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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF YOUR ACCOUNT

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES FOR OPENING A NEW ACCOUNT** - To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account.

What this means for you: When you open an account, we will ask for your name, address, date of birth, and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see your driver's license or other identifying documents.

**AGREEMENT** - This document, along with any other documents we give you pertaining to your account(s), is a contract (also referred to as "this agreement") that establishes rules which control your account(s) with us. Please read this carefully and retain it for future reference. If you open the account (whether in-person, electronically, or by any other method permitted by us) or continue to use the account after receiving a notice of change or amendment, you agree to these rules. You will receive a separate schedule of rates, qualifying balances, and fees if they are not included in this agreement. If you have any questions, please ask us.

This agreement is subject to applicable federal laws, the laws of the commonwealth of Massachusetts and other applicable rules such as the operating letters of the Federal Reserve Banks and payment processing system rules (except to the extent that this agreement can and does vary such rules or laws). The body of state and federal law that governs our relationship with you, however, is too large and complex to be reproduced here. The purpose of this agreement is to:

- (1) summarize some laws that apply to common transactions;
- (2) establish rules to cover transactions or events which the law does not regulate;
- (3) establish rules for certain transactions or events which the law regulates but permits variation by agreement; and
- (4) give you disclosures of some of our policies to which you may be entitled or in which you may be interested.

If any provision of this agreement is found to be unenforceable according to its terms, all remaining provisions will continue in full force and effect. We may permit some variations from our standard agreement, but we must agree to any variation in writing either on the signature card for your account or in some other document. Nothing in this agreement is intended to vary our duty to act in good faith and with ordinary care when required by law.

As used in this agreement the words "we," "our," and "us" mean the financial institution and the words "you" and "your" mean the account holder(s) and anyone else with the authority to deposit, withdraw, or exercise control over the funds in the account. However, this agreement does not intend, and the terms "you" and "your" should not be interpreted, to expand an individual's responsibility for an organization's liability. If this account is owned by a corporation, partnership or other organization, individual liability is determined by the laws generally applicable to that type of organization. The headings in this agreement are for convenience or reference only and will not govern the interpretation of the provisions. Unless it would be inconsistent to do so, words and phrases used in this agreement should be construed so the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular.

**LIABILITY** - You agree, for yourself (and the person or entity you represent if you sign as a representative of another) to the terms of this account and the schedule of charges. You authorize us to deduct these charges, without notice to you, directly from the account balance as accrued. You will pay any additional reasonable charges for services you request which are not covered by this agreement.

Each of you also agrees to be jointly and severally (individually) liable for any account shortage resulting from charges or overdrafts, whether caused by you or another with access to this account. This liability is due immediately, and we can deduct any amounts deposited into the account and apply those amounts to the shortage. You have no right to defer payment of this liability, and you are liable regardless of whether you signed the item or benefited from the charge or overdraft.

You will be liable for our costs as well as for our reasonable attorneys' fees, to the extent permitted by law, whether incurred as a result of collection or in any other dispute involving your account. This includes, but is not limited to, disputes between you and another joint owner; you and an authorized signer or similar party; or a third party claiming an interest in your account.

**DEPOSITS** - We will give only provisional credit until collection is final for any items, other than cash, we accept for deposit (including items drawn "on us"). Before settlement of any item becomes final, we act only as your agent, regardless of the form of indorsement or lack of indorsement on the item and even though we provide you provisional credit for the item. We may reverse any provisional credit for items that are lost, stolen, or returned. Unless prohibited by law, we also reserve the right to charge back to your account the amount of any item deposited to your account or cashed for you which was initially paid by the payor bank and which is later returned to us due to an allegedly forged, unauthorized or missing indorsement, claim of alteration, encoding error, counterfeit cashier's check or other problem which in our judgment justifies reversal of credit. You authorize us to attempt to collect previously returned items without giving you notice, and in attempting to collect we may permit the payor bank to hold an item beyond the midnight deadline. Actual credit for deposits of, or payable in, foreign currency will

be at the exchange rate in effect on final collection in U.S. dollars. We are not responsible for transactions by mail or outside depository until we actually record them. If you deliver a deposit to us and you will not be present when the deposit is counted, you must provide us an itemized list of the deposit (deposit slip). To process the deposit, we will verify and record the deposit, and credit the deposit to the account. If there are any discrepancies between the amounts shown on the itemized list of the deposit and the amount we determine to be the actual deposit, we will notify you of the discrepancy. You will be entitled to credit only for the actual deposit as determined by us, regardless of what is stated on the itemized deposit slip. We will treat and record all transactions received after our "daily cutoff time" on a business day we are open, or received on a day we are not open for business, as if initiated on the next business day that we are open. At our option, we may take an item for collection rather than for deposit. If we accept a third-party check or draft for deposit, we may require any third-party indorsers to verify or guarantee their indorsements, or indorse in our presence.

#### **WITHDRAWALS -**

**Important terms for accounts where more than one person can withdraw -** Unless clearly indicated otherwise on the account records, any of you, acting alone, who signs to open the account or has authority to make withdrawals may withdraw or transfer all or any part of the account balance at any time. Each of you (until we receive written notice to the contrary) authorizes each other person who signs or has authority to make withdrawals to indorse any item payable to you or your order for deposit to this account or any other transaction with us.

**Postdated checks -** A postdated check is one which bears a date later than the date on which the check is written. We may properly pay and charge your account for a postdated check even though payment was made before the date of the check, unless we have received written notice of the postdating in time to have a reasonable opportunity to act. Because we process checks mechanically, your notice will not be effective and we will not be liable for failing to honor your notice unless it precisely identifies the number, date, amount and payee of the item.

**Checks and withdrawal rules -** If you do not purchase your check blanks from us, you must be certain that we approve the check blanks you purchase. We may refuse any withdrawal or transfer request which you attempt on forms not approved by us or by any method we do not specifically permit. We may refuse any withdrawal or transfer request which is greater in number than the frequency permitted by our policy, or which is for an amount greater or less than any withdrawal limitations. We will use the date the transaction is completed by us (as opposed to the date you initiate it) to apply any frequency limitations. In addition, we may place limitations on the account until your identity is verified.

Even if we honor a nonconforming request, we are not required to do so later. If you violate the stated transaction limitations (if any), in our discretion we may close your account or reclassify your account as another type of account. If we reclassify your account, your account will be subject to the fees and earnings rules of the new account classification.

If we are presented with an item drawn against your account that would be a "substitute check," as defined by law, but for an error or defect in the item introduced in the substitute check creation process, you agree that we may pay such item.

**Cash withdrawals -** We recommend you take care when making large cash withdrawals because carrying large amounts of cash may pose a danger to your personal safety. As an alternative to making a large cash withdrawal, you may want to consider a cashier's check or similar instrument. You assume full responsibility of any loss in the event the cash you withdraw is lost, stolen, or destroyed. You agree to hold us harmless from any loss you incur as a result of your decision to withdraw funds in the form of cash.

**Multiple signatures, electronic check conversion, and similar transactions -** An electronic check conversion transaction is a transaction where a check or similar item is converted into an electronic fund transfer as defined in the Electronic Fund Transfers regulation. In these types of transactions the check or similar item is either removed from circulation (truncated) or given back to you. As a result, we have no opportunity to review the signatures or otherwise examine the original check or item. You agree that, as to these or any items as to which we have no opportunity to examine the signatures, you waive any requirement of multiple signatures.

**Notice of withdrawal -** We reserve the right to require not less than 7 days' notice in writing before each withdrawal from an interest-bearing account, other than a time deposit or demand deposit, or from any other savings deposit as defined by Regulation D. (The law requires us to reserve this right, but it is not our general policy to use it.) Withdrawals from a time account prior to maturity or prior to any notice period may be restricted and may be subject to penalty. See your separately provided notice of penalty for early withdrawal.

#### **UNDERSTANDING AND AVOIDING OVERDRAFT AND NONSUFFICIENT FUNDS (NSF) FEES -**

**Generally -** The information in this section is being provided to help you understand what happens if your account is overdrawn. Understanding the concepts of overdrafts and nonsufficient funds (NSF) is important and can help you avoid being assessed fees or charges. This section also provides contractual terms relating to overdrafts and NSF transactions.

An overdrawn account will typically result in you being charged an overdraft fee or an NSF fee. Generally, an overdraft occurs when there is not enough money in

your account to pay for a transaction, but we pay (or cover) the transaction anyway. An NSF transaction is slightly different. In an NSF transaction, we do not cover the transaction. Instead, the transaction is rejected and the item or requested payment is returned. In either situation, we can charge you a fee.

If you use our Overdraft Privilege Program and we cover a transaction for which there is not enough money in your account to pay, we will consider that an overdraft. We treat all other transactions for which there is not enough money in your account as an NSF transaction, regardless of whether we cover the transaction or the transaction is rejected.

**Determining your available balance -** We use the "available balance" method to determine whether your account is overdrawn, that is, whether there is enough money in your account to pay for a transaction. Importantly, your "available" balance may not be the same as your account's "actual" balance. This means an overdraft or an NSF transaction could occur regardless of your account's actual balance.

Your account's actual balance (sometimes called the ledger balance) only includes transactions that have settled up to that point in time, that is, transactions (deposits and payments) that have posted to your account. The actual balance does not include outstanding transactions (such as checks that have not yet cleared and electronic transactions that have been authorized but which are still pending). The balance on your periodic statement is the ledger balance for your account as of the statement date.

As the name implies, your available balance is calculated based on the money "available" in your account to make payments. In other words, the available balance takes ACH credit transactions and debit card transactions that have been authorized, but not yet settled, and adds or subtracts them from the actual balance. In addition, when calculating your available balance, any "holds" placed on deposits that have not yet cleared are also subtracted from the actual balance. For more information on how holds placed on funds in your account can impact your available balance, read the subsection titled "A temporary debit authorization hold affects your account balance."

**Overdrafts -** You understand that we may, at our discretion, honor withdrawal requests that overdraw your account. However, the fact that we may honor withdrawal requests that overdraw the account balance does not obligate us to do so later. So you can NOT rely on us to pay overdrafts on your account regardless of how frequently or under what circumstances we have paid overdrafts on your account in the past. We can change our practice of paying, or not paying, discretionary overdrafts on your account without notice to you. You can ask us if we have other account services that might be available to you where we commit to paying overdrafts under certain circumstances, such as an overdraft protection line-of-credit or a plan to sweep funds from another account you have with us. You agree that we may charge fees for overdrafts. We may use subsequent deposits, including direct deposits of social security or other government benefits, to cover such overdrafts and overdraft fees.

**Nonsufficient funds (NSF) fees -** If an item drafted by you (such as a check) or a transaction you set up (such as a preauthorized transfer) is presented for payment in an amount that is more than the amount of money available in your account, and we decide not to pay the item or transaction, you agree that we can charge you an NSF fee for returning the payment. Be aware that such an item or payment may be presented multiple times by the merchant or other payee until it is paid, and that we do not monitor or control the number of times a transaction is presented for payment. You agree that we may charge you an NSF fee each time a payment is presented if the amount of money available in your account is not sufficient to cover the payment, regardless of the number of times the payment is presented.

**Payment types -** Some, but not necessarily all, of the ways you can access the funds in your account include debit card transactions, automated clearing house (ACH) transactions, and check transactions. All these payment types can use different processing systems and some may take more or less time to post. This information is important for a number of reasons. For example, keeping track of the checks you write and the timing of the preauthorized payments you set up will help you to know what other transactions might still post against your account. For information about how and when we process these different payment types, see the "Payment order of items" subsection below.

**Important information regarding "decoupled" cards -** Decoupled debit cards are debit cards offered or issued by an institution or merchant other than us. As part of the issuing process, you provide the decoupled debit card issuer with the information it needs to link the decoupled debit card to your account with us. Once this is done, you can typically use the decoupled debit card as you would any other debit card. Importantly, however, while transactions initiated with these decoupled debit cards may originate as debit card transactions paid by the card issuer, we receive and process them as ACH transactions. Additionally, you need to refer to your agreement with the decoupled debit card issuer to understand the terms of use for that card. Thus, when our documentation refers to "debit cards," "everyday debit card transactions," or "one-time debit card transactions," we are referring to debit cards issued by us, not decoupled debit cards issued by other institutions or merchants. Different payment types can use different processing systems and some may take more or less time to post. Knowing which card you are using and how the transaction is processed can help you manage your finances, including helping you to avoid overdraft or NSF fees.

**Balance information** - Keeping track of your balance is important. You can review your balance in a number of ways including reviewing your periodic statement, reviewing your balance online, accessing your account information by phone, or coming into one of our branches.

**Funds availability** - Knowing when funds you deposit will be made available for withdrawal is another important concept that can help you avoid being assessed fees or charges. Please see our funds availability disclosure (generally titled, "Your Ability to Withdraw Funds") for information on when different types of deposits will be made available for withdrawal. For an account to which our funds availability policy disclosure does not apply, you can ask us when you make a deposit when those funds will be available for withdrawal. An item may be returned after the funds from the deposit of that item are made available for withdrawal. In that case, we will reverse the credit of the item. We may determine the amount of available funds in your account for the purpose of deciding whether to return an item for nonsufficient funds at any time between the times we receive the item and when we return the item or send a notice in lieu of return. We need only make one determination, but if we choose to make a subsequent determination, the account balance at the subsequent time will determine whether there are nonsufficient available funds.

**A temporary debit authorization hold affects your account balance** - On debit card purchases, merchants may request a temporary hold on your account for a specified sum of money when the merchant does not know the exact amount of the purchase at the time the card is authorized. The amount of the temporary hold may be more than the actual amount of your purchase. Some common transactions where this occurs involve purchases of gasoline, hotel rooms, or meals at restaurants. When this happens, our processing system cannot determine that the amount of the hold exceeds the actual amount of your purchase. This temporary hold, and the amount charged to your account, will eventually be adjusted to the actual amount of your purchase, but it could be three calendar days, or even longer in some cases, before the adjustment is made. Until the adjustment is made, the amount of funds in your account available for other transactions will be reduced by the amount of the temporary hold. If one or more transactions are presented for payment in an amount greater than the funds left after the deduction of the temporary hold amount, you will be charged an NSF or overdraft fee according to our NSF or overdraft fee policy, which may result in one or more overdraft or NSF fees. You will be charged the fee even if you would have had sufficient funds in your account if the amount of the hold had been equal to the amount of your purchase.

**Payment order of items** - The order in which items are paid is important if there is not enough money in your account to pay all of the items that are presented. The payment order can affect the number of items overdrawn or returned unpaid and the amount of the fees you may have to pay. To assist you in managing your account, we are providing you with the following information regarding how we process those items.

Our policy is to process online banking transfers, telephone transfers, and wire transfers throughout the day in real time as they occur. We process ATM and debit card transactions throughout the day (in real time) in the order in which they are received. Some On-Us checks are also processed in real time as they are received by tellers. All other items are processed periodically as batch files in the following order: (1) ACH files - deposited items post first (largest to smallest) and withdrawals post next (smallest to largest); (2) On-Us checks and Proof of Deposit (POD) items post in numerical order (by check number); (3) In-clearing checks (On-Us checks processed through the Federal Reserve Payment System) post in numerical order (by check number); and (4) preauthorized transfers post according to the dollar amount with the smallest items being processed first.

If one or more checks, items, or transactions are presented without sufficient funds in your account to pay it, you will be charged an NSF or overdraft fee according to our NSF or overdraft fee policy, which may result in one or more overdraft or NSF fees. We will not charge you a fee for paying an overdraft of an ATM or one-time (sometimes referred to as "everyday") debit card transaction if this is a consumer account and you have not opted-in to that service. The amounts of the overdraft and NSF fees are disclosed elsewhere, as are your rights to opt in to overdraft services for ATM and one-time debit card transactions, if applicable. We encourage you to make careful records and practice good account management. This will help you to avoid creating items without sufficient funds and potentially incurring the resulting fees.

**BUSINESS, ORGANIZATION AND ASSOCIATION ACCOUNTS** - Earnings in the form of interest, dividends, or credits will be paid only on collected funds, unless otherwise provided by law or our policy. You represent that you have the authority to open and conduct business on this account on behalf of the entity. We may require the governing body of the entity opening the account to give us a separate authorization telling us who is authorized to act on its behalf. We will honor the authorization until we actually receive written notice of a change from the governing body of the entity.

**STOP PAYMENTS** - The rules in this section cover stopping payment of items such as checks and drafts. Rules for stopping payment of other types of transfers of funds, such as consumer electronic fund transfers, may be established by law or our policy. If we have not disclosed these rules to you elsewhere, you may ask us about those rules.

We may accept an order to stop payment on any item from any one of you. You must make any stop-payment order in the manner required by law and we must

receive it in time to give us a reasonable opportunity to act on it before our stop-payment cutoff time. Because the most effective way for us to execute a stop-payment order is by using an automated process, to be effective, your stop-payment order must precisely identify the number, date, and amount of the item, and the payee. You may stop payment on any item drawn on your account whether you sign the item or not. Generally, if your stop-payment order is given to us in writing it is effective for six months. Your order will lapse after that time if you do not renew the order in writing before the end of the six-month period. If the original stop-payment order was oral your stop-payment order will lapse after 14 calendar days if you do not confirm your order in writing within that time period. We are not obligated to notify you when a stop-payment order expires.

If you stop payment on an item and we incur any damages or expenses because of the stop payment, you agree to indemnify us for those damages or expenses, including attorneys' fees. You assign to us all rights against the payee or any other holder of the item. You agree to cooperate with us in any legal actions that we may take against such persons. You should be aware that anyone holding the item may be entitled to enforce payment against you despite the stop-payment order.

Our stop-payment cutoff time is one hour after the opening of the next banking day after the banking day on which we receive the item. Additional limitations on our obligation to stop payment are provided by law (e.g., we paid the item in cash or we certified the item).

**TELEPHONE TRANSFERS** - A telephone transfer of funds from this account to another account with us, if otherwise arranged for or permitted, may be made by the same persons and under the same conditions generally applicable to withdrawals made in writing. Limitations on the number of telephonic transfers from a statement savings or money market account, if any, are described elsewhere.

**AMENDMENTS AND TERMINATION** - We may amend or delete any term of this agreement. We may also add new terms to this agreement. In addition, we may suspend, modify, convert, or terminate a service, convert this account to another account type, or close this account for any reason except as prohibited by law. For any of these types of changes, we will give you reasonable notice in writing by any reasonable method including by mail, by any electronic communication method to which you have agreed, on or with a periodic statement, or through any other method permitted by law. If we close the account, we will tender the account balance to you or your agent personally, by mail, or by another agreed upon method.

Reasonable notice depends on the circumstances, and in some cases, such as when we cannot verify your identity or we suspect fraud, it might be reasonable for us to give you notice after the change becomes effective. For instance, if we suspect fraudulent activity with respect to your account, and if we deem it appropriate under the circumstances and necessary to prevent further fraud, we might immediately freeze or close your account and then give you notice.

Unless otherwise indicated in the notice of change, if we have notified you of a change to your account, and you continue to have your account after the effective date of the change, you have accepted and agreed to the new or modified terms. You should review any change in terms notice carefully as the notice will provide important information of which you may need to be aware.

We reserve the right to waive any term of this agreement. However, such waiver shall not affect our right to enforce the term at a later date.

If you request that we close your account, you are responsible for leaving enough money in the account to cover any outstanding items or transactions to be paid from the account. Once any outstanding items or transactions are paid, we will close the account and tender the account balance, if any, to you or your agent personally, by mail, or by another agreed upon method.

Any items and transactions presented for payment after the account is closed may be dishonored. Any deposits we receive after the account is closed may be returned. We will not be liable for any damages for not honoring any such debits or deposits received after the account is closed.

Note: Rules governing changes in interest rates are provided separately in the Truth-in-Savings disclosure or in another document. In addition, for changes governed by a specific law or regulation, we will follow the specific timing and format notice requirements of those laws or regulations.

**CORRECTION OF CLERICAL ERRORS** - Unless otherwise prohibited by law, you agree, if determined necessary in our reasonable discretion, to allow us to correct clerical errors, such as obtaining your missing signature, on any account documents or disclosures that are part of our agreement with you. For errors on your periodic statement, please refer to the STATEMENTS section.

**NOTICES** - Any written notice you give us is effective when we actually receive it, and it must be given to us according to the specific delivery instructions provided elsewhere, if any. We must receive any notice in time to have a reasonable opportunity to act on it. If a notice is regarding a check or other item, you must give us sufficient information to be able to identify the check or item, including the precise check or item number, amount, date and payee. Notice we give you via the United States Mail is effective when it is deposited in the United States Mail with proper postage and addressed to your mailing address we currently have on file. Notice we give you through your email of record, or other electronic method to which you agreed, will be treated as delivered to you when sent. Notice to any of you is notice to all of you.

**STATEMENTS** - Your duty to report unauthorized signatures (including forgeries and counterfeit checks) and alterations on checks and other items - You must examine your statement of account with "reasonable promptness." If you



discover (or reasonably should have discovered) any unauthorized signatures or alterations (including forgeries and counterfeit checks), you must promptly notify us of the relevant facts. As between you and us, if you fail to do either of these duties, you will have to either share the loss with us, or bear the loss entirely yourself (depending on whether we used ordinary care and, if not, whether we substantially contributed to the loss). The loss could be not only with respect to items on the statement but other items with unauthorized signatures or alterations by the same wrongdoer.

You agree that the time you have to examine your statement and report to us will depend on the circumstances, but will not, in any circumstance, exceed a total of 30 days from when the statement is first sent or made available to you.

You further agree that if you fail to report any unauthorized signatures or alterations in your account within 60 days of when we first send or make the statement available, you cannot assert a claim against us on any items in that statement, and as between you and us the loss will be entirely yours. This 60-day limitation is without regard to whether we used ordinary care. The limitation in this paragraph is in addition to that contained in the first paragraph of this section.

**Your duty to report other errors or problems** - In addition to your duty to review your statements for unauthorized signatures and alterations, you agree to examine your statement with reasonable promptness for any other error or problem - such as an encoding error or an unexpected deposit amount. Also, if you receive or we make available either your items or images of your items, you must examine them for any unauthorized or missing indorsements or any other problems. You agree that the time you have to examine your statement and items and report to us will depend on the circumstances. However, this time period shall not exceed 60 days. Failure to examine your statement and items and report any errors to us within 60 days of when we first send or make the statement available precludes you from asserting a claim against us for any errors on items identified in that statement and as between you and us the loss will be entirely yours.

**Duty to notify if statement not received** - You agree to immediately notify us if you do not receive your statement by the date you normally expect to receive it. Not receiving your statement in a timely manner is a sign that there may be an issue with your account, such as possible fraud or identity theft. Absent a lack of ordinary care by us, a failure to receive your statement in a timely manner does not extend the time you have to conduct your review under this agreement.

**ACCOUNT TRANSFER** - This account may not be transferred or assigned without our prior written consent.

**REIMBURSEMENT OF FEDERAL BENEFIT PAYMENTS** - If we are required for any reason to reimburse the federal government for all or any portion of a benefit payment that was directly deposited into your account, you authorize us to deduct the amount of our liability to the federal government from the account or from any other account you have with us, without prior notice and at any time, except as prohibited by law. We may also use any other available legal remedy to recover the amount of our liability.

**TEMPORARY ACCOUNT AGREEMENT** - If the account documentation indicates that this is a temporary account agreement, each person who signs to open the account or has authority to make withdrawals (except as indicated to the contrary) may transact business on this account. However, we may at some time in the future restrict or prohibit further use of this account if you fail to comply with the requirements we have imposed within a reasonable time.

**SETOFF** - We may (without prior notice and when permitted by law) set off the funds in this account against any due and payable debt any of you owe us now or in the future. If this account is owned by one or more of you as individuals, we may set off any funds in the account against a due and payable debt a partnership owes us now or in the future, to the extent of your liability as a partner for the partnership debt. If your debt arises from a promissory note, then the amount of the due and payable debt will be the full amount we have demanded, as entitled under the terms of the note, and this amount may include any portion of the balance for which we have properly accelerated the due date.

This right of setoff does not apply to this account if prohibited by law. For example, the right of setoff does not apply to this account if: (a) it is an Individual Retirement Account or similar tax-deferred account, or (b) the debt is created by a consumer credit transaction under a credit card plan (but this does not affect our rights under any consensual security interest), or (c) the debtor's right of withdrawal only arises in a representative capacity. We will not be liable for the dishonor of any check when the dishonor occurs because we set off a debt against this account. You agree to hold us harmless from any claim arising as a result of our exercise of our right of setoff.

**RESTRICTIVE LEGENDS OR INDORSEMENTS** - The automated processing of the large volume of checks we receive prevents us from inspecting or looking for restrictive legends, restrictive indorsements or other special instructions on every check. For this reason, we are not required to honor any restrictive legend or indorsement or other special instruction placed on checks you write unless we have agreed in writing to the restriction or instruction. Unless we have agreed in writing, we are not responsible for any losses, claims, damages, or expenses that result from your placement of these restrictions or instructions on your checks. Examples of restrictive legends placed on checks are "must be presented within 90 days" or "not valid for more than \$1,000.00." The payee's signature accompanied by the words "for deposit only" is an example of a restrictive indorsement.

**CREDIT VERIFICATION** - You agree that we may verify credit and employment history by any necessary means, including preparation of a credit report by a credit reporting agency.

**FACSIMILE SIGNATURES** - Unless you make advance arrangements with us, we have no obligation to honor facsimile signatures on your checks or other orders. If we do agree to honor items containing facsimile signatures, you authorize us, at any time, to charge you for all checks, drafts, or other orders, for the payment of money, that are drawn on us. You give us this authority regardless of by whom or by what means the facsimile signature(s) may have been affixed so long as they resemble the facsimile signature specimen filed with us, and contain the required number of signatures for this purpose. You must notify us at once if you suspect that your facsimile signature is being or has been misused.

**CHECK PROCESSING** - We process items mechanically by relying almost exclusively on the information encoded in magnetic ink along the bottom of the items. This means that we do not individually examine all of your items to determine if the item is properly completed, signed and indorsed or to determine if it contains any information other than what is encoded in magnetic ink. You agree that we have exercised ordinary care if our automated processing is consistent with general banking practice, even though we do not inspect each item. Because we do not inspect each item, if you write a check to multiple payees, we can properly pay the check regardless of the number of indorsements unless you notify us in writing that the check requires multiple indorsements. We must receive the notice in time for us to have a reasonable opportunity to act on it, and you must tell us the precise date of the check, amount, check number and payee. We are not responsible for any unauthorized signature or alteration that would not be identified by a reasonable inspection of the item. Using an automated process helps us keep costs down for you and all account holders.

**CHECK CASHING** - We may charge a fee for anyone that does not have an account with us who is cashing a check, draft or other instrument written on your account. We may also require reasonable identification to cash a check, draft or other instrument. We can decide what identification is reasonable under the circumstances and such identification may be documentary or physical and may include collecting a thumbprint or fingerprint.

**TRUNCATION, SUBSTITUTE CHECKS, AND OTHER CHECK IMAGES** - If you truncate an original check and create a substitute check, or other paper or electronic image of the original check, you warrant that no one will be asked to make payment on the original check, a substitute check or any other electronic or paper image, if the payment obligation relating to the original check has already been paid. You also warrant that any substitute check you create conforms to the legal requirements and generally accepted specifications for substitute checks. You agree to retain the original check in conformance with our policy for retaining original checks. You agree to indemnify us for any loss we may incur as a result of any truncated check transaction you initiate. We can refuse to accept substitute checks that have not previously been warranted by a bank or other financial institution in conformance with the Check 21 Act. Unless specifically stated in a separate agreement between you and us, we do not have to accept any other electronic or paper image of an original check.

**REMOTELY CREATED CHECKS** - Like any standard check or draft, a remotely created check (sometimes called a telecheck, preauthorized draft or demand draft) is a check or draft that can be used to withdraw money from an account. Unlike a typical check or draft, however, a remotely created check is not issued by the paying bank and does not contain the signature of the account owner (or a signature purported to be the signature of the account owner). In place of a signature, the check usually has a statement that the owner authorized the check or has the owner's name typed or printed on the signature line.

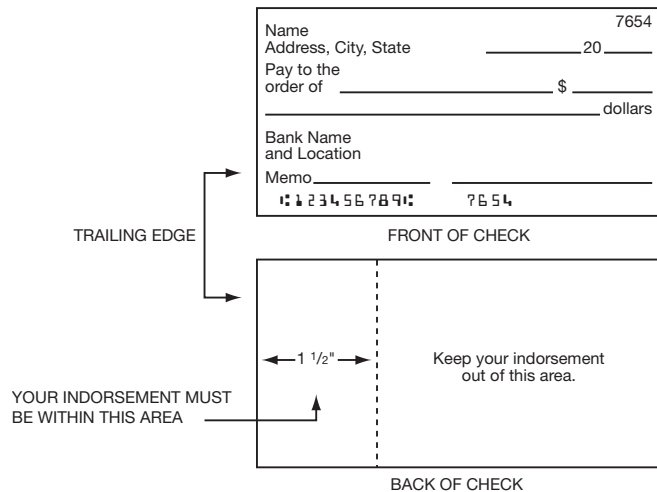
You warrant and agree to the following for every remotely created check we receive from you for deposit or collection: (1) you have received express and verifiable authorization to create the check in the amount and to the payee that appears on the check; (2) you will maintain proof of the authorization for at least 2 years from the date of the authorization, and supply us the proof if we ask; and (3) if a check is returned you owe us the amount of the check, regardless of when the check is returned. We may take funds from your account to pay the amount you owe us, and if there are nonsufficient funds in your account, you still owe us the remaining balance.

**UNLAWFUL INTERNET GAMBLING NOTICE** - Restricted transactions as defined in Federal Reserve Regulation GG are prohibited from being processed through this account or relationship. Restricted transactions generally include, but are not limited to, those in which credit, electronic fund transfers, checks, or drafts are knowingly accepted by gambling businesses in connection with the participation by others in unlawful Internet gambling.

**INDORSEMENTS** - We may accept for deposit any item payable to you or your order, even if they are not indorsed by you. We may give cash back to any one of you. We may supply any missing indorsement(s) for any item we accept for deposit or collection, and you warrant that all indorsements are genuine.

To ensure that your check or share draft is processed without delay, you must indorse it (sign it on the back) in a specific area. Your entire indorsement (whether a signature or a stamp) along with any other indorsement information (e.g. additional indorsements, ID information, driver's license number, etc.) must fall within 1 1/2" of the "trailing edge" of a check. Indorsements must be made in blue or black ink, so that they are readable by automated check processing equipment.

As you look at the front of a check, the "trailing edge" is the left edge. When you flip the check over, be sure to keep all indorsement information within 1 1/2" of that edge.



It is important that you confine the indorsement information to this area since the remaining blank space will be used by others in the processing of the check to place additional needed indorsements and information. You agree that you will indemnify, defend, and hold us harmless for any loss, liability, damage or expense that occurs because your indorsement, another indorsement or information you have printed on the back of the check obscures our indorsement.

These indorsement guidelines apply to both personal and business checks.

**DEATH OR INCOMPETENCE** - You agree to notify us promptly if any person with a right to withdraw funds from your account(s) dies or is adjudicated (determined by the appropriate official) incompetent. We may continue to honor your checks, items, and instructions until: (a) we know of your death or adjudication of incompetence, and (b) we have had a reasonable opportunity to act on that knowledge. You agree that we may pay or certify checks drawn on or before the date of death or adjudication of incompetence for up to ten (10) days after your death or adjudication of incompetence unless ordered to stop payment by someone claiming an interest in the account.

**FIDUCIARY ACCOUNTS** - Accounts may be opened by a person acting in a fiduciary capacity. A fiduciary is someone who is appointed to act on behalf of and for the benefit of another. We are not responsible for the actions of a fiduciary, including the misuse of funds. This account may be opened and maintained by a person or persons named as a trustee under a written trust agreement, or as executors, administrators, or conservators under court orders. You understand that by merely opening such an account, we are not acting in the capacity of a trustee in connection with the trust nor do we undertake any obligation to monitor or enforce the terms of the trust or letters.

**LEGAL ACTIONS AFFECTING YOUR ACCOUNT** - If we are served with a subpoena, restraining order, writ of attachment or execution, levy, garnishment, search warrant, or similar order relating to your account (termed "legal action" in this section), we will comply with that legal action as required by applicable law. However, nothing in this agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any rights you may have under applicable law with regards to such legal action. Subject to applicable law, we may, in our sole discretion, choose to freeze the assets in the account and not allow any payments or transfers out of the account, or take other action as may be appropriate under the circumstances, until there is a final court determination regarding the legal action. We may do these things even if the legal action involves less than all of you. In these cases, we will not have any liability to you if there are nonsufficient funds to pay your items because we have withdrawn funds from your account or in any way restricted access to your funds in accordance with the legal action and applicable law. Any fees or expenses we incur in responding to any legal action (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, and our internal expenses) may be charged against your account, unless otherwise prohibited by applicable law. The list of fees applicable to your account(s) - provided elsewhere - may specify additional fees that we may charge for responding to certain legal actions.

#### ACCOUNT SECURITY -

**Your duty to protect account information and methods of access** - Our policy may require methods of verifying your identity before providing you with a service or allowing you access to your account. We can decide what identification is reasonable under the circumstances. For example, process and identification requirements may vary depending on whether they are online or in person. Identification may be documentary or physical and may include collecting a fingerprint, voiceprint, or other biometric information.

It is your responsibility to protect the account numbers and electronic access devices (e.g., a debit card) we provide you for your accounts. You should also

safeguard your username, password, and other access and identifying information when accessing your account through a computer or other electronic, audio, or mobile device or technology. If you give anyone authority to access the account on your behalf, you should exercise caution and ensure the trustworthiness of that agent. Do not discuss, compare, or share information about your account numbers with anyone unless you are willing to give them full use of your money. An account number can be used by thieves to issue an electronic debit or to encode your number on a false demand draft which looks like and functions like an authorized check. If you furnish your access device or information and grant actual authority to make transfers to another person (a family member or coworker, for example) who then exceeds that authority, you are liable for the transfers unless we have been notified that transfers by that person are no longer authorized. Your account number can also be used to electronically remove money from your account, and payment can be made from your account even though you did not contact us directly and order the payment.

You must also take precaution in safeguarding your blank checks. Notify us at once if you believe your checks have been lost or stolen. As between you and us, if you are negligent in safeguarding your checks, you must bear the loss entirely yourself or share the loss with us (we may have to share some of the loss if we failed to use ordinary care and if we substantially contributed to the loss).

**Positive pay and other fraud prevention services** - Except for consumer electronic fund transfers subject to Regulation E, you agree that if we offer you services appropriate for your account to help identify and limit fraud or other unauthorized transactions against your account, and you reject those services, you will be responsible for any fraudulent or unauthorized transactions which could have been prevented by the services we offered. You will not be responsible for such transactions if we acted in bad faith or to the extent our negligence contributed to the loss. Such services include positive pay or commercially reasonable security procedures. If we offered you a commercially reasonable security procedure which you reject, you agree that you are responsible for any payment order, whether authorized or not, that we accept in compliance with an alternative security procedure that you have selected. The positive pay service can help detect and prevent check fraud and is appropriate for account holders that issue a high volume of checks, a lot of checks to the general public, or checks for large dollar amounts.

**INSTRUCTIONS FROM YOU** - Unless required by law or we have agreed otherwise in writing, we are not required to act upon instructions you give us via facsimile transmission, email, voicemail, or phone call to a facsimile number, email address, or phone number not designated by us for a particular purpose or for a purpose that is unrelated to the request or instruction.

**MONITORING AND RECORDING TELEPHONE CALLS AND ACCOUNT COMMUNICATIONS** - Subject to federal and state law, we may monitor or record phone calls for security reasons, to maintain a record, and to ensure that you receive courteous and efficient service. You consent in advance to any such recording.

To provide you with the best possible service in our ongoing business relationship for your account, we may need to contact you about your account from time to time by telephone, text messaging, or email. In contacting you about your account, we may use any telephone numbers or email addresses that you have previously provided to us by virtue of an existing business relationship or that you may subsequently provide to us.

You acknowledge that the number we use to contact you may be assigned to a landline, a paging service, a cellular wireless service, a specialized mobile radio service, other radio common carrier service, or any other service for which you may be charged for the call. You acknowledge that we may contact you by voice, voicemail, or text messaging. You further acknowledge that we may use pre-recorded voice messages, artificial voice messages, or automatic telephone dialing systems.

If necessary, you may change or remove any of the telephone numbers, email addresses, or other methods of contacting you at any time using any reasonable means to notify us.

**CLAIM OF LOSS** - The following rules do not apply to a transaction or claim related to a consumer electronic fund transfer governed by Regulation E (e.g., an every day/one-time consumer debit card or ATM transaction). The error resolution procedures for consumer electronic fund transfers can be found in our initial Regulation E disclosure generally titled, "Electronic Fund Transfers." For other transactions or claims, if you claim a credit or refund because of a forgery, alteration, or any other unauthorized withdrawal, you agree to cooperate with us in the investigation of the loss, including giving us an affidavit containing whatever reasonable information we require concerning your account, the transaction, and the circumstances surrounding the loss. You will notify law enforcement authorities of any criminal act related to the claim of lost, missing, or stolen checks or unauthorized withdrawals. We will have a reasonable period of time to investigate the facts and circumstances surrounding any claim of loss. Unless we have acted in bad faith, we will not be liable for special or consequential damages, including loss of profits or opportunity, or for attorneys' fees incurred by you.

You agree that you will not waive any rights you have to recover your loss against anyone who is obligated to repay, insure, or otherwise reimburse you for your loss. You will pursue your rights or, at our option, assign them to us so that we may pursue them. Our liability will be reduced by the amount you recover or are entitled to recover from these other sources.

**EARLY WITHDRAWAL PENALTIES (and involuntary withdrawals)** - We may impose early withdrawal penalties on a withdrawal from a time account even if you don't initiate the withdrawal. For instance, the early withdrawal penalty may be imposed if the withdrawal is caused by our setoff against funds in the account or as a result of an attachment or other legal process. We may close your account and impose the early withdrawal penalty on the entire account balance in the event of a partial early withdrawal. See your separately provided notice of penalty for early withdrawal for additional information.

**CHANGES IN NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION** - You are responsible for notifying us of any change in your name, address, or other information we use to communicate with you. Unless we agree otherwise, notice of such a change must be made in writing. Informing us of your address or name change on a check reorder form is not sufficient. We will attempt to communicate with you only by use of the most recent information you have provided to us. If provided elsewhere, we may impose a service fee if we attempt to locate you.

**RESOLVING ACCOUNT DISPUTES** - We may place an administrative hold on the funds in your account (refuse payment or withdrawal of the funds) if it becomes subject to a claim adverse to (1) your own interest; (2) others claiming an interest as survivors or beneficiaries of your account; or (3) a claim arising by operation of law. The hold may be placed for such period of time as we believe reasonably necessary to allow a legal proceeding to determine the merits of the claim or until we receive evidence satisfactory to us that the dispute has been resolved. We will not be liable for any items that are dishonored as a consequence of placing a hold on funds in your account for these reasons.

**WAIVER OF NOTICES** - To the extent permitted by law, you waive any notice of non-payment, dishonor or protest regarding any items credited to or charged against your account. For example, if you deposit an item and it is returned unpaid or we receive a notice of nonpayment, we do not have to notify you unless required by federal Regulation CC or other law.

**FUNDS TRANSFERS** - You agree that this section is governed by Article 4A of the Uniform Commercial Code - Funds Transfers (UCC 4A) and the terms used in this section have the meaning given to them in UCC 4A. You also agree to be bound by all funds-transfer system rules, rules of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) and their operating circulars, as appropriate. Unless otherwise required by applicable law, such as Regulation J or the operating circulars of the Board, this section is subject to UCC 4A as adopted in the state in which you have your account with us. If any part of this section is determined to be unenforceable, the rest shall remain effective. This section controls funds transfers unless supplemented or amended in a separate record. Generally, this section will not apply to you if you are a consumer. For example, this section generally does not apply to a funds transfer if any part of the transfer is governed by the Electronic Fund Transfer Act of 1978 (EFTA). However, this section does apply to a funds transfer that is a remittance transfer as defined in EFTA unless the remittance transfer is an electronic fund transfer as defined in EFTA. To the extent this section is not inconsistent with the EFTA, this section may also apply to a consumer electronic fund transfer sent through the FedNow system or through the Real Time Payments system (RTP) operated by The Clearing House. In addition, even if you are a consumer, this section will apply to that part of any funds transfer that is conducted by Fedwire.

**Funds transfer** - A funds transfer is the transaction or series of transactions that begin with the originator's payment order, made for the purpose of making payment to the beneficiary of the order. A funds transfer is completed by the acceptance by the beneficiary's bank of a payment order for the benefit of the beneficiary of the originator's order. Unless otherwise required by the type of funds transfer you are initiating, you may transmit a payment order orally or in a record, but your order cannot state any condition to payment to the beneficiary other than the time of payment. Credit entries may be made by ACH.

**Authorized account** - An authorized account is a deposit account you have with us that you have designated as a source of payment of payment orders you issue to us. If you have not designated an authorized account, any account you have with us is an authorized account to the extent that payment of the payment order is not inconsistent with the use of the account.

**Acceptance of your payment order** - We are not obligated to accept any payment order that you give us, although we normally will accept your payment order if you have a withdrawable credit in an authorized account sufficient to cover the order. If we do not execute your payment order, but give you notice of our rejection of your payment order after the execution date or give you no notice, we are not liable to pay you as restitution any interest on a withdrawable credit in a non-interest-bearing account.

**Cutoff time** - If we do not receive your payment order or communication canceling or amending a payment order before our cutoff time on a funds transfer day for that type of order or communication, the order or communication will be deemed to be received at the opening of our next funds transfer business day.

**Payment of your order** - If we accept a payment order you give us, we may receive payment by automatically deducting from any authorized account the amount of the payment order plus the amount of any expenses and charges for our services in execution of your payment order. We are entitled to payment on the payment or execution date. Unless your payment order specifies otherwise, the payment or execution date is the funds transfer date we receive the payment order. The funds transfer is completed upon acceptance by the beneficiary's bank. Your obligation to pay your payment order is excused if the funds transfer is not

completed, but you are still responsible to pay us any expenses and charges for our services. However, if you told us to route the funds transfer through an intermediate bank, and we are unable to obtain a refund because the intermediate bank that you designated has suspended payments, then you are still obligated to pay us for the payment order. You will not be entitled to interest on any refund you receive because the beneficiary's bank does not accept the payment order.

**Security procedure** - As described more fully in a separate writing, the authenticity of a payment order or communication canceling or amending a payment order issued in your name as sender may be verified by a security procedure. You affirm that you have no circumstances which are relevant to the determination of a commercially reasonable security procedure unless those circumstances are expressly contained in a separate writing signed by us. You may choose from one or more security procedures that we have developed, or you may develop your own security procedure if it is acceptable to us. If you refuse a commercially reasonable security procedure that we have offered you, you agree that you will be bound by any payment order issued in your name, whether or not authorized, that we accept in good faith and in compliance with the security procedure you have chosen.

**Identifying number** - If your payment order identifies an intermediate bank, beneficiary bank, or beneficiary by name and number, we and every receiving or beneficiary bank may rely upon the identifying number rather than the name to make payment, even if the number identifies an intermediate bank or person different than the bank or beneficiary identified by name. Neither we nor any receiving or beneficiary bank have any responsibility to determine whether the name and identifying number refer to the same financial institution or person.

**Record of oral or telephone orders** - You agree that we may, if we choose, record any oral or telephone payment order or communication of amendment or cancellation.

**Notice of credit** - If we receive a payment order to credit an account you have with us, we are not required to provide you with any notice of the payment order or the credit.

**Provisional credit** - You agree to be bound by the automated clearing house association operating rules that provide that payments made to you or originated by you by funds transfer through the automated clearing house system are provisional until final settlement is made through a Federal Reserve Bank or otherwise payment is made as provided in Article 4A-403(a) of the Uniform Commercial Code.

**Refund of credit** - You agree that if we do not receive payment of an amount credited to your account, we are entitled to a refund from you in the amount credited and the party originating such payment will not be considered to have paid the amount so credited.

**Cancellation or amendment of payment order** - You may cancel or amend a payment order you give us only if we receive the communication of cancellation or amendment before our cutoff time and in time to have a reasonable opportunity to act on it before we accept the payment order. The communication of cancellation or amendment must be presented in conformity with the same security procedure that has been agreed to for payment orders.

**Intermediaries** - We are not liable for the actions of any intermediary, regardless of whether or not we selected the intermediary. We are not responsible for acts of God, outside agencies, or nonsalaried agents.

**Limit on liability** - You waive any claim you may have against us for consequential or special damages, including loss of profit arising out of a payment order or funds transfer, unless this waiver is prohibited by law. We are not responsible for attorney fees you might incur due to erroneous execution of payment order.

**Erroneous execution** - If we receive an order to pay you, and we erroneously pay you more than the amount of the payment order, we are entitled to recover from you the amount in excess of the amount of the payment order, regardless of whether you may have some claim to the excess amount against the originator of the order.

**Duty to report unauthorized or erroneous payment** - You must exercise ordinary care to determine that all payment orders or amendments to payment orders that we accept that are issued in your name are authorized, enforceable, in the correct amount, to the correct beneficiary, and not otherwise erroneous. If you discover (or with reasonable care should have discovered) an unauthorized, unenforceable, or erroneously executed payment order or amendment, you must exercise ordinary care to notify us of the relevant facts. The time you have to notify us will depend on the circumstances, but that time will not in any circumstance exceed 14 days from when you are notified of our acceptance or execution of the payment order or amendment or that your account was debited with respect to the order or amendment. If you do not provide us with timely notice you will not be entitled to interest on any refundable amount. If we can prove that you failed to perform either of these duties with respect to an erroneous payment and that we incurred a loss as a result of the failure, you are liable to us for the amount of the loss not exceeding the amount of your order.

**Objection to payment** - If we give you a notice that reasonably identifies a payment order issued in your name as sender that we have accepted and received payment for, you cannot claim that we are not entitled to retain the payment unless you notify us of your objection to the payment within 60 days of our notice to you.

**INTERNATIONAL ACH TRANSACTIONS** - Financial institutions are required by law to scrutinize or verify any international ACH transaction (IAT) that they receive against the Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list of the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC). This action may, from time to time, cause us to temporarily suspend processing of an IAT and potentially affect the settlement and/or availability of such payments.



**ABANDONED PROPERTY** - If a deposit or withdrawal has not been made on the account and we have had no other contact with you for a period of three years, the account will be presumed to be abandoned. Funds in abandoned accounts will be reported and remitted in accordance with state law. Once funds have been turned over to the state, we have no further liability to you for such funds and if you choose to reclaim such funds, you must apply to the appropriate state agency. In addition, we may charge you a service fee as set forth in our separate fee schedule for processing your abandoned account.

**INACTIVE CHECKING ACCOUNTS** - You understand that if your account becomes inactive, you may be charged the fee specified in our separate fee schedule.

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## YOUR ABILITY TO WITHDRAW FUNDS

This policy statement applies to all deposit accounts.

Our policy is to make funds from your check deposits available to you on the second business day after the day we receive your deposit, with the first \$275 available on the first business day after the day of your deposit. Electronic direct deposits will be available on the day we receive the deposit. Cash, wire transfers, and some specified check deposits will also be available before the second business day, as detailed below. Once the funds are available, you can withdraw them in cash and we will use the funds to pay checks that you have written.

Please remember that even after we have made funds available to you, and you have withdrawn the funds, you are still responsible for checks you deposit that are returned to us unpaid and for any other problems involving your deposit.

For determining the availability of your deposits, every day is a business day, except Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays. If you make a deposit before 2:00 P.M. on a business day that we are open, we will consider that day to be the day of your deposit. However, if you make a deposit after 2:00 P.M. on a day we are not open, we will consider that the deposit was made on the next business day we are open.

### SAME-DAY AVAILABILITY

Funds from electronic direct deposits to your account will be available on the day we receive the deposit.

If you make a deposit in person to one of our employees, funds from the following deposits are also available on the same day:

Cash.

Wire transfers received before 3:00 P.M.

Checks drawn on Athol Savings Bank, A Division of Cornerstone Bank.

### NEXT-DAY AVAILABILITY

If you make the deposit in person to one of our employees, funds from the following deposits are available on the first business day after the day of your deposit:

U.S. Treasury checks that are payable to you.

State and local government checks that are payable to you.

Cashier's, certified, and teller's checks that are payable to you.

Federal Reserve Bank checks, Federal Home Loan Bank checks, and postal money orders, if these items are payable to you.

If you do not make your deposit in person to one of our employees (for example, if you mail the deposit), funds from these deposits will be available on the second business day after the day of your deposit.

### Foreign Items

Funds from the deposit of a check or other item drawn on a bank located outside the United States, U.S. Virgin Islands or Puerto Rico, or payable in foreign currency are available when the funds have been collected.

### Other Check Deposits Subject to Second-Day Availability

The first \$275 from a deposit of other checks will be available on the first business day after the day of your deposit. The remaining funds will be available on the second business day after the day of your deposit.

For example, if you deposit a check of \$700 on a Monday, \$275 of the deposit is available on Tuesday. The remaining \$425 is available on Wednesday.

If we cash a check for you that is drawn on another bank, we may withhold the availability of a corresponding amount of funds that are already in your account. Those funds will be available at the time funds from the check we cashed would have been available if you had deposited it.

If we accept for deposit a check that is drawn on another bank, we may make funds from the deposit available for withdrawal immediately but delay your availability to withdraw a corresponding amount of funds that you have on deposit in another account with us. The funds in the other account would then not be available for withdrawal until the time periods that are described elsewhere in this disclosure for the type of check that you deposited.

### LONGER DELAYS MAY APPLY

Funds you deposit by check may be delayed for a longer period under the following circumstances:

We believe a check you deposit will not be paid.

You deposit checks totaling more than \$6,725 on any one day.

You redeposit a check that has been returned unpaid.

You have overdrawn your account repeatedly in the last six months.

There is an emergency, such as failure of communications or computer equipment.

We will notify you if we delay your ability to withdraw funds for any of these reasons, and we will tell you when the funds will be available. They will generally be available no later than the seventh business day after the day of your deposit.

### SPECIAL RULES FOR NEW ACCOUNTS

If you are a new customer, the following special rules will apply during the first 30 days your account is open.

Funds from electronic direct deposits into your account will be available on the day we receive the deposit. Funds from deposits of cash, wire transfers, and the first \$6,725 of a day's total deposits of cashier's, certified, teller's, traveler's, and federal, state and local government checks will be available on the first business day after the day of your deposit if the deposit meets certain conditions. For example, the checks must be payable to you. The excess over \$6,725 will be available on the ninth business day after the day of your deposit. If your deposit of these checks (other than a U.S. Treasury check) is not made in person to one of our employees, the first \$6,725 will not be available until the second business day after the day of your deposit.

Funds from all other check deposits will be available on the tenth business day after the day of your deposit.

### DEPOSITS AT AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINES

Funds from any check deposits made at automated teller machines (ATMs) will be available on the second business day after the day of deposit. Also, the first \$275 of a deposit made at ATMs we own or operate will be available on the first business day after the day of deposit. Funds from any cash deposits made at automated teller machines (ATMs) will be available immediately.

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## SUBSTITUTE CHECKS AND YOUR RIGHTS

As our customer we think it's important for you to know about substitute checks. The following Substitute Check Disclosure provides information about substitute checks and your rights. So you will recognize substitute checks when you receive them, we have included a copy of the front side of a substitute check along with an explanation of the substitute check's components.

### What is a substitute check?

To make check processing faster, federal law permits banks to replace original checks with "substitute checks." These checks are similar in size to original checks with a slightly reduced image of the front and back of the original check. The front of a substitute check states: "This is a legal copy of your check. You can use it the same way you would use the original check." You may use a substitute check as proof of payment just like the original check.

Some or all of the checks that you receive back from us may be substitute checks. This notice describes rights you have when you receive substitute checks from us. The rights in this notice do not apply to original checks or to electronic debits to your account. However, you have rights under other law with respect to those transactions.

### What are my rights regarding substitute checks?

In certain cases, federal law provides a special procedure that allows you to request a refund for losses you suffer if a substitute check is posted to your account (for example, if you think that we withdrew the wrong amount from your account or that we withdrew money from your account more than once for the same check). The losses you may attempt to recover under this procedure may include the amount that was withdrawn from your account and fees that were charged as a result of the withdrawal (for example, bounced check fees). The amount of your refund under this procedure is limited to the amount of your loss or the amount of the substitute check, whichever is less. You also are entitled to interest on the amount of your refund if your account is an interest-bearing account. If your loss exceeds the amount of the substitute check, you may be able to recover additional amounts under other law.

If you use this procedure, you may receive up to \$2,500 of your refund (plus interest if your account earns interest) within 10 business days after we received your claim and the remainder of your refund (plus interest if your account earns interest) not later than 45 calendar days after we received your claim.

We may reverse the refund (including any interest on the refund) if we later are able to demonstrate that the substitute check was correctly posted to your account.

### How do I make a claim for a refund?

If you believe that you have suffered a loss relating to a substitute check that you received and that was posted to your account, please contact us at:

Athol Savings Bank, A Division of Cornerstone Bank

Attn: Operations Department, 388 Main Street, Athol MA 01331-1819

Phone: (978) 249-3200 or 1-888-830-3200

You must contact us within 40 calendar days of the date that we mailed (or otherwise delivered by a means to which you agreed) the substitute check in question or the account statement showing that the substitute check was posted to your account, whichever is later. We will extend this time period if you were not able to make a timely claim because of extraordinary circumstances.

Your claim must include —

- A description of why you have suffered a loss (for example, you think the amount withdrawn was incorrect);
- An estimate of the amount of your loss;
- An explanation of why the substitute check you received is insufficient to confirm that you suffered a loss; and
- A copy of the substitute check or the following information to help us identify the substitute check: the check number, the amount of the check, the date of the check, and the name of the person to whom you wrote the check.

## SUBSTITUTE CHECK IMAGE

Below is an image of a sample substitute check. The numbers listed below the image correspond with the numbers on or near the substitute check image and the corresponding text explains the various components of a substitute check.

The image shows a substitute check for \$147.50, dated Oct 28, 2020, payable to Pat Payor from ABC Company. It includes a MICR line at the bottom and a security features section. Numbered callouts point to: 1. The original check image in the upper right corner. 2. The substitute check size. 3. The asterisked information (reconverting bank). 4. The bracketed information (truncating bank). 5. The Legal Legend. 6. The MICR lines at the bottom.

68-4567123 4321

Pat Payor  
101 Your Street  
Your City, USA 10101

DATE Oct 28, 2020

Security Features Detailed on Back

\$ 147.50 DOLLARS

PAY TO THE ORDER OF ABC Company

One hundred forty-seven and 50/100

Your Financial Institution  
Your City, USA 10101

Memo School supplies

Pat Payor MP

\*051000033\*  
10/28/2020  
3112003355102116

This is a LEGAL COPY of your check. You can use it the same way you would use the original check.

[21000374] 10/28/2020 0025671467874451

0123456789 0123456789 4321 000000147501

1. An image of the original check appears in the upper right-hand corner of the substitute check.
2. A substitute check is the same size as a standard business check.
3. The information in asterisks relates to the "reconverting bank"—the financial institution that created the substitute check.
4. The information in brackets (appears sideways facing check image) relates to the "truncating bank"—the financial institution that took the original check out of the check processing system.
5. The Legal Legend states: This is a LEGAL COPY of your check. You can use it the same way you would use the original check.
6. The MICR lines at the bottom of the image of the original and at the bottom of the substitute check are the same except for the "4" at the beginning of the MICR line on the substitute check, which indicates that it is a substitute check being moved forward for collection purposes. It is also possible for the MICR



line on the substitute check to begin with a "5" if the item is being returned. The rest of the MICR line is the same as the original check to ensure that it is processed as though it were the original.

## SPECIFIC ACCOUNT DETAILS

### COMPLETELY FREE BUSINESS CHECKING

**Minimum balance to open the account** - You must deposit \$50.00 to open this account.

#### Fees:

An excess transaction fee will be charged for all transactions in excess of 1,000 during a statement cycle. See separate fee schedule.

### BUSINESS INTEREST CHECKING

**Rate Information** - Your interest rate and annual percentage yield may change.

**Frequency of rate changes** - We may change the interest rate on your account at any time.

**Determination of rate** - At our discretion, we may change the interest rate on your account.

**Compounding and crediting frequency** - Interest will be compounded every month. Interest will be credited to your account every month.

**Effect of closing an account** - If you close your account before interest is credited, you will not receive the accrued interest.

**Minimum balance to open the account** - You must deposit \$50.00 to open this account.

**Minimum balance to avoid imposition of fees** - If your balance falls below \$1,000.00 on any day in the month we will impose a service charge fee for that month. See separate fee schedule.

**Minimum balance to obtain the annual percentage yield disclosed** - You must maintain a minimum balance of \$10.00 in the account each day to obtain the disclosed annual percentage yield.

**Daily balance computation method** - We use the daily balance method to calculate the interest on your account. This method applies a daily periodic rate to the principal in the account each day.

**Accrual of interest on noncash deposits** - Interest begins to accrue on the business day you deposit noncash items (for example, checks).

#### Fees:

An excess transaction fee will be charged for all transactions in excess of 1,000 during a statement cycle. See separate fee schedule.

### COMMERCIAL CHECKING

**Earnings Credit** - This account features an earnings credit which is applied to reduce or eliminate fees on the account. If the earnings credit exceeds the fees for any period, you will be assessed no fees but you will not be paid, carry forward or otherwise receive credit for any excess earnings credit.

**Minimum balance to open the account** - You must deposit \$50.00 to open this account.

**Accrual of earnings credit on noncash deposits** - Earnings credit begins to accrue on the business day you deposit noncash items (for example, checks).

#### Fees:

A monthly maintenance fee will be charged each statement cycle. See separate fee schedule.

A fee will be charged for all deposited items, checks paid, external deposits and external withdrawals in each statement cycle. See separate fee schedule.

### BUSINESS STATEMENT SAVINGS

**Rate Information** - Your interest rate and annual percentage yield may change.

**Frequency of rate changes** - We may change the interest rate on your account at any time.

**Determination of rate** - At our discretion, we may change the interest rate on your account.

**Compounding and crediting frequency** - Interest will be compounded every month. Interest will be credited to your account every month.

**Effect of closing an account** - If you close your account before interest is credited, you will not receive the accrued interest.

**Minimum balance to open the account** - You must deposit \$10.00 to open this account.

**Minimum balance to obtain the annual percentage yield disclosed** - You must maintain a minimum balance of \$10.00 in the account each day to obtain the disclosed annual percentage yield.

**Daily balance computation method** - We use the daily balance method to calculate the interest on your account. This method applies a daily periodic rate to the principal in the account each day.

**Accrual of interest on noncash deposits** - Interest begins to accrue on the business day you deposit noncash items (for example, checks).

#### Minimum balance to avoid imposition of fees:

Please refer to our separate fee schedule for additional information about charges.

### TRANSACTIONAL STATEMENT SAVINGS

**Rate Information** - Your interest rate and annual percentage yield may change.

**Frequency of rate changes** - We may change the interest rate on your account at any time.

**Determination of rate** - At our discretion, we may change the interest rate on your account.

**Compounding and crediting frequency** - Interest will be compounded every month. Interest will be credited to your account every month.

**Effect of closing an account** - If you close your account before interest is credited, you will not receive the accrued interest.

**Minimum balance to open the account** - You must deposit \$10.00 to open this account.

**Minimum balance to obtain the annual percentage yield disclosed** - You must maintain a minimum balance of \$10.00 in the account each day to obtain the disclosed annual percentage yield.

**Daily balance computation method** - We use the daily balance method to calculate the interest on your account. This method applies a daily periodic rate to the principal in the account each day.

**Accrual of interest on noncash deposits** - Interest begins to accrue on the business day you deposit noncash items (for example, checks).

#### Minimum balance to avoid imposition of fees:

Please refer to our separate fee schedule for additional information about charges.

### BUSINESS MONEY MARKET/

### TIERED BUSINESS MONEY MARKET/

### XTREME BUSINESS MONEY MARKET

**Rate Information** - Your interest rate and annual percentage yield may change.

**Frequency of rate changes** - We may change the interest rate on your account at any time.

**Determination of rate** - At our discretion, we may change the interest rate on your account.

**Compounding and crediting frequency** - Interest will be compounded every month. Interest will be credited to your account every month.

**Effect of closing an account** - If you close your account before interest is credited, you will not receive the accrued interest.

**Minimum balance to open the account** - You must deposit \$2,500.00 to open this account.

**Minimum balance to obtain the annual percentage yield disclosed** - You must maintain a minimum balance of \$10.00 in the account each day to obtain the disclosed annual percentage yield.

**Daily balance computation method** - We use the daily balance method to calculate the interest on your account. This method applies a daily periodic rate to the principal in the account each day.

**Accrual of interest on noncash deposits** - Interest begins to accrue on the business day you deposit noncash items (for example, checks).

#### Minimum balance to avoid imposition of fees:

Please refer to our separate fee schedule for additional information about charges.

### COMMON FEATURES

Please refer to our separate fee sheet for additional information about charges.

**The following fees may be assessed against your account and the following transaction limitations, if any, apply to your account.**

The categories of transactions for which an overdraft fee may be imposed are those by any of the following means: check, in-person withdrawal, ATM withdrawal, or other electronic means.

Check printing.....(fee depends on style and quantity of checks ordered)

We reserve the right to require not less than 7 days' notice in writing before each withdrawal from an interest-bearing account, other than a time deposit or demand deposit, or from any other savings deposit as defined by Regulation D. (The law requires us to reserve this right, but it is not our general policy to use it.) Withdrawals from a time account prior to maturity or prior to any notice period may be restricted and may be subject to penalty. See your notice of penalty for early withdrawal.

### YOUR ACCOUNT

**These are the accounts you have opened or inquired about. Further details about these accounts are inside this brochure. If the figures are not filled in, please see the insert that is with this disclosure or your periodic statement.**

☐ COMPLETELY FREE BUSINESS CHECKING

☐ BUSINESS INTEREST CHECKING

The interest rate for your account is \_\_\_\_\_%

with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.

☐ **COMMERCIAL CHECKING**

The periodic earnings credit rate for your account is \_\_\_\_%.

☐ **BUSINESS STATEMENT SAVINGS**

**Rate Information:**

- **Tier 1** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 2** - If your daily balance is \$\_\_\_\_\_ or more, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.

☐ **TRANSACTIONAL STATEMENT SAVINGS**

The interest rate for your account is \_\_\_\_%

with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_%.

☐ **BUSINESS MONEY MARKET**

**Rate Information:**

- **Tier 1** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 2** - If your daily balance is \$\_\_\_\_\_ or more, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.

☐ **TIERED BUSINESS MONEY MARKET**

**Rate Information:**

- **Tier 1** - If your daily balance is less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.

- **Tier 2** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 3** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 4** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 5** - If your daily balance is \$\_\_\_\_\_ or more, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.

☐ **XTREME BUSINESS MONEY MARKET**

**Rate Information:**

- **Tier 1** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 2** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 3** - If your daily balance is more than \$\_\_\_\_\_, but less than \$\_\_\_\_\_, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.
- **Tier 4** - If your daily balance is \$\_\_\_\_\_ or more, the interest rate paid on the entire balance in your account will be \_\_\_\_\_% with an annual percentage yield of \_\_\_\_\_%.



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