

**Notice regarding Repurchase of Own Shares and Cancellation of Own Shares**

(Repurchase of Own Shares under the provisions of its Articles of Incorporation pursuant to Paragraph 2 of Article 165 of the Companies Act and Cancellation of Own Shares pursuant to Article 178 of the Companies Act)

April 26, 2024 --- Hokkoku Financial Holdings, Inc (President: Shuji Tsuemura) hereby announces that its board of directors resolved to repurchase its own shares pursuant to the provision of Article 156 of the Companies Act as applied by replacing terms pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 3 of Article 165 of the Companies Act.

We also resolved to cancel its own shares pursuant to Article 178 of the Companies Act , as follows:

1. Reason for Repurchase of Own Shares

We will proceed with repurchase of its own shares to implement flexible capital policy corresponding to changes in management environment, to implement shareholder returns based on our shareholder return policy and to prepare for the allocation of shares through the performance share unit for directors and the allocation of restricted shares for employees.

2. Outline of the Repurchase

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| (1) Type of shares to be repurchased             | Common stock  |
| (2) Aggregate number of shares to be repurchased | Up to 750,000 shares<br>(Equivalent to 3.23% of the number of shares issued (excluding own shares)) |
| (3) Aggregate amount to be repurchased           | Up to JPY 3,000,000,000   |
| (4) Repurchase period                            | From May 13, 2024 to March 31, 2025   |
| (5) Repurchase method                            | Market purchases through the Tokyo Stock Exchange   |

3. Outline of the Cancellation

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| (1) Type of shares to be cancelled             | Common stock   |
| (2) Aggregate number of shares to be cancelled | 1,800,000 shares<br>(Equivalent to 7.14% of the number of shares issued before cancellation) |
| (3) Scheduled cancellation date                | May 10, 2024   |

(Reference)Own Shares as of April 19, 2024

Number of shares issued(excluding own shares)	23,185,405 shares
Number of own shares	2,023,177 shares

Note : Number of treasury stock includes 105,024 shares owned by Custody Bank of Japan (Trust account ), as trust property for board benefits trust for directors of our subsidiary, The Hokkoku Bank, Ltd.