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FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT 2014

## To Our Shareholders:

We are pleased to enclose a check representing the regular quarterly cash dividend of \$.13 per share plus a special year-end dividend of \$.05 per share on your HCB Financial Corp. Common Stock. These dividends are payable today to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 30, 2014.

The special year-end dividend was made possible by an improvement in almost every area of our operations. During the past year, total assets went up 12 percent to \$304,359,000, the first time this figure has exceeded \$300,000,000. Total deposits grew 10 percent to \$258,092,000, also a new record, and total loans grew by five percent to stand at \$153,891,000. At the end of 2014, Shareholders' Equity was \$26,962,000, a year-to-year increase of 7 percent, which brought the book value of each of our shares to \$25.29.

Some of our growth this past year is attributable to an improvement in the economy in our market area and some is due to the excellent progress we are making at our newest branch office in Marshall. Much of it, however, is also due to the fact that certain long-time customers have favored us with unusually large deposits for temporary safekeeping. In due course, they must withdraw these funds to use for their intended purpose but, in the meantime, they can rely upon Hastings City Bank's exceptionally strong financial position for confidence that their funds are safe with us until they are needed. Of course, this same financial strength is the reason that the bank has been awarded the coveted 5-Star Superior Bank Rating for the 21st consecutive quarter by Bauer Financial, Inc., the nation's leading bank rating firm.

We look forward to sending you more complete details on our 2014 operations in the Annual Report that will be sent to you before the Annual Meeting. If you should have any comments or questions in the meantime, please let us know.

Yours truly.

Mark A. Kolanowski President and

Chief Executive Officer

## HCB FINANCIAL CORP.

(Unaudited) Dollars in thousands, except per share data.

Financial Highlights	Year-to-Date December 2014	Year-to-Date December 2013	% Change
Interest Income (inc. loan fees)	\$8,486	\$7,838	8%
Interest Expense	580	657	-12%
Loan Loss Provision	(133)		0%
Net Interest Income	\$8,039	\$7,181	12%
Non-Interest Income	2,507	2,503	0%
Other Non-Interest Expense	8,762	8,436	4%
Federal Income Tax Provision	240	170	41%
Net Income after Tax	\$1,544	\$1,078	43%
Per Share Data			
Average Outstanding Shares	1,066,000		
Net Income per Share	1.45	1.01	43%
Dividends per Share	0.57	0.52	10%
Book Value per Share	25.29	23.73	7%
Balance Sheet Highlights (Unaudited) Dollars in thousands, except per share	data.		
Assets	\$304,359	\$270,620	12%
Loans (gross)	\$153,891	\$145,950	5%
Deposits	\$258,092	\$235,430	10%
Interest Earning Assets	\$276,996	\$244,880	13%
Shareholders Equity	\$26,962	\$25,296	7%