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CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP DECLARES $0.38 PER SHARE DIVIDEND

LOS ANGELES, November 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 December 7, 2026, to stockholders of record at the close of business on November 27, 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 representative offices in Beijing, Shanghai, Taipei, and Ho Chi Minh City. To learn more about Cathay Bank, please visit www.cathaybank.com.