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**FDIC APPROVES ASSUMPTION OF DEPOSITS OF
COOLIDGE CORNER CO-OPERATIVE BANK, BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS**

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposits and secured liabilities of Coolidge Corner Co-operative Bank, Brookline, Massachusetts, by Brookline Savings Bank, Brookline, Massachusetts.

Coolidge Corner Co-operative Bank, with total assets of \$86.3 million, was closed on Thursday, March 14, 1991, by Thomas J. Curry, Massachusetts Commissioner of Banks, and the FDIC was named liquidating agent.

The failed bank's sole office will reopen on Friday, March 15, 1991, as a branch of Brookline Savings Bank, and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank.

Brookline Savings Bank will assume about \$83.0 million in 6,500 deposit accounts, including approximately \$8.6 million in about 100 accounts that exceeded the FDIC insurance limit of \$100,000. The Co-operative Central Bank, a corporation set up to provide financial assistance and deposit insurance to Massachusetts' cooperative banks, provided the FDIC \$1.5 million to facilitate the assumption of the \$8.6 million in uninsured deposits.

The assuming bank has agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$126,000 for the right to receive the deposits of Coolidge Corner Co-operative Bank. It also will purchase \$13.9 million of the failed bank's loans and other assets and will have options to purchase other assets. To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance about \$69.0 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of about \$72.4 million.

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The Board of Directors approved the deposit assumption under its authority to do so whenever it determines that such a transaction will reduce the potential loss to the FDIC. The FDIC will recover a portion of its outlay through the liquidation of assets not transferred to the assuming bank.

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