

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

## Division of Banks

BROOKLINE BANK, Brookline, Massachusetts has petitioned the Commissioner of Banks for permission to merge with BERKSHIRE BANK, a Massachusetts-chartered trust company with its main office in Pittsfield, Massachusetts; BANK RHODE ISLAND, a Rhode Island-chartered bank with its main office in Providence, Rhode Island; and PCSB BANK, a New York-chartered bank with its main office in Brewster, New York, in a multi-step transaction. Under the terms of an Agreement and Plan of Merger, BERKSHIRE BANK, BANK RHODE ISLAND and PCSB BANK will merge with and into BROOKLINE BANK under the charter, by-laws, and name of BROOKLINE BANK. This multi-step transaction also includes the merger of BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC., the holding company for BROOKLINE BANK, BANK RHODE ISLAND and PCSB BANK, with and into BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC., the holding company for BERKSHIRE BANK. The main office of BROOKLINE BANK would remain the main office of the continuing institution and the banking offices of BERKSHIRE BANK, BANK RHODE ISLAND and PCSB BANK would be retained as branch offices of BROOKLINE BANK when consummated. Related to this transaction, BROOKLINE BANK indicates that it will likely further petition the Division for approval to close some branch offices as the continuing institution, but specific branch locations have not yet been identified for closing.

Any objections or comments relative to this proposal must be communicated in writing to the Commissioner of Banks, One Federal Street, Suite 710, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2012 or via electronic mail to [dob.comments@mass.gov](mailto:dob.comments@mass.gov) no later than May 28, 2025. A public hearing may be held if the response is considered significant or circumstances warrant such a hearing, as determined by the Commissioner. The application and all communications relative to this application are available from the Division by request at [dob.rao@mass.gov](mailto:dob.rao@mass.gov).

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Commissioner of Banks