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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF YOUR ACCOUNT AGREEMENT



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may (without prior notice and when permitted by law) charge against and deduct from this account any due and payable debt owed to us now or in the future, by any of you having the right of withdrawal, to the extent of such persons' or legal entity's right to withdraw. If the debt arises from a note, "any due and payable debt" includes the total amount of which we are entitled to demand payment under the terms of the note at the time we charge the account, including any balance the due date for which we properly accelerate under the note. In addition to these contract rights, we may also have rights under a "statutory lien." A "lien" on property is a creditor's right to obtain ownership of the property in the event a debtor defaults on a debt. A "statutory lien" is one created by federal or state statute. If federal or state law provides us with a statutory lien, then we are authorized to apply, without prior notice, your shares and dividends to any debt you owe us, in accord with the statutory lien. Neither our contract rights nor rights under a statutory lien apply to this account if prohibited by law. For example, neither our contract rights nor rights under a statutory lien 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 arises only in a representative capacity. We will not be liable for the dishonor of any check or draft when the dishonor occurs because we charge and deduct an amount you owe us from your account. You agree to hold us harmless from any claim arising as a result of our exercise of our right to repayment.

**AUTHORIZED SIGNER (Individual Accounts only):** A single individual is the owner. The authorized signer is merely designated to conduct transactions on the owner's behalf. We undertake no obligation to monitor transactions to determine that they are on the owner's behalf.

**RESTRICTIVE LEGENDS:** We are not required to honor any restrictive legend on checks you write unless we have agreed in writing to the restriction. Examples of restrictive legends are "must be presented within 90 days" or "not valid for more than \$1,000."

**UNLAWFUL INTERNET GAMBLING ENFORCEMENT ACT:** MetroWest Community Federal Credit Union is required to comply with the provisions of the Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act (UIGEA) and Regulation GG. Restricted transactions, as defined under the UIGEA, are prohibited from being processed through your account or relationship with us. Restricted transactions include transactions in which a person accepts credit, funds, instruments or other proceeds from another person in connection with unlawful Internet gambling. By opening/maintaining an account at MetroWest Community Federal Credit Union, you agree not to use the account, any access device or service made available to you through a MetroWest Community Federal Credit Union account for conducting any illegal activity including unlawful Internet gambling. MetroWest Community Federal Credit Union may terminate your account relationship for engaging in unlawful Internet gambling or other illegal activities conducted through your MetroWest Community Federal Credit Union account.

**PLEDGES:** Unless we agree otherwise in writing, each primary owner of this account may pledge all or any part of the funds in it for any purpose to which we agree. Any pledge of this account must first be satisfied before the rights of any surviving account owner or account beneficiary become effective.

**CHECK PROCESSING:** We may process items mechanically by relying on the information encoded along the bottom of the items. This means that we may not individually examine all of your items to determine if the item is properly completed, signed and endorsed. You agree that we have not failed to exercise ordinary care solely because we use an automated system to process items and do not inspect all items processed in such a manner. We reserve the right not to inspect each item because using an automated process helps us keep costs down for you and all account holders. We may determine the amount of available funds in your account for the purpose of deciding whether to return an item for insufficient funds at any time between the time 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 insufficient available funds.

**ACH AND WIRE TRANSFERS:** This agreement is subject to Article 4A of the Uniform Commercial Code — Fund Transfers as adopted in the state in which you have your account with us. If you originate a fund transfer for which Fedwire is used, and you identify by name and number a beneficiary financial institution, an intermediary financial institution or a beneficiary, we and every receiving or beneficiary financial institution may rely on the identifying number to make payment. We may rely on the number even if it identifies a financial institution, person or account other than the one named. You agree to be bound by automated clearing house association rules. These rules provide, among other things, that payments made to you, or originated by you, are provisional until final settlement is made through a Federal Reserve Bank or payment is otherwise made as provided in Article 4A-403(a) of the Uniform Commercial Code. If we do not receive such payment, we are entitled to a refund from you in the amount credited to your account and the party originating such payment will not be considered to have paid the amount so credited. If we receive a payment order to credit an account you have with us by wire or ACH, we are not required to give you any notice of the payment order or credit.

**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 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.

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This document, along with any other documents we give you pertaining to your account(s), is a contract that establishes rules which control your account(s) with us. Please read this carefully. If you sign the signature card or open or continue to use the account, you agree to these rules. You will receive a separate schedule of rates, qualifying balances, and fees if they are not included in this document. If you have any questions, please call us.

This agreement is subject to applicable federal laws and the laws of the state of Massachusetts (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.

If any provision of this document 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.

As used in this document 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. The headings in this document 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 document should be construed so the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular.

**BYLAWS:** Our bylaws, which we may amend from time-to-time, establish basic rules about our credit union policies and operations which affect your account and membership. You may obtain a copy of the bylaws on request. Our right to require you to give us notice of your intention to withdraw funds from your account is described in the bylaws. Unless we have agreed otherwise, you are not entitled to receive any original item after it is paid, although you may request that we send you an item(s) or a copy of an item(s). Dividends are based on current earnings and available earnings of the credit union, after providing for required reserves.

**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 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 can be deducted directly from the account balance whenever sufficient funds are available.

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 also be liable for our costs to collect the

deficit 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 including, but 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"). We are not responsible for transactions by mail or outside depository until we actually record them. We will treat and record all transactions received after our "daily cutoff time" on a business day that we are open.

**WITHDRAWALS:** 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 endorse any item payable to you or your order for deposit to this account or any other transaction with us. You agree that, as to any item that we have no opportunity to examine the signatures, such as an electronic check conversion transaction where a check or similar item is converted into an electronic fund transfer as defined in the Electronic Fund Transfers regulation, you waive any requirement of multiple signatures for withdrawal. We may charge your account for a 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. We may refuse any withdrawal or transfer request which you attempt on forms not approved by us, by any method we do not specifically permit, which is greater in number than the frequency permitted, or which is for an amount greater or less than any withdrawal limitations. Even if we honor a nonconforming request, we may treat continued abuse of the stated limitations (if any) as your act of closing the account. We will use the date the transaction is completed by us (as opposed to the date you initiate it) to apply the frequency limitations. The fact that we may honor withdrawal requests that overdraw the available account balance does not obligate us to do so later. You agree that we may charge fees for overdrafts and use subsequent deposits, including direct deposits of Social Security or other government benefits, to cover such overdrafts and overdraft fees. 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. See the funds availability policy disclosure for information about when you can withdraw funds you deposit. For those accounts for 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.

**OWNERSHIP OF ACCOUNT AND BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION:** These rules apply to this account depending on the form of ownership and beneficiary designation, if any, specified on the account records. We reserve the right to refuse some forms of ownership on any or all of

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our accounts. We make no representations as to the appropriateness or effect of the ownership and beneficiary designations, except as they determine to whom we pay the account funds.

**Individual Account** is an account in the name of one person.

**Joint Account - With Rights of Survivorship** is an account in the name of two or more persons. Each of you intends that when you die the balance in the account (subject to any previous pledge to which we have agreed) will belong to the survivor(s). If two or more of you survive, you will own the balance in the account as joint tenants with survivorship and not as tenants in common.

**Joint Account - Without Rights of Survivorship** is an account in the name of two or more persons and upon death of the primary owner, the funds would become part of the primary owner's estate rather than automatically passing to the other joint owner(s). That type of account is generally set up for purposes of convenience to allow one person to pay bills and do the banking for another person.

**Living Trust Account.** If you create such an account, the beneficiary cannot withdraw unless: (1) the person creating the account dies, and (2) the beneficiary is then living. The person creating this account type reserves the right to: (1) change the beneficiary, (2) change account types, and (3) withdraw all or part of the account funds at any time.

### **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. 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:** 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. 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, if you have an equal or greater right to withdraw from this account than the person who signed the item. A release of the stop-payment request may be made only by the person who initiated the stop-payment order. 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. Other account transfer restrictions may be described elsewhere.

**AMENDMENTS AND TERMINATION:** We may change our bylaws and any term of this agreement. Rules governing changes in rates

are provided separately. For other changes we will give you reasonable notice in writing or by any other method permitted by law. We may close this account if your membership in the credit union terminates, or by giving reasonable notice to you and tender of the account balance personally or by mail. At our option, we may suspend your rights to member services if you violate the terms of this agreement. You must keep us informed of your current address at all times. Notice from us to any one of you is notice to all of you.

**STATEMENTS:** Your duty to report unauthorized signatures, alterations and forgeries — You must examine your statement of account with "reasonable promptness." If you discover (or reasonably should have discovered) any unauthorized signatures or alterations, 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, alterations or forgeries 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 -** In addition to your duty to review your statements for unauthorized signatures, alterations and forgeries, you agree to examine your statement with reasonable promptness for any other error — such as an encoding error. You agree that the time you have to examine your statement and report to us will depend on the circumstances. However, such time period shall not exceed 60 days. Failure to examine your statement and report any such 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 such errors on items identified in that statement and as between you and us the loss will be entirely yours.

**Errors relating to electronic fund transfers or substitute checks —** For information on errors relating to electronic fund transfers (e.g., computer, debit card or ATM transactions) refer to your Electronic Fund Transfers disclosure and the sections on consumer liability and error resolution.

**DIRECT DEPOSITS:** If, in connection with a direct deposit plan, we deposit any amount in an account which should have been returned to the Federal Government for any reason, 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 legal remedy to recover the amount of our liability.

**RIGHT TO REPAYMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS:** You each agree that we