



First Hawaiian, Inc. Announces Launch of Secondary Common Stock Offering

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HONOLULU, Sept. 05, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- First Hawaiian, Inc. (NASDAQ: FHB) (the "Company") today announced that an affiliate of BNP Paribas intends to offer 20 million shares of the Company's common stock in an underwritten public offering. In addition, the selling stockholder intends to grant the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 3 million shares of the Company's common stock.

Completion of the public offering is expected to reduce BNP Paribas' beneficial ownership stake in the Company's common stock from approximately 33.3% to approximately 18.4%. If the underwriters' option is exercised in full, BNP Paribas' remaining beneficial stake would be reduced to approximately 16.2%.

The Company will not be issuing any shares in connection with the offering and will not receive any proceeds from the offering. The proposed offering will not change the number of shares of the Company's common stock that are currently outstanding.

J.P. Morgan, Barclays, BofA Merrill Lynch and Citigroup are acting as underwriters for the proposed offering.

The offering will be made only by means of a prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, copies of which, when available, may be obtained from: J.P. Morgan, Attn: Prospectus Department, c/o Broadridge Financial Solutions, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, New York 11717, telephone: (866) 803-9204; Barclays Capital Inc. c/o Broadridge Financial Solutions, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717, telephone: (888) 603-5847, e-mail: Barclaysprospectus@broadridge.com; BofA Merrill Lynch, Attn: Prospectus Department, NC1-004-03-43, 200 North College Street, 3rd floor, Charlotte, NC 28255-0001, e-mail: dg.prospectus_requests@baml.com; and Citigroup, c/o Broadridge Financial Solutions, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717 Telephone: 800-831-9146.

The Company has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents the issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the issuer and this offering. Copies of the registration statement can be accessed through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

First Hawaiian, Inc.

First Hawaiian, Inc. (NASDAQ: FHB) is a bank holding company headquartered in Honolulu, Hawaii. Its principal subsidiary, First Hawaiian Bank, founded in 1858 under the name Bishop & Company, is Hawaii's oldest and largest financial institution with branch locations throughout Hawaii, Guam and Saipan. The company offers a comprehensive suite of banking services to consumer and commercial customers including deposit products, loans, wealth management, insurance, trust, retirement planning, credit card and merchant processing services. Customers may also access their accounts through ATMs, online and mobile banking channels.

Forward Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements reflect our current views with respect to, among other things, future events and our financial performance. These statements are often, but not always, made through the use of words or phrases such as "may", "might", "should", "could", "predict", "potential", "believe", "expect", "continue", "will", "anticipate", "seek", "estimate", "intend", "plan", "projection", "would", "annualized" and "outlook", or the negative version of those words or other comparable words or phrases of a future or forward-looking nature. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, and are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, management's beliefs and certain assumptions made by management, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and beyond our control. Accordingly, we caution you that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, assumptions, estimates and uncertainties that are difficult to predict. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable as of the date made, actual results may prove to be materially different from the results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. For a discussion of some of the risks and important factors that could affect our future results and financial condition, see our SEC filings, including, but not limited to, the prospectus described in this press release.

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