

# 2023 Summary Annual Report

 **BerkshireHills**  
Bancorp™

NYSE: **BHLB**

# Accelerating momentum toward high performance

*Letter from our CEO*

**Nitin J. Mhatre**

**Dear Shareholders,**

At Berkshire, it is our mission to empower the financial potential of our clients and communities. We deliver on that mission by providing tailored financial solutions and a high quality, personalized experience, in both good and challenging times.

That unwavering commitment and reliability is why our clients look to us as a trusted advisor to help guide them on their path toward achieving their financial goals. Underneath it all lies a foundation of resilience and strength that go hand in hand with being a purpose-driven bank that has been serving its communities for more than 175 years.

In 2023, we faced a rising interest rate environment and banking sector crisis that weighed on earnings and put these ideals to the test. I'm proud to say that through our bankers' resilience and steadfast commitment to our clients, we further strengthened our balance sheet, credit quality and liquidity position to support our organic growth and improve long-term shareholder value.

Berkshire delivered solid performance for the year, building on core elements of our strategy to strengthen operations and improve our long-term momentum. This includes:

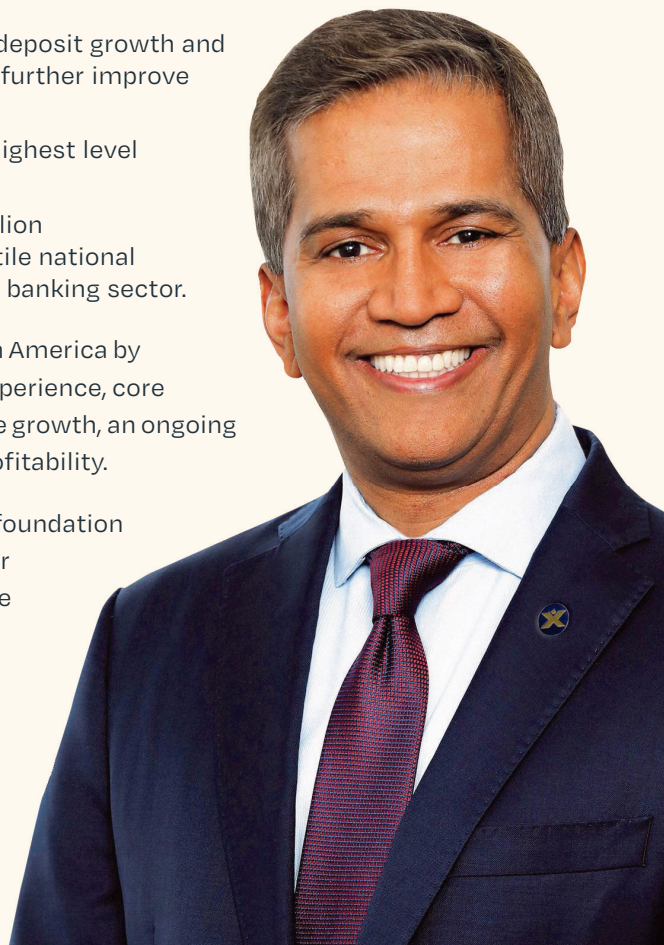
- Growth in operating pre-tax, pre-provision net revenue (PPNR).
- Continued improvement in asset quality and balance sheet growth.
- Disciplined expense management while investing in bankers to drive deposit growth and technology, including our new online and mobile banking platform, to further improve client experience.
- Hiring talented new bankers to bolster our team while recording our highest level of employee engagement.
- Allocating an amount equal to the proceeds of our landmark \$100 million sustainability bond within 12 months, while maintaining our top quartile national ranking for environmental, social, and governance performance in the banking sector.

As a result of our efforts, we were named one of the best regional banks in America by *Newsweek*. We enter 2024 squarely focused on exceptional customer experience, core deposit growth, expense optimization to self-fund investments for future growth, an ongoing emphasis on credit management and initiatives to enhance operating profitability.

While there is still work to do to realize our full potential, we've created a foundation that will allow us to accelerate the momentum. Working together with our stakeholders, we are well along our path to achieving our vision to become a high-performing, relationship-driven, community-focused bank in New England and New York.

*Nitin J. Mhatre*

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Chief Executive Officer





# Financial Highlights

## FINANCIAL CONDITION (\$ MILLIONS — PERIOD END)

	FY23	FY22	FY21
Total Assets	\$12,431	\$11,663	\$11,555
Total Cash and Equivalents	1,203	685	1,628
Total Securities	1,607	2,033	2,549
Total Loans	9,040	8,335	6,826
Intangibles	20	24	30
Deposits	10,633	10,327	10,069
Borrowings	507	126	111
Shareholders' Equity	1,012	954	1,182

## OPERATING RESULTS (\$ MILLIONS)

	FY23	FY22	FY21
Net Interest Income	\$369	\$345	\$291
Non-Interest Income	43	69	143
Total Net Revenue	412	414	434
Provision for Loan Losses	32	11	(1)
Non-Interest Expense	302	289	286
Net Income	70	93	119
ROTCE*	7.60%	9.29%	10.57%
Operating ROTCE*	10.05%	10.07%	7.58%

## PER COMMON SHARE DATA (\$)

	FY23	FY22	FY21
Earnings	\$1.60	\$2.02	\$2.39
Operating Earnings*	2.14	2.19	1.69
Dividends	0.72	0.54	0.48
Book Value	23.27	21.51	24.30
Tangible Book Value*	22.82	20.95	23.69

\* Note: Operating ROTCE, Operating Earnings, and Tangible Book Value are non-GAAP financial measures; see Form 10-K for discussion and further detail. ROTCE and Operating ROTCE include unrealized losses on AFS securities.

## Berkshire Hills Bancorp at a Glance

Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: BHLB) is the parent company of Berkshire Bank, a relationship-driven, community-focused bank that delivers industry-leading financial expertise to clients in New England and New York. For more than 175 years, the Bank has delivered strength, stability and trusted advice to empower the financial potential of its clients and communities.

- » **Berkshire Bank founded:** 1846
- » **Headquarters:** Boston
- » **Total assets:** \$12.4B
- » **Lines of business:** Commercial and Private Banking, Retail Banking, Consumer Lending, SBA Lending, Wealth Management
- » **Banking footprint:** 96 financial centers in New England and New York
- » **Workforce:** ~1,300

## RECOGNITION



Newsweek America's Most Trustworthy Companies 2023



Forbes Best Workplaces 2023



Bloomberg GEI 2023



Communitas Award 2023

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## STOCK LISTING

Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc., is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "BHLB."

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