

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Washington, D.C., 20429
FORM 10-Q

(Mark one)

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2022

OR

[ ] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Commission File Number: FDIC Certificate No. 90211

HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

04-1442480
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

55 Main Street, Hingham, Massachusetts
(Address of principal offices)

02043
(Zip Code)

(781) 749-2200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
Securities Registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Table with 3 columns: Title of each class, Trading Symbol(s), Name of each exchange on which registered. Row 1: Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share, HIFS, NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC

Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes [X] No [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes [X] No [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

- Large accelerated filer [ ] Accelerated filer [X]
Non-accelerated filer [ ] Smaller reporting company [ ]
Emerging Growth Company [ ]

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes [ ] No [X]

The number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's common stock, \$1.00 par value per share, outstanding as of May 6, 2022 was 2,145,400.

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**PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION****Item 1 – Financial Statements**

**HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**

	December 31, 2021	March 31, 2022
<i>(Unaudited)</i>		
<b>(In Thousands, Except Share Amounts)</b>		
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 5,428	\$ 5,371
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments	<u>265,733</u>	<u>291,497</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	271,161	296,868
Equity securities, at fair value	88,473	92,064
Securities held to maturity, at amortized cost	3,500	3,500
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	29,908	35,508
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$20,431 at December 31, 2021 and \$21,589 at March 31, 2022	2,999,096	3,176,975
Bank-owned life insurance	12,980	13,073
Premises and equipment, net	15,825	16,210
Accrued interest receivable	5,467	5,887
Deferred income tax asset, net	—	387
Other assets	<u>4,755</u>	<u>6,394</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,431,165</u>	<u>\$ 3,646,866</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Deposits:		
Interest-bearing	\$ 2,003,717	\$ 1,990,848
Non-interest-bearing	<u>389,148</u>	<u>404,045</u>
Total deposits	2,392,865	2,394,893
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	665,000	865,000
Mortgagors' escrow accounts	9,183	9,646
Accrued interest payable	198	298
Deferred income tax liability, net	536	—
Other liabilities	<u>8,771</u>	<u>11,768</u>
Total liabilities	<u>3,076,553</u>	<u>3,281,605</u>
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; 2,142,400 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022	2,142	2,142
Additional paid-in capital	12,728	12,735
Undivided profits	<u>339,742</u>	<u>350,384</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>354,612</u>	<u>365,261</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 3,431,165</u>	<u>\$ 3,646,866</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited consolidated financial statements.

**Item 1 – Financial Statements (continued)**

**HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Statements of Net Income and Comprehensive Income**

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2021	2022
<i>(Unaudited)</i>		
<b>(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)</b>		
Interest and dividend income:		
Loans	\$ 26,749	\$ 29,760
Debt securities	—	33
Equity securities	218	258
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments	52	110
Total interest and dividend income	27,019	30,161
Interest expense:		
Deposits	2,107	1,504
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	444	492
Total interest expense	2,551	1,996
Net interest income	24,468	28,165
Provision for loan losses	278	1,158
Net interest income, after provision for loan losses	24,190	27,007
Other income (loss):		
Customer service fees on deposits	181	175
Increase in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance	81	93
Gain (loss) on equity securities, net	3,367	(4,157)
Miscellaneous	15	26
Total other income (loss)	3,644	(3,863)
Operating expenses:		
Salaries and employee benefits	3,526	3,644
Occupancy and equipment	406	374
Data processing	461	614
Deposit insurance	223	283
Marketing	124	191
Foreclosure and related	(82)	(21)
Other general and administrative	792	1,124
Total operating expenses	5,450	6,209
Income before income taxes	22,384	16,935
Income tax provision	6,034	5,071
Net income and comprehensive income	\$ 16,350	\$ 11,864
Weighted average common shares outstanding:		
Basic	2,138	2,142
Diluted	2,195	2,206
Earnings per share:		
Basic	\$ 7.65	\$ 5.54
Diluted	\$ 7.45	\$ 5.38

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Item 1 – Financial Statements (continued)

**HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity**  
**For the Three Months Ended**  
**March 31, 2021 and 2022**

	Common Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Undivided Profits	Total Stockholders' Equity
<i>(Unaudited)</i>	<b>(In Thousands)</b>			
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$ 2,138	\$ 12,460	\$ 278,345	\$ 292,943
Comprehensive income	—	—	16,350	16,350
Share-based compensation expense	—	20	—	20
Stock options exercised	1	76	—	77
Cash dividends declared – common (\$0.49 per share)	—	—	(1,049)	(1,049)
Balance at March 31, 2021	<u>\$ 2,139</u>	<u>\$ 12,556</u>	<u>\$ 293,646</u>	<u>\$ 308,341</u>
<b>Balance at December 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 2,142</b>	<b>\$ 12,728</b>	<b>\$ 339,742</b>	<b>\$ 354,612</b>
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>11,864</b>	<b>11,864</b>
<b>Share-based compensation expense</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Cash dividends declared – common (\$0.57 per share)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(1,222)</b>	<b>(1,222)</b>
<b>Balance at March 31, 2022</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,142</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 12,735</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 350,384</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 365,261</u></b>

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Item 1 – Financial Statements (continued)

**HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2021	2022
<i>(Unaudited)</i>	<b>(In Thousands)</b>	
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 16,350	\$ 11,864
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Provision for loan losses	278	1,158
Amortization of deferred loan origination costs, net	199	112
Share-based compensation expense	20	7
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)	560	(923)
Depreciation and amortization of premises and equipment	140	130
Increase in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance	(81)	(93)
(Gain) loss on equity securities, net	(3,367)	4,157
Loss on sale of foreclosed assets	68	—
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accrued interest receivable and other assets	(461)	(2,059)
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	215	4,660
Net cash provided by operating activities	13,921	19,013
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Activity in securities available for sale:		
Principal payments	1	—
Activity in equity securities:		
Proceeds from sales	2,824	200
Purchases	(2,455)	(7,948)
Purchase of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	—	(7,827)
Proceeds from redemption of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	5,160	2,227
Loans originated, net of payments received	(13,019)	(179,149)
Additions to premises and equipment	(139)	(515)
Proceeds from sale of foreclosed assets	3,758	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,870)	(193,012)

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**Item 1 – Financial Statements (continued)**

**HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (concluded)**

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
<i>(Unaudited)</i>	<b>(In Thousands)</b>	
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Increase in deposits	134,409	<b>2,028</b>
Increase in mortgagors' escrow accounts	282	<b>463</b>
Cash dividends paid on common stock	(2,501)	<b>(2,785)</b>
Proceeds from stock options exercised	77	—
Net change in Federal Home Loan Bank advances with maturities of three months or less	(140,000)	<b>200,000</b>
Proceeds from Federal Home Loan Bank advances with maturities of more than three months	35,000	—
Repayment of Federal Home Loan Bank advances with maturities of more than three months	(56,831)	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<b>(29,564)</b>	<b>199,706</b>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(19,513)	<b>25,707</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	233,986	<b>271,161</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<b>\$ 214,473</b>	<b>\$ 296,868</b>
Supplementary information:		
Interest paid on deposit accounts	\$ 2,113	\$ <b>1,445</b>
Interest paid on Federal Home Loan Bank advances and mortgage payable	536	<b>451</b>
Income taxes paid	2,316	<b>3,210</b>
Non-cash activities:		
Real estate acquired through foreclosure	\$ —	\$ —

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**HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements**  
**March 31, 2021 and 2022**

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The consolidated interim financial statements of Hingham Institution for Savings (the “Bank”) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) for interim financial statements and with the instructions to Securities and Exchange Commission Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements.

Financial information as of March 31, 2022, and for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2022, is unaudited and, in the opinion of management, reflects all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of such information. Such adjustments were of a normal recurring nature. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the entire year. The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Bank for the year ended December 31, 2021 filed on Form 10-K.

**Earnings per common share**

Basic earnings per share represent income available to common stockholders divided by the weighted-average number of shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share reflect additional shares that would have been outstanding if dilutive potential shares had been issued, as well as any adjustment to income that would result from the assumed issuance. Potential shares that may be issued by the Bank relate solely to outstanding stock options and are determined using the treasury stock method. The amount of excess tax benefit that would be credited to additional paid-in capital assuming exercise of the options is not considered in the proceeds when applying the treasury stock method.

Earnings per common share have been computed based on the following:

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>(In Thousands)</b>	
Average number of shares outstanding used to calculate basic earnings per share	2,138	<b>2,142</b>
Effect of dilutive options	57	<b>64</b>
Average number of shares outstanding used to calculate diluted earnings per share	2,195	<b>2,206</b>

There were no antidilutive options for the quarters ended March 31, 2021 and 2022.

**Fair value hierarchy**

The Bank groups its assets measured at fair value in three levels, based on the markets in which the assets are traded and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value, as follows:

**Level 1** – Valuation is based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 1 assets generally include debt and equity securities that are traded in an active exchange market. Valuations are obtained from readily available pricing sources for market transactions involving identical assets.

**Level 2** – Valuation is based on observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets.

**Level 3** – Valuation is based on unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets. Level 3 assets include those whose value is determined using unobservable inputs to pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as assets for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation.

**Loans**

The Bank’s loan portfolio includes residential real estate, commercial real estate, construction, home equity, commercial and consumer segments. A substantial portion of the loan portfolio is secured by real estate in the eastern Massachusetts area. The Bank also lends to commercial real estate borrowers in the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan area (“WMA”) and in the San Francisco Bay Area (“SFBA”). The ability of the Bank’s debtors to honor their contracts is dependent upon real estate, construction, and general economic conditions in these markets.



## Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

Loans that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or pay-off are reported at their outstanding unpaid principal balances adjusted for charge-offs, the allowance for loan losses, and net deferred fees or costs on originated loans. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized as an adjustment of the related loan yield using the interest method.

The accrual of interest on mortgage and commercial loans is discontinued at the time a loan is 90 days past due (the loan is in default) unless the credit is well-secured and in the process of collection. Personal loans are typically charged off no later than becoming 180 days past due. Past due status is based on contractual terms of the loan. In all cases, loans are placed on non-accrual or charged off at an earlier date if collection of principal or interest is considered doubtful.

All interest accrued but not collected for loans that are placed on non-accrual or charged off is reversed against interest income. The interest on these loans is accounted for on the cash-basis or cost-recovery method, until qualifying for return to accrual status. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

### **Allowance for loan losses**

The allowance for loan losses is established as losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance when collected.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by management. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available. The allowance consists of general, allocated and unallocated loss components, as further discussed below.

#### General component

The general component of the allowance for loan losses is based on historical loss experience adjusted for qualitative factors stratified by loan segment. Management uses a rolling average of historical losses based on a time frame appropriate to capture relevant loss data for each loan segment. This time frame is currently two years for all loan categories, except for residential real estate which is currently four years, to capture the longer term loss track record of the Bank in this segment. This historical loss factor is adjusted for the following qualitative factors: levels/trends in delinquencies; trends in volume and terms of loans; effects of changes in risk selection and underwriting standards and other changes in lending policies, procedures and practices; experience/ability/depth of lending management and staff; national and local economic trends and conditions; industry conditions and effects of changes in credit concentrations. There were no changes in the Bank's policies or methodology pertaining to the general component of the allowance for loan losses during the three months ended March 31, 2022.

The qualitative factors are determined based on the various risk characteristics of each loan segment. Risk characteristics relevant to each portfolio segment are as follows:

*Residential real estate* – The Bank generally does not originate loans with a loan-to-value ratio greater than 80% (without private mortgage insurance). All loans in this segment are collateralized by residential real estate that is owner-occupied at the time of origination and repayment is dependent on the credit quality of the individual borrower. The overall health of the economy, including unemployment rates and housing prices, will have an effect on the credit quality in this segment. The Bank only originates these loans in Massachusetts.

*Commercial real estate* – Loans in this segment are primarily secured by income-producing properties throughout Massachusetts, the greater WMA and the SFBA. Underwriting and portfolio management policies are the same across all markets. Generally, loan amounts do not exceed 75% of the appraised value of the collateral. The underlying cash flows generated by the properties could be adversely impacted by a downturn in the economy leading to increased vacancy rates which, in turn, would have an effect on the credit quality in this segment. Management obtains rent rolls annually and regularly monitors the cash flows of these loans.

*Construction* – Loans in this segment include both owner-occupied and speculative real estate development loans for which payment is derived from sale of the property. Credit risk could be affected by cost overruns, time to sell at an adequate price, the overall health of the economy and market conditions. The Bank only originates these loans in Massachusetts.

*Home equity* – Loans in this segment include equity lines of credit and second mortgage loans, and are generally collateralized by second liens on residential real estate. Repayment is dependent on the credit quality of the individual borrower. The Bank generally does not originate loans with a combined loan-to-value ratio greater than 70% when taking into account both the balance of the home equity loans and the first mortgage loan. Similar to residential real estate, the overall health of the economy, including unemployment rates and housing prices, could have an effect on the credit quality in this segment. The Bank only originates these loans in Massachusetts.

## Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

*Commercial* – Loans in this segment are made to businesses and are generally secured by assets of the business. Repayment is expected from the cash flows of the business. A weakened economy, and resultant decreased consumer spending, will have an effect on the credit quality in this segment. These loans are not a focus of the Bank's origination program and are only originated in Massachusetts. At December 31, 2021, this segment also included loans originated under the Small Business Administration's ("SBA") Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP"). SBA PPP loans were excluded from the allowance for loan loss calculation as they are 100% guaranteed by the SBA. At March 31, 2022, there were no SBA PPP loans outstanding.

*Consumer* – Loans in this segment are generally unsecured and repayment is dependent on the credit quality of the individual borrower. These loans are not a focus of the Bank's origination program.

### Allocated component

The allocated component relates to loans that are classified as impaired. Impairment is measured on a loan-by-loan basis for residential real estate, commercial real estate, construction, home equity and commercial loans. A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that a creditor will be unable to collect the scheduled payments of principal or interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Impaired loans are generally maintained on a non-accrual basis. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value, and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. Management determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed. Impairment is measured on a loan-by-loan basis by either the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. An allowance is established when the discounted cash flows (or collateral value) of the impaired loan is lower than the carrying amount of that loan. Large groups of smaller balance homogeneous loans, such as consumer loans, are collectively evaluated for impairment.

The Bank periodically may agree to modify the contractual terms of certain loans. When a loan is modified and a concession is made to a borrower experiencing financial difficulty, the modification is considered a troubled debt restructuring ("TDR"). All TDRs are initially classified as impaired. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), Section 4013, stipulated that a financial institution may elect to not apply U.S. GAAP requirements to loan modifications related to the COVID-19 pandemic that would otherwise be categorized as a TDR, and suspended the determination of loan modifications related to the COVID-19 pandemic from being treated as TDRs. The CARES Act expired on December 31, 2020, however, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 extended the above provisions of the CARES Act through January 1, 2022. Modifications within the scope of the suspension include forbearance agreements, interest-rate modifications, repayment plans, and any other similar arrangements that defer or delay payments of principal or interest. In accordance with this statute, the Bank elected not to apply U.S. GAAP requirements to such loan modifications with respect to categorization of loans as TDRs.

### Unallocated component

At times, the Bank may maintain an unallocated component of the allowance for loan loss based on market conditions and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Bank's Allowance for Loan Loss Policy limits the amount of the unallocated component to 5% of the recorded allowance for loan losses. As of December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022, the Bank's allowance for loan losses included an unallocated amount of \$94,000 and \$136,000, respectively, or less than 1% of the recorded allowance for loan losses for each period end, which was within the Bank's policy.

### **Leases**

In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification *Topic 842, Leases*, the Bank records operating lease right-of-use ("ROU") assets and operating lease liabilities relating to operating leases for some of its banking offices. These lease agreements have lease and non-lease components, which are generally accounted for separately. The ROU asset is included in other assets and the operating lease liability is included in other liabilities on the Bank's Consolidated Balance Sheets. At March 31, 2022, the ROU asset was \$777,000 and the corresponding operating lease liability was \$816,000. Operating lease costs for the quarters ended March 31, 2021 and 2022 were \$78,000 and \$61,000, respectively.

## Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

ROU assets represent the Bank's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent the Bank's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Operating lease ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. As most of the Bank's leases do not provide an implicit rate, the Bank uses the Bank's incremental borrowing rate, which is generally the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston ("FHLB") classic advance rate, based on the information available at commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments. The Bank will use the implicit rate when readily determinable. The weighted average discount rate for operating leases as of March 31, 2022 was 2.9%. The Bank's lease terms may include options to extend when it is reasonably certain that the Bank will exercise that option. The initial term of these lease agreements is five years, and the agreements contain up to three extension options for subsequent five year terms. Management considered options that have been exercised or are reasonably certain to be exercised in the recognition of the operating lease ROU asset. The weighted average remaining lease term for operating leases as of March 31, 2022 is 3.5 years. For operating leases, lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The maturities of lease liabilities are as follows at March 31, 2022:

<u>Years</u>	<u>Amount</u> <u>(In Thousands)</u>
2022 (remaining nine months)	\$ 185
2023	253
2024	240
2025	146
2026	<u>37</u>
Total lease payments	861
Imputed interest	<u>(45)</u>
Total lease liability	<u>\$ 816</u>

### NOTE 2: COMMITMENTS

At December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022, outstanding loan commitments were as follows:

	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2021</u>	<u>March 31,</u> <u>2022</u>
	<u>(In Thousands)</u>	
Unused lines of credit	\$ 141,699	\$ 152,491
Commitments to originate loans	231,085	373,347
Unadvanced funds on construction loans	108,716	99,161
Total	<u>\$ 481,500</u>	<u>\$ 624,999</u>

### NOTE 3: DIVIDEND DECLARATION

On March 30, 2022, the Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.57 per share to all stockholders of record as of May 2, 2022, payable May 11, 2022.

### NOTE 4: FAIR VALUES OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

#### Determination of Fair Value

The Bank uses fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and to determine fair value disclosures. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value is best determined based upon quoted market prices. However, in many instances, there are no quoted market prices for the Bank's assets and liabilities. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. Accordingly, the fair value estimates may not be realized in an immediate settlement of the asset or liability.

## Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

### Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below. There are no liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total Fair Value</u>
	(In Thousands)			
<u>December 31, 2021</u>				
Equity securities	\$ 82,326	\$ 6,147	\$ —	\$ 88,473
<u>March 31, 2022</u>				
Equity securities	\$ 85,481	\$ 6,583	\$ —	\$ 92,064

### Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Non-recurring Basis

The Bank may also be required, from time to time, to measure certain other assets on a non-recurring basis in accordance with U.S. GAAP. These adjustments to fair value usually result from application of lower-of-cost-or-market accounting or write-downs of individual assets.

There are no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022.

### Summary of Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The estimated fair values, determined using the exit price notion, and related carrying amounts, of the Bank's financial instruments are as follows. Certain financial instruments and all nonfinancial instruments are exempt from disclosure requirements. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts presented herein do not represent the underlying fair value of the Bank.

	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>		
		<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
	(In Thousands)			
<u>December 31, 2021</u>				
Financial assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 271,161	\$ 271,161	\$ —	\$ —
Equity securities	88,473	82,326	6,147	—
Securities held to maturity	3,500	—	—	3,453
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	29,908	—	—	29,908
Loans, net	2,999,096	—	—	3,030,915
Accrued interest receivable	5,467	—	—	5,467
Financial liabilities:				
Deposits	\$ 2,392,865	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,393,112
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	665,000	—	664,216	—
Mortgagors' escrow accounts	9,183	—	—	9,183
Accrued interest payable	198	—	—	198
<u>March 31, 2022</u>				
Financial assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 296,868	\$ 296,868	\$ —	\$ —
Equity securities	92,064	85,481	6,583	—
Securities held to maturity	3,500	—	—	3,317
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	35,508	—	—	35,508
Loans, net	3,176,975	—	—	3,157,758
Accrued interest receivable	5,887	—	—	5,887
Financial liabilities:				
Deposits	\$ 2,394,893	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,395,186
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	865,000	—	863,034	—
Mortgagors' escrow accounts	9,646	—	—	9,646
Accrued interest payable	298	—	—	298

## Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

### NOTE 5: SECURITIES

#### Securities held to maturity

At December 31, 2021 and March 31 2022, securities held to maturity consisted of \$3.5 million in corporate bonds, made up of an investment in the subordinated debt issued by a bank holding company in 2021 in which the Bank also maintains a common equity investment. The notes have a 3.75% five year fixed to floating rate, mature in 2031, and are callable quarterly at the option of the issuer after the fifth year anniversary. The Bank intends to hold the bonds until maturity, and therefore they are recorded at amortized cost on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. There was no other-than-temporary impairment recorded during the quarter ended March 31, 2022.

#### Equity securities

At December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022, equity securities include a \$9.3 million and \$8.9 million investment in the Community Reinvestment Act Qualified Investment Fund, respectively, and a \$79.2 million and \$83.2 million investment in marketable common equity securities, respectively.

For the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2022, proceeds from sales of equity securities amounted to \$2.8 million and \$200,000, respectively. Unrealized gains recognized during the first quarter of 2021 on securities still held at March 31, 2021 were \$3.2 million. Unrealized losses recognized during the first quarter of 2022 on securities still held at March 31, 2022 were \$4.1 million.

### NOTE 6: LOANS

A summary of the balances of loans is as follows:

	December 31, 2021	March 31, 2022
	(In Thousands)	
Real estate loans:		
Residential	\$ 538,625	\$ 524,269
Commercial	2,296,566	2,503,013
Construction	155,668	144,525
Home equity	24,158	24,200
Total real estate loans	<u>3,015,017</u>	<u>3,196,007</u>
Other loans:		
Commercial (1)	2,086	38
Consumer	409	361
Total other loans	<u>2,495</u>	<u>399</u>
Total loans	3,017,512	3,196,406
Allowance for loan losses	(20,431)	(21,589)
Net deferred loan origination costs	2,015	2,158
Loans, net	<u>\$ 2,999,096</u>	<u>\$ 3,176,975</u>

(1) At December 31, 2021, commercial loans included \$2,000,000 in loans outstanding originated under the SBA PPP. There were no SBA PPP loans outstanding at March 31, 2022.

The CARES Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020 and provided emergency economic relief to individuals and businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act authorized the SBA to temporarily guarantee loans under a new 7(a) loan program called the PPP. As a qualified SBA lender, the Bank was automatically authorized to originate PPP loans.

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A blanket lien on “qualified collateral,” defined principally as 72-82% of the carrying value of first mortgage loans on certain owner-occupied residential property, 77% of the carrying value of first mortgage loans on certain non-owner-occupied residential property, 76% of the carrying value of first mortgage loans on certain multi-family residential property and 65% of the carrying value of loans on certain commercial property, is used to secure borrowings from the FHLB. Additionally, a blanket lien on home equity and second mortgage loans is used to secure borrowings from the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston through its discount window.

The following is a summary of past due and non-accrual loans at December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022:

	<u>30-59 Days Past Due</u>	<u>60-89 Days Past Due</u>	<u>90 Days or More Past Due</u>	<u>Total Past Due</u>	<u>Loans on Non-accrual</u>
<b>December 31, 2021</b>					
Residential real estate	\$ 4,583	\$ —	\$ 131	\$ 4,714	\$ 131
Commercial real estate	—	—	296	296	296
Home equity	243	—	—	243	—
<b>Total loans</b>	<b>\$ 4,826</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 427</b>	<b>\$ 5,253</b>	<b>\$ 427</b>
<b>March 31, 2022</b>					
Residential real estate	\$ 7,809	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 7,809	\$ 130
Home equity	186	—	—	186	—
<b>Total loans</b>	<b>\$ 7,995</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 7,995</b>	<b>\$ 130</b>

At December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022, there were no loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest.

An analysis of the activity in the allowance for loan losses, by segment, for the periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2022 follows:

	<u>Residential Real Estate</u>	<u>Commercial Real Estate</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Home Equity</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Consumer</u>	<u>Total</u>
(In Thousands)							
<b>Three months ended March 31, 2021</b>							
Balance December 31, 2020	\$ 2,406	\$ 13,374	\$ 1,548	\$ 70	\$ 1	\$ 5	\$ 17,404
Provision (credit) for loan losses	(94)	562	(189)	(1)	1	(1)	278
Loans charged off	—	—	—	—	(1)	—	(1)
Recoveries of loans previously charged off	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Balance March 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 2,312</b>	<b>\$ 13,936</b>	<b>\$ 1,359</b>	<b>\$ 69</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>	<b>\$ 4</b>	<b>\$ 17,681</b>
<b>Three months ended March 31, 2022</b>							
Balance December 31, 2021	\$ 1,561	\$ 17,310	\$ 1,501	\$ 53	\$ 2	\$ 4	\$ 20,431
Provision (credit) for loan losses	(41)	1,343	(148)	5	(1)	—	1,158
Loans charged off	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Recoveries of loans previously charged off	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Balance March 31, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 1,520</b>	<b>\$ 18,653</b>	<b>\$ 1,353</b>	<b>\$ 58</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>	<b>\$ 4</b>	<b>\$ 21,589</b>

## Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

An analysis of the allowance for loan losses, by segment, as of December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022 follows:

	<u>Residential Real Estate</u>	<u>Commercial Real Estate</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Home Equity</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Consumer</u>	<u>Total</u>
	(In Thousands)						
<b>December 31, 2021</b>							
Allowance for impaired loans	\$ 48	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 48
Allowance for non-impaired loans	1,513	17,310	1,501	53	2	4	20,383
	<u>\$ 1,561</u>	<u>\$ 17,310</u>	<u>\$ 1,501</u>	<u>\$ 53</u>	<u>\$ 2</u>	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>\$ 20,431</u>
Impaired loans	\$ 983	\$ 296	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,279
Non-impaired loans	537,642	2,296,270	155,668	24,158	2,086	409	3,016,233
	<u>\$ 538,625</u>	<u>\$ 2,296,566</u>	<u>\$ 155,668</u>	<u>\$ 24,158</u>	<u>\$ 2,086</u>	<u>\$ 409</u>	<u>\$ 3,017,512</u>
<b>March 31, 2022</b>							
Allowance for impaired loans	\$ 45	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 45
Allowance for non-impaired loans	1,475	18,653	1,353	58	1	4	21,544
	<u>\$ 1,520</u>	<u>\$ 18,653</u>	<u>\$ 1,353</u>	<u>\$ 58</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>\$ 21,589</u>
Impaired loans	\$ 978	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 978
Non-impaired loans	523,291	2,503,013	144,525	24,200	38	361	3,195,428
	<u>\$ 524,269</u>	<u>\$ 2,503,013</u>	<u>\$ 144,525</u>	<u>\$ 24,200</u>	<u>\$ 38</u>	<u>\$ 361</u>	<u>\$ 3,196,406</u>

The following is a summary of impaired loans at December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022:

	<u>December 31, 2021</u>			<u>March 31, 2022</u>		
	<u>Recorded Investment</u>	<u>Unpaid Principal Balance</u>	<u>Related Allowance</u>	<u>Recorded Investment</u>	<u>Unpaid Principal Balance</u>	<u>Related Allowance</u>
	(In Thousands)					
Impaired loans without a valuation allowance:						
Residential real estate	\$ 478	\$ 530		\$ 476	\$ 528	
Commercial real estate	296	296		—	—	
Total	<u>774</u>	<u>826</u>		<u>476</u>	<u>528</u>	
Impaired loans with a valuation allowance:						
Residential real estate	505	505	\$ 48	502	502	\$ 45
Total impaired loans	<u>\$ 1,279</u>	<u>\$ 1,331</u>	<u>\$ 48</u>	<u>\$ 978</u>	<u>\$ 1,030</u>	<u>\$ 45</u>

The following is information pertaining to impaired loans for periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2022:

	<u>Three Months Ended March 31, 2021</u>			<u>Three Months Ended March 31, 2022</u>		
	<u>Average Recorded Investment</u>	<u>Interest Income Recognized</u>	<u>Interest Income Recognized on Cash Basis</u>	<u>Average Recorded Investment</u>	<u>Interest Income Recognized</u>	<u>Interest Income Recognized on Cash Basis</u>
	(In Thousands)					
Impaired loans:						
Residential real estate	\$ 1,647	\$ 12	\$ 55	\$ 981	\$ 10	\$ 3
Commercial real estate	1,794	—	132	99	—	52
Home equity	463	—	163	—	—	—
Total impaired loans	<u>\$ 3,904</u>	<u>\$ 12</u>	<u>\$ 350</u>	<u>\$ 1,080</u>	<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 55</u>

No additional funds are committed to be advanced in connection with impaired loans.

In the course of resolving non-performing loans, the Bank may choose to restructure the contractual terms of certain loans, with terms modified to fit the ability of the borrower to repay in line with its current financial status. A loan is considered a TDR if, for reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties, a concession is granted to the debtor that would not otherwise be considered. For the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2022, the Bank did not execute any TDRs.

## Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

### Credit Quality Information

The Bank uses a seven-grade internal rating system for residential real estate, commercial real estate, construction and commercial loans as follows:

*Loans rated 1-3B:* Loans in this category are considered “pass” rated with low to average risk.

*Loans rated 4:* Loans in this category are considered “special mention.” These loans are currently protected, but exhibit conditions that have the potential for weakness. The borrower may be affected by unfavorable economic, market or other external conditions that may affect their ability to repay the debt. These may also include credits where there is deterioration of the collateral or have deficiencies which may affect our ability to collect on the collateral. This rating is consistent with the “Other Assets Especially Mentioned” category used by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”).

*Loans rated 5:* Loans in this category are considered “substandard.” Generally, a loan is considered substandard if it is inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligors and/or the collateral pledged. There is a distinct possibility that the Bank will sustain some loss if the weakness is not corrected.

*Loans rated 6:* Loans in this category are considered “doubtful.” Loans classified as doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in those classified substandard with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, highly questionable and improbable.

*Loans rated 7:* Loans in this category are considered uncollectible (“loss”) and of such little value that their continuance as loans is not warranted.

Commercial loans are assigned an initial risk rating by the Bank at the origination of the loan. Subsequently, the Bank has a quality control program performed by an independent third party. Quarterly, all new commercial, construction and residential loan relationships with outstanding balances or commitments of \$500,000 or more are reviewed and assigned a risk rating. On a rolling quarterly basis, an in-depth review is performed on all commercial real estate relationships (and related residential loans) with exposure in excess of \$850,000 and all loans on the Bank’s Watch List. Commercial real estate relationships (and related residential loans) with exposure between \$500,000 and \$850,000 are reviewed at least annually. Watch List loans are those loans that are more than two payments past due at the end of the quarter, loans for which the borrowing entity or sponsor has filed bankruptcy, loans rated four or higher in a previous review, impaired loans, TDRs, and loans past contractual maturity. Results of the independent loan review are reported to the Bank’s Audit Committee on a quarterly basis and become the mechanism for monitoring the overall credit quality of the portfolio.

The following table presents the Bank’s loans by risk rating as of December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022:

<b>Rating</b>	<b>Residential Real Estate</b>	<b>Commercial Real Estate</b>	<b>Construction</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
	<b>(In Thousands)</b>			
<b><u>December 31, 2021</u></b>				
1- 3B	\$ 538,146	\$ 2,296,270	\$ 155,668	\$ 2,086
4	131	296	—	—
5	348	—	—	—
	<u>\$ 538,625</u>	<u>\$ 2,296,566</u>	<u>\$ 155,668</u>	<u>\$ 2,086</u>
<b><u>March 31, 2022</u></b>				
1- 3B	\$ 523,793	\$ 2,503,013	\$ 144,525	\$ 38
4	130	—	—	—
5	346	—	—	—
	<u>\$ 524,269</u>	<u>\$ 2,503,013</u>	<u>\$ 144,525</u>	<u>\$ 38</u>

Residential real estate loans are rated 1-3B at origination with subsequent adjustments based on delinquency or upon review if included in the scope of the Bank’s loan review process described above. For home equity and consumer loans, management uses delinquency reports as the key credit quality indicator.



**NOTE 7: RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

**Accounting Standards Issued But Yet Not Adopted**

The following identifies Accounting Standards Updates (“ASU”) applicable to the Bank that have been issued but are not yet effective:

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326)* (“ASU 2016-13”). This Update requires entities to measure expected credit losses based on relevant information about past events, including historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the collectability of the reported amount. Credit losses on available for sale debt securities should be measured in a manner similar to current U.S. GAAP. However, the amendments in this Update require that credit losses be presented as an allowance rather than as a write down. In November 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-10, *Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326), Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815), and Leases (Topic 842): Effective Dates*. This Update delayed the effective date of ASU 2016-13 for entities eligible to be smaller reporting companies (“SRC”), public business entities that are not SEC filers, and entities that are not public business entities, until fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022, including interim periods within those fiscal years. As of the date of issuance of ASU 2019-10, the Bank was an eligible SRC and therefore, the adoption of ASU 2016-13 is being delayed. The Bank has completed the methodology and platform selection, finalized the portfolio segmentation and model setup, and is currently running sensitivity analysis and developing the qualitative factors framework. Management will continue to monitor developments and additional guidance to determine the potential impact on the Bank's consolidated financial statements.

In April 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-04, *Codification Improvements to Topic 326, Financial Instruments – Credit Losses, Topic 815, Derivatives and Hedging, and Topic 825, Financial Instruments*. The amendments in this Update affect a variety of Topics in the Codification and represent changes to clarify, correct errors in, or address implementation issues. The amendments to *Topic 326, Financial Instruments – Credit Losses* and *Topic 815, Derivatives and Hedging*, have the same effective dates and transition requirements as those standards, unless the entity has already adopted the standard. The amendments to *Topic 825, Financial Instruments* were effective for the Bank beginning on January 1, 2020. Management has evaluated the Update and determined that changes are not applicable or material to its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-05, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Targeted Transition Relief*. This Update provides transition relief by providing entities with an option to irrevocably elect the fair value option, on an instrument-by-instrument basis, for eligible financial assets measured at amortized cost basis upon adoption of ASU 2016-13. The election is not available for either available-for-sale or held-to-maturity debt securities. For entities that have not yet adopted ASU 2016-13, the effective date and transition methodology for the amendments in this Update are the same as in ASU 2016-13. The Bank does not intend to make this election at this time.

In February 2022, the FASB issued ASU 2022-02, *Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326): Troubled Debt Restructurings and Vintage Disclosure*. This Update eliminates the TDR recognition and measurement guidance contained in ASC 310-40, *Receivables - Troubled Debt Restructuring by Creditors*. In addition, the Update enhances existing disclosure requirements and introduces new requirements related to certain modifications made to debtors experiencing financial difficulty. For public business entities only, the Update also requires disclosure of gross current period charge-offs by year of origination. For entities that have not yet adopted ASU 2016-13, the effective date and transition methodology for the amendments in this Update are the same as in ASU 2016-13. Management believes this Update will not have a significant impact on the Bank's financial statements or disclosures.

## Item 2 – Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

The following discussion of the financial condition and results of operations of the Bank should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021. Matters discussed in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in our public disclosures, whether written or oral, relating to future events or our future performance, including any discussion, expressed or implied, of our anticipated growth, operating results, future earnings per share, plans and objectives, contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements are often identified by the words “believe,” “plan,” “estimate,” “project,” “target,” “continue,” “intend,” “expect,” “future,” “anticipate,” and similar expressions that are not statements of historical fact. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict, including changes in political and economic climate, interest rate fluctuations and competitive product and pricing pressures within the Bank’s market, bond market fluctuations, personal and corporate customers’ bankruptcies and inflation. Our actual results and timing of certain events could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors including, but not limited to, those set forth under “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in our other public filings with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”). It is routine for internal projections and expectations to change as the year or each quarter in the year progresses and, therefore, it should be clearly understood that all forward-looking statements and the internal projections and beliefs upon which we base our expectations included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are made only as of the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and may change. While we may elect to update forward-looking statements at some point in the future, we do not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

### **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES; CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

The Bank’s consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“U.S. GAAP”). The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgments involving significant estimates and assumptions in the application of certain of its accounting policies about the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain. These estimates and assumptions, which may materially affect the reported amounts of certain assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, are based on information available as of the date of the consolidated financial statements, and changes in this information over time could materially impact amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements as a result of the use of different estimates and assumptions. Certain accounting policies, by their nature, have a greater reliance on the use of estimates and assumptions and could produce results materially different from those originally reported.

Based on the sensitivity of financial statement amounts to the methods, estimates and assumptions underlying reported amounts, the most significant accounting estimate followed by the Bank has been identified by management as the determination of the allowance for loan losses. This policy requires the most subjective and complex judgments and, as such, could be most subject to revision as new information becomes available. An understanding of the judgments, estimates and assumptions underlying this accounting estimate is essential in order to understand the Bank’s reported financial condition and results of operations. In developing this estimate, management considers historical charge-offs, loan-to-value ratios, underlying collateral values, payment history, the size of the loan portfolio and the risks associated with certain loan types as well as other factors such as local economic trends, market conditions and credit concentrations. Given the Bank’s history of immaterial net charge-offs, the allowance for loan losses estimate is driven entirely by management’s qualitative adjustments, which are determined based on the factors described above. Therefore, the estimate is sensitive to management’s subjectivity in the assessment of these factors. This accounting policy and its application in recent periods is described in more detail in the “Provision for Loan Losses” section of this discussion and analysis and in Notes 1 and 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in this Form 10-Q. If management’s assumptions and judgments prove to be incorrect and the allowance for loan losses is inadequate to absorb inherent losses, or if bank regulatory authorities require the Bank to increase the allowance for loan losses as a part of their examination process, the Bank’s earnings and capital could be significantly and adversely affected.

### **Note on Core Return on Average Equity and Core Return on Average Assets**

In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification *Topic 321, Investments - Equity Securities*, equity securities (except those accounted for under the equity method of accounting or those that result in consolidation of the investee) are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Net Income, regardless of whether such gains and losses are realized, and included in the other income (loss) category. This change affects the Bank’s portfolio of marketable equity securities, which includes common equity securities and a mutual fund which invests in securities which qualify for the Community Reinvestment Act securities test. This portfolio primarily includes common equity investments, which the Bank views as long-term partnership interests in operating companies. Consequently the Bank does not view the quarterly fluctuation in market value as indicative of the change in the intrinsic value of these portfolio holdings. The performance of these holdings should be evaluated on the basis of their contribution to growth in book value per share over time, not via quarterly adjustments to net income.

Consistent with this view, “Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” incorporates core net income, core return on average equity, and core return on average assets, which are non-U.S. GAAP measurements that exclude the after-tax effect of gain (loss) on equity securities, net, both realized and unrealized.

The table below presents the reconciliation between net income and core net income for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2022:

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
<i>(In thousands, unaudited)</i>		
Non-U.S. GAAP reconciliation:		
Net Income	\$ 16,350	\$ 11,864
(Gain) loss on equity securities, net	(3,367)	4,157
Income tax expense (benefit) (1)	742	(916)
Core Net Income	<u>13,725</u>	<u>15,105</u>

(1) The equity securities are held in a tax-advantaged subsidiary corporation. The income tax effect of the loss (gain) on equity securities, net, was calculated using the effective tax rate applicable to the subsidiary.

## INTRODUCTION

Net income for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 was \$11,864,000 or \$5.54 per share basic and \$5.38 per share diluted, as compared to \$16,350,000 or \$7.65 per share basic and \$7.45 per share diluted in earnings for the first quarter of 2021. The Bank's annualized return on average equity for the first quarter of 2022 was 13.10%, and the annualized return on average assets was 1.37%, compared to 21.72% and 2.32% for the same period in 2021. Core net income for the first quarter of 2022, which represents net income excluding the after-tax gains and losses on equity securities, both realized and unrealized, was \$15,105,000 or \$7.05 per share basic and \$6.85 per share diluted, representing an annualized core return on average equity of 16.68% and an annualized core return on average assets of 1.74%. This compares to core net income of \$13,725,000 or \$6.42 per share basic and \$6.25 per share diluted, representing an annualized core return on average equity of 18.23% and an annualized core return on average assets of 1.95% for the same period in 2021.

The net interest margin for the first quarter of 2022 decreased 24 basis points to 3.30%, as compared to 3.54% for the same period last year. The decline was driven by a declining yield on interest-earning assets - resulting from a lower yield on loans - partially offset by a lower cost of interest-bearing liabilities, including both retail and commercial interest-bearing deposits and wholesale funding from the Federal Home Loan Bank (“FHLB”) of Boston, brokered time deposits and listing services time deposits. These negative effects were partially offset by an increase in the interest on excess reserves held at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (“FRBB”).

Total assets increased by \$215.7 million from December 31, 2021 and \$802.8 million from March 31, 2021, representing 25% annualized growth year-to-date and 28% growth from March 31, 2021. Net loans increased by \$177.9 million from December 31, 2021 and \$669.1 million from March 31, 2021, representing 24% annualized growth year-to-date and 27% growth from March 31, 2021. Total deposits, including wholesale deposits, remained consistent with December 31, 2021, increasing by \$2.0 million. When compared to March 31, 2021, total deposits, including wholesale deposits, increased by \$121.3 million, representing 5% growth from March 31, 2021. Total retail and business deposits increased to \$1.797 billion at March 31, 2022, representing 21% annualized growth year-to-date and 11% growth from March 31, 2021. Non-interest bearing deposits, included in retail and business deposits, increased to \$404.0 million at March 31, 2022, representing 15% annualized growth year-to-date and 23% growth from March 31, 2021. Since March 31, 2021, the Bank continued to allocate its wholesale funding mix between wholesale time deposits and FHLB advances based on market conditions in order to reduce the cost of funds. This resulted in a significant shift from wholesale time deposits to FHLB advances during the period. Stockholders' equity increased to \$365.3 million as of March 31, 2022, representing 12% annualized growth year-to-date and a 18% increase from March 31, 2021. Book value per share increased to \$170.49 per share at March 31, 2022, from \$165.52 per share at December 31, 2021 and \$144.12 per share at March 31, 2021.

Since March 31, 2021, the Bank declared dividends of \$2.91 per share, which included a \$0.75 special dividend declared in the fourth quarter of 2021.

Key credit and operational metrics remained strong in the first quarter of 2022. At March 31, 2022, non-performing assets totaled 0.00% of total assets, compared with 0.01% at December 31, 2021 and 0.02% at March 31, 2021. Non-performing loans as a percentage of the total loan portfolio totaled 0.00% at March 31, 2022, as compared to 0.01% at December 31, 2021 and 0.02% at March 31, 2021.

The efficiency ratio, which represents total operating expenses, divided by the sum of net interest income and total other income (loss), excluding gain (loss) on equity securities, net, fell to 21.82% for the first quarter of 2022, as compared to 22.02% in the same period last year. Operating expenses (annualized) as a percentage of average assets fell to 0.72% for the first quarter of 2022, as compared to 0.77% for the same period last year. These figures reflect the Bank's continued focus on credit quality and disciplined expense control.

The Bank continues to exceed all of the minimum regulatory capital requirements.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### COMPARISON OF THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2022 AND 2021

#### General

The Bank reported net income of \$11.9 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 as compared to \$16.4 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2021. Net income was \$5.54 per share basic and \$5.38 per share diluted for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 as compared to \$7.65 per share basic and \$7.45 per share diluted for the same period in 2021. Earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 were negatively impacted by a decrease of \$7.5 million in other income (loss), an \$880,000 increase in the provision for loan losses and a \$759,000 increase in operating expenses, partially offset by an increase of \$3.7 million in net interest income and a decrease of \$963,000 in the income tax provision. The Bank's annualized return on average equity for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 was 13.10%, and the annualized return on average assets was 1.37%, compared to 21.72% and 2.32%, respectively, for the same period in 2021.

Core net income for the first quarter of 2022, which represents net income excluding the after-tax gains and losses on equity securities, both realized and unrealized, was \$15.1 million or \$7.05 per share basic and \$6.85 per share diluted, representing an annualized core return on average equity of 16.68% and an annualized core return on average assets of 1.74%. This compares to core net income of \$13.7 million or \$6.42 per share basic and \$6.25 per share diluted, representing an annualized core return on average equity of 18.23% and an annualized core return on average assets of 1.95% for the same period in 2021.

#### Net Interest Income

Net interest income was \$28.2 million for the first quarter of 2022 and \$24.5 million for the first quarter of 2021. The \$3.7 million increase was due to a \$647.4 million, or 23%, increase in average interest-earning assets in the three months ended March 31, 2022, as compared to the same period in 2021, partially offset by a 20 basis point decrease in the weighted average spread. For the quarter ended March 31, 2022, the weighted average rate spread and net interest margin were 3.24% and 3.30%, respectively, compared to 3.44% and 3.54%, respectively, for the quarter ended March 31, 2021. Average interest-bearing liabilities increased by \$518.5 million, or 24%, however, the rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities decreased by 18 basis points during the same period.

During 2021, the Bank still benefited from a continued decline in the average rate on interest-bearing liabilities. During this period, the benefit of lower funding costs was partially offset by a lower yield on interest-earning assets, which was driven by a lower yield on loans, and to a lesser extent, by a lower dividend received on the FHLB stock. As the average rate on interest-bearing liabilities bottomed in mid-to-late 2021 and remained relatively stable until the end of the first quarter of 2022, the Bank's net interest margin began to decline in 2022 driven by the continued decline in the yield on interest-earning assets. This resulted in a lower net interest margin in the three months ended March 31, 2022, as compared to the same period in 2021.

Interest and dividend income increased by \$3.2 million to \$30.2 million for the first quarter of 2022, as compared to \$27.0 million for the first quarter of 2021, driven by the increase in average interest-earning assets discussed above. The yield on total interest-earning assets was 3.53% for the quarter ended March 31, 2022, as compared to 3.91% for the quarter ended March 31, 2021.

Interest income on loans increased by \$3.0 million when comparing the two periods, primarily resulting from a 23% increase in average loan balances, partially offset by a 41 basis point decline in yield.

Securities and short-term investments accounted for 10% of the total average interest-earning assets for both quarters ended March 31, 2022 and 2021, as the Bank continued to monitor its balance sheet to reduce the carrying cost of its on-balance sheet liquidity. This includes the Bank's cash holdings at the FRBB. Combined income for these categories increased by \$131,000 when comparing the two periods, primarily due to higher average yields and a \$66.8 million increase in combined average balances. The increase in interest rate paid on excess reserves by the Federal Reserve resulted in increased income over this period, coupled with the Bank increasing its cash held at the FRBB as a percentage of interest-earning assets. Also, the dividend on the Bank's stock investment at the FHLB increased during the period, driven by a larger average balance of FHLB stock.

The average rate on interest-bearing liabilities decreased to 0.29% for the first quarter of 2022 from 0.47% for the comparable quarter of 2021. Total interest expense decreased by \$555,000 when comparing the quarters ended March 31, 2022 and 2021 due to lower interest rates paid on deposits and borrowings, partially offset by an increase in the combined average balances.

Interest expense on deposits decreased by \$603,000 due to a 15 basis point decrease in the weighted average rate, partially offset by an increase of \$145.3 million in average interest-bearing deposits. The Bank benefited from declining rates on interest-bearing deposits through the end of 2021. The Bank has managed core product rates, implemented special offerings, and continued to use wholesale time deposits to remain competitive while providing a cost efficient means for balanced growth.

Interest expense on borrowed funds for the first quarter of 2022 increased by \$48,000, as compared to the same quarter in 2021, primarily due to a \$373.2 million increase in average outstanding balances, partially offset by a 28 basis point decline in the weighted average rate. The decrease in FHLB borrowings rate was primarily driven by the lower short-term market rates and the maturity in 2021 of higher rate long term advances.

The following tables detail components of net interest income and yields/rates on daily average earning assets/liabilities.

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
	2021			2022		
	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST	YIELD/ RATE (8)	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST	YIELD/ RATE (8)
	(In Thousands)					
Loans (1) (2)	\$ 2,497,119	\$ 26,749	4.28 %	\$ 3,077,644	\$ 29,760	3.87 %
Securities (3) (4)	63,927	218	1.36	94,899	291	1.23
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments	204,887	52	0.10	240,755	110	0.18
Total interest-earning assets	2,765,933	27,019	3.91	3,413,298	30,161	3.53
Other assets	47,705			52,987		
Total assets	\$ 2,813,638			\$ 3,466,285		
Interest-bearing deposits (5)	\$ 1,882,830	2,107	0.45	\$ 2,028,082	1,504	0.30
Borrowed funds	310,683	444	0.57	683,920	492	0.29
Total interest-bearing liabilities	2,193,513	2,551	0.47	2,712,002	1,996	0.29
Demand deposits	311,800			383,816		
Other liabilities	7,246			8,267		
Total liabilities	2,512,559			3,104,085		
Stockholders' equity	301,079			362,200		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,813,638			\$ 3,466,285		
Net interest income		\$ 24,468			\$ 28,165	
Weighted average spread			3.44 %			3.24 %
Net interest margin (6)			3.54 %			3.30 %
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities (7)	126.10 %			125.86 %		

- (1) Before allowance for loan losses.
- (2) Includes average 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.

The following table presents information regarding changes in interest and dividend income and interest expense of the Bank for the periods indicated. For each category, information is provided with respect to the change attributable to volume (change in volume multiplied by old rate) and the change in rate (change in rate multiplied by old volume). The change attributable to both volume and rate is allocated proportionally to the change due to volume and rate.

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2022 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2021 Increase (Decrease)		
	Due to		Total
	Volume	Rate	
	(In Thousands)		
Interest and dividend income:			
Loans	\$ 5,792	\$ (2,781)	\$ 3,011
Securities and FHLB stock	97	(24)	73
Federal Reserve and other short-term investments	10	48	58
Total interest and dividend income	5,899	(2,757)	3,142
Interest expense:			
Deposits	152	(755)	(603)
Borrowed funds	346	(298)	48
Total interest expense	498	(1,053)	(555)
Net interest income	\$ 5,401	\$ (1,704)	\$ 3,697

## **Provision for Loan Losses**

At March 31, 2022, management's review of the allowance for loan losses concluded that a balance of \$21.6 million was adequate to provide for losses based upon evaluation of risk in the loan portfolio. During the first quarter of 2022, management provided \$1.2 million to achieve such a loan loss allowance balance at March 31, 2022. Comparably, at March 31, 2021, management's evaluation of the balance of the allowance for loan losses indicated the need for a quarterly provision of \$278,000. The increase in provision expense is due to significant growth in the loan portfolio in the quarter ended March 31, 2022 compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2021. The Bank did not record any charge-offs in the first quarter of 2022 as compared to net charge-offs of \$1,000 during the first quarter of 2021.

See Notes 1 and 6 to the accompanying interim consolidated financial statements and "Loans and Foreclosed Real Estate" included in this Management's Discussion and Analysis for additional information pertaining to the allowance for loan losses.

## **Other Income (Loss)**

Other income (loss) is comprised of gain (loss) on equity securities, net, customer service fees on deposits, increases in the cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance policies and miscellaneous income. Total other loss was \$3.9 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2022, compared to other income of \$3.6 million for the same period in 2021. In the first three months of 2022, the Bank recorded losses totaling \$4.2 million on equity securities, including \$4.1 million of unrealized losses on equity securities held at the end of the period and \$69,000 of losses recognized on equity securities sold during the period. In the first three months of 2021, the Bank recorded gains totaling \$3.4 million on equity securities, including \$3.2 million of unrealized gains on equity securities held at the end of the period and \$163,000 of gains recognized on equity securities sold during the period.

Customer service fees on deposits decreased by \$6,000 in the first quarter of 2022 compared to the same period in 2021. In recent years, there has been a continuous decline in deposit account transaction fees, as the Bank has eliminated many fees on deposit products to simplify offerings and enhance the value proposition of our consumer and business checking accounts to customers. There has been an offsetting trend in debit card interchange fees, as the size of the Bank's checking account base has increased and the Bank has benefited from a secular trend towards increasing use of debit cards in payments. Generally, the Bank's strategy does not rely on generating substantial non-interest fee-based revenue from our deposit accounts.

An increase in the cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance also contributed to other income (loss) during the first quarter of 2022 and 2021. The Bank held \$13.1 million in life insurance policies at March 31, 2022 as compared to \$12.7 million at March 31, 2021. The policies accrete at a variable rate of interest with minimum stated guaranteed rates. Income from these assets is fully excludable from federal income taxes and contributed \$93,000 to other income (loss) in the first quarter of 2022, as compared to \$81,000 for the same period in 2021.

## **Operating Expenses**

Operating expenses include salaries and employee benefits, occupancy and equipment, data processing, deposit insurance, marketing, foreclosure and related, and other general and administrative expenses. Total operating expenses were \$6.2 million, or an annualized 0.72% of average total assets, for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 as compared to \$5.5 million, or an annualized 0.77% of average total assets, for the same period of 2021.

Salaries and employee benefits expenses increased by \$118,000, or 3%, in the three months ended March 31, 2022 compared to the same period in 2021, primarily due to annual merit-based salary increases, partially offset by a slightly lower number of employees. This reflects a slightly smaller branch staff, offset by additional commercial real estate lenders and deposit relationship managers as compared to the same period in 2021.

Occupancy and equipment expenses declined by \$32,000, or 8%, in the three months ended March 31, 2022 compared to the same period in 2021. The decrease in 2022 was primarily driven by the closure of certain branches, driven by the Bank's efforts to optimize its branch footprint, which resulted in lower depreciation, maintenance and rent expenses. Higher rental income also contributed to the decline in occupancy and equipment expenses. The Bank owns rental apartments located above its Nantucket branch which are rented during the summer season.

Data processing expenses for the first quarter of 2022 increased by \$153,000, or 33%, when compared to the same period in 2021, driven primarily by higher data processing charges associated with improvements made to the Bank's systems and volume increases in 2022, partially offset by improvements in the Bank's management of the core processor contract. The increase was also driven by additional expenses incurred during the transition from existing to new systems. Technology spending at the Bank remains focused on three primary objectives: delivering new or improved customer experience, reducing costs through simplification and automation of internal processes, and securing customer and Bank confidential information.

Deposit insurance expense for the first quarter of 2022 increased by \$60,000, or 27%, when compared to the same period in 2021. The increase was the result of a larger assessment base, driven by the Bank's balance sheet growth, combined with a higher assessed rate. Deposit insurance expense consists of premiums paid to the FDIC and the Massachusetts Depositors Insurance Fund ("DIF"). The FDIC assessment rate is determined based on several factors, including capitalization, asset growth, earnings, use of brokered deposits and level of non-performing assets, among others, and is calculated on an assessment base that takes into consideration the Bank's average total assets and average tangible equity, among other factors. The DIF assessment rate is based on an institution's risk category, which is defined based on similar factors. The Bank carefully manages its balance sheet to control the deposit insurance expense associated with excess liquidity while optimizing its funding mix.

Marketing expenses increased by \$67,000, or 54%, for the first quarter of 2022 as compared to the same period in 2021, as the Bank expands its advertising activities into the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan area (“WMA”) and the San Francisco Bay Area (“SFBA”). The Bank continues to carefully manage these expenses focusing on business development for the Bank’s Commercial Real Estate Group and Specialized Deposit Group (“SDG”).

Foreclosure and related expenses include expenses associated with the collection and foreclosure process, such as legal, tax, appraisal, insurance and other related foreclosure expenses. These expenses may be recovered when the loan returns to performing status or when the Bank exercises its remedies, as they are generally secured by the Bank’s mortgages. Such recoveries, if any, are reflected in future periods as contra-expense. The Bank recorded a \$21,000 credit to foreclosure and related expenses in the quarter ended March 31, 2022 as compared to a \$82,000 credit in the same period in 2021. This larger credit in the prior year was attributed to the recovery of expenses in connection with the resolution of certain non-performing loans recorded in the first quarter of 2021, net of a \$68,000 loss on disposal recorded on the sale of a foreclosed property. At March 31, 2022, December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2021, the Bank did not own any foreclosed property.

Other general and administrative expenses, which include director fees, supplies, deposit related losses and audit-related expenses, among others, increased by \$332,000, or 42%, when comparing the two periods, reflecting higher miscellaneous expenses, including loan servicing related expenses, legal fees, employee education, travel expenses associated with the Bank’s operations in the WMA and SFBA, expenses associated with remote work and the digitization of Bank’s records, partially offset by lower bad check/debit card related losses.

### **Income Taxes**

The Bank recognizes income taxes under the asset and liability method in which deferred tax assets and liabilities are established for the temporary difference between the accounting basis and the tax basis of the Bank's assets and liabilities at enacted tax rates expected to be in effect when the amounts related to such temporary differences are realized or settled. The Bank's deferred tax asset is reviewed quarterly by management as to the realizability of such asset.

During the first quarter of 2022, the Bank recorded \$5.1 million, or 29.9% of pre-tax income, in tax expense as compared to \$6.0 million, or 27.0%, for the same quarter in 2021. The higher effective tax rate in the first quarter of 2022 was driven by unrealized losses on equity securities recognized during the first quarter of 2022 as compared to unrealized gains recognized in the same quarter in the prior year, as these securities are held at a tax-advantaged subsidiary. Income tax expense for the first quarter of 2021 included \$97,000 in excess tax benefits related to the exercise of stock options. There was no excess tax benefit recorded in the first quarter of 2022.

### **BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS COMPARISON AT MARCH 31, 2022 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Assets totaled \$3.647 billion at March 31, 2022, as compared to \$3.431 billion at December 31, 2021, an increase of \$215.7 million, or 25% annualized. During 2022, the Bank continued to manage the balance of excess reserves held at the FRBB, in order to minimize the carrying cost of its on-balance sheet liquidity.

#### **Securities, Short-term Investments and FHLB Stock**

Securities were \$95.6 million at March 31, 2022, an increase of \$3.6 million when compared to \$92.0 million at December 31, 2021, reflecting the purchases of equity securities in the first quarter of 2022, partially offset by a decrease in the fair value of the portfolio. The fair value of equity securities fluctuates with the performance of equity markets.

At March 31, 2022, the Bank held a \$3.5 million investment in the subordinated debt issued by a bank holding company in which the Bank also maintains an equity investment. The notes have a 3.75% five year fixed to floating rate, mature in 2031, and are callable quarterly at the option of the issuer after the fifth year anniversary. This investment is included in securities held to maturity on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

At March 31, 2022, equity securities accounted for approximately 96% of the investment portfolio. At March 31, 2022, the Bank held a \$8.9 million investment in the CRA Fund, a mutual fund which invests in securities which qualify under the CRA securities test. Additionally, the portfolio included \$83.2 million in marketable common equity securities. The Bank’s marketable common equity securities are not viewed as a source of liquidity and are managed to produce superior returns on capital over a longer time horizon. The Bank’s process is focused on identifying businesses with strong returns on capital, owner-oriented management teams, good reinvestment opportunities or capital discipline, and reasonable valuations. The portfolio is concentrated in a relatively small number of investments in the financial services and technology areas. The Bank receives two sources of advantageous tax treatment through these investments. First, dividend distributions from these companies to the Bank are partially excluded from the Bank’s taxable income due to the Dividends Received Deduction. Second, to the extent that these companies are capable of internal reinvestment at high rates of return or deploy capital via tax-advantaged repurchases, the deferred tax liability associated with any long-term unrealized gains on our investments constitutes an interest-free source of financing.

As a member of the FHLB of Boston, the Bank is required to hold a Membership Stock Investment plus an Activity-based Stock Investment in the FHLB, which is based primarily on the amount of FHLB borrowings. The Bank recorded dividends totaling \$106,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2022, as compared to \$68,000 for the same period in 2021. The increase reflected the dividend rate increase implemented by the FHLB, as well as a higher balance of FHLB stock. At March 31, 2022, the Bank held

\$35.5 million in FHLB stock compared to \$29.9 million at December 31, 2021. The increase was driven by the growth in FHLB borrowings during the first quarter of 2022, as the Bank shifted a portion of the wholesale funding mix from wholesale deposits to FHLB advances based on market conditions.

### Loans and Foreclosed Real Estate

During the first three months of 2022, net loans outstanding increased by \$177.9 million to \$3.177 billion, from \$2.999 billion at December 31, 2021, attributable primarily to originated loans of \$336.7 million, partially offset by payoffs and amortization. Comparably, loan originations for the same period in 2021 were \$141.5 million. At both March 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021, net loans outstanding represented 87% of assets. Mortgage loans continue to account for more than 99% of the loan portfolio.

A breakdown of the originated loan by geography follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2021		Three Months Ended March 31, 2022	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
(Dollars in Thousands)				
Massachusetts	\$ 106,965	76 %	\$ 191,866	57 %
Washington Metropolitan Area	34,493	24	127,093	38
San Francisco Bay Area	—	—	17,699	5
Total	\$ 141,458	100 %	\$ 336,658	100 %

At March 31, 2022, the Bank had \$748.4 million and \$48.9 million, respectively, of commercial real estate loans originated in the WMA and the SFBA outstanding. At December 31, 2021, the Bank had \$647.8 million and \$31.6 million, respectively, of commercial real estate loans originated in the WMA and the SFBA outstanding.

**WMA:** The Bank began lending to commercial real estate borrowers in the WMA in November 2016, after two years of research and preparation. In 2019, the Bank opened a commercial lending office at a temporary location and hired a commercial real estate lender. In February 2020, the Bank acquired a property in the Georgetown neighborhood of Washington, D.C., is renovating the property, and expects to open a commercial banking office in 2022. The Bank hired an additional senior commercial real estate lender in this market in 2021. When needed, the Bank also utilizes existing staff in its Commercial Real Estate Group and SDG with experience in the WMA, on a fly-away basis from its Main Office.

The Bank identified the WMA as an attractive opportunity for three reasons. First, the region has favorable economic characteristics that will support long-term investments in commercial real estate. It is the capital of the world's largest economy, it is an international economic gateway, it has the highest household median income of any of the nation's major metropolitan areas, and it has a relatively high concentration of young people. Second, the commercial real estate product in the market bears significant similarity to Boston, characterized by high density, urban infill development, transit-oriented multifamily, and scarcity imposed by land supply and restrictions on vertical development. Third, we believe that the banking market in Washington, D.C. has experienced a level of consolidation and disruption that has left smaller and mid-sized real estate investors underserved as compared to the Boston market. We believe that our history as one of America's oldest banks and our family management team provide stability and surety of execution that is valued by our customers. With five years of operation in the market, we have gained increasing confidence in this thesis. We view this as an attractive opportunity for internal capital allocation and superior to geographically proximate, product-adjacent businesses like wealth management, insurance, or commercial-industrial lending in our home marketplace. The Bank has not originated any residential owner-occupant loans in the WMA, but has begun operational preparations to do so. During the quarter, the Bank began originating a limited number of commercial construction mortgages in the WMA focused on smaller multifamily assets.

**SFBA:** The Bank has built the operational framework for originating commercial real estate loans in the San Francisco Bay Area and is actively originating commercial mortgages and developing deposit relationships. The Bank closed its first loan in the SFBA in the fourth quarter of 2021. This initiative builds on several years of research and direct equity investments that provided the Bank with exposure and insight into the SFBA real estate and banking markets, but the Bank's long-term plans were accelerated to capitalize on novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic-related disruption in those markets in 2020 and 2021. The Bank continues to believe that the most attractive markets for its business are coastal, urban, gateway cities with substantial wealth, favorable demographics, substantial multifamily real estate, and consolidation among small and mid-sized banks. This initiative is focused on both investor and owner-occupant commercial real estate and multifamily properties. The Bank does not have plans at this time to originate commercial construction or owner-occupant residential loans in the SFBA. The Bank utilizes existing staff in the Commercial Real Estate Group and SDG that travel to the SFBA on a fly-away basis. The Bank does not currently have full-time staff in the SFBA but is currently searching for a senior commercial real estate lender and a relationship manager.

All WMA and SFBA underwriting and approval processes are identical to those utilized in the Boston marketplace and all loans are reviewed and approved by the Bank's Executive Committee and when larger than \$2.0 million, by the Bank's full Board of Directors. A member of the Executive Committee performs a site visit for every collateral property. The Bank has retained local counsel in both markets to advise on all of its transactional needs, with oversight on each individual transaction by the Bank's primary real estate counsel in Boston. The Bank uses the same environmental assessment firm in Boston, Washington, D.C., and San



Francisco to ensure quality of execution and manage risk. This firm also performs seismic risk assessments in San Francisco for the Bank. This firm also prepares property condition reports for the Bank. Once closed, these loans are subject to all of the Bank's regular quality control and portfolio management processes.

The Bank approaches prospective borrowers directly via advertising programs, and indirectly via intermediaries such as attorneys, accountants and mortgage brokers. The Bank also has a growing portfolio of customers with real estate investment holdings in more than one market.

The Bank has made substantial progress in developing deposit relationships with WMA and SFBA borrowers and services these customers remotely through the SDG. The SDG is now servicing both WMA and SFBA deposit customers that do not have a lending relationship with the Bank and has two full-time relationship managers in the WMA.

Loans are carried net of the allowance for loan losses. The allowance is maintained at a level to absorb losses within the loan portfolio. At March 31, 2022, the allowance had a balance of \$21.6 million, as compared to \$20.4 million at December 31, 2021. The allowance for loan losses represented 0.68% of gross loans as of both March 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021.

At March 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021, the Bank allocated \$45,000 and \$48,000, respectively, to loans classified as impaired. These reserves are related solely to loans classified as troubled debt restructurings ("TDR"). The Bank works closely with delinquent mortgagors to bring their loans current and commences foreclosure proceedings if the mortgagor is unable to satisfy their outstanding obligation. Although regulatory changes have slowed the foreclosure process in recent years, the Bank continues to pursue delinquencies vigorously.

At March 31, 2022, there was one loan classified as non-accrual totaling \$130,000, as compared to two non-accrual loans totaling \$427,000 at December 31, 2021. At March 31, 2022, non-performing assets were 0.00% of total assets, as compared to 0.01% at December 31, 2021. At March 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021, the Bank had no foreclosed assets.

Management believes that its loans classified as non-accrual are significantly collateralized, pose minimal risk of loss to the Bank, and the allowance for loan loss reserves allocated to these loans is sufficient to absorb such losses, if any. However, management continues to monitor the loan portfolio and additional reserves will be recorded if necessary.

Below is a summary of non-accrual loans and foreclosed real estate:

	<b>December 31, 2021</b>	<b>March 31, 2022</b>
	<b>(Dollars in Thousands)</b>	
Non-accrual loans:		
Residential mortgages	\$ 131	\$ 130
Commercial mortgages	296	—
Total non-accrual loans	<u>427</u>	<u>130</u>
Foreclosed real estate	—	—
Total non-performing assets	<u>\$ 427</u>	<u>\$ 130</u>
Percent of non-accrual loans to:		
Total loans	0.01 %	— %
Total assets	0.01 %	— %
Percent of non-performing assets to:		
Total loans and foreclosed real estate	0.01 %	— %
Total assets	0.01 %	— %
Allowance for loan losses to total loans	0.68 %	<b>0.68 %</b>

### Impact of COVID-19

Section 4013 of the CARES Act stipulated that a financial institution may elect to not apply U.S. GAAP requirements to loan modifications related to the COVID-19 pandemic that would otherwise be categorized as a TDR, and suspended the determination of loan modifications related to the COVID-19 pandemic from being treated as TDRs. Modifications within the scope of the suspension include forbearance agreements, interest-rate modifications, repayment plans, and any other similar arrangements that defer or delay payments of principal or interest. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 extended the suspension of TDR accounting to January 1, 2022. The Bank elected not to apply U.S. GAAP requirements to such loan modifications with respect to categorization of loans as TDRs. The Bank is also aware that some financial institutions may have opted to recognize income on an accrual basis on loans for which they are not collecting interest pursuant to extended forbearance agreements. Unless such contracts are modified by legislative action that mandates the deferral of interest without regard to need, the Bank does not believe such an approach is appropriate.

Beginning in March of 2020, the Bank received a limited number of inquiries from both residential and commercial borrowers seeking information about potential options for loan modifications or deferrals. As of March 31, 2022, the Bank was no longer

receiving requests for loan modifications and all the commercial and residential real estate loans modified in response to the COVID-19 pandemic had either returned to their contractual terms or paid off.

### **Other Assets**

The Bank held \$13.1 million in bank-owned life insurance at March 31, 2022, as compared to \$13.0 million at December 31, 2021. The \$93,000 increase during the first three months of 2022 is due to increases in the cash surrender value of policies insuring the life of a current Bank executive. The policies accrete at a variable rate of interest with minimum stated guaranteed rates. The Bank monitors the financial strength and counterparty credit ratings of the policy issuers and has determined that at March 31, 2022, one of three issuers was rated at or above Bank guidelines. Of the other two issuers, one retained a rating from A.M. Best one notch below Bank guidelines at A-, while the other retained a rating from Fitch and S&P one notch below Bank guidelines at A- (with a stable outlook).

As of March 31, 2022, the right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability related to operating leases for two of the Bank's banking offices was \$777,000 and \$816,000, respectively. The right-of-use asset is included in other assets and the lease liability is included in other liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

In May 2021, the Bank closed its South Hingham branch office located at 37 Whiting Street, Hingham. The Bank closed its South Weymouth location at 32 Pleasant Street, Weymouth in 2020. In the second quarter of 2021, the Bank sold both properties and recorded a pre-tax gain on disposal of fixed assets of \$2.3 million.

In 2021, the Bank closed its Norwell/Hanover branch office and retains ownership of the property and continues to market this property for sale or long-term lease. The carrying value of this property at March 31, 2022 was \$1.5 million and is included in premises and equipment, net on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

In 2020, the Bank concluded the purchase of a property in the Georgetown neighborhood of Washington, D.C., and began renovations in anticipation of opening a new commercial banking office in early 2022.

The Bank holds a \$1.0 million investment in the common stock of Founders Bank, a de novo bank in Washington, D.C. that opened in April 2020.

### **Deposits**

Deposits increased by \$2.0 million to \$2.395 billion at March 31, 2022, from \$2.393 billion at December 31, 2021. Non-certificate accounts, which include regular, money market, NOW and demand deposits, increased by \$101.1 million from December 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022, while certificate balances decreased by \$99.1 million. The decrease in certificate account balances primarily reflects the increased use of short-term FHLB advances in lieu of brokered time deposits and Internet listing services, combined with a continued decline in retail and commercial time deposits as the Bank has reduced offered rates. Non-certificate accounts represent 57.9% of total deposits at March 31, 2022, as compared to 53.7% at December 31, 2021.

Other banks and credit unions in the Bank's market areas, banking services through the Internet, and mutual funds make up the Bank's primary competition for deposits. The Bank's ability to attract and retain deposits depends upon satisfaction of depositors' requirements with respect to insurance, product, rate and service. The Bank offers traditional deposit products, competitive rates, convenient branch locations, ATMs, debit cards and Internet-based banking for consumers and commercial account holders. The Bank also opens deposit accounts, including checking accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit, directly online to personal customers. Occasionally, the Bank implements special offerings based on market conditions and the competitive environment. The Bank also offers a limited range of certificate of deposit products using national Internet listing services and brokered deposits. These alternatives, at times, provide the Bank with a source of funding across different maturities at lower cost and/or longer duration than may be available via retail or other wholesale channels. At March 31, 2022, the Bank had \$597.9 million in deposits from these sources, as compared to \$684.2 million at December 31, 2021. The Bank carefully manages its wholesale funding mix allocation within the Bank's established guidelines and based on market conditions to reduce the Bank's cost on interest-bearing liabilities and improve the Bank's net interest margin. In doing this, the Bank takes into consideration each funding source's interest rate, broker commission and FDIC insurance assessment implications (as applicable), speed of execution as well as the operational characteristics. This approach has allowed the Bank to maintain deposit balances to fund lending activity and operate with an elevated level of liquidity.

Deposits are insured in full through the combination of the FDIC and the DIF. Generally, separately insured deposit accounts are insured up to \$250,000 by the FDIC and deposit balances in excess of this amount are insured by the DIF. DIF insurance provides an advantage for the Bank as some competitors cannot offer this coverage.

Below is a summary of deposits:

	<b>Deposit Balances by Type</b>			
	<b>December 31, 2021</b>	<b>% of Total</b>	<b>March 31, 2022</b>	<b>% of Total</b>
<b>(Dollars in Thousands)</b>				
Non-certificate accounts				
Regular	\$ 104,395	4.4 %	\$ 107,586	4.5 %
Money market deposits	784,501	32.7	866,684	36.2
NOW	7,106	0.3	7,920	0.3
Demand	389,148	16.3	404,045	16.9
Total non-certificate accounts	<u>1,285,150</u>	<u>53.7</u>	<u>1,386,235</u>	<u>57.9</u>
Term certificates of less than \$250,000	851,619	35.6	773,005	32.3
Term certificates of \$250,000 or more	256,096	10.7	235,653	9.8
Total certificate accounts	<u>1,107,715</u>	<u>46.3</u>	<u>1,008,658</u>	<u>42.1</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$ 2,392,865</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>	<u>\$ 2,394,893</u>	<u>100.0 %</u>

### **Borrowings**

FHLB advances were \$865.0 million, or 24% of total assets, at March 31, 2022, as compared to \$665.0 million, or 19% of total assets, at December 31, 2021. The Bank continued to manage its wholesale funding mix opportunistically during the first three months of 2022. During this period, borrowings increased by \$200.0 million, as the Bank used FHLB advances to replace maturing wholesale time deposits and fund strong loan growth. Of the total advances, \$790.0 million are fixed rate in nature and \$75.0 million are floating rate advances indexed to the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR). All advances are scheduled to mature in the next twelve months.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

In order to ensure the Bank has sufficient liquidity to fund its lending operations, off-balance sheet commitments and contractual obligations, the Bank maintains an adequate level of readily available liquidity, both on and off-balance sheet.

The Bank also assesses its liquidity position regularly by forecasting incoming and outgoing cash flows. In some cases, contractual maturity dates are used to anticipate cash flows. However, when an asset or liability has no contractual maturity, or is subject to early repayment or redemption at the discretion of the issuer or customer, cash flows can be difficult to predict. Generally, these rights are exercised when it is most financially favorable to the issuer or customer.

Marketable common equity holdings, although liquid, are not viewed as a source of liquidity and are managed to produce superior returns on capital over a longer time horizon.

Investment in FHLB stock is illiquid.

Residential loans are susceptible to principal repayment at the discretion of the borrower. Commercial mortgage loans, while subject to significant penalties for early repayment in most cases, can also prepay at the borrower's discretion. In the first quarter of 2022, prepayment rates were slightly higher when compared to the previous year.

The Bank invests in key executive life insurance policies that are illiquid during the life of the executive. Such policies totaled \$13.1 million, or less than 1% of total assets, at March 31, 2022.

Non-certificate deposit balances can generally be withdrawn from the Bank at any time. The Bank estimates the volatility of its deposits in light of the general economic climate and recent actual experience. Over the past 10 years, deposits have exceeded withdrawals resulting in net cash inflows from depositors.

Time certificates of deposit, which have predefined maturity dates, have different redemption characteristics based on their nature. Retail certificates of deposit, subject to early redemption penalties, can be withdrawn subject to the discretion of the Bank. Internet listing service certificates are offered on the same terms as retail certificates, although the Bank generally does not permit early withdrawal. Brokered certificates generally may not be withdrawn before the stated maturity. The Bank had \$1.009 billion in time deposits outstanding at March 31, 2022, of which \$858.2 million have a contractual maturity within one year.

All of the Bank's borrowings are fixed in terms of maturity. The Bank had no amortizing advances as of March 31, 2022, and none of the advances can be called for earlier repayment at the discretion of the issuer. The Bank had \$865.0 million in FHLB advances outstanding at March 31, 2022, all of which will mature within one year.

The Bank also monitors its off-balance sheet items. At March 31, 2022, the Bank had approximately \$625.0 million in commitments to extend credit, as compared to \$481.5 million at December 31, 2021. The Bank also has commitments for data processing agreements totaling \$1.8 million at March 31, 2022.

The Bank takes each of these preceding issues into consideration when measuring its liquidity position. Specific measurements include the Bank's cash flow position from the 30-day to 365-day horizon, the level of volatile liabilities to earning assets and loan to deposit ratios. Additionally, the Bank "shocks" its cash flows by assuming significant cash outflows in both non-certificate and

certificate deposit balances. At March 31, 2022, each measurement was within predefined Bank guidelines, with the exception of the loan to deposit ratio, which was above the guideline at 133%. This ratio is highly impacted by the Bank's allocation of the wholesale funding mix between wholesale deposits and FHLB advances.

The Bank's initial source of liquidity is cash and cash equivalents which comprised 8% of total assets at March 31, 2022. A significant portion of this consists of overnight cash balances at the FRBB, which are immediately accessible for liquidity. The Bank carefully monitors these overnight cash balances to minimize the carrying cost of on-balance sheet liquidity.

To supplement its liquidity position, should the need arise, the Bank maintains its membership in the FHLB where it is eligible to obtain both short and long-term credit advances. As of March 31, 2022, the Bank can borrow up to approximately \$1.514 billion to meet its borrowing needs, based on the Bank's available qualified collateral which consists primarily of one-to-four-family residential mortgage loans, certain multifamily residential property and commercial mortgage loans. The Bank can pledge other mortgage loans and assets as collateral to secure additional borrowings. Additionally, through the FRBB, the Bank can borrow up to \$14.8 million through the discount window based on the Bank pledging its home equity loan portfolio. The Bank can pledge other mortgage loans and assets as collateral to secure additional borrowings with the FRBB. At March 31, 2022, the Bank had \$865.0 million in advances outstanding from the FHLB and had \$648.8 million in available unused capacity (net of accrued interest on outstanding advances). This compares to an unused capacity of \$911.3 million at December 31, 2021. The FHLB unused capacity decreased in the first quarter of 2022 as a result of a \$200.0 million increase in outstanding advances, combined with a decrease of \$62.4 million in gross FHLB capacity during this period. The decline in gross FHLB capacity was a result of prepayments in the existing pledged portfolio, combined with the results of the most recent FHLB collateral review conducted at the end of the first quarter not yet reflected on the March 31, 2022 available unused capacity. The Bank continues to actively pledge new collateral as loans are originated. At March 31, 2022, the Bank did not have any advances outstanding at the FRBB.

The Bank obtains the necessary capital to support its current and future requirements from the retained earnings generated through its operations.

At March 31, 2022, the Bank had capital of \$365.3 million, or 10.0% of total assets, as compared to \$354.6 million, or 10.3% of total assets, at December 31, 2021. During the three months ended March 31, 2022, stockholders' equity increased by \$10.6 million due primarily to net income for the period of \$11.9 million, partially offset by the declaration of dividends of \$0.57 per share, which reduced capital by \$1.2 million.

The Bank is subject to minimum capital maintenance requirements. Regulatory guidelines define the minimum amount of qualifying capital an institution must maintain as a percentage of risk-weighted assets and average total assets. The Bank's ratios exceeded these regulatory capital requirements at March 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021.

The following table details the Bank's actual capital ratios and minimum regulatory ratios as of December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022.

	Actual		Minimum Capital Requirement*		Minimum To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Actions Provisions	
	Amounts	Ratio	Amounts	Ratio	Amounts	Ratio
(Dollars in Thousands)						
<u>December 31, 2021</u>						
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	\$ 375,043	12.97 %	\$ 303,722	10.50 %	\$ 289,259	10.00 %
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	354,612	12.26	202,481	7.00	188,018	6.50
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	354,612	12.26	245,870	8.50	231,407	8.00
Tier 1 Capital to Average Assets	354,612	10.92	129,900	4.00	162,374	5.00
<u>March 31, 2022</u>						
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	\$ 386,849	12.43 %	\$ 326,881	10.50 %	\$ 311,315	10.00 %
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	365,261	11.73	217,921	7.00	202,355	6.50
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	365,261	11.73	264,618	8.50	249,052	8.00
Tier 1 Capital to Average Assets	365,261	10.54	138,651	4.00	173,314	5.00

\* Minimum risk-based regulatory capital ratios and amounts at December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022 include the applicable minimum risk-based capital ratios and capital conservation buffer of 2.5%

### **Item 3 – Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

The earnings of most banking institutions are exposed to interest rate risk because their balance sheets, both assets and liabilities, are predominantly interest-bearing. It is the Bank's objective to minimize, to the degree prudently possible, its exposure to interest rate risk, bearing in mind that the Bank, by its very nature, will always be in the business of taking on interest rate risk. Interest rate risk is monitored on a quarterly basis by the Asset Liability Committee (the "ALCO") and Board of Directors of the Bank. The ALCO is composed of members of Bank Management and the Executive Committee of the Board. The ALCO establishes and monitors the various components of the balance sheet including volume, maturities, pricing and mix of assets along with funding sources. The goal is to balance liquidity, interest rate risk and profitability. The primary tool used in managing interest rate risk is income simulation modeling. Income simulation modeling measures changes in net interest income by projecting the future composition of the Bank's balance sheet and applying different interest rate scenarios. Management incorporates numerous assumptions into the simulation model, such as asset prepayment speeds, balance sheet growth and non-maturity deposits elasticity. Management believes that there have been no material changes in the interest rate risk reported in the Bank's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, filed with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The information is contained in the Form 10-K within the section "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk."

### **Item 4 – Controls and Procedures**

#### **(a) Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

An evaluation was carried out under the supervision and with the participation of the Bank's management, including the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), of the effectiveness, as of March 31, 2022, of the Bank's disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives and management necessarily applies its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. Based on the evaluation of the Bank's disclosure controls and procedures as of March 31, 2022, the CEO and CFO concluded that, as of such date, the Bank's disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

#### **(b) Changes in Internal Control**

There were no significant changes in the Bank's internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e), during the quarter ended March 31, 2022 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Bank's internal control over financial reporting.

## **PART II – OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Item 1 – Legal Proceedings**

Legal claims arise from time to time in the normal course of business which, in the opinion of management, will have no material effect on the Bank's consolidated financial statements.

### **Item 1A – Risk Factors**

There have generally been no material changes to the nature of the risk factors previously disclosed in the Bank's most recent Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021 filed with the FDIC.

### **Item 2 – Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

None.

### **Item 3 – Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

None.

### **Item 4 – Mine Safety Disclosures**

Not applicable.

### **Item 5 – Other Information**

None.

### **Item 6 – Exhibits**

#### Exhibit No.

31.1	Certifications – Chief Executive Officer
31.2	Certifications – Chief Financial Officer
32.1	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350 – Chief Executive Officer
32.2	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350 – Chief Financial Officer

## 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 thereunto duly authorized.

### HINGHAM INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS

Date: May 6, 2022

/s/

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Robert H. Gaughen, Jr.  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 6, 2022

/s/

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Cristian A. Melej  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer and  
Principal Accounting Officer)





I, Cristian A. Melej, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of the Hingham Institution for Savings;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures, and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors:
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 6, 2022

\_\_\_\_\_/s/  
Cristian A. Melej  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer and  
Principal Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. §1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Hingham Institution for Savings (the “Bank”) for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022, as filed with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation on the date hereof (the “Report”), the undersigned Robert H. Gaughen, Jr., Chief Executive Officer of the Bank, hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Bank.

                  /s/                    
Robert H. Gaughen, Jr.  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 6, 2022

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. §1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Hingham Institution for Savings (the “Bank”) for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022, as filed with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation on the date hereof (the “Report”), the undersigned Cristian A. Melej, Chief Financial Officer of the Bank, hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Bank.

/s/

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Cristian A. Melej  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer  
and Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: May 6, 2022