# Exchange Where Listed Philippine Stock Exchange

### PART II. MANAGEMENT REPORT

## Brief Description and General Nature and Scope of Business of Registrant

Philippine Savings Bank (the Bank) was incorporated in the Philippines primarily to engage in savings and mortgage banking. The Bank's shares are listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE). The Bank offers a wide range of products and services such as deposit products, loans, treasury and trust functions that mainly serve the retail and consumer markets. On September 6, 1991, the Bank was authorized to perform trust functions.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the Bank had 250 branches. In 2018, the Bank had 309 Automated Tellering Machines (ATMs) in Metro Manila and 266 in provincial locations, bringing its total number of ATMs to 575 and 610 as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 respectively.

The Bank's original Certificate of Incorporation was issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on June 30, 1959. On March 28, 2006, the Board of Directors (BOD) of the Bank approved the amendment of Article IV of its Amended Articles of Incorporation to extend the corporate term of the Bank, which expired on June 30, 2009, for another 50 years or up to June 30, 2059. This was subsequently approved by stockholders representing at least two-thirds of the outstanding capital stock of the Bank on April 25, 2006. The Amended Articles of Incorporation was approved by the SEC on September 27, 2006.

On April 27, 2010, by majority vote of the BOD and by stockholders representing two-thirds of the outstanding capital stock, the amendment of Article VI of its Amended Articles of Incorporation reducing the number of directors from a maximum of eleven (11) to a maximum of nine (9) has been approved. This was approved by the SEC on August 26, 2010.

On March 24, 2014, the BOD approved Article III of Articles of Incorporation to specify its principal address from Makati City to PSBank Center, 777 Paseo de Roxas corner Sedeño Street, Makati City 1226. The Amended Articles of Incorporation was approved by the SEC on December 22, 2014.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company (MBTC), the Bank's ultimate parent, owned eighty-three percent (83%) of the Bank respectively. The Parent Company and its subsidiaries (the Group) are engaged in all aspects of banking, financing, leasing, real estate and stock brokering through a network of over 1,000 local and international branches, subsidiaries, representative offices, remittance correspondents and agencies.

The Bank's principal place of business is located at PSBank Center, 777 Paseo de Roxas corner Sedeño Streets, Makati City.

### **Market Price Information**

PSBank common shares were listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) in 1994. The shares are traded under the symbol "PSB".

The high and low sales prices of the Shares as reported in the PSE for each quarter in the years ending December 31, 2018 and 2017 and subsequent interim periods were as follows:

	Highest	Lowest
	In Php	
2019:		
January	61.00	57.50
February	59.50	58.80
2018:		
First quarter	89.50	85.05
Second quarter	87.90	81.00
Third quarter	88.50	80.00
Fourth quarter	86.90	61.80

	Highest	Lowest
	In Php	
2017:		
First quarter	91.00	87.00
Second quarter	90.50	86.50
Third quarter	92.00	87.65
Fourth quarter	90.00	87.00

Closing price as of March 14, 2019 was at ₱58.60 per share.

# **Dividends and Dividend Policy**

Dividends to be paid in cash are subject to the approval by a majority of the Board of Directors. Dividends to be paid in the form of stocks require the approval of a majority of the Board and the approval of shareholders representing no less than two-thirds of the Bank's outstanding capital stock.

Consistent with SEC rules, cash dividends declared by the Bank must have a record date of not less than 10 but not more than 30 business days from the date the cash dividends are declared/approved by the Board. With respect to stock dividends, the record date should not be less than 10 but not more than 30 business days from the date of the stockholders' approval; provided however, that the set record date should not be less than 10 business days after the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) has received the notice of declaration of stock dividend. BSP regulations have since allowed banks to fix the record date and payment date on the date of dividend declaration, and pay such dividends without prior BSP approval, with the exception of banks with major supervisory concerns. In the event that a stock dividend is declared in connection with an increase in authorized capital stock, the corresponding record date is to be fixed by the SEC.

Unless approved via majority vote of the Board of Directors at a different rate depending on the Bank's earnings/results of operations, cash flow, financial condition and other factors or otherwise restricted/prohibited from declaring/paying dividends, the Bank regularly declares out of its unrestricted retained earnings and pays cash dividends at a pay out ratio of ₱3.00 per share per annum or ₱0.75 per share per quarter, provided that the regulatory requirements of both the SEC and the BSP are complied with. Circumstances which could restrict the payment of cash dividends include, but are not limited to, when the Bank undertakes major projects and developments requiring substantial cash expenditures or when it is restricted from paying cash dividends by its loan covenants

Provided likewise that the Bank is not restricted/prohibited from declaring/paying dividends and that all such regulatory requirements are complied with, the Bank may also declare out of its unrestricted retained earnings and pay out special cash dividends (on top of its regular quarterly cash dividends) at such rate as may also be approved via majority vote of the Board of Directors.

The aggregate amount of quarterly cash dividends declared by the Bank in 2018 stood at ₱720.8 million. Details are shown under Note 21 of the Audited Financial Statements section.