

## **New York City Banking Commission**

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May 26, 2023

Honorable Adrienne Adams Speaker, New York City Council City Hall New York, NY 10007

Re: 2023 New York City Bank Designation

Dear Speaker Adams:

Please be advised that the NYC Banking Commission approved the following twenty-six (26) banks as NYC Designated Banks for a two-year period, commencing on May 25th, 2023:

1	Amalgamated Bank	14	Modern Bank N.A.
2	Bank of America, N. A.	15	M&T Bank
3	Bank of New York Mellon	16	NY Community Bank
4	BankUnited, N.A.	17	PNC Bank N.A.
5	Citibank N.A.	18	Popular Bank Inc.
6	Citizens Bank N.A.	19	Santander Bank N.A.
7	ConnectOne Bank	20	Spring Bank
8	Dime Community Bank	21	State Street Bank
9	Flushing Bank	22	TD Bank N.A.
10	Habib American (HAB) Bank	23	US Bank N.A.
11	International Finance Bank	24	Valley National Bank
12	Israel Discount (IDB) Bank	25	Webster Bank N.A.
13	JP Morgan Chase, N.A.	26	Wells Fargo, N.A.

The following three (3) banks were approved for a one-year designation period, commencing on May 25th, 2023:

- 1 Capital One Bank
- 2 KeyBank
- 3 Signature Bank (now Flagstar Bank N.A.)

## Conditional Designation of Capital One Bank and KeyBank:

Title 22 §1-03(f)(1) of the Rules of the City of New York ("RCNY") authorizes the Banking Commission to designate as a city depository a bank that does not meet the requirements for designation of City monies where, in its discretion, the deposit of such monies in such bank is necessary to obtain essential services that are not reasonably obtainable elsewhere. It is due to this reasoning that the Banking Commission had discretion pursuant to this provision, known as the "Necessity Exception" to conditionally designate Capital One Bank and KeyBank for a one-year period ending in May 2024. The conditional designation prohibits the City from entering new contracts with both banks and requires the City to replace Capital One Bank and KeyBank with other vendors when their existing contracts expire. While both Capital One Bank and KeyBank met all financial soundness

hurdles, both banks chose not to submit all the documentation required by the Banking Commission for complete evaluation to be designated as a depository.

## Extension of Designation of Flagstar Bank N.A. as a NYC Depository Bank:

The bank formally known as Signature Bank had submitted all documents necessary for designation by the March 1st deadline, as set in Title 22 RCNY. However, due to the bank's collapse later that month, Flagstar Bank N.A. assumed the assets and many liabilities of Signature Bridge Bank, which had been created by the FDIC. Therefore, to allow Flagstar Bank time to complete all necessary compilations of financials and update all designation application documents, the Banking Commission decided that a one-year extension of the former designation would allow for coverage of the accounts now held at Flagstar Bank.

The NYC Banking Commission will vote on the re-designation of the three (3) banks which were designated for a one-year term again in May 2024. The next biennial designation of banks will occur in May 2025.

Sincerely,

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