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CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP
DECLARES \$0.38 PER SHARE DIVIDEND

LOS ANGELES, February 13, 2026: Cathay General Bancorp (Nasdaq: CATY) announced that its Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of thirty-eight cents per common share, payable on March 9, 2026, to stockholders of record at the close of business on February 26, 2026.

ABOUT CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Cathay General Bancorp (Nasdaq: CATY) is the holding company for Cathay Bank. Cathay General Bancorp's website is at www.cathaygeneralbancorp.com. Founded in 1962, Cathay Bank offers a wide range of financial services and currently operates over 60 branches across the nation in California, New York, Washington, Texas, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maryland, Nevada, and New Jersey. Overseas, it has a branch in Hong Kong, and a representative office in Beijing, Shanghai, and Taipei. To learn more about Cathay Bank, please visit www.cathaybank.com.