 11% annualized growth year-to-date and 1% growth from June 30, 2018. The growth during the first half of 2019 reflected moderate growth in retail and business deposits as well as the use of wholesale deposits to fund balance sheet growth. Net loans increased to \$2.171 billion, representing 16% annualized growth year-to-date and 12% growth from June 30, 2018. Total assets increased to \$2.614 billion, representing 17% annualized growth year-to-date and 13% growth from June 30, 2018. Book value per share was \$107.59 as of June 30, 2019, representing 16% annualized growth year-to-date and 14% growth from June 30, 2018. In addition to the increase in book value per share, the Bank declared \$2.00 in dividends per share since June 30, 2018, including a special dividend of \$0.50 per share declared during the fourth quarter of 2018.

Key credit and operational metrics remained strong in the second quarter. At June 30, 2019, non-performing assets totaled 0.02% of total assets, compared to 0.02% at December 31, 2018 and 0.05% at June 30, 2018. Non-performing loans as a percentage of the total loan portfolio totaled 0.03% at June 30, 2019, compared to 0.02% at December 31, 2018 and 0.06% at June 30, 2018. The Bank recorded \$1,000 in net charge-offs for the first six months of 2019, as compared to zero net charge-offs for the same period last year. At June 30, 2019, December 31 and June 30, 2018, the Bank did not own any foreclosed property. The efficiency ratio was 31.10% for the second quarter of 2019, as compared to 29.95% for the same period last year. Operating expenses as a percentage of average assets fell to 0.82% in the second quarter of 2019, as compared to 0.88% for the same period last year.

Chairman Robert H. Gaughen Jr. stated, "Although returns on equity and assets were adequate in the second quarter of 2019, we continue to face significant headwinds from a now-inverted yield curve and an extraordinarily competitive market for both high-quality lending and deposit relationships. Given the unique structure and composition of our balance sheet, this is a particularly challenging environment. As always, we remain focused on careful capital allocation, defensive underwriting, and disciplined cost control - the keys to compounding shareholder capital through all stages of the credit cycle."

The Bank's quarterly financial results are summarized in the earnings release, but shareholders are encouraged to read the Bank's quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, which are generally available several weeks after the earnings release. The Bank expects to file Form 10-Q for the second quarter of 2019 with the FDIC on or about August 7th, 2019.

Hingham Institution for Savings is a Massachusetts-chartered savings bank located in Hingham, Massachusetts. Incorporated in 1834, it is one of America's oldest banks. The Bank's Main Office is located in Hingham and the Bank maintains offices on the South Shore, in Boston (South End and Beacon Hill), and on the island of Nantucket. The Bank also maintains a commercial lending office in Washington, D.C.

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

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS Selected Financial Ratios

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2	018	2019		2018	2019		
(Unaudited)					_			
Key Performance Ratios								
Return on average assets (1)		1.40 %	1.37		1.48 %	1.50 %		
Return on average equity (1)	-	15.97	15.32		17.24	16.62		
Core return on average assets (1) (5)		1.43	1.23		1.43	1.25		
Core return on average equity (1) (5)		16.31	13.71		16.64	13.80		
Interest rate spread (1) (2)		2.72	2.28	1	2.74	2.32		
Net interest margin (1) (3)		2.94	2.62		2.94	2.65		
Operating expenses to average assets (1)		0.88	0.82		0.89	0.84		
Efficiency ratio (4)	2	29.95	31.10)	30.18	31.47		
Average equity to average assets		8.74	8.97	•	8.58	9.03		
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-								
bearing liabilities	11	18.57	119.92	1	18.20	120.22		
			December 31 2018	,	June 30, 2019			
(Unaudited)								
Asset Quality Ratios								
Allowance for loan losses/total loans		0.68	%	0.68	%	0.68		
Allowance for loan losses/non-performing loans		1,064.92		2,852.89		2,130.47		
Non-performing loans/total loans		0.06		0.02		0.03		
Non-performing loans/total assets		0.05		0.02		0.03		
Non-performing assets/total assets		0.05		0.02		0.02		
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Share Related								
Book value per share	\$	94.55	9	99.67	\$	107.59		
Market value per share	\$	219.70	9		\$	198.01		
Shares outstanding at end of period		2,132,750		2,132,750		2,133,750		

(1) Annualized.

- (2) Interest rate spread represents the difference between the yield on interest-earning assets and the cost of interest-bearing liabilities.
- (3) Net interest margin represents net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets.
- (4) The efficiency ratio represents total operating expenses, divided by the sum of net interest income and total other income, excluding gain (loss) on equity securities, net.
- (5) Non-GAAP measurements that represent return on average assets and return on average equity, excluding the after-tax gain (loss) on equity securities, net.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands, except share amounts)		June 30, 2018		cember 31, 2018	June 30, 2019		
(Unaudited)							
ASSETS							
Cash and due from banks	\$	9,342	\$	8,004	\$	9,951	
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments		265,695		287,971		318,356	
Cash and cash equivalents		275,037		295,975		328,307	
CRA investment		7,665		7,680		7,888	
Debt securities available for sale		16		14		12	
Other marketable equity securities		30,328		30,766		36,960	
Securities, at fair value		38,009		38,460		44,860	
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost		24,530		28,696		31,231	
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$13,237							
at June 30, 2018, \$13,808 at December 31, 2018							
and \$14,787 at June 30, 2019		1,933,915		2,009,288		2,171,130	
Foreclosed assets		_		_		_	
Bank-owned life insurance		12,349		12,476		12,600	
Premises and equipment, net		14,479		14,553		14,410	
Accrued interest receivable		4,630		4,581		5,691	
Deferred income tax asset, net		1,165		2,258		1,368	
Other assets		3,505		2,300		4,874	
Total assets	\$	2,307,619	\$	2,408,587	\$	2,614,471	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY							
Interest-bearing deposits	\$	1,453,401	\$	1,359,581	\$	1,429,998	
Non-interest-bearing deposits		192,918		213,573		228,306	
Total deposits	-	1,646,319		1,573,154		1,658,304	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		446,283		606,600		710,300	
Mortgage payable		782		751		720	
Mortgagors' escrow accounts		6,659		7,402		7,274	
Accrued interest payable		1,233		2,187		1,991	
Other liabilities		4,697		5,917		6,302	
Total liabilities		2,105,973		2,196,011		2,384,891	
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; 2,132,750 shares issued and outstanding at June		2,133		2,133		2,134	
30 and December 31, 2018 and 2,133,750 shares issued and							
outstanding at June 30, 2019							
Additional paid-in capital		11,822		11,863		11,980	
Undivided profits		187,691		198,580		215,466	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		<u> </u>				<u> </u>	
Total stockholders' equity		201,646		212,576		229,580	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,307,619	\$	2,408,587		2,614,471	

Consolidated Statements of Income

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
(In thousands, except per share amounts)	2018 2019		2018		2019			
(Unaudited)								
Interest and dividend income:								
Loans	\$	21,366	\$	24,816	\$	41,783	\$	47,896
Equity securities		505		496		984		985
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments		1,256		1,629		2,497		3,189
Total interest and dividend income		23,127		26,941		45,264		52,070
Interest expense:								
Deposits		4,344		7,074		7,911		13,220
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		2,266		3,539		4,359		6,667
Mortgage payable		12		11		24		22
Total interest expense		6,622		10,624		12,294		19,909
Net interest income		16,505		16,317		32,970		32,161
Provision for loan losses		415		555		700		980
Net interest income, after provision for loan losses		16,090		15,762		32,270		31,181
Other income:								
Customer service fees on deposits		216		199		422		385
Increase in bank-owned life insurance		60		57		128		124
Gain (loss) on equity securities, net		(220)		1,170		746		4,039
Miscellaneous		43		43		87		83
Total other income		99		1,469		1,383		4,631
Operating expenses:								
Salaries and employee benefits		3,176		3,177		6,388		6,324
Occupancy and equipment		426		447		892		901
Data processing		348		301		689		735
Deposit insurance		226		265		499		508
Foreclosure		(13)		44		(8)		67
Marketing		182		177		349		309
Other general and administrative		694		756		1,333		1,465
Total operating expenses		5,039		5,167		10,142		10,309
Income before income taxes		11,150		12,064		23,511		25,503
Income tax provision		3,175		3,358		6,624		6,973
Net income	\$	7,975	\$	8,706	\$	16,887	\$	18,530
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	0.35	\$	0.39	\$	0.69	\$	0.77
Weighted average shares outstanding:								
Basic		2,133		2,134		2,133		2,133
Diluted		2,187		2,182		2,186		2,182
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$	3.74	\$	4.08	\$	7.92	\$	8.69
Diluted	\$	3.64	\$	3.99	\$	7.72	\$	8.49

Net Interest Income Analysis

	Three Months Ended June 30,								
		2018		2019					
	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST	YIELD/ RATE (8)	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST	YIELD/ RATE (8)			
(Dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)									
Loans (1) (2)	\$ 1,913,404	\$ 21,366	4.47 %	\$ 2,161,278	\$ 24,816	4.59 %			
Securities (3) (4)	52,941	505	3.82	58,311	496	3.40			
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments	278,434	1,256	1.80	272,453	1,629	2.39			
Total interest-earning assets	2,244,779	23,127	4.12	2,492,042	26,941	4.32			
Other assets	39,619		·	41,700					
Total assets	\$ 2,284,398			\$ 2,533,742					
Interest-bearing deposits (5)	\$ 1,423,682	4,344	1.22	\$ 1,543,247	7,074	1.83			
Borrowed funds	469,476	2,278	1.94	534,809	3,550	2.66			
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1,893,158	6,622	1.40	2,078,056	10,624	2.04			
Demand deposits	186,919			221,051					
Other liabilities	4,555			7,271					
Total liabilities	2,084,632			2,306,378					
Stockholders' equity	199,766			227,364					
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,284,398			\$ 2,533,742					
Net interest income		\$ 16,505			\$ 16,317				
Weighted average spread			2.72 %			2.28%			
Net interest margin (6)			2.94 %			<u>2.62</u> %			
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities (7)	118.57	%		119.92	%				

- (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.
- (4) Includes Federal Home Loan Bank stock.
- (5) Includes mortgagors' escrow accounts.
- (6) Net interest income divided by average total interest-earning assets.
- (7) Total interest-earning assets divided by total interest-bearing liabilities.
- (8) Annualized.

Net Interest Income Analysis

	Six Months Ended June 30,								
		2018		2019					
	AVERAGE BALANCE INTERE		YIELD/ NTEREST RATE (8)		INTEREST	YIELD/ RATE (8)			
(Dollars in thousands) (Unaudited)									
Loans (1) (2)	\$ 1,889,901	\$ 41,783	4.42 %	\$ 2,105,144	\$ 47,896	4.55%			
Securities (3) (4)	53,228	984	3.70	56,602	985	3.48			
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments	302,272	2,497	1.65	266,348	3,189	2.39			
Total interest-earning assets	2,245,401	45,264	4.03	2,428,094	52,070	4.29			
Other assets	38,815			40,418					
Total assets	\$ 2,284,216			\$ 2,468,512					
Interest-bearing deposits (5)	\$ 1,393,294	7,911	1.14	\$ 1,514,553	13,220	1.75			
Borrowed funds	506,337	4,383	1.73	505,176	6,689	2.65			
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1,899,631	12,294	1.29	2,019,729	19,909	1.97			
Demand deposits	183,665			218,099					
Other liabilities	4,965			7,697					
Total liabilities	2,088,261			2,245,525					
Stockholders' equity	195,955			222,987					
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,284,216			\$ 2,468,512					
Net interest income		\$ 32,970			\$ 32,161				
Weighted average spread			2.74 %			2.32 %			
Net interest margin (6)			2.94 %			2.65%			
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities (7)	118.20	2/0		120.22	%				

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