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# **INTERESTS IN THE**

# SAVINGS INSTITUTE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

#### PROFIT SHARING AND 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN

#### **OFFERING OF PARTICIPATION INTERESTS IN UP TO 860,950 SHARES OF**

#### SI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

#### **COMMON STOCK (\$0.01 PAR VALUE)**

This prospectus supplement relates to the offer and sale to participants in the Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company Profit Sharing and 401(k) Savings Plan of participation interests in shares of common stock of SI Financial Group, Inc., a newly formed Maryland corporation. SI Financial Group is offering common stock for sale in connection with the conversion of the Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company from the partially public mutual holding company form of organization to the fully public stock holding company structure.

In connection with the stock offering, Savings Plan participants may direct First Bankers Trust Services, Inc., the trustee for the SI Financial Group Stock Fund (SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee), to use their account balances (excluding funds already invested in SI Financial common stock) to subscribe for and purchase shares of SI Financial Group common stock through the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. Based upon the value of the Savings Plan assets as of July 31, 2010, the SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee may purchase up to 860,950 shares of SI Financial Group common stock at \$8.00 per share.

This prospectus supplement relates to the election of Savings Plan participants to direct the SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee to invest all or a portion of their existing Savings Plan accounts (less those amounts currently invested through the SI Financial Group Stock Fund) in SI Financial Group common stock. The SI Financial Group prospectus dated November 10, 2010, which we have attached to this prospectus supplement, includes detailed information regarding the offering of shares of SI Financial Group common stock and the financial condition, results of operations and business of Savings Institute. This prospectus supplement provides information regarding the Savings Plan. You should read this prospectus supplement together with the prospectus and keep both for future reference.

## Please refer to Risk Factors beginning on page 17 of the prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, nor any other state or federal agency or any state securities commission, has approved or disapproved these securities. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

# These securities are not deposits or accounts and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

This prospectus supplement may be used only in connection with offers and sales by SI Financial Group of participation interests or shares of common stock under the Savings Plan to participants in the Savings Plan. No one may use this prospectus supplement to re-offer or resell interests or shares of common stock acquired through the Savings Plan.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the attached prospectus. Neither SI Financial Group, SI Bancorp, MHC, Savings Institute nor the Savings Plan have authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different.

This prospectus supplement does not constitute an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy any securities in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation in that jurisdiction. Neither the delivery of this prospectus supplement and the prospectus nor any sale of common stock shall under any circumstances imply that there has been no change in the affairs of Savings Institute or

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the Savings Plan since the date of this prospectus supplement, or that the information contained in this prospectus supplement or incorporated by reference is correct as of any time after the date of this prospectus supplement.

# The date of this Prospectus Supplement is November 10, 2010.

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## THE OFFERING

# **Securities Offered**

The securities offered in connection with this prospectus supplement are participation interests in the Savings Plan. Given the offering price of \$8.00 per share and the value of the Savings Plan assets, the SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee may acquire up to 860,950 shares of SI Financial Group, Inc. common stock. Certain subscription rights and purchase limitations govern your investment in the SI Financial Group, Inc. Stock Fund in connection with the Stock offering. *See The Conversion and Offering Subscription Offering and Subscription Rights* and *Limitations on Purchases of Shares* in the prospectus attached to this prospectus supplement for further discussion of these subscription rights and purchase limitations.

The shares of common stock currently held in the Savings Plan will automatically be exchanged for shares of new SI Financial Group, Inc., a newly formed Maryland corporation, pursuant to an exchange ratio as more fully described in the prospectus attached to this prospectus supplement. *See The Conversion and Offering Share Exchange Ratio for Current Shareholders.* Any new shares you purchase in the stock offering will be added to the shares of new SI Financial Group common stock that you receive in the exchange described above. All of these shares will be held in the SI Financial Group, Inc. Stock Fund.

This prospectus supplement contains information regarding the Savings Plan. The attached prospectus contains information regarding the stock offering and the financial condition, results of operations and business of Savings Institute. The address of the principal executive office of Savings Institute is 803 Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut 06226. The telephone number of Savings Institute is (860) 423-4581.

#### Election to Purchase Shares of New SI Financial Group Common Stock in the Stock Offering

In connection with the stock offering, you may direct the SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee to transfer all or part of the funds that represent your current beneficial interest in the assets of the Savings Plan (excluding your current investment in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund) to purchase shares of SI Financial Group Stock through the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. The trustee will subscribe for the new SI Financial Group common stock in accordance with each participant s direction. The blue Investment Form provided with this prospectus supplement must be used to facilitate the transfer of funds from your current investments. Once your investments are liquidated, the cash will be held in the Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund until it is used to purchase shares of SI Financial Group, Inc. common stock in the stock offering. *See Irrevocability of Transfer Decision*. However, participant investment directions are subject to the purchase limitations in the stock offering and each participant s subscription rights. At the close of the stock offering, and subject to a determination as to whether all or a portion of your order may be filled (based on your purchase priority) that amount of shares purchased by the SI Financial Group Stock Fund trustee will be placed in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund and allocated to your Savings Plan account. If there is not enough common stock in the stock offering to fill all subscriptions, the common stock will be apportioned and the SI Financial Group Stock Fund trustee may not be able to purchase all of the common stock you requested. In such a case, if you elect, the Trustee may make such purchases at prices higher or lower than the \$8.00 offering price.

#### Persons Who May Purchase Shares of New SI Financial Group Common Stock in the Stock Offering

All plan participants are eligible to direct a transfer of Savings Plan funds that are not currently invested in SI Financial Group common stock to the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. However, transfer directions are subject to subscription rights, purchase priorities and purchase limitations. If you are eligible to order shares in the subscription offering, your order will be filled in the following order of priority:

- 1. Persons with \$50 or more on deposit at Savings Institute as of June 30, 2009;
- 2. The Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company Employee Stock Ownership Plan;
- 3. Persons with \$50 or more on deposit at Savings Institute as of September 30, 2010 who are not eligible in category 1 above; and
- 4. Savings Institute depositors as of the close of business on October 29, 2010, who were not able to subscribe for shares of new SI Financial Group common stock under categories 1 and 3.

To the extent shares remain available after filling orders in the subscription offering, shares will be available in a community offering to natural persons residing in Hartford, Middlesex, New London, Tolland and Windham Counties in Connecticut, to our existing public shareholders and to the general public.

The limitation of the total amount of new SI Financial Group common stock that you may purchase in the Stock offering, as described in the prospectus (see *The Conversion and Offering Limitations on Purchases of Shares*), will be calculated based on the aggregate amount that you subscribed for: (1) through your Savings Plan account; and (2) through your sources of funds outside of the Savings Plan by placing an order in the stock offering using a Stock Order Form. Whether you place an order through the Savings Plan, outside the plan or both, the number of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock, if any, that you receive will be determined based on the total amount of stock subscribed for, your purchase priority and the allocation priorities set forth in the attached prospectus. If, as a result of the calculation, you are allocated insufficient shares to fill all of your orders, available shares will be allocated as described in *The Conversion and Offering Subscription Offering and Subscription Rights* in the prospectus. Available shares will be allocated between your Savings Plan order and your order outside of the Savings Plan. If you so elect, the shares of new SI Financial Group common stock you were unable to subscribe for through the Savings Plan will be purchased by the trustee on the open market immediately following the completion of the stock offering. If you elect to direct the trustee to purchase shares of new SI Financial Group common stock in the open market, you will not be able to direct the trustee as to the timing or price to be paid for the common stock. The trustee has sole discretion regarding the manner in which it will fill open market purchases.

#### Value of Participation Interests

As of July 31, 2010, the market value of the Savings Plan assets equaled approximately \$6,887,600 (excluding those assets already invested in SI Financial Group common stock). The plan administrator has informed each participant of the value of his or her beneficial interest in the Savings Plan. The value of Savings Plan assets represents past contributions made to the Savings Plan on your behalf, plus or minus earnings or losses on the contributions, less previous withdrawals and loans.

#### Method of Directing Transfer

Included with this prospectus supplement is a blue investment form for you to use to direct a transfer of funds to the SI Financial Group Stock Fund (the Investment Form ). If you wish to transfer all, or part, in multiples of not less than 1%, of your beneficial interest in the assets of the Savings Plan to the SI Financial Group Stock Fund, you should complete the Investment Form. If you do not wish to make such an election at this time, you do not need to take any action. The minimum investment in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund during the stock offering is **\$200, which equals 25 shares.** 

#### **Time for Directing Transfer**

If you wish to participate in the stock offering using funds from your Savings Plan, you must submit your Investment Form to *Laurie Gervais* in the Human Resources Department by 5:00 p.m. on December 13, 2010. Former Savings Institute employees who are participants in the Savings Plan should return their forms using the business reply envelope that has been provided with this prospectus supplement.

# If you have any questions regarding the SI Financial Group Stock Fund or completing the Investment Form, please contact Laurie Gervais at (860) 456-6569.

Questions about the stock offering or about the prospectus should be directed to the Stock Information Center, toll-free at (877) 643-8198.

#### **Irrevocability of Transfer Direction**

Once you submit your Investment Form, you cannot change your direction to transfer amounts credited to your account in the Savings Plan to the SI Financial Group Stock Fund before the completion of the stock offering. Following the closing of the stock offering and the initial purchase of shares of SI Financial Group common stock through the SI Financial Group Stock Fund, you may change your investment directions, in accordance with the terms of the Savings Plan.

#### Purchase Price of New Shares of SI Financial Group Common Stock

The SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee will pay the same price for shares of new SI Financial Group common stock as all other persons who purchase shares of new SI Financial Group common stock in the stock offering. If there is not enough common stock in the Stock offering to fill all subscriptions, the common stock will be apportioned and the trustee may not be able to purchase all of the common stock you requested. If you elect, the SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee will purchase shares on your behalf after the close of the stock offering in the open market, to fulfill your initial request. The trustee may make such purchases at prices higher or lower than the \$8.00 offering price.

#### Nature of a Participant s Interest in New Shares of SI Financial Group Common Stock

The trustee will hold SI Financial Group common stock in the name of the Savings Plan. The trustee will credit shares of common stock acquired at your direction to your account under the Savings Plan. Therefore, the investment designations of other Savings Plan participants should not affect earnings on your Savings Plan account.

#### Voting and Tender Rights of New Shares of SI Financial Group Common Stock

The SI Financial Group Stock Fund Trustee generally will exercise voting and tender rights attributable to all SI Financial Group common stock held by the SI Financial Group Stock Fund, as directed by participants with interests in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. With respect to each matter as to which holders of SI Financial Group common stock have a right to vote, you will have voting instruction rights that reflect your proportionate interest in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. The number of shares of SI Financial Group common stock held in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund voted for and against each matter will be proportionate to the number of voting instruction rights exercised. If there is a tender offer for SI Financial Group common stock, the Savings Plan allots each participant a number of tender instruction rights reflecting the participant s proportionate interest in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. The percentage of shares of SI Financial Group common stock held in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund that will be tendered will be the same as the percentage of the total number of tender instruction rights exercised in favor of the tender offer. The remaining shares of SI Financial Group common stock held in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund will not be tendered. The Savings Plan provides that participants will exercise their voting instruction rights and tender instruction rights on a confidential basis.

#### **Future Direction to Purchase Common Stock**

You will be able to invest in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund after the stock offering by accessing your account via the internet and directing the trustee to invest your future contributions or your account balance in the Savings Plan into the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. After the stock offering, to the extent that shares of common stock are available, the trustee of the Savings Plan will acquire common stock of SI Financial Group at your election in open market transactions at the prevailing price. Special restrictions may apply to transfers directed to and from the SI Financial Group Stock Fund by the participants who are subject to the provisions of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, relating to the purchase and sale of securities by officers, directors and principal shareholders of SI Financial Group. In addition, if you are an officer of the Savings Institute that is restricted by the Office of Thrift Supervision from selling shares acquired in the stock offering will not be tradable for one year. However, any stock units that you held in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund before the stock offering are not subject to this one-year trading restriction and therefore may be sold.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE SAVINGS PLAN

#### Introduction

Savings Institute adopted the Savings Plan effective January 1, 1990. The Savings Plan was subsequently amended and restated in its entirety. Savings Institute intends for the Savings Plan to comply, in form and in operation, with all applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, or ERISA. Savings Institute may change the Savings Plan from time to time to ensure continued compliance with these laws. Savings Institute may also amend the Savings Plan from time to time to add, modify, or eliminate certain features of the plan, as it sees fit. Federal law provides you with various rights and protections as a participant in the Savings Plan, which is governed by ERISA. However, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation does not guarantee your benefits under the Savings Plan.

*Reference to Full Text of the Plan.* The following portions of this prospectus supplement summarize the material provisions of the Savings Plan. Savings Institute qualifies this summary in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Savings Plan. You may obtain copies of the full Savings Plan document including any amendments to the plan and a summary plan description for the Savings Plan, by contacting Laurie Gervais in the Human Resources Department. You should carefully read the Savings Plan documents to understand your rights and obligations under the plan.

## **Eligibility and Participation**

Eligible employees of Savings Institute who have attained age 21 and completed 90 days of employment with Savings Institute may begin to make pre-tax salary deferrals into the Savings Plan as of the first day of the month after they have satisfied the eligibility requirements.

As of July 31, 2010, 205 of the 252 eligible employees of Savings Institute participated in the Savings Plan.

#### **Contributions Under the Savings Plan**

*Employee Pre-Tax Salary Deferrals.* Subject to certain Internal Revenue Service limitations, the Savings Plan permits each participant to make pre-tax salary deferrals to the Savings Plan each payroll period of up to 100% of the participant s pay. For purposes of the Savings Plan, a participant s pay is defined as a participant s base salary, commissions, overtime and bonuses. Participants may change their rate of pre-tax deferrals on a quarterly basis by completing a form and submitting it to the Human Resources Department.

*Savings Institute Matching Contributions.* The Savings Plan provides that Savings Institute will make matching contributions on behalf of each participant equal to 50% of the participant s deferral, up to a maximum of 6% of pay. Savings Institute makes matching contributions only for those participants who make pre-tax salary deferrals to the Savings Plan. If a participant stops making pre-tax salary deferrals to the Savings Plan, Savings Institute will cease its matching contributions on the participant s behalf.

*Savings Institute Discretionary Contributions.* Savings Institute, in its sole discretion, may also make additional discretionary contributions, in amounts specified by the Board of Directors of Savings Institute. These discretionary contributions are allocated to each participant in the Savings Plan who is actively employed by Savings Institute on the last business day of the Plan Year and has completed 1,000 hours of service for Savings Institute during the Plan Year.

*Rollover Contributions.* Savings Institute allows employees who receive a distribution from a previous employer s tax-qualified employee benefit plan to deposit that distribution into a Rollover Contribution account under the Savings Plan, provided the rollover contribution satisfies IRS requirements.

#### **Limitations on Contributions**

*Limitation on Employee Salary Deferrals.* Although the Savings Plan permits you to defer up to 100% of your pay, by law your total deferrals under the Savings Plan, together with similar plans, may not exceed \$16,500 for 2010. Employees who are age 50 and over may also make additional, catch-up contributions to the plan, up to a maximum of \$5,500 for 2010. The Internal Revenue Service periodically increases these limitations. A participant who exceeds these limitations must include any excess deferrals in gross income for federal income tax purposes in the year of deferral. In addition, the participant must pay federal income taxes on any excess deferrals when distributed by the Savings Plan to the participant, unless the plan distributes the excess deferrals and any related income no later than the first April 15th following the close of the taxable year in which the participant made the excess deferrals. Any income on excess deferrals distributed before such date is treated, for federal income tax purposes, as earned and received by the participant in the taxable year of the distribution.

*Limitation on Annual Additions and Benefits.* As required by the Internal Revenue Code, the Savings Plan provides that the total amount of contributions and forfeitures (annual additions) credited to a participant during any year under all defined contribution plans of Savings Institute (including the Savings Plan and the proposed Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company Employee Stock Ownership Plan) may not exceed the lesser of 100% of the participant s annual compensation or \$49,000 for 2010.

*Limitation on Plan Contributions for Highly Compensated Employees.* Special provisions of the Internal Revenue Code limit the amount of pre-tax and matching contributions that may be made to the Savings Plan in any year on behalf of highly compensated employees, in relation to the amount of pre-tax and matching contributions made by or on behalf of all other employees eligible to participate in the Savings Plan. If pre-tax and matching contributions exceed these limitations, the plan must adjust the contribution levels for highly compensated employees.

In general, a highly compensated employee includes any employee who (1) was a 5% owner of the sponsoring employer at any time during the year or the preceding year, or (2) had compensation for the preceding year in excess of \$110,000 and, if the sponsoring employer so elects, was in the top 20% of employees by compensation for such year. The preceding dollar amount applies for 2010, and may be adjusted periodically by the Internal Revenue Service.

# **Savings Plan Investments**

Assets in the Savings Plan Trust are currently invested in the funds specified below. The annual percentage return on these funds (net of fees) for the prior three years was:

Funds	2009	2008	2007
Columbia Acorn Select Z Fund	66.17%	-49.18%	9.20%
Harbor Bond Institutional Fund	13.84	3.34	8.69
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	5.93	5.05	6.92
Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund	10.80	-2.85	11.59
Harbor International Institutional Fund	38.57	-42.66	21.82
Davis New York Venture Y Fund	32.43	-39.85	5.24
Fidelity Capital Appreciation Fund	36.38	-40.50	6.86
Perkins Mid Cap Value T Fund	30.37	-27.33	7.43
Vanguard Small Cap Value Index Fund	30.34	-32.05	-7.07
Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	14.28	-10.93	8.17
Vanguard Target Retirement 2010 Fund	19.32	-20.67	7.70
Vanguard Target Retirement 2015 Fund	21.30	-24.06	7.55
Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund	23.10	-27.04	7.52
Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	24.81	-30.05	7.59
Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	26.72	-32.91	7.49
Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	28.17	-34.66	7.49
Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	28.32	-34.53	7.48
Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	28.15	-34.56	7.47
Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	28.31	-34.62	7.49
Federated US Treasury Cash Reinvestment Fund	-0.02	-1.48	-4.46
Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund	-0.07	-2.00	-4.87
SI Financial Group Stock Fund	-12.50	-37.40	-18.50

*Columbia Acorn Select Z Fund.* This fund seeks long-term capital growth. The fund normally invests in companies with market capitalizations under \$20 billion at the time of initial purchase. It may invest up to 33% of total assets in companies in developed markets (i.e., Japan, Canada and the U.K.) and emerging markets (i.e., China, Brazil and India).

*Harbor Bond Institutional Fund.* This fund seeks total return. The fund invests at least 80% of total assets in a diversified portfolio of bonds, which include all types of fixed-income securities. It primarily invests intermediate bonds with overall portfolio rated high quality. The fund may invest up to 30% of total assets in non-U.S. dollar-denominated securities. It also may invest up to 15% of total assets in securities of issuers based in countries with developing (or emerging markets) economies.

*Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund.* This fund seeks to track the performance of a broad, market-weighted bond index. The fund employs a passive management, or indexing investment approach designed to track the performance of the Barclays Capital U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Index. It invests by sampling the index. It invests at least 80% of assets in bonds held in the index. The fund maintains a dollar-weighted average maturity consistent with that of the index, ranging between 5 and 10 years.

*Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund.* This fund seeks to provide inflation protection and income consistent with investment in inflation-indexed securities. The fund invests at least 80% of assets in inflation-indexed bonds issued by the U.S. government. It may invest in bonds of any maturity, though the fund typically maintains a dollar-weighted average maturity of 7 to 20 years.

*Harbor International Institutional Fund* This fund seeks long-term total return, principally from growth of capital. The fund invests primarily (no less than 65% of total assets) in common and preferred stocks of foreign companies that have market capitalizations in excess of \$1 billion, including those located in emerging market countries. It invests in a minimum of 10 countries throughout the world. The fund focuses on companies located in Europe, the Pacific Basin and emerging industrialized countries whose economies and political regimes appear more stable.

*Davis New York Venture Y Fund.* This fund seeks long-term growth of capital. The fund invests the majority of the assets in equity securities issued by large companies with market capitalizations of at least \$10 billion. It has the flexibility to invest a limited portion of assets in companies of any size, to invest in companies whose shares may be subject to controversy, to invest in foreign securities, and to invest in non-equity securities.

*Fidelity Capital Appreciation Fund.* This fund seeks capital appreciation. The fund invests primarily in common stocks of domestic and foreign issuers. It may invest in either growth stocks or value stocks or both. The fund uses fundamental analysis of each issuer s financial condition and industry position and market and economic conditions to select instruments.

*Perkins Mid Cap Value T Fund.* This fund seeks capital appreciation. The fund primarily invests in the common stocks of mid-sized companies whose stock prices the portfolio managers believe to be undervalued. It normally invests at least 80% of assets in equity securities of companies whose market capitalization falls, at the time of purchase, within the 12-month average of the capitalization range of the Russell Midcap Value index. The fund may invest in foreign equity and debt securities, which may include investments in emerging markets. It can also invest assets in derivatives.

*Vanguard Small Cap Value Index Fund.* This fund seeks to track the performance of a benchmark index that measures the investment return of small-capitalization value stocks. The fund employs a passive management investment approach designed to track the performance of the MSCI US Small Cap Value index, a broadly diversified index of value stocks of smaller U.S. companies. It attempts to replicate the target index by investing all, or substantially all, of assets in the stocks that make up the index, holding each stock in approximately the same proportion as its weighting in the index.

*Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund.* The investment seeks current income and some capital appreciation. The fund invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation designed for investors currently in retirement. It allocates approximately 70% of assets to bonds and money market instruments, and 30% of assets to stocks.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2010 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire in or within a few years of 2010. The fund invests approximately 51% of assets in stocks and 49% in bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2015 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation designed for investors planning to retire within a few years of 2015. It typically allocates approximately 61% of assets to stocks and 39% to bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire in or within a few years of 2020. It allocates approximately 69% of assets to stocks and 31% to bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire within a few years of 2025. It allocates approximately 76% of assets to stocks and 24% to bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire in or within a few years of 2030. It allocates approximately 84% of assets to stocks and 16% to bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire within a few years of 2035. It allocates approximately 90% of assets to stocks and 10% to bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire in or within a few years of 2040. It allocates approximately 90% of assets to stocks and 10% to bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire within a few years of 2045. It allocates approximately 90% of assets to stocks and 10% to bonds.

*Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund.* This fund seeks to provide growth of capital and current income. The fund primarily invests in other Vanguard mutual funds according to an asset allocation strategy designed for investors planning to retire in or within a few years of 2050. It allocates approximately 90% of assets to stocks and 10% to bonds.

*Federated US Treasury Cash Reinvestment Fund.* This money market fund seeks current income consistent with stability of principal and liquidity by investing only in short-term U.S. Treasury securities.

*Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund.* The fund seeks to maximize current income to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity by investing exclusively in high quality money market instruments. This fund seeks to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1.00 per share.

*The SI Financial Group Stock Fund.* This fund consists of investments in the common stock of SI Financial Group and a small amount of cash. Each participant s proportionate undivided beneficial interest in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund is measured by units. The daily unit value is calculated by determining the market value of the common stock held and adding to that any cash held by the trustee. This total will be divided by the number of units outstanding to determine the unit value of the SI Financial Group Stock Fund.

If cash dividends are paid on SI Financial Group common stock, the Savings Plan trustee will, to the extent practicable, use the dividends held in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund to purchase shares of the common stock. Pending investment in the common stock, assets held in the SI Financial Group Stock Fund will be placed in short-term investments. *The SI Financial Group Stock Fund is a single stock mutual fund and carries more investment risk than a typical mutual fund, which invests in more than one security.* 

#### **Benefits Under the Savings Plan**

*Vesting.* All participants are 100% vested in their pre-tax salary deferral and matching contribution account balances in the Savings Plan. This means that participants have a non-forfeitable right to these funds and any earnings on the funds at all times. Plan participants vest in their discretionary (profit sharing) contributions (if any) at a rate of 25% after the first two years of employment and 25% each additional year thereafter.

#### Withdrawals and Distributions From the Savings Plan

*Withdrawals Before Termination of Employment.* You may receive in-service distributions from the Savings Plan under limited circumstances in the form of hardship withdrawals and participant loans.

To qualify for a hardship withdrawal, you must have an immediate and substantial need to meet certain expenses and have no other reasonably available resources to meet the financial need. If you qualify for a hardship distribution, the trustee will make the distribution proportionately from the investment funds in which you have invested your account balances.

Participant loans are approved by the Savings Plan Administrator. If you qualify for a participant loan, the trustee will make a distribution proportionately from the investment funds in which you have invested your account balances. You may obtain information on the participant loan program from the Human Resources Department at Savings Institute.

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*Distribution Upon Retirement or Disability.* The standard form of benefit upon retirement or disability is a lump sum payment. However, if the value of a participant s accounts under the Savings Plan exceeds \$1,000, the participant may elect to defer the lump sum payment until after retirement. However, the Internal Revenue Service requires that participants receive at least a portion of their plan accounts by the April 1<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year following the calendar year in which they retire (or terminate service due to a disability) or the calendar year in which they reach age 70<sup>1</sup>/2. Participants may also choose to roll over all or a portion of their plan accounts to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), or to another employer s qualified plan, if the other employer s plan permits rollover contributions.

*Distribution Upon Death.* A participant s designated beneficiary will receive the full value of a participant s accounts under the Savings Plan upon the participant s death. If the participant did not make a valid election regarding the form of payment prior to death, the beneficiary will receive a lump sum payment as soon as administratively possible. If the participant made a valid payment election, or was otherwise scheduled to receive a deferred lump sum payment, the beneficiary will generally receive a lump sum payment on the date elected by the participant. Under certain circumstances, however, payment may be made on an earlier date.

*Distribution Upon Termination for Any Other Reason.* If your Savings Plan accounts total \$1,000 or less, you will receive a lump sum payment as soon as administratively possible after your termination of employment. If the value of your Savings Plan accounts exceed \$1,000, you will receive a lump sum payment on your normal retirement date. However, you may elect to receive the value of your vested Savings Plan accounts in a lump sum payment prior to your normal retirement date. You may also request that the trustee transfer the value of your accounts to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or to another employer s qualified plan, if the other employer s plan permits rollover contributions.

*Nonalienation of Benefits.* Except with respect to federal income tax withholding, and as provided for under a qualified domestic relations order, benefits payable under the Savings Plan will not be subject in any manner to anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance, charge, garnishment, execution, or levy of any kind, either voluntary or involuntary, and any attempt to anticipate, alienate, sell, transfer, assign, pledge, encumber, charge or otherwise dispose of any rights to benefits payable under the Savings Plan will be void.

Applicable federal tax law requires the Savings Plan to impose substantial restrictions on your right to withdraw amounts held under the plan before your termination of employment with Savings Institute. Federal law may also impose an excise tax on withdrawals from the Savings Plan before you attain 59<sup>1</sup>/2 years of age, regardless of whether the withdrawal occurs during your employment with Savings Institute or after termination of employment.

### ADMINISTRATION OF THE SAVINGS PLAN

#### Trustee

The trustee of the Savings Plan is the named fiduciary of the Savings Plan for ERISA. The board of directors of Savings Institute appoints the trustee to serve at its pleasure. The board of directors has appointed First Bankers Trust Services, Inc. as the trustee for the SI Financial Group Stock Fund. The Trust Department at Savings Institute is the trustee for all other assets in the Savings Plan.

The trustee receives, holds and invests the contributions to the Savings Plan in trust and distributes them to participants and beneficiaries in accordance with the terms of the Savings Plan and the directions of the plan administrator. The trustee is responsible for the investment of the trust assets, as directed by the participants.

#### **Reports to Savings Plan Participants**

The Savings Plan trustee furnishes participants quarterly statements that show the balance in their accounts as of the statement date, contributions made to their accounts during that period and any additional adjustments required to reflect earnings or losses.

### **Plan Administrator**

Savings Institute currently acts as plan administrator for the Savings Plan. The plan administrator handles the following administrative functions: interpreting the provisions of the plan, prescribing procedures for filing applications for benefits,

preparing and distributing information explaining the plan, maintaining plan records, books of account and all other data necessary for the proper administration of the plan, preparing and filing all returns and reports required by the U.S. Department of Labor and the Internal Revenue Service and making all required disclosures to participants, beneficiaries and others under ERISA.

#### **Amendment and Termination**

Savings Institute expects to continue the Savings Plan indefinitely. Nevertheless, Savings Institute may terminate the Savings Plan at any time. If Savings Institute terminates the Savings Plan in whole or in part, all affected participants become fully vested in their accounts, regardless of other provisions of the Savings Plan. Savings Institute reserves the right to make, from time to time, changes which do not cause any part of the trust to be used for, or diverted to, any purpose other than the exclusive benefit of participants or their beneficiaries. Savings Institute may amend the plan, however, as necessary or desirable, in order to comply with ERISA or the Internal Revenue Code.

#### Merger, Consolidation or Transfer

If the Savings Plan merges or consolidates with another plan or transfers the trust assets to another plan, and either the Savings Plan or the other plan is subsequently terminated, the Savings Plan requires that you receive a benefit immediately after the merger, consolidation or transfer that would equal or exceed the benefit you would have been entitled to receive immediately before the merger, consolidation or transfer, if the Savings Plan had terminated at that time.

#### Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following summarizes only briefly the material federal income tax aspects of the Savings Plan. You should not rely on this summary as a complete or definitive description of the material federal income tax consequences of the Savings Plan. Statutory provisions change, as do their interpretations, and their application may vary in individual circumstances. Finally, applicable state and local income tax laws may have different tax consequences than the federal income tax laws. **Savings Plan Participants should consult a tax advisor with respect to any transaction involving the Savings Plan, including any distribution from the Savings Plan.** 

As a tax-qualified retirement plan, the Internal Revenue Code affords the Savings Plan certain tax advantages, including the following:

- (1) The sponsoring employer may take an immediate tax deduction for the amount contributed to the plan each year;
- (2) participants pay no current income tax on amounts contributed by the employer on their behalf; and

(3) earnings of the plan are tax-deferred, thereby permitting the tax-free accumulation of income and gains on investments. Savings Institute administers the Savings Plan to comply in operation with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code as of the applicable effective date of any change in the law. If Savings Institute should receive an adverse determination letter from the IRS regarding the Savings Plan s tax exempt status, all participants would generally recognize income equal to their vested interests in the Savings Plan, the participants would not be permitted to transfer amounts distributed from the Savings Plan to an Individual Retirement Account or to another qualified retirement plan, and Savings Institute would be denied certain tax deductions taken in connection with the Savings Plan.

*Lump Sum Distribution.* A distribution from the Savings Plan to a participant or the beneficiary of a participant qualifies as a lump sum distribution if it is made within one taxable year, on account of the participant s death, disability or separation from service, or after the participant attains age 59 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; and consists of the balance credited to the participant under this plan and all other profit sharing plans, if any, maintained by Savings Institute. The portion of any lump sum distribution included in taxable income for federal income tax purposes consists of the entire amount of the lump sum distribution, less the amount of after-tax contributions, if any, made to any other profit-sharing plans maintained by Savings Institute, if the distribution includes those amounts.

*SI Financial Group Common Stock Included in Lump Sum Distribution.* If a lump sum distribution includes SI Financial Group common stock, the distribution generally is taxed in the manner described above. The total taxable amount

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is reduced, however, by the amount of any net unrealized appreciation on SI Financial Group common stock; that is, the excess of the value of SI Financial Group common stock at the time of the distribution over the cost or other basis of the securities to the trust. The tax basis of SI Financial Group common stock, for computing gain or loss on a subsequent sale, equals the value of SI Financial Group common stock at the time of the unrealized appreciation. Any gain on a subsequent sale or other taxable disposition of SI Financial Group common stock, to the extent of the net unrealized appreciation at the time of distribution, is long-term capital gain, regardless of how long you hold the SI Financial Group common stock, or the holding period. Any gain on a subsequent sale or other taxable disposition of SI Financial Group common stock that exceeds the amount of net unrealized appreciation upon distribution is considered long-term capital gain, regardless of the holding period. The recipient of a distribution may elect to include the amount of any net unrealized appreciation in the total taxable amount of the distribution, to the extent allowed under IRS regulations.

We have provided you with a brief description of the material federal income tax aspects of the Savings Plan that are generally applicable under the Internal Revenue Code. We do not intend this description to be a complete or definitive description of the federal income tax consequences of participating in or receiving distributions from the Savings Plan. Accordingly, you should consult a tax advisor concerning the federal, state and local tax consequences of participating in and receiving distributions from the Savings Plan.

#### **Restrictions on Resale**

Any affiliate of SI Financial Group under Rules 144 and 405 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, who receives a distribution of common stock under the Savings Plan, may re-offer or resell such shares only under a registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, assuming the availability of a registration statement, or under Rule 144 or some other exemption from these registration requirements. An affiliate of Savings Institute is someone who directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, Savings Institute. Generally, a director, principal officer or major shareholder of a corporation is deemed to be an affiliate of that corporation.

Any person who may be an affiliate of Savings Institute may wish to consult with counsel before transferring any common stock they own. In addition, participants should consult with counsel regarding the applicability to them of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which may restrict the sale of SI Financial Group common stock acquired under the Savings Plan or other sales of SI Financial Group common stock.

Persons who are *not* deemed to be affiliates of Savings Institute at the time of resale may resell freely any shares of SI Financial Group common stock distributed to them under the Savings Plan, either publicly or privately, without regard to the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or compliance with the restrictions and conditions contained in the exemptions available under federal law. A person deemed an affiliate of Savings Institute at the time of a proposed resale may publicly resell common stock only under a re-offer prospectus or in accordance with the restrictions and conditions contained in Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or some other exemption from registration, and may not use this prospectus in connection with any such resale. In general, Rule 144 restricts the amount of common stock which an affiliate may publicly resell in any three-month period to the greater of one percent of SI Financial Group common stock then outstanding or the average weekly trading volume reported on the Nasdaq Stock Market during the four calendar weeks before the sale. Affiliates may sell only through brokers without solicitation and only at a time when SI Financial Group is current in filing all required reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

#### SEC Reporting and Short-Swing Profit Liability

Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, imposes reporting and liability requirements on officers, directors and persons who beneficially own more than ten percent of public companies such as SI Financial Group Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, requires the filing of reports of beneficial ownership. Within ten days of becoming a person required to file reports under Section 16(a), such person must file a Form 3 reporting initial beneficial ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such persons must also report periodically certain changes in beneficial ownership involving the allocation or reallocation of assets held in their Savings Plan accounts, either on a Form 4 within two days after a transaction, or annually on a Form 5 within 45 days after the close of a company s fiscal year.

In addition to the reporting requirements described above, Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, provides for the recovery by SI Financial Group of profits realized from the purchase and sale or sale and purchase of its common stock within any six-month period by any officer, director or person who beneficially owns more than ten percent of the common stock.

The SEC has adopted rules that exempt many transactions involving the Savings Plan from the short-swing profit recovery provisions of Section 16(b). The exemptions generally involve restrictions upon the timing of elections to buy or sell employer securities for the accounts of any officer, director or person who beneficially owns more than ten percent of the common stock.

Except for distributions of the common stock due to death, disability, retirement, termination of employment or under a qualified domestic relations order, persons who are subject to Section 16(b) may be required, under limited circumstances involving the purchase of common stock within six months of the distribution, to hold the shares of common stock distributed from the Savings Plan for six months after the distribution date.

#### **Financial Information Regarding Plan Assets**

Financial information representing the net assets available for Savings Plan benefits at December 31, 2009, is available upon written request to *Laurie Gervais* in the Human Resources Department of Savings Institute.

#### LEGAL OPINION

The validity of the issuance of the common stock of SI Financial Group will be passed upon by Kilpatrick Stockton LLP, Washington, D.C. Kilpatrick Stockton LLP acted as special counsel for SI Financial Group in connection with the stock offering.

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## SAVINGS INSTITUTE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

#### PROFIT SHARING AND 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN

#### **INVESTMENT FORM**

Name of Plan Participant:

Social Security Number:

1. <u>Instructions</u>. In connection with the stock offering, you may direct the trustee to liquidate up to 100% of your current Savings Plan account balance, excluding your current investment in SI Financial Group, Inc. common stock ( Common Stock ) and invest the cash in the new SI Financial Group, Inc. Stock Fund ( Employer Stock Fund ).

In order to use all or a portion of your Savings Plan account balance to invest in the stock offering you must complete and submit this form to Laurie Gervais in the Human Resources Department by 5:00 pm on Friday, December 13, 2010. Current Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company employees should return their forms through inter-office mail. Former Savings Institute employees should return their forms using the business reply envelope that has been provided. A representative for the Plan Administrator will retain a copy of this form and return a copy to you. If you need any assistance in completing this form, please contact Laurie Gervais at (860) 456-6569. If you do not complete and return this form to Laurie Gervais by 5:00 pm on Friday, December 13, 2010, the funds credited to your account under the Savings Plan will continue to be invested in accordance with your prior investment directions, or in accordance with the terms of the Savings Plan if no investment directions have been provided.

2. <u>Investment Directions</u>. I hereby authorize the Plan Administrator to direct the Trustee to invest the following percentages (in multiples of not less than 1%) of my Savings Plan account balance in the Employer Stock Fund:

Columbia Acorn Select Z Fund	%
Harbor Bond Institutional Fund	%
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	%
Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund	%
Harbor International Institutional Fund	%
Davis New York Venture Y Fund	%
Fidelity Capital Appreciation Fund	%
Perkins Mid Cap Value T Fund	%
Vanguard Small Cap Value Index Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2010 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2015 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	%
Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	%
Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund	%

All funds liquidated for the purpose of investing in the Employer Stock Fund will be held in the Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund until they are used to purchase SI Financial Group common stock through the Employer Stock Fund. SI Financial Group common stock is being sold in the stock offering at \$8.00 per share, therefore only amounts divisible by 8 will be invested in the Employer Stock Fund.

**For example:** If you direct the Trustee to sell 5% of your investment in the *Harbor Bond Institutional Fund* and the sale generates \$204.00, the Trustee will transfer the \$204.00 into the Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund and use \$200.00 to purchase shares in the stock

offering (200/8 = 25 shares).

At the close of the stock offering, you can re-invest the remaining \$4.00 in any of the Savings Plan investments.

Participants who are currently invested in the Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund and wish to use those funds to purchase shares of SI Financial Group common stock in the stock offering must complete this Investment Election Form for record-keeping purposes.

If there is not enough Common Stock in the stock offering to fill my subscription pursuant to the investment directions above, I hereby instruct the Trustee to purchase shares of Common Stock in the open market after the close of the stock offering to the extent necessary to fulfill my investment directions indicated on this form. I understand that if I do not direct the Trustee by checking the box below, the excess funds will remain in the Northern Trust Government Money Market Fund until I decide to reinvest the funds in other Savings Plan assets.

Yes, I direct the Trustee to purchase stock in the open market, if necessary.
 **3.** <u>Purchaser Information</u>. The ability of participants in the Savings Plan to purchase Common Stock and to direct their current account balances into the Employer Stock Fund is based upon the participant s subscription rights. Please indicate your status.

- " Check here if you had \$50.00 or more on deposit with Savings Institute as of June 30, 2009.
- " Check here if you had \$50.00 or more on deposit with Savings Institute as of September 30, 2010.
- " Check here if you had a deposit with Savings Institute as of October 29, 2010.
- " Check here if you are not eligible in the above subscription offering categories and so are placing your order in the community offering.

4. <u>Acknowledgment of Participant</u>. I understand that this Investment Form shall be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Savings Plan. I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement.

Signature of Participant

Date

Acknowledgment of Receipt by Administrator. This Investment Form was received by the Plan Administrator and will become effective on the date noted below.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

THE PARTICIPATION INTERESTS REPRESENTED BY THE COMMON STOCK OFFERED HEREBY ARE NOT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS AND ARE NOT INSURED BY THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND ARE NOT GUARANTEED BY SI FINANCIAL GROUP OR SAVINGS INSTITUTE. THE COMMON STOCK IS SUBJECT TO AN INVESTMENT RISK, INCLUDING THE POSSIBLE LOSS OF THE PRINCIPAL INVESTED. Edgar Filing: SI Financial Group, Inc. - Form 424B3

# PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO LAURIE GERVAIS IN

# THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

# AT SAVINGS INSTITUTE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

BY 5:00 P.M. ON DECEMBER 13, 2010

# SUBSCRIPTION AND COMMUNITY

#### **OFFERING PROSPECTUS**

#### (Proposed holding company for Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company)

# Up to 7,546,875 Shares of Common Stock

#### (Subject to increase to 8,678,906 shares)

SI Financial Group, Inc., a newly formed Maryland corporation, is offering common stock for sale in connection with the conversion of SI Bancorp, MHC from the mutual to the stock form of organization.

We are offering up to 7,546,875 shares of common stock for sale on a best efforts basis, subject to certain conditions. We must sell a minimum of 5,578,125 shares to complete the offering. All shares are offered at a price of \$8.00 per share. Purchasers will not pay a commission to purchase shares of common stock in the offering. The amount of capital being raised is based on an independent appraisal of new SI Financial Group. Most of the terms of this offering are required by regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision. If, as a result of regulatory considerations, demand for the shares or changes in financial market conditions, the independent appraiser determines that our market value has increased, we may sell up to 8,678,906 shares without giving you further notice or the opportunity to change or cancel your order. SI Financial Group, Inc. s common stock is currently listed on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SIFI. We expect that new SI Financial Group s common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Market under the trading symbol SIFID for a period of 20 trading days after the completion of the offering. Thereafter, the trading symbol will be SIFI.

The shares we are offering represent the 61.9% ownership interest in SI Financial Group, a federal corporation, currently owned by SI Bancorp, MHC. The remaining 38.1% interest in SI Financial Group currently owned by public shareholders will be exchanged for shares of common stock of new SI Financial Group. Each share of SI Financial Group owned by public shareholders will be exchanged for between 0.7655 and 1.0357 shares of common stock of new SI Financial Group (subject to increase to 1.1910 if we sell 8,678,906 shares in the offering) so that SI Financial Group s existing public shareholders will own approximately the same percentage of new SI Financial Group common stock as they owned of SI Financial Group s common stock immediately before the conversion. We also intend to make a contribution to SI Financial Group Foundation, Inc., our charitable foundation, of up to \$500,000 in cash in connection with the conversion. Other than shares issued in the exchange, we will not issue any shares of new SI Financial Group common stock to SI Financial Group Foundation in connection with the conversion and offering. The present SI Financial Group and SI Bancorp, MHC will cease to exist upon completion of the conversion and offering.

We are offering the shares of common stock in a subscription offering to eligible depositors of Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company. Shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription offering may be offered for sale to the general public in a community offering, with a preference given to our communities and existing shareholders of SI Financial Group. We also may offer for sale shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription offering or community offering managed by Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated. We retain the right to accept or reject, in part or in whole, any order received in the community offering or the syndicated community offering. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated is not required to purchase any shares of common stock that are being offered for sale.

The minimum order is 25 shares. The subscription offering will end at 2:00 p.m., Eastern time, on December 20, 2010. We expect that the community offering, if held, will terminate at the same time, although it may continue without notice to you until February 3, 2011 or longer if the Office of Thrift Supervision approves a later date. No single extension may exceed 90 days and the offering must be completed by December 23, 2012. Once submitted, orders are irrevocable unless the offering is terminated or is extended beyond February 3, 2011, or the number of shares of common stock to be sold is increased to more than 8,678,906 shares or decreased to less than 5,578,125 shares. If we extend the offering beyond February 3, 2011, all subscribers will be notified and given the opportunity to confirm, change or cancel their orders. If you do not respond to this notice, we will promptly return your funds, with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate or cancel your deposit account withdrawal authorization. If we intend to sell fewer than 5,578,125 shares or more than 8,678,906 shares, we will promptly return all funds and set a new offering range. All subscribers will be notified and given the opportunity to place a new order. Funds received before the completion of the subscription and community offerings will be held in a segregated account at Savings Institute and will earn interest at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate, which is currently 0.20% per annum.

#### This investment involves a degree of risk, including the possible loss of principal. Please read <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page 17.

#### OFFERING SUMMARY

Price Per Share: \$8.00

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			Maximum,
			as adjusted
5,578,125	6,562,500	7,546,875	8,678,906
\$ 44,625,000	\$ 52,500,000	\$ 60,375,000	\$ 69,431,248
\$ 1,135,000	\$ 1,135,000	\$ 1,135,000	\$ 1,135,000
\$ 1,863,470	\$ 2,150,120	\$ 2,436,770	\$ 2,766,417
\$ 41,626,530	\$ 49,214,880	\$ 56,803,230	\$ 65,529,831
\$ 7.46	\$ 7.50	\$ 7.53	\$ 7.55
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- (1) Includes: (i) selling commissions payable by us to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated in connection with the subscription and community offerings equal to 1% of the aggregate amount of common stock in the subscription and community offerings (net of insider purchases and shares purchased by our ESOP) or approximately \$235,000 at the adjusted maximum of the offering range, assuming that 40% of the offering is sold in the subscription and community offerings and the remaining 60% of the offering will be sold by a syndicate of broker-dealers in a syndicated community offering; (ii) fees and selling commissions payable by us to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. and any other broker-dealers participating in the syndicated community offering equal to 5.5% of the aggregate amount of common stock sold in the syndicated community offering, or approximately \$2.3 million at the adjusted maximum of the offering range; and (iii) other expenses of the offering payable to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated as selling agent estimated to be \$240,000. For information regarding compensation to be received by Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. and the other broker-dealers that may participate in the syndicated community offering, including the assumptions regarding the number of shares that may be sold in the subscription and community offering sand the syndicated community offering to determine the estimated offering expenses, see *Pro Forma Data* on page 39 and *The Conversion and Offering Marketing Arrangements* on page 128.
- (2) If all shares of common stock are sold in the syndicated community offering, the maximum commissions and expenses payable to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. would be \$2.5 million at the minimum, \$2.9 million at the midpoint, \$3.3 million at the maximum, and \$3.8 million at the adjusted maximum of the offering range.

These securities are not deposits or savings accounts and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Office of Thrift Supervision nor any state securities regulator has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

# **Stifel Nicolaus Weisel**

For assistance, please contact the Stock Information Center, toll-free, at (877) 643-8198.

The date of this prospectus is November 10, 2010

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# Summary

This summary highlights material information from this document and may not contain all the information that is important to you. To understand the conversion and offering fully, you should read this entire document carefully.

#### **Our Company**

*SI Financial Group, Inc.* SI Financial Group, Inc. is, and new SI Financial Group, Inc. following the completion of the conversion and offering will be, the unitary savings and loan holding company for Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company, a federally chartered savings bank. SI Financial Group is a federally chartered corporation and new SI Financial Group is a Maryland chartered corporation. Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol SIFI. At June 30, 2010, SI Financial Group had consolidated total assets of \$889.4 million, net loans of \$606.5 million, total deposits of \$676.8 million and total shareholders equity of \$81.2 million. As of the date of this prospectus, SI Financial Group had 11,777,496 shares of common stock outstanding, of which 4,490,521 shares of common stock were owned by public shareholders.

For a description of important provisions in new SI Financial Group s articles of incorporation and bylaws, see *Restrictions on Acquisition of New SI Financial Group*.

*SI Bancorp, MHC*. SI Bancorp, MHC is the federally chartered mutual holding company of SI Financial Group. SI Bancorp, MHC s sole business activity is the ownership of 7,286,975 shares of common stock of SI Financial Group or 61.9% of the common stock outstanding as of the date of this prospectus. After completion of the conversion, SI Bancorp, MHC will cease to exist.

*Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company.* Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company is headquartered in Willimantic, Connecticut and has provided community banking services to customers since 1842. We currently operate 21 full-service locations in Hartford, Middlesex, New London, Tolland and Windham Counties in Connecticut and one trust servicing office in Rutland, Vermont. At June 30, 2010, Savings Institute exceeded all regulatory capital requirements to be considered a well capitalized institution and was not a participant in any of the U.S. Treasury s capital raising programs for financial institutions.

Our principal executive offices are located at 803 Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut 06226 and our telephone number is (860) 423-4581. Our web site address is <u>www.savingsinstitute.com</u>. Information on our website should not be considered a part of this prospectus.

#### **Market Area**

SI Financial Group is headquartered in Willimantic, Connecticut, which is located in eastern Connecticut approximately 30 miles east of Hartford, Connecticut. Savings Institute operates offices in Windham, New London, Tolland, Hartford and Middlesex Counties, which Savings Institute considers its primary market area. The economy in its market area is primarily oriented to the educational, service, entertainment, manufacturing and retail industries.

The major employers in the area include several institutions of higher education, the Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods casinos, General Dynamics Defense Systems and Pfizer, Inc. According to published statistics, Windham County s population in 2009 was 117,328 and consisted of 43,216 households. The population increased 7.6% from 2000. Median household income in Windham County is \$56,000, compared to \$68,000 for Connecticut as a whole and \$51,000 nationally. The surrounding counties of Hartford, Middlesex, New London and Tolland Counties have median household incomes of \$64,000, \$63,000, \$75,000 and \$75,000, respectively.

#### **Our Business**

We are a full-service retail banking institution. Our primary business lines involve generating funds from deposits or borrowings and investing such funds in loans and investment securities. We currently operate 21 full-service banking locations throughout eastern Connecticut.

Our operations are managed as a single business segment. Within that segment, our primary business products and services are:

**Commercial Lending.** We continue to place an emphasis on commercial lending, which includes multi-family and commercial real estate loans, construction loans for commercial development projects, and commercial business loans. To supplement originated growth, we also purchase loans from other financial institutions that are guaranteed by the Small Business Administration and the United States Department of Agriculture. Commercial loans constituted 46.8% of our total loan portfolio at June 30, 2010.

**Retail Lending.** We originate one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, loans to individuals for the construction of residential dwellings, home equity loans and consumer loans through our community banking office network. Retail loans constituted 53.2% of our total loan portfolio at June 30, 2010.

**Deposit Products and Services.** We offer a full range of traditional deposit products such as checking accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts, retirement accounts and certificates of deposit. These products can have additional features such as direct deposit, ATM and check card services, overdraft protection, telephone banking and Internet banking, thereby providing our customers multiple channels to access their accounts.

Wealth Management Services. In addition to our traditional community banking products and services, we differentiate ourselves from the other community banks in our market area by offering a full array of insurance, investment and trust products and services. Our Business Strategy

Our mission is to operate and grow a profitable community-oriented financial institution. SI Financial Group plans to achieve this by continuing its strategies of:

**Offering a full range of financial products and services.** We have a long tradition of focusing on the needs of consumers and small and medium-sized businesses in the community and being an active corporate citizen. We believe that our community orientation, quicker decision-making process and customized products are attractive and distinguish us from the larger regional banks that operate in our market area. In this context, we strive to become a financial services company offering one-stop shopping for all of our customers financial needs through banking, investments, insurance and trust products and services. We believe that our broad array of product offerings deepen our relationships with our current customers and entice new customers to begin banking with us, ultimately increasing fee income and profitability.

Actively managing our balance sheet and diversifying our asset mix. The current economic recession has underscored the importance of a strong balance sheet. We manage our balance sheet by: (1) prudently increasing the percentage of our assets consisting of multi-family and commercial real estate and commercial business loans, which offer higher yields, shorter maturities and more sensitivity to interest rate fluctuations; (2) managing our interest rate risk by diversifying the type and maturity of our assets in our loan and investment portfolios and monitoring the maturities in our deposit portfolio; and (3) maintaining strong capital levels and liquidity. Multi-family and commercial real estate and commercial business loans increased \$13.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and \$28.0 million and \$36.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and comprised 46.0% of total loans at June 30, 2010. We intend to continue to pursue the opportunities from the many multi-family and commercial properties and businesses located in our market area.

**Continuing conservative underwriting practices and maintaining a high quality loan portfolio.** We believe that strong asset quality is a key to long-term financial success. We have sought to maintain a high level of asset quality and moderate credit risk by using conservative underwriting standards and by diligent monitoring and collection efforts. Nonperforming loans decreased from \$9.3 million at December 31, 2008 to \$4.3 million at June 30, 2010. At June 30, 2010, nonperforming loans were 0.70% of the total

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loan portfolio and 0.48% of total assets. Although we intend to increase our multi-family and commercial real estate and commercial business lending, we intend to continue our philosophy of managing large loan exposures through conservative loan underwriting and credit administration standards.

**Increasing core deposits.** Our primary source of funds is retail deposit accounts. At June 30, 2010, 55.2% of our deposits were core deposits, consisting of demand, savings and money market accounts. We value core deposits because they represent longer-term customer relationships and a lower cost of funding compared to certificates of deposit. Core deposits have continued to increase primarily due to the investments we have made in our branch network, new product offerings, competitive interest rates and the movement of customer funds out of riskier investments, including the stock market. We intend to continue to increase our core deposits and to focus on gaining market share in counties outside of Windham County by continuing to offer exceptional customer service, cross-selling our loan and deposit products and trust, insurance and investment services and increasing our commercial deposits from small and medium-sized businesses through additional business banking and cash management products.

**Supplementing fee income through expanded mortgage banking operations.** We view the changing regulatory landscape and historically low interest rate environment as an opportunity to gain noninterest income by leveraging our expertise in originating residential mortgages and selling such increased originations in the secondary market. This strategy enables us to have a much larger lending capacity, provide a more comprehensive product offering and reduce the interest rate, prepayment and credit risks associated with originating residential loans for retention in our loan portfolio. Further, this strategy allows us to be more flexible with the single-family residential loans we maintain for investment. To accelerate this initiative, we hired two additional mortgage originators in 2010 and intend to hire at least one more originator in 2011. The increased capital we raise from this offering may allow us to maintain a greater amount of loans held for sale, which will allow us to increase our mortgage banking operations.

**Grow through acquisitions.** We intend to pursue expansion opportunities in areas in or adjacent to our existing market area in strategic locations that maximize growth opportunities or with companies that add complementary products to our existing business. We believe that the current economic recession will increase the rate of consolidation in the banking industry. We will look to be opportunistic to expand through the acquisition of banks or other financial service companies and believe additional capital will better position us to take advantage of those opportunities. While we periodically conduct informal discussion with other parties, we currently do not have any specific plans for any such acquisitions.

#### **Description of the Conversion (page 117)**

In 2000, we reorganized Savings Institute into a stock savings bank with a mutual holding company structure. In 2004, we formed SI Financial Group as the mid-tier holding company for Savings Institute and sold a minority interest in SI Financial Group common stock to our depositors and our employee stock ownership plan in a subscription offering and contributed shares to our charitable foundation. The majority of SI Financial Group s shares were issued to SI Bancorp, MHC, a mutual holding company organized under federal law. As a mutual holding company, SI Bancorp, MHC does not have any shareholders, does not hold any significant assets other than the common stock of SI Financial Group, and does not engage in any significant business activity. Our current ownership structure is as follows:



The second-step conversion process that we are now undertaking involves a series of transactions by which we will convert our organization from the partially public mutual holding company form to the fully public stock holding company structure. In the stock holding company structure, all of Savings Institute s common stock will be owned by new SI Financial Group, and all of new SI Financial Group s common stock will be owned by the public. We are conducting the conversion and offering under the terms of our plan of conversion and reorganization (which is referred to as the plan of conversion ). Upon completion of the conversion and offering, the present SI Financial Group and SI Bancorp, MHC will cease to exist.

As part of the conversion, we are offering for sale common stock representing the 61.9% ownership interest of SI Financial Group that is currently held by SI Bancorp, MHC. At the conclusion of the conversion and offering, existing public shareholders of SI Financial Group will receive shares of common stock in new SI Financial Group in exchange for their existing shares of common stock of SI Financial Group, based upon an exchange ratio of 0.7655 to 1.0357. The actual exchange ratio will be determined at the conclusion of the conversion and the offering based on the total number of shares sold in the offering, and is intended to result in SI Financial Group s existing public shareholders owning the same percentage interest, 38.1%, of new SI Financial Group common stock as they currently own of SI Financial Group common stock, before giving effect to cash paid in lieu of issuing fractional shares and shares that existing shareholders may purchase in the offering. In addition, we intend to make a cash contribution to our existing charitable foundation to provide the foundation with additional liquidity. Other than shares issued in the exchange, we will not issue any shares of new SI Financial Group common stock to the foundation in connection with the conversion and offering.

After the conversion and offering, our ownership structure will be as follows:

We may cancel the conversion and offering with the concurrence of the Office of Thrift Supervision. If cancelled, orders for common stock already submitted will be cancelled, subscribers funds will be promptly returned with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate and all deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be cancelled.

The normal business operations of Savings Institute will continue without interruption during the conversion and offering, and the same officers and directors who currently serve Savings Institute in the mutual holding company structure will serve the new holding company and Savings Institute in the fully converted stock form.

#### Reasons for the Conversion and Offering (page 117)

Our primary reasons for the conversion and offering are the following:

While Savings Institute currently exceeds all regulatory capital requirements to be considered a well capitalized institution, the proceeds from the sale of common stock will increase our capital, which will support continued lending and operational growth. In deciding to conduct the conversion and offering at this time, our Board of Directors considered current market conditions, the amount of capital needed for continued growth, that the offering will not raise an excessive amount of capital and the interests of existing shareholders and customers.

The larger number of shares that will be in the hands of public investors after completion of the conversion and offering is expected to result in a more liquid and active trading market than currently exists for SI Financial Group common stock. A more liquid and active trading market would make it easier for our shareholders to buy and sell our common stock. See *Market for the Common Stock*.

The stock holding company structure is a more familiar form of organization, which we believe will make our common stock more appealing to investors, and will give us greater flexibility to access the capital markets through possible future equity and debt offerings and to acquire other financial institutions or financial service companies. Our current mutual holding structure limits our ability to raise capital or issue stock in an acquisition transaction because SI Bancorp, MHC must own at least 50.1% of the shares of SI Financial Group. Currently, however, we have no plans, agreements or understandings regarding any additional securities offerings or acquisitions.

We are currently regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision. The financial regulatory reform legislation will result in changes to our primary bank regulator and holding company regulator, as well as changes in regulations applicable to us, which may include changes in regulations affecting capital requirements, payment of dividends and conversion to stock form. Specifically, under the Dodd-Frank Act, the Federal Reserve Board will become the sole federal regulator of all holding companies, including mutual holding companies, and the Federal Reserve Board historically has not allowed mutual holding companies to waive the receipt of dividends from their mid-tier holding company subsidiaries. Although SI Bancorp, MHC is considered a grandfathered mutual holding company under the Dodd-Frank Act, it is not clear how the Federal Reserve Board will evaluate dividend waivers by grandfathered mutual holding companies and whether the Federal Reserve Board would require any future waived dividends to be taken into account in determining an appropriate exchange ratio, which would result in dilution to the ownership interests of minority stockholders in the event of a second-step conversion to stock form. The reorganization will eliminate our mutual holding company structure and any regulatory uncertainty associated with dividend waivers by our mutual holding company, as well as the treatment of waived dividends in a conversion of our mutual holding company to stock form and better position us to meet all future regulatory capital requirements. See *Regulation and Supervision*.

### **Terms of the Offering**

We are offering between 5,578,125 and 7,546,875 shares of common stock in a subscription offering to eligible depositors of Savings Institute and to our tax-qualified employee benefit plans, including our employee stock ownership plan. To the extent shares remain available, we may offer shares in a community offering to natural persons and trusts of natural persons residing in Hartford, Middlesex, New London, Tolland and Windham Counties in Connecticut, to our existing public shareholders and to the general public. With regulatory approval, we may increase the number of shares to be sold up to 8,678,906 shares without giving you further notice or the opportunity to change or cancel your order. In considering whether to increase the offering size, the Office of Thrift Supervision will consider the level of subscriptions, the views of our independent appraiser, our financial condition and results of operations and changes in financial market conditions. Once submitted, orders are irrevocable unless the offering is terminated or is extended beyond February 3, 2011, or the number of shares of common stock to be sold is increased to more than 8,678,906 shares or decreased to less than 5,578,125 shares. If we extend the offering beyond February 3, 2011, all subscribers will be notified and given the opportunity to confirm, change or cancel their orders. If you do not respond to this notice, we will promptly return your funds with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate or cancel your deposit account withdrawal authorization. If we intend to sell fewer than 5,578,125 shares or more than 8,678,906 shares will be notified and given the opportunity to place a new order.

Shares of our common stock not purchased in the subscription offering or the community offering may be offered for sale to the general public in a syndicated community offering through a syndicate of selected dealers on a best efforts basis. We may begin the syndicated community offering at any time following the commencement of the subscription offering. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will act as sole book-running manager and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. will act as a co-manager for the syndicated community offering. Neither Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated nor any other member of the syndicate is required to purchase any shares in the syndicated community offering.

The purchase price is \$8.00 per share. All investors will pay the same purchase price per share. Investors will not be charged a commission to purchase shares of common stock in the offering. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, our conversion advisor and marketing agent in the offering, will use its best efforts to assist us in selling shares of our common stock. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated is not obligated to purchase any shares of common stock in the offering.

#### How We Determined the Offering Range and Exchange Ratio (page 120)

Federal regulations require that the aggregate purchase price of the securities sold in the offering be based upon our estimated pro forma market value after the conversion (*i.e.*, taking into account the expected receipt of net proceeds from the sale of securities in the offering), as determined by an independent appraisal. We have retained RP Financial, LC., which is experienced in the evaluation and appraisal of financial institutions, to prepare the appraisal. RP Financial has indicated that in its valuation as of August 26, 2010, our common stock s estimated market value ranged from \$72.1 million to \$97.6 million, with a midpoint of \$84.9 million. Based on this valuation, we are selling the number of shares representing the 61.9% of SI Financial Group currently owned by SI Bancorp, MHC. This results in an offering range of \$44.6 million to \$60.4 million, with a midpoint of \$52.5 million. RP Financial will receive fees totaling \$90,000 for its appraisal report, plus \$10,000 for any appraisal updates (of which there will be at least one) and reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.

The appraisal was based in part upon SI Financial Group s financial condition and results of operations, the effect of the net proceeds we will receive from the sale of common stock in this offering, the cash to be contributed to the charitable foundation and an analysis of a peer group of ten publicly traded savings and loan holding companies that RP Financial considered comparable to SI Financial Group. The appraisal peer group consists of the companies listed below. Total assets are as of June 30, 2010.

Company Name and Ticker Symbol	Exchange	Headquarters	Total Assets (In millions)
Beacon Federal Bancorp, Inc. (BFED)	NASDAQ	East Syracuse, NY	\$ 1,072
Central Bancorp, Inc. (CEBK)	NASDAQ	Somerville, MA	527
ESB Financial Corporation (ESBF)	NASDAQ	Ellwood City, PA	1,948
ESSA Bancorp, Inc. (ESSA)	NASDAQ	Stroudsburg, PA	1,067
Harleysville Savings Financial Corporation (HARL)	NASDAQ	Harleysville, PA	867
Hingham Institution for Savings (HIFS)	NASDAQ	Hingham, MA	972
New Hampshire Thrift Bancshares, Inc. (NHTB)	NASDAQ	Newport, NH	993
TF Financial Corporation (THRD)	NASDAQ	Newton, PA	721
United Financial Bancorp, Inc. (UBNK)	NASDAQ	West Springfield, MA	1,545
Westfield Financial, Inc. (WFD)	NASDAQ	Westfield, MA	1,235
Harleysville Savings Financial Corporation (HARL) Hingham Institution for Savings (HIFS) New Hampshire Thrift Bancshares, Inc. (NHTB) TF Financial Corporation (THRD) United Financial Bancorp, Inc. (UBNK)	NASDAQ NASDAQ NASDAQ NASDAQ NASDAQ	Harleysville, PA Hingham, MA Newport, NH Newton, PA West Springfield, MA	86 97 99 72 1,54

In preparing its appraisal, RP Financial considered the information in this prospectus, including our financial statements. RP Financial also considered the following factors, among others:

our historical and projected operating results and financial condition, including, but not limited to, net interest income, the amount and volatility of interest income and interest expense relative to changes in market conditions and interest rates, asset quality, levels of loan loss provisions, the amount and sources of noninterest income, and the amount of noninterest expense;

the economic, demographic and competitive characteristics of our market area, including, but not limited to, employment by industry type, unemployment trends, size and growth of the population, trends in household and per capita income and deposit market share;

a comparative evaluation of our operating and financial statistics with those of other similarly-situated, publicly traded savings associations and savings association holding companies, which included a comparative analysis of balance sheet composition, income statement and balance sheet ratios, credit and interest rate risk exposure;

the effect of the capital raised in this offering on our net worth and earnings potential, including, but not limited to, the increase in consolidated equity resulting from the offering, the estimated increase in earnings resulting from the investment of the net proceeds of the offering, and the estimated impact on consolidated equity and earnings resulting from adoption of the proposed employee stock benefit plans; and

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the trading market for SI Financial Group common stock and securities of comparable institutions and general conditions in the market for such securities.

The independent appraisal also reflects the cash contribution to SI Financial Group Foundation. The cash contribution to the charitable foundation will not have a material effect on our estimated pro forma market value.

Two measures that some investors use to analyze whether a stock might be a good investment are the ratio of the offering price to the issuer s book value and tangible book value and the ratio of the offering price to the issuer s core

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earnings. RP Financial considered these ratios in preparing its appraisal, among other factors. Book value is the same as total equity and represents the difference between the issuer s assets and liabilities. Tangible book value is equal to total equity minus intangible assets. Core earnings, for purposes of the appraisal, was defined as net earnings after taxes, excluding the after-tax portion of income from nonrecurring items. In applying each of the valuation methods, RP Financial considered adjustments to our pro forma market value based on a comparison of SI Financial Group with the peer group. RP Financial made slight downward adjustments for profitability, growth and viability of earnings and for marketing of the issue and made a slight upward adjustment for financial condition.

The following table presents a summary of selected pricing ratios for the peer group companies utilized by RP Financial in its appraisal and the pro forma pricing ratios for us as calculated by RP Financial in its appraisal report, based on financial data as of and for the twelve months ended June 30, 2010. The pricing ratios for SI Financial Group are based on financial data as of or for the twelve months ended June 30, 2010.

	Price to Earnings Multiple	Price to Core Earnings Multiple	Price to Book Value Ratio	Price to Tangible Book Value Ratio
New SI Financial Group (pro forma):				
Minimum	32.80x	36.07x	60.93%	63.14%
Midpoint	38.54	42.37	67.74	70.05
Maximum	44.26	48.65	73.87	76.26
Maximum, as adjusted	50.81	55.85	80.16	82.64
Pricing ratios of peer group companies as of August 26, 2010:				
Average	15.21x	15.83x	85.14%	93.10%
Median	12.02	11.48	86.74	97.68

Compared to the average pricing ratios of the peer group, at the maximum of the offering range our common stock would be priced at a premium of 191.0% to the peer group on a price-to-earnings basis, a premium of 207.3% on a price-to-core earnings basis, a discount of 13.2% on a price-to-book basis and a discount of 18.1% on a price-to-tangible book basis. This means that, at the maximum of the offering range, a share of our common stock would be less expensive than the peer group on a book value and tangible book value basis.

Compared to the average pricing ratios of the peer group, at the minimum of the offering range our common stock would be priced at a premium of 115.6% to the peer group on a price-to-earnings basis, a premium of 129.7% on a price-to-core earnings basis, a discount of 28.4% on a price-to-book basis and a discount of 32.2% on a price-to-tangible book basis. This means that, at the minimum of the offering range, a share of our common stock would be less expensive than the peer group on a book value and tangible book value basis.

Our Board of Directors reviewed RP Financial s appraisal report, including the methodology and the assumptions used by RP Financial, and determined that the offering range was reasonable and adequate. Our Board of Directors has decided to offer the shares for a price of \$8.00 per share. The purchase price of \$8.00 per share was determined by us, taking into account, among other factors, the market price of our stock before adoption of the plan of conversion, the requirement under Office of Thrift Supervision regulations that the common stock be offered in a manner that will achieve the widest distribution of the stock, and desired liquidity in the common stock after the offering. Our Board of Directors also established the formula for determining the exchange ratio. Based upon such formula and the offering range, the exchange ratio ranged from a minimum of 0.7655 to a maximum of 1.0357 shares of new SI Financial Group common stock for each current share of SI Financial Group common stock, with a midpoint of 0.9006. Based upon this exchange ratio, we expect to issue between 3,437,460 and 4,650,682 shares of new SI Financial Group common stock outstanding immediately before the completion of the conversion and offering.

Because of differences in important factors such as operating characteristics, location, financial performance, asset size, capital structure and business prospects between us and other fully converted institutions, you should not rely on these comparative valuation ratios as an indication as to whether or not our common stock is an appropriate investment for you. The appraisal is not intended, and must not be construed, as a recommendation of any kind as to the advisability of purchasing our common stock. The appraisal does not indicate market value. You should not assume or expect that the appraisal described above means that our common stock will trade at or above the \$8.00 purchase price after the offering.

Our Board of Directors makes no recommendation of any kind as to the advisability of purchasing shares of common stock in the offering.

#### **Possible Change in Offering Range**

RP Financial will update its appraisal before we complete the conversion and offering. If, as a result of regulatory considerations, demand for the shares or changes in financial market conditions, RP Financial determines that our estimated pro forma market value has increased, we may sell up to 8,678,906 shares without further notice to you. If our pro forma market value at that time is either below \$72.1 million or above \$112.2 million, then, after consulting with the Office of Thrift Supervision, we may: terminate the offering and promptly return all funds; promptly return all funds, set a new offering range and give all subscribers the opportunity to place a new order; or take such other actions as may be permitted by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### The Exchange of Existing Shares of SI Financial Group Common Stock (page 119)

If you are a shareholder of SI Financial Group on the date we complete the conversion and offering, your existing shares will be cancelled and exchanged for shares of new SI Financial Group. The number of shares you will receive will be based on an exchange ratio determined as of the completion of the conversion and offering that is intended to result in SI Financial Group s existing public shareholders owning approximately 38.1% of new SI Financial Group s common stock, which is the same percentage of SI Financial Group common stock currently owned by existing public shareholders. The exchange ratio will not be based on the market price of SI Financial Group common stock. The following table shows how the exchange ratio will adjust, based on the number of shares sold in our offering. The table also shows how many shares a hypothetical owner of 100 shares of SI Financial Group common stock would receive in the exchange, based on the number of shares sold in the offering.

	Shares to b In the Off		Shares to be E for Existing S SI Financial	shares of						Shares to be
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					Stock to be	Exchange	Value		xchanged	Shares
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Outstanding	Ratio	(1)	5	Share (2)	(3)
Minimum	5,578,125	61.9%	3,437,460	38.1%	9,015,585	0.7655	\$ 6.12	\$	9.70	76
Midpoint	6,562,500	61.9%	4,044,071	38.1%	10,606,571	0.9006	7.20	)	10.28	90
Maximum	7,546,875	61.9%	4,650,682	38.1%	12,197,557	1.0357	8.29		10.86	103
Maximum, as adjusted	8,678,906	61.9%	5,348,284	38.1%	14,027,190	1.1910	9.53		11.53	119

Represents the value of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock received in the conversion by a holder of one share of SI (1)Financial Group common stock at the exchange ratio, assuming an offering price of \$8.00 per share.

- Represents the pro forma tangible shareholders equity per share at each level of the offering range multiplied by the respective exchange (2)ratio.
- Cash will be paid instead of issuing any fractional shares. (3)

No fractional shares of new SI Financial Group common stock will be issued in the conversion and offering. For each fractional share that would otherwise be issued, we will pay cash in an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the fractional share interest to which the holder would otherwise be entitled by the \$8.00 per share offering price.

We also will convert options previously awarded under the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan into options to purchase new SI Financial Group common stock. At June 30, 2010, there were outstanding options to purchase 496,750 shares of SI Financial Group common stock. The number of outstanding options and related per share exercise prices will be adjusted based on the exchange ratio. The aggregate exercise price, term and vesting period of the outstanding options will remain unchanged. If any options are exercised before we complete the offering, the number of shares of SI Financial Group common stock outstanding will increase and the exchange ratio could be adjusted.

#### How We Intend to Use the Proceeds of this Offering (page 32)

The following table summarizes how we intend to use the proceeds of the offering, based on the sale of shares at the minimum and maximum of the offering range.

(Dollars in thousands)	A	,125 Shares at \$8.00 er Share	Percent of Net Proceeds	A	,875 Shares At \$8.00 er Share	Percent of Net Proceeds
Offering proceeds	\$	44,625		\$	60,375	
Less: offering expenses		(2,998)			(3,572)	
Net offering proceeds		41,627	100.0%		56,803	100.0%
Less:						
Proceeds contributed to Savings						
Institute		24,976	60.0		34,082	60.0
Proceeds used for loan to						
employee stock ownership plan		2,678	6.4		3,623	6.4
Proceeds contributed to SI Financial Group Foundation by SI						
Financial Group		500	1.2		500	0.9
Proceeds remaining for new SI Financial Group	\$	13,473	32.4%	\$	18,598	32.7%

Initially, we intend to invest the proceeds of the offering in short-term investments. In the future, new SI Financial Group may use the funds it retains to invest in securities, pay cash dividends, repurchase shares of its common stock, subject to regulatory restrictions, or for general corporate purposes. Savings Institute intends to use the portion of the proceeds that it receives to fund new loans and expand its mortgage banking activities. We expect that much of the loan growth will occur in our commercial real estate and commercial business portfolios, which we have emphasized in recent years, but we have not allocated specific dollar amounts to any particular area of our loan portfolio. The amount of time that it will take to deploy the proceeds of the offering into loans will depend primarily on the level of loan demand. Savings Institute may also use the proceeds to finance the possible expansion of its business activities, including developing new branch locations, although there are no specific plans for these activities. We may also use the proceeds of the offering to diversify our business or acquire other companies as opportunities arise, primarily in or adjacent to our existing market areas, although we have no specific plans to do so at this time.

#### Purchases by Directors and Executive Officers (page 107)

We expect that our directors and executive officers, together with their associates, will subscribe for approximately 18,037 shares, which is 0.3% of the midpoint of the offering. Our directors and executive officers will pay the same \$8.00 per share price as everyone else who purchases shares in the offering. Like all of our depositors, our directors and executive officers have subscription rights based on their deposits and, in the event of an oversubscription, their orders will be subject to the allocation provisions set forth in our plan of conversion. Purchases by our directors and executive officers will count towards the minimum number of shares we must sell to close the offering. Following the conversion and offering, and including shares received in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group, our directors and executive officers, together with their associates, are expected to own 287,115 shares of new SI Financial Group common stock, which would equal 2.7% of our outstanding shares if shares are sold at the midpoint of the offering range.

#### Benefits of the Conversion to Management (page 102)

We intend to adopt the stock benefit plans described below. We will recognize additional compensation expense related to the expanded employee stock ownership plan and the new equity incentive plan. The actual expense will depend on the market value of our common stock and will increase as the value of our common stock increases. As reflected under *Pro Forma Data*, based upon assumptions set forth therein, the annual expense related to the employee stock ownership plan and the new equity incentive plan would have been \$668,000 for the year ended December 31, 2009, assuming shares are sold at the maximum of the offering range. If awards under the new equity incentive plan are funded from authorized but

unissued stock, your ownership interest would be diluted by up to approximately 1.9%. See *Pro Forma Data* for an illustration of the effects of each of these plans.

*Employee Stock Ownership Plan.* Our employee stock ownership plan intends to purchase an amount of shares equal to 6.0% of the shares sold in the offering. The plan will use the proceeds from a 20-year loan from new SI Financial Group to purchase these shares. We reserve the right to purchase shares of common stock in the open market following the offering to fund all or a portion of the employee stock ownership plan. We also reserve the right to have the employee stock ownership plan purchase up to 10% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering if necessary to complete the offering at the minimum of the offering range. As the loan is repaid and shares are released from collateral, the shares will be allocated to the accounts of employee participants. Allocations will be based on a participant s individual compensation as a percentage of total plan compensation. Non-employee directors are not eligible to participate in the employee stock ownership plan. We will incur additional compensation expense as a result of this plan. See *Pro Forma Data* for an illustration of the effects of this plan.

*New Equity Incentive Plan.* We intend to implement a new equity incentive plan no earlier than six months after completion of the conversion and offering. We will submit this plan to our shareholders for their approval. Under this plan, we may grant stock options in an amount up to 7.7% of the number of shares sold in the offering and restricted stock awards in an amount equal to 3.1% of the shares sold in the offering. Stock options will be granted at an exercise price equal to 100% of the fair market value of our common stock on the option grant date. Shares of restricted stock will be awarded at no cost to the recipient. We will incur additional compensation expense as a result of this plan. See *Pro Forma Data* for an illustration of the effects of this plan. The new equity incentive plan will comply with all applicable Office of Thrift Supervision regulations. The new equity incentive plan will supplement our existing 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, which will continue as a plan of new SI Financial Group.

The following table summarizes, at the maximum of the offering range, the total number and value of the shares of common stock that the employee stock ownership plan expects to acquire and the total value of all restricted stock awards and stock options that are expected to be available under the new equity incentive plan. At the maximum of the offering range, we will sell 7,546,875 shares and have 12,197,557 shares outstanding. The number of shares reflected for the benefit plans in the table below assumes that Savings Institute s tangible capital will be 10% or more following the completion of the offering and the application of the net proceeds as described under *Use of Proceeds*.

	Number of	of Shares to be Gr Purchased	anted or	Dilution Resulting	
	At	As a %	As a % of	from	
	Maximum	of	Common	Issuance of	Total
	of Offering	Common	Stock	Additional	Estimated
(Dollars in thousands)	Range	Stock Sold	Outstanding	Shares	Value
Employee stock ownership plan (1)	452,813	6.0%	3.7%	%	\$ 3,623
Restricted stock awards (1)	232,870	3.1	1.9	1.9	1,863
Stock options (2)	582,176	7.7	4.8	4.6	1,618
Total	1,267,859	16.8%	10.4%	6.3%	\$ 7.104

(1) Assumes the value of new SI Financial Group common stock is \$8.00 per share for determining the total estimated value.

(2) Assumes the value of a stock option is \$2.78. See *Pro Forma Data*.

We may fund our plans through open market purchases, as opposed to new issuances of common stock; however, if any options previously granted under our 2005 Equity Incentive Plan are exercised during the first year following completion of the offering, they will be funded with newly-issued shares as Office of Thrift Supervision regulations do not permit us to repurchase our shares during the first year following the completion of this offering except to fund the grants of restricted stock under the stock-based incentive plan or, with prior regulatory approval, under extraordinary circumstances. The Office of Thrift Supervision has previously advised that the exercise of outstanding options and cancellation of treasury shares in the conversion will not constitute an extraordinary circumstance or a compelling business purpose for satisfying this test.

The following table presents information regarding our existing employee stock ownership plan, options and restricted stock previously awarded or available for future awards under our 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, additional shares purchased by our employee stock ownership plan, and our proposed new equity incentive plan. The table below assumes that 12,197,557 shares are outstanding after the offering, which includes the sale of 7,546,875 shares in the offering at the maximum of the offering range and the issuance of 4,650,682 shares in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group using an exchange ratio of 1.0357. It is also assumed that the value of the stock is \$8.00 per share.

Existing and New Stock Benefit Plans (Dollars in thousands)	Eligible Participants	Number of Shares at Maximum of Offering Range	Estimated Value of Shares	Percentage of Shares Outstanding After the Conversion and Offering
Employee Stock Ownership Plan:	Employees			
Shares purchased in 2004 offering (1)	1 2	498,549(2)	\$ 3,988	4.1%
Shares to be purchased in this offering		452,813	3,623	3.7
Total employee stock ownership plan		951,362	\$ 7,611	7.8
Restricted Stock Awards:	Directors and employees			
2005 Equity Incentive Plan (1)		255,040(3)	\$ 2,040(4)	2.1
New shares of restricted stock		232,870	1,863(4)	1.9
Total shares of restricted stock		487,910	\$ 3,903	4.0
Stock Options:	Directors and employees			
2005 Equity Incentive Plan (1)		637,601(5)	\$ 1,766(6)	5.2
New stock options		582,176	1,618(7)	4.8
Total stock options		1,219,777	\$ 3,384	10.0
Total stock benefit plans		2,659,049	\$ 14,898	21.8%

(1) Number of shares has been adjusted for the 1.0357 exchange ratio at the maximum of the offering range.

- (2) As of June 30, 2010, of these shares, 164,065 (158,410 before adjustment) have been allocated to the accounts of participants and 334,484 (322,955 before adjustment) remain unallocated.
- (3) As of June 30, 2010, of these shares, 252,347 (243,649 before adjustment) have been awarded and 2,692 (2,600 before adjustment) remain available for future awards. As of June 30, 2010, awards covering 236,149 shares have vested and the shares have been distributed.
- (4) The actual value of restricted stock grants will be determined based on their fair value as of the date grants are made. For purposes of this table, fair value is assumed to be the same as the offering price of \$8.00 per share.
- (5) As of June 30, 2010, of these shares, options for 514,483 shares (496,750 shares before adjustment) have been awarded and options for 123,116 shares (118,873 shares before adjustment) remain available for future grants. As of June 30, 2010, no options had been exercised.
- (6) The fair value of stock options granted and outstanding under the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan has been estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Before the adjustment for the exchange ratio, there were 496,750 outstanding options with a weighted-average fair value of \$2.87 per option. Using this value and adjusting for the exchange ratio at the maximum of the offering range, the fair value of stock options granted or available for grant under the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan has been estimated at \$2.77 per option.
- (7) For purposes of this table, the fair value of stock options to be granted under the new equity incentive plan has been estimated at \$2.78 per option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: exercise price, \$8.00; trading price on date of grant, \$8.00; dividend yield, 1.0%; expected life, 10 years; expected volatility, 18.21%; and risk-free interest rate, 2.97%.

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#### Our Contribution of Cash to the SI Financial Group Foundation

SI Financial Group Foundation was organized in connection with Savings Institute s mutual holding company reorganization and was funded with 251,275 shares of SI Financial Group common stock on September 30, 2004. As of June 30, 2010, SI Financial Group Foundation had assets of \$1.4 million, no liabilities and net worth of \$1.4 million.

To further our commitment to the communities we serve and may serve in the future, subject to our members and shareholders approval, we intend to contribute up to \$500,000 in cash to the charitable foundation to provide the foundation with additional liquidity. Other than shares issued in the exchange, we will not issue any shares of new SI Financial Group common stock to SI Financial Group Foundation in connection with the conversion and offering. As a result of the cash contribution, we expect to record an after-tax expense of approximately \$335,000 during the quarter in which the conversion is completed. SI Financial Group Foundation currently owns 214,653 shares of SI Financial Group common stock. Following completion of the offering and assuming closing at the midpoint of the valuation range and the exchange ratio of 0.9006, the charitable foundation will own 193,316 shares, or 1.8%, of the outstanding shares of SI Financial Group. Pursuant to Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, all shares of SI Financial Group common stock owned by the charitable foundation must be voted in the same ratio as all other shares of SI Financial Group are voted.

SI Financial Group Foundation will continue to support charitable causes and community development activities in the communities in which we operate or may operate. During the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009, SI Financial Group Foundation made charitable contributions of \$5,440, and \$53,000, respectively.

Under the Internal Revenue Code, a corporate entity is generally permitted to deduct up to 10% of its taxable income (taxable income before the charitable contributions deduction) in any one year for charitable contributions. Any contribution in excess of the 10% limit may generally be deducted for federal income tax purposes over the five years following the year in which the charitable contribution was made. Accordingly, a charitable contribution by a corporate entity to a charitable foundation could, if necessary, be deducted for federal income tax purposes over a six-year period. Our overall charitable contribution deduction could be limited if our future taxable income is insufficient to allow for the full deduction within the 10% of taxable income limitation, which would result in an increase to income tax expense.

SI Financial Group Foundation is governed by a Board of Directors, which currently consists of five employees of Savings Institute, two of our directors, one of our former directors and one individual who is not affiliated with us. The officers and directors of the foundation are as follows:

Rheo A. Brouillard Chairman of the Board of Directors and President

Brian J. Hull Treasurer and Director

- Sandra M. Mitchell Secretary and Director
- William E. Anderson, Jr. Director
- Robert C. Cushman Director
- Roger Engle Director
- Donna M. Evan Director
- Laurie L. Gervais Director
- Edward Wosniak Director

None of these individuals receive compensation for their service as a director of the charitable foundation. In addition, some of our employees serve as executive officers of the charitable foundation. None of these individuals receive compensation for their service as an executive officer of the charitable foundation.

The contribution of cash to the charitable foundation has been approved by the Board of Directors of SI Bancorp, MHC, and must be approved by the members of SI Bancorp, MHC (depositors of Savings Institute) and the shareholders of SI Financial Group at their special meetings being held to consider and vote upon the plan of conversion. If members or shareholders do not approve the contribution to the charitable foundation,

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we will proceed with the conversion without contributing to the foundation and subscribers for common stock will not be resolicited (unless required by the Office of Thrift Supervision). The contribution to the charitable foundation will not have any material effect on our estimated pro forma valuation.

RP Financial will update its appraisal of our estimated pro forma market value at the conclusion of the offering. The pro forma market value reflected in that updated appraisal will be based on the facts and circumstances existing at that time, including, among other things, market and economic conditions.

See Risk Factors The contribution to the charitable foundation will adversely affect net income and SI Financial Group Foundation.

#### Persons Who Can Order Stock in the Subscription Offering (page 123)

We are offering shares of new SI Financial Group common stock in a subscription offering to the following persons in the following order of priority:

- 1. Persons with aggregate balances of \$50 or more on deposit at Savings Institute as of the close of business on June 30, 2009.
- 2. Our employee stock ownership plan.
- 3. Persons with aggregate balances of \$50 or more on deposit at Savings Institute as of the close of business on September 30, 2010 who are not eligible in category 1 above.

4. Savings Institute s depositors as of the close of business on October 29, 2010, who are not eligible in categories 1 or 3 above. Unlike our employee stock ownership plan, the Savings Institute 401(k) Plan has not been granted priority subscription rights. Accordingly, a 401(k) plan participant who elects to purchase shares in the offering through self-directed purchases within the 401(k) plan will receive the same subscription priority, and be subject to the same purchase limitations, as if the participant had elected to purchase shares using funds outside the 401(k) plan.

If we receive subscriptions for more shares than are to be sold in this offering, we may be unable to fill or may only partially fill your order. Shares will be allocated in order of the priorities described above under a formula outlined in the plan of conversion. See *The Conversion and Offering Subscription Offering and Subscription Rights* for a description of the allocation procedure.

#### Subscription Rights are Not Transferable

You are not allowed to transfer your subscription rights and we will act to ensure that you do not do so. You will be required to acknowledge that you are purchasing shares solely for your own account and that you have no agreement or understanding with another person to sell or transfer subscription rights or the shares that you purchase. We will not accept any stock orders that we believe involve the transfer of subscription rights. Eligible depositors who enter into agreements to allow ineligible investors to participate in the subscription offering may be violating federal and state law and may be subject to civil enforcement actions or criminal prosecution.

#### Purchase Limitations (page 127)

Pursuant to our plan of conversion, our Board of Directors has established limitations on the purchase of common stock in the offering. These limitations include the following:

The minimum purchase is 25 shares.

No individual (or individuals exercising subscription rights through a single qualifying deposit account held jointly) may purchase more than \$1,500,000 of common stock (which equals 187,500 shares) in the offering.

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No individual, together with any associates, and no group of persons acting in concert, may purchase in all the categories of the offering combined, more than 5.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering (which equals 278,906 shares, 328,125 shares, 377,343 shares and 433,945 shares at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and maximum, as adjusted, of the offering range, respectively). For purposes of applying this limitation, your associates include:

Any person who is related by blood or marriage to you and who either lives in your home or who is a director or officer of Savings Institute;

Companies or other entities in which you are an officer or partner or have a 10% or greater beneficial ownership interest; and

Trusts or other estates in which you have a substantial beneficial interest or as to which you serve as a trustee or in another fiduciary capacity.

Unless we determine otherwise, persons having the same address and persons exercising subscription rights through qualifying deposit accounts registered to the same address will be subject to this overall purchase limitation. We have the right to determine, in our sole discretion, whether prospective purchasers are associates or acting in concert.

No individual, together with any associates, and no group of persons acting in concert, may purchase shares of common stock so that, when combined with shares of new SI Financial Group common stock received by them in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group common stock, such person or persons would hold more than 5% of the number of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock outstanding upon completion of the conversion and offering. No person will be required to divest any shares of SI Financial Group common stock or be limited in the number of shares of new SI Financial Group to be received in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group common stock as a result of this purchase limitation.

Subject to the Office of Thrift Supervision s approval, we may increase or decrease the purchase limitations at any time. We may increase the maximum purchase limitation to 9.99%, provided that orders for common stock exceeding 5% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering may not exceed in the aggregate 10% of the total shares of common stock sold in the offering. Our tax-qualified employee benefit plans, including our employee stock ownership plan, are authorized to purchase up to 10.0% of the shares sold in the offering, without regard to these purchase limitations.

#### Conditions to Completing the Conversion and Offering

We cannot complete the conversion and offering unless:

the plan of conversion is approved by at least a majority of votes eligible to be cast by depositors of Savings Institute;

the plan of conversion is approved by at least *two-thirds of the outstanding shares* of SI Financial Group, including shares held by SI Bancorp, MHC;

the plan of conversion is approved by at least *a majority of the outstanding shares* of SI Financial Group, excluding the shares held by SI Bancorp, MHC;

we sell at least the minimum number of shares offered; and

we receive the final approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision to complete the conversion and offering. Subject to member, shareholder and regulatory approvals, we also intend to contribute cash to our existing charitable foundation, SI Financial Group Foundation, in connection with the conversion. However, member and shareholder approval of the contribution to the charitable foundation is not a condition to the completion of the conversion and offering.

SI Bancorp, MHC, which owns 61.9% of the outstanding shares of SI Financial Group, intends to vote these shares in favor of the plan of conversion and the contribution to the charitable foundation. In addition, as of November 1, 2010, directors and executive officers of SI Financial Group and their associates beneficially owned 298,783 shares of SI Financial Group or 2.5% of the outstanding shares. They intend to vote those shares in favor of the plan of conversion and the contribution to the charitable foundation.

#### Steps We May Take if We Do Not Receive Orders for the Minimum Number of Shares

We must sell a minimum of 5,578,125 shares to complete the conversion and offering. Purchases by our directors and executive officers and our employee stock ownership plan will count towards the minimum number of shares we must sell to complete the offering. If we do not receive

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orders for at least 5,578,125 shares of common stock in the subscription, community and/or syndicated community offerings, we may increase the purchase limitations and/or seek regulatory approval to extend the offering beyond February 3, 2011 (provided that any such extension will require us to resolicit subscribers). Alternatively, we may terminate the offering, in which case we will promptly return your funds, with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate, which is currently 0.20% per annum, and cancel all deposit account withdrawal authorizations.

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#### How to Purchase Common Stock in the Subscription and Community Offerings (page 130)

In the subscription offering and the community offering, you may pay for your shares by:

1. personal check, bank check or money order made payable directly to SI Financial Group, Inc. (Savings Institute lines of credit checks and third-party checks of any type will not be accepted. Please do not submit cash.); or

2. authorizing us to withdraw money from the types of Savings Institute deposit accounts identified on the stock order form. Savings Institute is not permitted to lend funds (including funds drawn on a Savings Institute line of credit) to anyone to purchase shares of common stock in the offering.

You may not designate on your stock order form a direct withdrawal from a retirement account at Savings Institute. If you wish to use funds in these accounts, see *Using Retirement Account Funds to Purchase Shares in the Subscription and Community Offerings*. Additionally, you may not designate on your stock order form a direct withdrawal from Savings Institute accounts with check-writing privileges. Instead, a check must be provided. If you request a direct withdrawal, we reserve the right to interpret that as your authorization to treat those funds as if we had received a check for the designated amount and we will immediately withdraw the amount from your checking account.

Personal checks will be immediately cashed, so the funds must be available within the account when your stock order form is received by us. Subscription funds submitted by check or money order will be held in a segregated account at Savings Institute. We will pay interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate from the date those funds are processed until completion or termination of the offering, at which time, subscribers will receive interest checks. Withdrawals from certificate of deposit accounts at Savings Institute to purchase common stock in the offering may be made without incurring an early withdrawal penalty. All funds authorized for withdrawal from deposit accounts with Savings Institute must be available within the deposit accounts at the time the stock order form is received. A hold will be placed on the amount of funds designated on your stock order form. Those funds will be unavailable to you during the offering; however, the funds will not be withdrawn from the accounts until the offering is completed and will continue to earn interest at the applicable contractual deposit account rate until the completion of the offering.

You may deliver your stock order form in one of three ways: by mail, using the stock order reply envelope provided, by overnight delivery to the Stock Information Center at the address indicated on the stock order form or by hand-delivery to Savings Institute s main office, located at 803 Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut. Stock order forms will not be accepted at our other Savings Institute offices and should not be mailed to Savings Institute. Once submitted, your order is irrevocable. We are not required to accept copies or facsimiles of order forms.

#### Using Retirement Account Funds to Purchase Shares in the Subscription and Community Offerings (page 132)

You may be able to subscribe for shares of common stock using funds in your individual retirement account, or IRA. If you wish to use some or all of the funds in your Savings Institute IRA or other retirement account, the applicable funds must first be transferred to a self-directed retirement account maintained by an unaffiliated institutional trustee or custodian, such as a brokerage firm. An annual fee may be payable to the new trustee. If you do not have such an account, you will need to establish one and transfer your funds from Savings Institute before placing your stock order. Our Stock Information Center can give you guidance if you wish to place an order for stock using funds held in a retirement account at Savings Institute *or elsewhere*. Because processing retirement account transactions takes additional time, we recommend that you contact our Stock Information Center promptly, preferably at least two weeks before the December 20, 2010 offering deadline. Whether you may use retirement funds for the purchase of shares in the offering will depend on timing constraints and, possibly, limitations imposed by the institution where the funds are held.

#### Deadline for Ordering Stock in the Subscription and Community Offerings

The subscription offering will end at 2:00 p.m., Eastern time, on December 20, 2010. If you wish to purchase shares, a properly completed and signed original stock order form, together with full payment for the shares of common stock, must be *received* by us (not postmarked) no later than this time. We expect that the community offering, if held, will terminate at the same time, although it may continue until February 3, 2011, or longer if the Office of Thrift Supervision approves a later date. No single extension may be for more than 90 days. We are not required to provide notice to you of an extension unless we extend the offering beyond February 3, 2011, in which case all subscribers in the subscription and community offerings will be

notified and given the opportunity to confirm, change or cancel their orders. If you do not respond to this notice, we will promptly return your funds with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate or cancel your deposit account withdrawal authorization. If we intend to sell fewer than 5,578,125 shares or more than 8,678,906 shares, we will promptly return all funds and set a new offering range. All subscribers will be notified and given the opportunity to place a new order.

#### Market for New SI Financial Group s Common Stock (page 35)

SI Financial Group common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SIFI. We expect that new SI Financial Group s common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Market under the trading symbol SIFID for a period of 20 trading days after the completion of the conversion and offering. Thereafter, the trading symbol will be SIFI. After shares of the common stock begin trading, you may contact a brokerage firm to buy or sell shares. There can be no assurance that persons purchasing the common stock in the offering will be able to sell their shares at or above the \$8.00 offering price, and brokerage firms typically charge commissions related to the purchase or sale of securities.

#### SI Financial Group s Dividend Policy (page 34)

SI Financial Group currently pays a cash dividend of \$0.03 per share per quarter, which equals \$0.12 on an annualized basis. After the conversion and offering, we intend to continue to pay a cash dividend of \$0.03 per share per quarter, which represents an annual yield of 1.5% based on a price of \$8.00 per share. However, the dividend rate and continued payment of dividends will depend on a number of factors, including our capital requirements, our financial condition and results of operations, tax considerations, statutory and regulatory limitations and general economic conditions. No assurance can be given that we will continue to pay dividends or that they will not be reduced in the future.

#### Tax Consequences (page 135)

As a general matter, the conversion will not be a taxable transaction for purposes of federal or state income taxes to us or persons who receive or exercise subscription rights. Existing shareholders of SI Financial Group who receive cash in lieu of fractional share interests in shares of new SI Financial Group will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the cash received and the tax basis of the fractional share. Kilpatrick Stockton LLP and Wolf & Company, P.C. have issued us opinions to this effect, which are summarized on pages 135 through 138 of this prospectus.

#### **Delivery of Prospectus**

To ensure that each purchaser in the subscription and community offerings receives a prospectus at least 48 hours before the offering deadline, we may not mail prospectuses any later than five days before such date or hand-deliver prospectuses later than two days before that date. Stock order forms may only be delivered if accompanied or preceded by a prospectus. We are not obligated to deliver a prospectus or order form by means other than U.S. mail.

We will make reasonable attempts to provide a prospectus and offering materials to holders of subscription rights. The subscription offering and all subscription rights will expire at 2:00 p.m., Eastern time, on December 20, 2010 whether or not we have been able to locate each person entitled to subscription rights.

#### Delivery of Stock Certificates in the Subscription and Community Offerings (page 134)

Certificates representing shares of common stock issued in the subscription and community offerings will be mailed by first-class mail by our transfer agent as soon as practicable following completion of the conversion and offering. Certificates will be mailed to purchasers at the registration address provided by them on the order form. **Until certificates for common stock are available and delivered to purchasers, purchasers may not be able to sell their shares, even though trading of the common stock will have commenced.** Your ability to sell the shares of common stock before your receipt of the stock certificate will depend on arrangements you may make with your brokerage firm.

#### How You Can Obtain More Information Stock Information Center

Our banking office personnel may not, by law, assist with investment-related questions about the conversion and the offering. If you have any questions regarding the conversion or the offering, please call our Stock Information Center. The toll-free telephone number is (877) 643-8198. The Stock Information Center is open Monday through Friday, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Eastern time. The Stock Information Center will be closed weekends and bank holidays.

# **Risk Factors**

You should consider carefully the following risk factors before purchasing shares of new SI Financial Group common stock.

#### **Risks Related to Our Business**

# The economic recession could result in increases in our level of nonperforming loans and/or reduce demand for our products and services, which would lead to lower revenue, higher loan losses and lower earnings.

Our business activities and earnings are affected by general business conditions in the United States and in our local market area. These conditions include short-term and long-term interest rates, inflation, unemployment levels, real estate values, monetary supply, consumer confidence and spending, fluctuations in both debt and equity capital markets, and the strength of the economy in the United States generally and in our market area in particular. The national economy has recently experienced a recession, with rising unemployment levels, declines in real estate values and an erosion in consumer confidence. Dramatic declines in the U.S. housing market over the past few years, with falling home prices and increasing foreclosures, have negatively affected the credit performance of mortgage loans and resulted in significant write-downs of asset values by many financial institutions. Our local economy has mirrored the overall economy. A prolonged or more severe economic downturn, continued elevated levels of unemployment, further declines in the values of real estate, or other events that affect household and/or corporate incomes could impair the ability of our borrowers to repay their loans in accordance with their terms. Nearly all of our loans are secured by real estate or made to businesses in the counties in which we have offices in Connecticut. As a result of this concentration, a prolonged or more severe downturn in the local economy could result in significant increases in nonperforming loans, which would negatively impact our interest income and result in higher provisions for loan losses, which would hurt our earnings. The economic downturn could also result in reduced demand for credit, which would hurt our revenues.

# Our level of nonperforming loans and classified assets expose us to increased risk of loss. Further, our allowance for loan losses may prove to be insufficient to absorb losses in our loan portfolio.

At September 30, 2010, loans that were classified as either special mention, substandard, doubtful or loss totaled \$46.0 million, representing 7.6% of total loans, including nonperforming loans of \$4.2 million, representing 0.68% of total loans. If these loans do not perform according to their terms and the value of the collateral is insufficient to pay the remaining loan balance or if the economy and/or the real estate market continues to weaken, we could experience loan losses or be required to add further reserves to our allowance for loan losses, either of which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results. Like all financial institutions, we maintain an allowance for loan losses at a level representing management s best estimate of known losses in the portfolio based upon management s evaluation of the portfolio s collectibility as of the corresponding balance sheet date. However, our allowance for loan losses may be insufficient to cover actual loan losses, and future provisions for loan losses could materially adversely affect our operating results.

At September 30, 2010, our allowance for loan losses totaled \$5.0 million, which represented 0.81% of total loans and 118.73% of nonperforming loans. Our regulators, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the allowance for loan losses and may require us to increase the allowance for loan losses by recognizing additional provisions for loan losses charged to income, or to charge-off loans, which, net of any recoveries, would decrease the allowance for loan losses. Any such additional provisions for loan losses or charge-offs, as required by these regulatory agencies, could have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

#### Our commercial lending exposes us to lending risks.

At June 30, 2010, \$280.7 million, or 46.0%, of our loan portfolio consisted of commercial real estate and commercial business loans. We intend to continue to emphasize these types of lending. Commercial loans generally expose a lender to greater risk of non-payment and loss than one-to four-family residential mortgage loans because repayment of the loans often depends on the successful operation of the business and the income stream of the borrowers. Such loans typically involve larger loan balances to single borrowers or groups of related borrowers compared to one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. Also, many of our commercial borrowers have more than one loan outstanding with us. Consequently, an adverse development with respect to one loan or one credit relationship can expose us to a significantly greater risk of loss compared to an adverse development with respect to a one- to four-family residential mortgage loan.

#### Our emphasis on residential mortgage loans and home equity loans exposes us to lending risks.

At June 30, 2010, \$292.4 million, or 48.0%, of our loan portfolio consisted of one- to four-family residential mortgage loans and \$24.0 million, or 3.9%, of our loan portfolio consisted of home equity lines of credit. Recent declines in the housing market have resulted in declines in real estate values in our market areas. These declines in real estate values could cause some of our mortgage and home equity loans to be inadequately collateralized, which would expose us to a greater risk of loss if we seek to recover on defaulted loans by selling the real estate collateral.

#### Our investment portfolio may suffer reduced returns, material losses or other-than-temporary impairment losses.

During an economic downturn, our investment portfolio could be subject to higher risk. The value of our investment portfolio is subject to the risk that certain investments may default or become impaired due to a deterioration in the financial condition of one or more issuers of the securities held in our portfolio, or due to a deterioration in the financial condition of an issuer that guarantees an issuer s payments of such investments. Such defaults and impairments could reduce our net investment income and result in realized investment losses.

Our investment portfolio is also subject to increased risk as the valuation of investments is more subjective when markets are illiquid, thereby increasing the risk that the estimated fair value (i.e. the carrying amount) of the portion of the investment portfolio that is carried at fair value as reflected in our financial statements is not reflective of prices at which actual transactions would occur.

Because of the risks set forth above, the value of our investment portfolio could decrease, we could experience reduced net investment income, and we could incur realized investment losses, which could materially and adversely affect our results of operations, financial position and liquidity.

Additionally, we review our securities portfolio at each quarter-end reporting period to determine whether the fair value is below the current carrying value. When the fair value of any of our equity securities has declined below its carrying value, we are required to assess whether the decline is other-than-temporary. We are required to write-down the value of that security through a charge to earnings if we conclude that the decline is other-than-temporary. In the case of debt securities, we are required to charge to earnings any decreases in value that are credit-related. As of June 30, 2010, the amortized cost and the fair value of our securities portfolio each totaled \$182.2 million. Changes in the expected cash flows of these securities and/or prolonged price declines in future periods may result in a charge to earnings to write-down these securities. Any charges for other-than-temporary impairment would not impact cash flow, tangible capital or liquidity. For the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009, we recognized other-than-temporary impairment losses for credit-related factors of \$332,000 and \$228,000, respectively, on certain debt securities.

#### Recently enacted regulatory reform may have a material impact on our operations.

On July 21, 2010, the President signed into law The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act ). The Dodd-Frank Act restructures the regulation of depository institutions. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, the Office of Thrift Supervision, which currently regulates Savings Institute, will be merged into the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which regulates national banks. Savings and loan holding companies, including SI Financial Group, will be regulated by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Also included is the creation of a new federal agency to administer consumer protection and fair lending laws, a function that is now performed by the depository institution regulators. The federal preemption of state laws currently accorded federally chartered depository institutions will be reduced as well and State Attorneys General will have greater authority to bring a suit against a federally chartered institution, such as Savings Institute, for violations of certain state and federal consumer protection laws. The Dodd-Frank Act also will impose consolidated capital requirements on savings and loan holding companies effective in five years, which will limit our ability to borrow at the holding company and invest the proceeds from such borrowings as capital in Savings Institute that could be leveraged to support additional growth. The Dodd-Frank Act contains various other provisions designed to enhance the regulation of depository institutions will not be known for years until regulations implementing the statute are written and adopted. The Dodd-Frank Act may have a material impact on our operations, particularly through increased regulatory burden and compliance costs.

In addition to the enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act, the federal regulatory agencies recently have begun to take stronger supervisory actions against financial institutions that have experienced increased loan losses and other weaknesses as a result of the current economic crisis. These actions include the entering into of written agreements and cease and desist orders that place certain limitations on their operations. Federal bank regulators recently have also been using with more frequency

their ability to impose individual minimal capital requirements on banks, which requirements may be higher than those imposed under the Dodd-Frank Act or which would otherwise qualify the bank as being well capitalized under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation s prompt corrective action regulations. If SI Financial Group or Savings Institute were to become subject to a supervisory agreement or higher individual capital requirements, such action may have a negative impact on their ability to execute their business plans, as well as their ability to grow, pay dividends or engage in mergers and acquisitions and may result in restrictions in their operations. See *Regulation and Supervision Federal Banking Regulation Capital Requirements* for a discussion of regulatory capital requirements.

#### Our inability to achieve profitability on new branches may negatively impact our earnings.

We consider our primary market area to consist of Hartford, Middlesex, New London, Tolland and Windham counties in Connecticut. However, the majority of our facilities are located in and a substantial portion of our business is derived from Windham county, which has the lowest median household income and the highest unemployment rate among the counties in Connecticut. To address this, in recent years, we have expanded our presence throughout our market area and may pursue further expansion through the establishment of additional branches in Hartford, Middlesex, New London and Tolland counties, each of which has more favorable economic conditions than Windham county. The profitability of our expansion policy will depend on whether the income that we generate from the additional branches we establish or purchase will offset the increased expenses resulting from operating new branches. We expect that it may take a period of time before new branches can become profitable, especially in areas in which we do not have an established presence. During this period, operating new branches may negatively impact our operating results.

#### Fluctuations in interest rates could reduce our profitability and affect the value of our assets.

Like other financial institutions, we are subject to interest rate risk. Our primary source of income is net interest income, which is the difference between interest earned on loans and investments and the interest paid on deposits and borrowings. Changes in the general level of interest rates can affect our net interest income by affecting the difference between the weighted-average yield earned on our interest-earning assets and the weighted-average rate paid on our interest-bearing liabilities, or interest rate spread and the average life of our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. Changes in interest rates also can affect: (1) the ability to originate loans; (2) the value of our interest-earning assets and our ability to realize gains from the sale of such assets; (3) the ability to obtain and retain deposits in competition with other available investment alternatives; and (4) the ability of our borrowers to repay adjustable or variable rate loans. Interest rates are highly sensitive to many factors, including government monetary policies, domestic and international economic and political conditions and other factors beyond our control. Although we believe that the estimated maturities of our interest-earning assets currently are well balanced in relation to the estimated maturities of our interest-bearing liabilities, our profitability could be adversely affected during any period of changes in interest rates.

#### Our cost of operations is high relative to our assets. Our failure to maintain or reduce our operating expenses could hurt our profits.

Our noninterest expenses totaled \$16.3 million and \$31.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009, respectively. We continue to analyze our expenses and achieve efficiencies where available, but we have experienced increased costs, a substantial portion of which are associated with the new full-service branches that we have opened or acquired since 2000. Although we have generated increases in both net interest income and noninterest income, our efficiency ratio remains high as a result of the higher operating expenses. Our efficiency ratio totaled 89.77% and 90.64% for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009. Failure to control or maintain our expenses could hurt future profits.

#### Strong competition within our market area could hurt our profits and slow growth.

We face intense competition both in making loans and attracting deposits. This competition has made it more difficult for us to make new loans and at times has forced us to offer higher deposit rates. Price competition for loans and deposits might result in our earning less on our loans and paying more on our deposits, which reduces net interest income. As of June 30, 2010, we held approximately 1.60% of the deposits in Hartford, Middlesex, New London, Tolland and Windham counties in Connecticut, which represented the 13<sup>th</sup> market share of deposits out of 36 financial institutions in these counties. Some of the institutions with which we compete have substantially greater resources and lending limits than we have and may offer services that we do not provide. We expect competition to increase in the future as a result of legislative, regulatory and technological changes and the continuing trend of consolidation in the financial services industry. Our profitability depends upon our continued ability to compete successfully in our market area.

#### We are subject to liquidity risks.

Market conditions could negatively affect the level or cost of liquidity available to us, which would affect our ongoing ability to accommodate liability maturities and deposit withdrawals, meet contractual obligations and fund asset growth and new business transactions at a reasonable cost, in a timely manner, and without adverse consequences. Core deposits and Federal Home Loan Bank advances are our primary source of funding. A significant decrease in our core deposits, an inability to renew Federal Home Loan Bank advances, an inability to obtain alternative funding to core deposits or Federal Home Loan Bank advances, or a substantial, unexpected, or prolonged change in the level or cost of liquidity could have a negative effect on our business and financial condition.

#### Increased and/or special Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessments will hurt our earnings.

The recent economic recession has caused a high level of bank failures, which has dramatically increased Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation resolution costs and led to a significant reduction in the balance of the Deposit Insurance Fund. As a result, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has significantly increased the initial base assessment rates paid by financial institutions for deposit insurance. Increases in the base assessment rate have increased our deposit insurance costs and negatively impacted our earnings. In addition, in May 2009, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation imposed a special assessment on all insured institutions. Our special assessment, which was reflected in earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2009, was \$393,000. In lieu of imposing an additional special assessment, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation required all institutions to prepay their assessments for all of 2010, 2011 and 2012, which for us totaled \$3.5 million. Additional increases in the base assessment rate or additional special assessments would negatively impact our earnings.

#### If the goodwill recorded in connection with our acquisitions becomes impaired, it could have a negative impact on our profitability.

Applicable accounting standards require that the acquisition method of accounting be used for all business combinations. Under this method, if the purchase price of an acquired entity exceeds the fair value of its net assets, the excess is carried on the acquirer s balance sheet as goodwill. At June 30, 2010, we had \$4.1 million of goodwill on our balance sheet. Companies evaluate goodwill for impairment at least annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances warrant such evaluation. Our annual review of our goodwill occurs in November. Write-downs of the amount of impairment, if necessary, are to be charged to the results of operations in the period in which the impairment occurs. For the six months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded no goodwill impairment. For the year ended December 31, 2009, we recorded goodwill impairment of \$57,000 related to our New London branch acquisition. Future evaluations of goodwill may result in findings of impairment and related write-downs, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

#### Turmoil in the financial markets could have an adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations.

Beginning in 2008, United States and global financial markets experienced severe disruption and volatility, and general economic conditions have declined significantly. Adverse developments in credit quality, asset values and revenue opportunities throughout the financial services industry, as well as general uncertainty regarding the economic, industry and regulatory environment, have had a negative impact on the industry. The United States and the governments of other countries have taken steps to try to stabilize the financial system, including investing in financial institutions, and have implemented programs intended to improve general economic conditions. The U.S. Department of the Treasury created the Capital Purchase Program under the Troubled Asset Relief Program, pursuant to which the Treasury Department provided additional capital to participating financial institutions through the purchase of preferred stock or other securities. Other measures include homeowner relief that encourages loan restructuring and modification; the establishment of significant liquidity and credit facilities for financial institutions and investment banks; the lowering of the federal funds rate; regulatory action against short selling practices; a temporary guaranty program for money market funds; the establishment of a commercial paper funding facility to provide back-stop liquidity to commercial paper issuers; and coordinated international efforts to address illiquidity and other weaknesses in the banking sector. Notwithstanding the actions of the United States and other governments, there can be no assurances that these efforts will be successful in restoring industry, economic or market conditions to their previous levels and that they will not result in adverse unintended consequences. Factors that could continue to pressure financial services companies, including SI Financial Group, are numerous and include (1) worsening credit quality, leading among other things to increases in loan losses, (2) continued or worsening disruption and volatility in financial markets, leading among other things to continuing reductions in asset values, (3) capital and liquidity concerns

regarding financial institutions generally, (4) limitations resulting from or imposed in connection with governmental actions intended to stabilize or provide additional regulation of the financial system, or (5) recessionary conditions that are deeper or last longer than currently anticipated.

# We own stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, which, as a result of its financial difficulties, has suspended its dividend and will negatively affect our net interest income.

As a member bank, Savings Institute is required to purchase capital stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank in an amount commensurate with the amount of Savings Institute s advances and unused borrowing capacity. This stock is carried at cost and was \$8.4 million at June 30, 2010. In response to unprecedented market conditions and potential future losses, the Federal Home Loan Bank has implemented an initiative to preserve capital by the adoption of a revised retained earnings target, declaration of a moratorium on excess stock repurchases and the suspension of cash dividend payments. If the Federal Home Loan Bank is unable to meet minimum regulatory capital requirements or is required to aid the remaining Federal Home Loan Banks, our holding of Federal Home Loan Bank stock may be determined to be other-than-temporarily impaired and may require a charge to earnings. Additionally, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009, SI Financial Group did not recognize any dividend income from its investment in Federal Home Loan Bank stock. The failure to recognize dividend income from the Federal Home Loan Bank stock.

#### We are subject to security and operational risks relating to use of our technology that could damage our reputation and business.

Security breaches in our internet banking activities could expose us to possible liability and damage our reputation. Any compromise of our security also could deter customers from using our internet banking services that involve the transmission of confidential information. We rely on standard internet security systems to provide the security and authentication necessary to effect secure transmission of data. These precautions may not protect our systems from compromises or breaches of our security measures that could result in damage to our reputation and business. Additionally, we outsource our data processing to a third party. If our third party provider encounters difficulties or if we have difficulty in communicating with such third party, it will significantly affect our ability to adequately process and account for customer transactions, which would significantly affect our business operations.

#### **Risks Related to the Offering**

# Our share price may fluctuate, which may make it difficult for you to sell your common stock when you want or at prices you find attractive.

The market price of our common stock could be subject to significant fluctuations due to changes in sentiment in the market regarding our operations or business prospects. Factors that may affect market sentiment include:

operating results that vary from the expectations of our management or of securities analysts and investors;

developments in our business or in the financial services sector generally;

regulatory or legislative changes affecting our industry generally or our business and operations;

operating and securities price performance of companies that investors consider to be comparable to us;

changes in estimates or recommendations by securities analysts;

announcements of strategic developments, acquisitions, dispositions, financings and other material events by us or our competitors; and

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changes in financial markets and national and local economies and general market conditions, such as interest rates and stock, commodity, credit or asset valuations or volatility.

Beginning in 2008 and through the present, the business environment for financial services firms has been extremely challenging. During this period, many publicly traded financial services companies have experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations that have often been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance or prospects of such companies. We may experience market fluctuations that are not directly related to our operating performance but are influenced by the market s perception of the state of the financial services industry in general and, in particular, the market s assessment of general credit quality conditions, including default and foreclosure rates in the industry.

While the U.S. and other governments continue efforts to restore confidence in financial markets and promote economic growth, we cannot assure you that further market and economic turmoil will not occur in the near- or long-term, negatively affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations, as well as the price, trading volume and volatility of our common stock.

#### Additional expenses following the offering from new equity benefit plans will adversely affect our profitability.

Following the offering, we will recognize additional annual employee compensation expenses stemming from options and shares granted to employees, directors and executives under new benefit plans. Stock options and restricted stock may be granted under a new equity incentive plan adopted following the offering, if approved by shareholders. These additional expenses will adversely affect our profitability. We cannot determine the actual amount of these new stock-related compensation expenses at this time because applicable accounting practices generally require that these expenses be based on the fair market value of the options or shares of common stock at the date of the grant; however, they may be material. We recognize expenses for our employee stock ownership plan when shares are committed to be released to participants accounts and will recognize expenses for restricted stock awards and stock options over the vesting period of awards made to recipients. Pro forma after-tax expenses related to these plans for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 were \$335,000 and \$668,000, respectively, at the maximum of the offering range, as set forth in the pro forma financial information under *Pro Forma Data* assuming the \$8.00 per share purchase price as fair market value. Actual expenses, however, may be higher or lower, depending on the price of our common stock, the number of shares awarded under the plans and the timing of the implementation of the plans. For further discussion of these plans, see *Our Management Future Equity Incentive Plan*.

#### Our stock price may decline when trading commences.

If you purchase shares in the offering, you might not be able to sell them later at or above the \$8.00 purchase price. After the shares of our common stock begin trading, the trading price of the common stock will be determined by the marketplace, and will be influenced by many factors outside of our control, including prevailing interest rates, investor perceptions, securities analyst research reports and general industry, geopolitical and economic conditions.

#### There may be a limited market for our common stock, which may adversely affect our stock price.

Although our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Market and will continue to be listed following the conversion and offering, the shares might not be actively traded. If an active trading market for our common stock does not develop, you may not be able to sell all of your shares of common stock on short notice, and the sale of a large number of shares at one time could temporarily depress the market price. There also may be a wide spread between the bid and ask price for our common stock. When there is a wide spread between the bid and ask price, the price at which you may be able to sell our common stock may be significantly lower than the price at which you could buy it at that time.

# Our return on equity will initially be low compared to other publicly traded financial institutions. A low return on equity may negatively impact the trading price of our common stock.

Net income divided by average equity, known as return on equity, is a ratio used by many investors to compare the performance of a financial institution with its peers. For the year ended December 31, 2009, our return on equity was 0.58%. Although we expect that our net income will increase following the offering, we expect that our return on equity will remain low as a result of the additional capital that we will raise in the offering. For example, our pro forma return on equity for the year ended December 31, 2009 is 0.54%, assuming the sale of shares at the maximum of the offering range. In comparison, the peer group used by RP Financial in its appraisal had an average return on equity of 6.19% for the twelve months ended June 30, 2010. Over time, we intend to use the net proceeds from the offering to increase earnings per share and book value per share, without assuming undue risk, with the goal of achieving a return on equity that is competitive with other similarly situated publicly held companies. This goal could take a number of years to achieve, and we might not attain it. Consequently, you should not expect a competitive return on equity in the near future. Failure to achieve a competitive return on equity might make an investment in our common stock unattractive to some investors and might cause our common stock to trade at lower prices than comparable companies with higher returns on equity. See *Pro Forma Data* for an illustration of the financial impact of the offering.

# We have broad discretion in the manner in which we utilize the proceeds of the offering. Our failure to effectively utilize such proceeds would reduce our profitability.

We intend to contribute approximately 60% of the net proceeds of the offering to Savings Institute and to use approximately 6.4% of the net proceeds to fund the loan to the employee stock ownership plan. We may use the proceeds retained by the holding company to, among other things, invest in securities, pay cash dividends or repurchase shares of common stock, subject to regulatory restrictions. Savings Institute may use the portion of the proceeds that it receives to fund new loans, repay outstanding borrowings, invest in securities and expand its business activities. We may also use the proceeds of the offering to open new branches, diversify our business and acquire other companies, although we have no specific plans to do so at this time. We have not allocated specific amounts of proceeds for any of these purposes, and we will have significant flexibility in determining how much of the net proceeds we apply to different uses and the timing of such applications. Our failure to utilize these funds effectively would reduce our profitability.

#### Issuance of shares for benefit programs may dilute your ownership interest.

We intend to adopt a new equity incentive plan following the offering, subject to shareholder approval. We may fund the equity incentive plan through the purchase of common stock in the open market (subject to regulatory restrictions) or by issuing new shares of common stock. If we fund the awards under the equity incentive plan with new shares of common stock, your ownership interest would be diluted by approximately 1.9%, assuming we award all of the shares and options available under the plan. We currently have outstanding options and shares available for future stock options under our 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. If we fund the awards under our existing plan with new shares of stock, your ownership interest would be diluted by approximately 4.6%, assuming we award all of the shares and options available under the plan. See *Pro Forma Data* and *Our Management Future Equity Incentive Plan*.

#### The contribution to the charitable foundation will adversely affect net income.

Subject to member, shareholder and regulatory approvals, we intend to contribute \$500,000 in cash to SI Financial Group Foundation in connection with the conversion. The contribution will have an adverse effect on our net income for the quarter and year in which we make the contribution to the charitable foundation. The after-tax expense of the contribution will reduce net income by approximately \$335,000. We had net income of \$1.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and \$435,000 for the year ended December 31, 2009.

# The articles of incorporation and bylaws of new SI Financial Group and certain laws and regulations may prevent or make more difficult certain transactions, including a sale or merger of new SI Financial Group.

Provisions of the articles of incorporation and bylaws of new SI Financial Group, state corporate law and federal banking regulations may make it more difficult for companies or persons to acquire control of new SI Financial Group. As a result, our shareholders may not have the opportunity to participate in such a transaction and the trading price of our common stock may not rise to the level of other institutions that are more vulnerable to hostile takeovers. The factors that may discourage takeover attempts or make them more difficult include:

*Articles of incorporation and bylaws.* Provisions of the articles of incorporation and bylaws of new SI Financial Group may make it more difficult and expensive to pursue a takeover attempt that the Board of Directors opposes. Some of these provisions currently exist in the charter and bylaws of SI Financial Group. These provisions also make more difficult the removal of current directors or management, or the election of new directors. These provisions include:

A limitation on voting rights. Our articles of incorporation provide that in no event will any record owner of any outstanding common stock which is beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by a person who beneficially owns in excess of 10% of the outstanding shares of common stock, be entitled, or permitted to any vote in respect of the shares held in excess of the limit.

*A classified board.* Our board of directors is divided into three classes as nearly as equal in number as possible. The shareholders elect one class of directors each year for a term of three years. The classified board provision is designed to afford anti-takeover protection by making it more difficult and time consuming for a shareholder group to fully use its voting power to gain control of the board of directors at a single annual meeting of shareholders without the consent of the incumbent board of directors of new SI Financial Group.

Advance notice provisions for shareholder nominations and proposals. Our bylaws establish an advance notice procedure for shareholders to nominate directors or bring other business before an annual meeting of shareholders. A person may not be nominated for election as a director unless that person is nominated by or at the direction of our board of directors or by a shareholder who has given appropriate notice to us before the meeting. Similarly, a shareholder may not bring business before an annual meeting unless the shareholder has given us appropriate notice of the shareholder 's intention to bring that business before the meeting. Advance notice of nominations or proposed business by shareholders gives our board of directors time to consider the qualifications of the proposed nominees, the merits of the proposals and, to the extent deemed necessary or desirable by our board of directors, to inform shareholders and make recommendations about those matters.

*Director qualifications.* Our bylaws provide for director qualifications, including age and integrity requirements, which may prevent shareholders from nominating themselves or persons of their choosing for election to the board of directors.

*Limitations on calling special meetings of shareholders.* Our shareholders must act only through an annual or special meeting. Special meetings of shareholders may only be called by the Chairman, the President, by two-thirds of the total number of directors or by the Secretary upon the written request of the holders of a majority of all the shares entitled to vote at a meeting. The limitations on the calling of special meetings of shareholders may have the effect of delaying consideration of a shareholder proposal until the next annual meeting.

*Elimination of cumulative voting.* Our articles of incorporation provide that no shares will be entitled to cumulative voting. The elimination of cumulative voting may afford anti-takeover protection by preventing a shareholder from electing nominees opposed by the board of directors of new SI Financial Group.

*Limitations on filling of board vacancies and removal of directors.* Our bylaws provide that any vacancy occurring in the board of directors, including a vacancy created by an increase in the number of directors, may be filled only by a vote of a majority of the directors then in office. A person elected to fill a vacancy on the board of directors will serve for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred and until his or her successor shall have been elected and qualified. Our bylaws provide that a director may be removed from the board of directors before the expiration of his or her term only for cause and only upon the vote of a majority of the shares entitled to vote in the election of directors. These provisions make it more difficult for shareholders to remove directors and replace them with their own nominees.

*Supermajority voting requirement for the amendment of our articles of incorporation.* Our articles of incorporation provide that certain amendments to our articles of incorporation relating to a change in control of us must be approved by at least 75% of the outstanding shares entitled to vote.

*Supermajority voting requirement for the amendment of our bylaws.* Our articles of incorporation provide that our bylaws may not be adopted, repealed, altered, amended or rescinded by shareholders except by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75% of the voting stock.

Authorized but unissued shares of capital stock. Following the offering, we will have authorized but unissued shares of common and preferred stock. Our articles of incorporation authorize the board of directors to establish one or more series of preferred stock and, for any series of preferred stock, to determine the terms and rights of the series, including voting rights, dividend rights, conversion and redemption rates, and liquidation preferences. Such shares of common and preferred stock could be issued by the board of directors to render more difficult or to discourage an attempt to obtain control of us by means of a merger, tender offer, proxy contest or otherwise.

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*Maryland anti-takeover statute*. Under Maryland law, any person who acquires more than 10% of a Maryland corporation without prior approval of its Board of Directors is prohibited from engaging in any type of business combination with the corporation for a five-year period. Any business combination after the five-year period would be subject to supermajority shareholder approval or minimum price requirements.

*Office of Thrift Supervision regulations.* Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit, for three years following the completion of a mutual-to-stock conversion, including a second-step conversion, the offer to acquire or the acquisition of more than 10% of any class of equity security of a converted institution without the prior approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. See *Restrictions on Acquisition of New SI Financial Group.* 

# A Warning About Forward-Looking Statements

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements, which can be identified by the use of words such as believes, expects, anticipates, estimates or similar expressions. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

statements of our goals, intentions and expectations;

statements regarding our business plans, prospects, growth and operating strategies;

statements regarding the quality of our loan and investment portfolios; and

estimates of our risks and future costs and benefits.

These forward-looking statements are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements due to, among others, the following factors:

general economic conditions, either nationally or in our market area, that are worse than expected;

changes in the interest rate environment that reduce our interest margins or reduce the fair value of financial instruments;

increased competitive pressures among financial services companies;

changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits;

legislative or regulatory changes that adversely affect our business;

adverse changes in the securities and credit markets; and

changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by bank regulatory agencies or the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

Any of the forward-looking statements that we make in this prospectus and in other public statements we make may later prove incorrect because of inaccurate assumptions, the factors illustrated above or other factors that we cannot foresee. Consequently, no forward-looking statement can be guaranteed.

Further information on other factors that could affect us are included in the section captioned *Risk Factors*.

# Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data

The summary financial information presented below is derived in part from our consolidated financial statements. The following is only a summary and you should read it in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes beginning on page F-1. The information at December 31, 2009 and 2008 and for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 is derived in part from the audited consolidated financial statements that appear in this prospectus. The information presented below does not include the financial condition, results of operations or other data of SI Bancorp, MHC. The information at June 30, 2010 and 2009 and for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 was not audited, but in the opinion of management, reflects all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation. All of these adjustments are normal and recurring. The results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of results of operations that may be expected for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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Selected Financial Condition Data:								,			,			
Total assets	\$8	89,435	\$8	372,705	\$8	372,354	\$	853,122	\$	790,198	\$ '	757,037	\$ <del>(</del>	91,868
Cash and cash equivalents		46,093		27,969		24,204		23,203		20,669		26,108		25,946
Securities available for sale	1	82,210	1	65,814	1	83,562		162,699		141,914		119,508	1	20,019
Loans receivable, net	6	606,514	6	527,315	6	607,692		617,263		587,538	:	574,111	5	13,775
Deposits (1)	6	576,781	6	552,752	6	62,378		624,276		551,772		541,922	5	12,282
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	1	14,169	1	28,600	1	16,100		139,600		141,619		111,956		87,929
Junior subordinated debt owed to														
unconsolidated trust		8,248		8,248		8,248		8,248		8,248		15,465		7,217
Total shareholders equity		81,160		75,473		77,462		72,927		82,087		82,386		80,043
Selected Operating Data:														
Interest and dividend income	\$	20,267	\$	22,204	\$	43,385	\$	46,499	\$	43,347	\$	40,777	\$	33,905
Interest expense	ψ	7,309	Ψ	9,882		18,861	Ψ	22,459	ψ	21,783	Ψ	18,261	Ψ	12,131
interest expense		1,507		7,002		10,001		22,137		21,705		10,201		12,131
Net interest income		12,958		12,322		24,524		24,040		21,564		22,516		21,774
Provision for loan losses		422		1,930		2,830		1,369		1,062		881		410
Net interest income after provision for loan														
losses		12,536		10,392		21,694		22,671		20,502		21,635		21,364
Noninterest income		5,550		4,815		10,181		3,136		9,378		8,258		6,310
Noninterest expense		16,302		16,039		31,405		30,040		27,928		25,959		22,588
Income (loss) before income tax provision														
(benefit)		1.784		(832)		470		(4,233)		1,952		3.934		5.086
Income tax provision (benefit)		578		(269)		35		(1,360)		540		1,156		1,689
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Net income (loss)	\$	1,206	\$	(563)	\$	435	\$	(2,873)	\$	1,412	\$	2,778	\$	3,397
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Basic income (loss) per share	\$	0.11	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.04	\$	(0.25)	\$	0.12	\$	0.24	\$	0.28
Diluted income (loss) per share	\$	0.11	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.04	\$	(0.25)	\$	0.12	\$	0.23	\$	0.28
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	2010	2009	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Performance Ratios:							
Return (loss) on average assets	0.28%	(0.13)%	0.05%	(0.34)%	0.18%	0.38%	0.52%
Return (loss) on average equity	3.04	(1.54)	0.58	(3.71)	1.71	3.44	4.19
Interest rate spread (2)	2.91	2.74	2.67	2.61	2.47	2.81	3.19
Net interest margin (3)	3.15	3.04	2.98	3.00	2.98	3.26	3.56
Noninterest expenses to average assets	3.73	3.75	3.61	3.55	3.66	3.56	3.47
Dividend payout ratio (4)	11.19	(32.15)	41.61	(25.63)	57.61	27.98	13.98
Efficiency ratio (5)	89.77	94.16	90.64	88.72	90.57	83.58	80.60
Average interest-earning assets to average							
interest-bearing liabilities	113.52	112.77	113.28	113.83	117.02	117.07	118.38
Average equity to average assets	9.09	8.55	8.68	9.16	10.88	11.07	12.45
Capital Ratios:							
Total shareholders equity to total assets	9.12	8.65	8.88	8.55	10.39	10.88	11.57
Total capital ratio	14.84	14.34	14.30	13.32	15.21	15.84	16.79
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	13.91	13.37	13.36	12.33	14.37	14.86	15.87
Tier 1 capital ratio	8.08	8.01	8.02	7.59	8.75	8.97	9.31
Asset Quality Ratios:							
Nonperforming assets to total assets	0.68	1.04	0.77	1.09	1.08	0.18	0.08
Nonperforming loans to total loans	0.70	1.36	0.49	1.50	1.29	0.24	0.05
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total							
loans	0.80	0.79	0.80	0.97	0.89	0.76	0.71
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of							
nonperforming loans	114.32	57.92	162.65	64.83	68.72	313.58	1,529.58
Net (charge-offs) recoveries to average							
outstanding loans during the year	(0.14)	(0.96)	(0.64)	(0.09)	(0.03)	(0.03)	0.01
Other Data:							
Number of full-service offices	21	21	21	21	20	19	17
Full-time equivalent employees	256	264	263	263	241	241	227

(1) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts.

(2) Represents the difference between the weighted-average yield on average interest-earning assets and the weighted-average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.

(3) Represents net interest income as a percent of average interest-earning assets.

(4) Dividends paid divided by basic net income.

(5) Represents noninterest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and noninterest income, excluding gains or losses on the sale of securities and other-than-temporary impairment on securities.

## **Recent Developments**

The following tables contain certain information concerning the financial position and results of operations of SI Financial Group. The information at September 30, 2010 and for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 was not audited, but in the opinion of management, reflects all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation. All of these adjustments are normal and recurring. The information at December 31, 2009 is derived in part from the audited consolidated financial statements that appear in this prospectus. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations that may be expected for the entire year.

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	At September 30, 2010 (Unaudited)		Dec	At cember 31, 2009
Financial Condition Data:				
Total assets	\$	890,318	\$	872,354
Cash and cash equivalents		51,858		24,204
Securities		182,162		191,950
Loans receivable, net		604,609		607,692
Deposits (1)		675,994		662,378
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		114,169		116,100
Junior subordinated debt owned to unconsolidated trust		8,248		8,248
Total stockholders equity		81,905		77,462

	Three Mon Septem 2010 (Unau	ber 30, 2009	Nine Mont Septem 2010 (Unaud	ber 30, 2009
Operating Data:		, i		
Interest and dividend income	\$ 9,876	\$ 10,723	\$ 30,143	\$ 32,927
Interest expense	3,357	4,681	10,666	14,563
	6.510	6.042	10.477	10.264
Net interest income	6,519	6,042	19,477	18,364
Provision for loan losses	270	700	692	2,630
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	6,249	5,342	18,785	15,734
Noninterest income	2,525	2,684	8,075	7,499
Noninterest expenses	7,674	7,607	23,976	23,646
Income (loss) before income tax provision (benefit)	1,100	419	2,884	(413)
Income tax provision (benefit)	262	41	840	(228)
Net income (loss)	\$ 838	\$ 378	\$ 2.044	\$ (185)
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Per Share Data:				
Earnings (loss) per share, basic	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.18	\$ (0.02)
Earnings (loss) per share, diluted	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.18	\$ (0.02)
Dividends	\$ 0.03	\$	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.04
		Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 2009		hs Ended ber 30, 2009
Performance Ratios (2):				
Return (loss) on average assets	0.37%	0.17%	0.31%	(0.03)%

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Return (loss) on average equity	4.05	1.97	3.38	(0.33)
Interest rate spread (3)	2.85	2.61	2.89	2.69
Net interest margin (4)	3.08	2.91	3.13	3.00
Noninterest expense to average assets	3.42	3.45	3.62	3.65
Dividend payout ratio (5)	16.11		13.21	(97.84)
Efficiency ratio (6)	85.20	85.93	88.26	91.35
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities	114.43	113.38	113.80	112.98
Average equity to average assets	9.20	8.72	9.12	8.61

	At or 1 Nine Month Septemb	is Ended
	2010	2009
Capital Ratios:		
Total shareholders equity to total assets	9.20%	8.87%
Total capital ratio	14.96	13.59
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	13.99	12.67
Tier 1 capital ratio	8.08	8.02
Asset Quality Ratios:		
Nonperforming assets as percent of total assets	0.73	0.89
Nonperforming loans as a percent of total loans	0.68	1.09
Nonperforming assets and troubled debt restructurings to total assets	1.01	0.90
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total loans	0.81	0.88
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of nonperforming loans	118.73	80.80
Net charge-offs to average outstanding loans during the period	(0.13)	(0.69)

- (1) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts.
- (2) Performance ratios are annualized.
- (3) Represents the difference between the weighted average yield on average interest-earning assets and the weighted average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.
- (4) Represents net interest income as a percentage of average interest-earning assets.
- (5) Dividends paid by basic net income.
- (6) Represents noninterest expenses divided by the sum of net interest income and noninterest income, excluding gains or losses on the sale of securities and other-than-temporary impairment on securities.

#### Comparison of Financial Condition at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009

Total assets increased \$17.9 million, or 2.1%, to \$890.3 million at September 30, 2010 from \$872.4 million at December 31, 2009, principally due to increases of \$27.7 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$6.7 million in loans held for sale, offset by decreases of \$9.8 million in securities, \$3.1 million in net loans receivable, \$1.4 million in other real estate owned, \$806,000 in net deferred tax assets, \$782,000 in premises and equipment and \$734,000 in prepaid Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation deposit insurance assessment. Cash and cash equivalents increased as a result of an increase in deposits and security sales. The sale of mortgage-backed securities and U.S. government and agency obligations contributed to the decline in securities. A decline in loan originations and an increase in residential mortgage loan sales contributed to the decrease in net loans receivable. Total loan originations decreased \$42.8 million, or 34.1%, during 2010 versus the comparable period in 2009 due to reduced demand and more stringent underwriting standards as a result of adverse economic conditions. Lower loan originations were offset by the purchase of \$29.3 million in United States Department of Agriculture and Small Business Administration loans that are fully guaranteed by the U.S. government. SI Financial Group obtained ownership of one commercial and six residential properties with an aggregate net carrying value of \$1.6 million, which resulted in an increase in other real estate owned, offset by the sale of five residential and two commercial properties at a net loss aggregating \$48,000. As of September 30, 2010, troubled debt restructurings totaled \$3.5 million, of which \$2.6 million is still accruing. The increase in net unrealized gains on available for sale securities resulted in a decrease in net deferred tax assets. Accumulated depreciation and amortization expense contributed to the decrease in premises and equipment at September 30, 2010.

Total liabilities were \$808.4 million at September 30, 2010 compared to \$794.9 million at December 31, 2009. Deposits, excluding escrow accounts, increased \$15.5 million, or 2.4%, which included increases in NOW and money market accounts of \$26.3 million and savings accounts of \$1.5 million, offset by decreases in certificates of deposit of \$11.6 million and noninterest-bearing deposits of \$699,000. Deposit growth was attributable to marketing and promotional initiatives and competitively-priced deposit products. Borrowings decreased \$1.9 million from \$124.3 million at December 31, 2009 to \$122.4 million at September 30, 2010, resulting from net repayments of Federal Home Loan Bank advances.

Total stockholders equity increased \$4.4 million from \$77.5 million at December 31, 2009 to \$81.9 million at September 30, 2010. The increase in stockholders equity was attributable to an increase in net unrealized gains on securities aggregating \$2.6 million (net of taxes) and earnings of \$2.0 million, offset by dividends of \$250,000.

#### Comparison of Operating Results for the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009

*General.* SI Financial Group reported net income of \$838,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2010, an increase of \$460,000, compared to net income of \$378,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2009. SI Financial

Group reported net income of \$2.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, an increase of \$2.2 million, compared to a net loss of \$185,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The increase in net income was due to an increase in net interest income, a decrease in the provision for loan losses and for the nine-month period, an increase in noninterest income, offset by increases in the provision for income taxes and noninterest expenses.

*Interest and Dividend Income.* For the three months ended September 30, 2010, interest and dividend income decreased \$847,000, or 7.9%, to \$9.9 million due to lower yields earned on interest-earning assets and a decrease in the average balance of loans, offset by an increase in the average balance of securities and other interest-earning assets. The yield on interest-earning assets decreased 50 basis points to 4.66%. SI Financial Group experienced declines in the average balance of securities rose \$13.3 million, offset a decrease in the yield of 106 basis points. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, interest and dividend income decreased \$2.8 million, or 8.5%, to \$30.1 million due to a lower yield earned on interest-earning assets and a decrease in the average balance of securities and other interest-earning assets to 4.84%, with the yield on securities contributing the largest decrease of 122 basis points to 3.41%. SI Financial Group experienced declines in the average balance of loans of \$19.0 million and the yield on loans of 19 basis points to 3.41%. SI Financial Group experienced declines in the average balance of loans of \$19.0 million and the yield on loans of 19 basis points. The decrease in yields were due to lower market interest rates.

*Interest Expense*. For the three months ended September 30, 2010, interest expense decreased \$1.3 million due to lower rates paid on deposits and borrowings and a \$13.0 million decrease in the average balance of Federal Home Loan Bank advances, offset by an increase in the average balance of interest-bearing deposits of \$19.6 million. Rates paid on average deposits decreased 74 basis points from 2.21% to 1.47%. The rates paid on Federal Home Loan Bank advances and subordinated debt decreased 52 basis points and 14 basis points, respectively. Interest expense decreased \$3.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 versus the comparable period of 2009, resulting from decreases in the rates paid on deposits and borrowings and a \$19.4 million decrease in the average balance of Federal Home Loan Bank advances, offset by an increase in the average balance of interest-bearing deposits of \$25.9 million. Rates paid on average deposits decreased 71 basis points from 2.33% to 1.62%. The rates paid on Federal Home Loan Bank advances and subordinated debt decrease in predominated bet decreased 56 basis points and 86 basis points, respectively. Contributing to the higher average deposits was an increase in predominately NOW and money market accounts of \$36.1 million, offset by a decrease of \$12.1 million in certificates of deposit.

*Provision for Loan Losses.* The provision for loan losses decreased \$430,000 and \$1.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, compared to the same periods in the prior year. The lower provision in 2010 resulted from declines in nonperforming loans and net loan charge-offs, predominately in commercial real estate loans. At September 30, 2010, nonperforming loans totaled \$4.2 million, compared to \$6.7 million at September 30, 2009. Specific loan loss allowances relating to nonperforming loans decreased to \$449,000 at September 30, 2010, compared to \$721,000 at September 30, 2009. Net loan charge-offs were \$152,000 and \$587,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, compared to \$272,000 and \$3.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, respectively. Higher loan charge-offs for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 primarily related to two commercial construction relationships aggregating \$2.3 million.

*Noninterest Income.* The following table shows the components of noninterest income and the dollar and percentage changes for the periods presented.

	Three	Months End	led Septemb	oer 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	Dollar Change	Percent Change	2010	2009	Dollar Change	Percent Change		
Service fees	\$ 1,248	\$ 1,291	\$ (43)	(3.3)%	\$ 3,825	\$ 3,739	\$ 86	2.3%		
Wealth management fees	1,011	983	28	2.8	3,065	2,910	155	5.3		
Increase in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance	73	74	(1)	(1.4)	216	220	(4)	(1.8)		
Net gain (loss) on sale of securities	197	(127)	324	(255.1)	878	127	751	591.3		
Net impairment losses recognized in earnings	(160)		(160)	n/a	(492)	(150)	(342)	228.0		
Mortgage banking fees	221	181	40	22.1	576	519	57	11.0		
Net (loss) gain on sale of equipment	(5)	(5)			(5)	99	(104)	(105.1)		
Other	(60)	287	(347)	(120.9)	12	35	(23)	(65.7)		
Total noninterest income	\$ 2,525	\$ 2,684	\$ (159)	(5.9)%	\$ 8,075	\$ 7,499	\$ 576	7.7%		

Wealth management fees rose \$28,000 and \$155,000, resulting from an increase in trust service fees for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2009. Service fees increased \$86,000 for the first nine months of 2010 primarily due to higher electronic banking usage, despite a decline of \$43,000 from the comparable quarter in 2009. SI Financial Group recorded other-than-temporary impairment charges on one non-agency mortgage-backed security totaling \$160,000 and \$492,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, compared to \$0 and \$150,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, respectively. Higher other noninterest income for the third quarter of 2009 reflected \$291,000 in death benefit proceeds received from a bank-owned life insurance policy. Other noninterest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was offset by impairment charges of \$12,000 to reduce the carrying value in Savings Institute s small business investment company limited partnerships, compared to impairment charges of \$383,000 for the same period in 2009.

*Noninterest Expenses.* The following table shows the components of noninterest expenses and the dollar and percentage changes for the periods indicated.

	Three	Months End	led Septeml	oer 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	Dollar Change	Percent Change	2010	2009	Dollar Change	Percent Change			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 3,684	\$ 3,777	\$ (93)	(2.5)%	\$ 11,895	\$ 11,979	\$ (84)	(0.7)%			
Occupancy and equipment	1,433	1,376	57	4.1	4,197	4,182	15	0.4			
Computer and electronic banking services	958	941	17	1.8	2,852	2,564	288	11.2			
Outside professional services	210	235	(25)	(10.6)	746	704	42	6.0			
Marketing and advertising	179	215	(36)	(16.7)	569	624	(55)	(8.8)			
Supplies	112	119	(7)	(5.9)	377	401	(24)	(6.0)			
FDIC deposit insurance and regulatory											
assessments	321	333	(12)	(3.6)	989	1,205	(216)	(17.9)			
Other	777	611	166	27.2	2,351	1,987	364	18.3			
Total noninterest expenses	\$ 7,674	\$ 7,607	\$ 67	0.9%	\$ 23,976	\$ 23,646	\$ 330	1.4%			

Salary expense and related payroll taxes were lower for 2010 compared to 2009 due to reduced staffing. For both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, SI Financial Group experienced increases in costs associated with other real estate owned and in computer and electronic banking services expense as result of increased telecommunications costs and transaction activity. Noninterest expenses for 2009 reflected an FDIC-imposed industry-wide 5 basis point special assessment of \$393,000 and prepayment penalties totaling \$111,000 for the early extinguishment of Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings.

*Income Tax Provision.* For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the provision for income taxes increased \$221,000 and \$1.1 million, respectively, versus the comparable period in 2009. The increase in the provision was due to higher pre-tax net income, offset by a reduction in SI Financial Group s valuation allowance of \$90,000 related to the expiration of unrealized federal charitable contribution and capital loss carry-forwards. The effective tax rate was 23.8% and 29.1% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively. The effective tax rate was 9.8% and 55.2% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, respectively. The lower effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2009 was due to lower pre-tax net income and a non-taxable gain on bank-owned life insurance proceeds.

# **Use of Proceeds**

The following table shows how we intend to use the net proceeds of the offering. The actual net proceeds will depend on the number of shares of common stock sold in the offering and the expenses incurred in connection with the offering. Payments for shares made through withdrawals from deposit accounts at Savings Institute will reduce Savings Institute s deposits and will not result in the receipt of new funds for investment. See *Pro Forma Data* for the assumptions used to arrive at these amounts.

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(Dollars in thousands)	Shares at \$8.00 Per Share	Percent of Net Proceeds	Shares at \$8.00 Per Share	Percent of Net Proceeds	7,546,875 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share	Percent of Net Proceeds	8,678,906 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share	Percent of Net Proceeds		
Offering proceeds	\$ 44,625		\$ 52,500		\$ 60,375		\$ 69,431			
Less: offering expenses	(2,998)		(3,285)		(3,572)		(3,901)			
Net offering proceeds Less:	41,627	100.0%	49,215	100.0%	56,803	100.0%	65,530	100.0%		
Proceeds contributed to Savings Institute	24,976	60.0	29,529	60.0	34,082	60.0	39,318	60.0		
Proceeds used for loan to employee stock ownership plan	2,678	6.4	3,150	6.4	3,623	6.4	4,166	6.4		
Proceeds contributed to SI Financial Group Foundation by SI Financial										
Group	500	1.2	500	1.0	500	0.9	500	0.8		
Proceeds remaining for new SI Financial Group	\$ 13,473	32.4%	\$ 16,036	32.6%	\$ 18,598	32.7%	\$ 21,546	32.8%		

We initially intend to invest the proceeds retained from the offering at new SI Financial Group in short-term investments, such as U.S. treasury and government agency securities, mortgage-backed securities and cash and cash equivalents. The actual amounts to be invested in different instruments will depend on the interest rate environment and new SI Financial Group s liquidity requirements. In the future, new SI Financial Group may liquidate its investments and use those funds:

to pay dividends to shareholders;

to repurchase shares of its common stock, subject to regulatory restrictions;

to finance the possible acquisition of financial institutions or other businesses that are related to banking as opportunities arise, primarily in or adjacent to our existing market area; and

for general corporate purposes, including contributing additional capital to Savings Institute.

Under current Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, we may not repurchase shares of our common stock during the first year following completion of the conversion and offering, except to fund equity benefit plans other than stock options or, with prior regulatory approval, when

extraordinary circumstances exist. For a discussion of our dividend policy and regulatory matters relating to the payment of dividends, see *Our Dividend Policy*.

Savings Institute initially intends to invest the proceeds it receives from the offering, which is shown in the table above as the amount contributed to Savings Institute, in short-term investments. Over time, Savings Institute may use the proceeds that it receives from the offering:

to fund new loans;

to invest in securities;

to finance the possible expansion of its business activities; and

for general corporate purposes.

We may need regulatory approvals to engage in some of the activities listed above.

While we periodically conduct informal discussions with other parties, we currently do not have any specific plans for any expansion or diversification activities that would require funds from this offering. Consequently, we currently anticipate that the proceeds of the offering contributed to Savings Institute will be used to fund new loans and to expand our mortgage banking operations. We expect that much of the loan growth will occur in our commercial real estate and commercial business portfolios, which we have emphasized in recent years but we have not allocated specific dollar amounts to any particular area of our portfolio. The amount of time that it will take to deploy the proceeds of the offering into loans will depend primarily on the level of loan demand.

Except as described above, we have no specific plans for the investment of the proceeds of the offering and have not allocated a specific portion of the proceeds to any particular use. For a discussion of our business reasons for undertaking the offering, see *The Conversion and Offering Reasons for the Conversion and Offering.* 

# **Our Dividend Policy**

SI Financial Group currently pays a cash dividend of \$0.03 per share per quarter, which equals \$0.12 per share on an annualized basis. After the conversion and offering, we intend to continue to pay a cash dividend of \$0.03 per share per quarter, which represents an annual yield of 1.5% based on a price of \$8.00 per share. However, in determining the amount of any dividends, the Board of Directors will take into account our financial condition and results of operations, tax considerations, capital requirements and alternative uses for capital, industry standards and economic conditions. We cannot guarantee that we will pay dividends or that, if paid, we will not reduce or eliminate dividends in the future.

New SI Financial Group is subject to Maryland law, which generally permits a corporation to pay dividends on its common stock unless, after giving effect to the dividend, the corporation would be unable to pay its debts as they become due in the usual course of its business or the total assets of the corporation would be less than its total liabilities. Pursuant to Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, new SI Financial Group may not make a distribution that would constitute a return of capital during the three years following the completion of the conversion and offering. Following the merger of the Office of Thrift Supervision into the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the assumption of regulatory authority by the Federal Reserve over savings and loan holding companies, including SI Financial Group, SI Financial Group will not be required to obtain prior Federal Reserve approval to pay a dividend unless the declaration and payment of a dividend could raise supervisory concerns about the safe and sound operation of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute, where the dividend declared for a period is not supported by earnings for that period, and where a company plans to declare a material increase in its common stock dividend.

New SI Financial Group s ability to pay dividends may depend, in part, upon its receipt of dividends from Savings Institute. Under applicable regulations, an application to and the prior approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision is required before any capital distribution can be made by Savings Institute to SI Financial Group if the total capital distributions for the calendar year exceed net income for that year plus the amount of retained net income for the preceding two years. As of June 30, 2010, Savings Institute would be required to obtain prior approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision before it can pay any dividends to SI Financial Group. Any payment of dividends by Savings Institute to new SI Financial Group that would be deemed to be drawn out of Savings Institute s bad debt reserves would require the payment of federal income taxes by Savings Institute at the then current income tax rate on the amount deemed distributed. See *Federal and State Taxation Federal Income Taxation* and note 10 of the notes to consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. New SI Financial Group does not contemplate any distribution by Savings Institute that would result in this type of tax liability.

# Market for the Common Stock

The common stock of SI Financial Group is currently listed on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SIFI. Upon completion of the conversion and offering, the shares of common stock of new SI Financial Group will replace SI Financial Group s common stock. We expect that new SI Financial Group s shares of common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Market under the trading symbol SIFID for a period of 20 trading days after completion of the offering. Thereafter, our trading symbol will be SIFI. To list our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Market we are required to have at least three broker-dealers who will make a market in our common stock. SI Financial Group currently has approximately 35 registered market makers.

The development of a public market having the desirable characteristics of depth, liquidity and orderliness depends on the existence of willing buyers and sellers, the presence of which is not within our control or that of any market maker. The number of active buyers and sellers of our common stock at any particular time may be limited, which may have an adverse effect on the price at which our common stock can be sold. There can be no assurance that persons purchasing the common stock will be able to sell their shares at or above the \$8.00 price per share in the offering. Purchasers of our common stock should recognize that there are risks involved in their investment and that there may be a limited trading market in the common stock.

The following table sets forth high and low sales prices for SI Financial Group s common stock for the periods indicated.

	High	Low	Dividends Paid Per Share
Year Ending December 31, 2010:			
Fourth Quarter (through November 10, 2010)	\$ 6.89	\$ 5.69	\$ 0.03
Third Quarter	7.00	5.77	0.03
Second Quarter	6.83	5.90	0.03
First Quarter	7.00	4.80	
Year Ended December 31, 2009:			
Fourth Quarter	\$ 5.35	\$ 4.15	
Third Quarter	5.00	3.80	
Second Quarter	6.58	3.52	
First Quarter	7.95	2.99	0.04
Year Ended December 31, 2008:			
Fourth Quarter	\$ 8.00	\$ 4.90	0.04
Third Quarter	10.00	7.01	0.04
Second Quarter	10.49	8.09	0.04
First Quarter	10.00	9.42	0.04

At November 1, 2010, SI Financial Group had approximately 897 shareholders of record, not including those who hold shares in street name. On the effective date of the conversion, all publicly held shares of SI Financial Group common stock, including shares held by our officers and directors, will be converted automatically into and become the right to receive a number of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock determined pursuant to the exchange ratio. See *The Conversion and Offering Share Exchange Ratio for Current Shareholders*. The above table reflects actual prices and has not been adjusted to reflect the exchange ratio. Options to purchase shares of SI Financial Group common stock will be converted into options to purchase a number of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock adjusted pursuant to the exchange ratio, for the same aggregate exercise price.

# Capitalization

The following table presents the historical capitalization of SI Financial Group at June 30, 2010 and the capitalization of new SI Financial Group reflecting the offering (referred to as proforma information). The proforma capitalization gives effect to the assumptions listed under *Pro Forma Data*, based on the sale of the number of shares of common stock indicated in the table. This table does not reflect the issuance of additional shares as a result of the exercise of options granted under the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan or the proposed new equity incentive plan. A change in the number of shares to be issued in the offering may materially affect proforma capitalization. We must sell a minimum of 5,578,125 shares to complete the offering.

		Pro Fo	orma Capitalizatio	on Based Upon the				
(Dollars in thousands)	At June 30, 2010	Minimum of Offering Range 5,578,125 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share	Midpoint of Offering Range 6,562,500 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share	Maximum of Offering Range 7,546,875 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share	15% Above Maximum of Offering Range 8,678,906 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share			
Deposits (1)	\$ 676,781	\$ 676,781	\$ 676,781	\$ 676,781	\$ 676,781			
Borrowings	122,417	122,417	122,417	122,417	122,417			
Total deposits and borrowed funds	\$ 799,198	\$ 799,198	\$ 799,198	\$ 799,198	\$ 799,198			
Shareholders equity: Preferred stock:								
1,000,000 shares, \$0.01 par value per share authorized; none								
issued or outstanding	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Common stock:								
35,000,000 shares, \$0.01 par value per share, authorized; specified number of shares assumed to be issued and								
outstanding (2)	126	90	106	122	140			
Additional paid-in capital	52,226	93,889	101,461	109,033	117,742			
Retained earnings (3)	39,964	39,964	39,964	39,964	39,964			
Mutual holding company capital consolidation								
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net	(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)			
Less:								
Common stock acquired by employee stock ownership								
plan (4)	(3,068)	(5,746)	(6,218)	(6,691)	(7,234)			
Common stock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (5)	(29)	(1,406)	(1,649)	(1,892)	(2,171)			
Treasury stock	(8,039)	(8,039)	(8,039)	(8,039)	(8,039)			
After-tax expense of contribution to charitable foundation								
(6)		(335)	(335)	(335)	(335)			
Total shareholders equity	\$ 81,160	\$ 118,397	\$ 125,270	\$ 132,142	\$ 140,047			
Total shareholders equity as a percentage of total assets	9.12%	12.78%	13.42%	14.05%	14.77%			
Total tangible shareholders equity as a percentage of total assets (7)	8.66%	12.33%	12.97%	13.61%	14.33%			

(1) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts. Does not reflect withdrawals from deposit accounts for the purchase of common stock in the offering. Withdrawals to purchase common stock will reduce pro forma deposits by the amounts of the withdrawals.

(2) Reflects total issued and outstanding shares of 9,015,585, 10,606,571, 12,197,557 and 14,027,190 at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and 15% above the maximum of the offering range, respectively.

- (3) Retained earnings are restricted by applicable regulatory capital requirements.
- (4) Assumes that 6.0% of the common stock sold in the offering will be acquired by the employee stock ownership plan with funds borrowed from new SI Financial Group. Under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, the amount of common stock to be purchased by the employee stock ownership plan represents unearned compensation and, accordingly, is reflected as a reduction of capital. As shares are released to plan participants accounts, a compensation expense will be charged, along with related tax benefit, and a reduction in the charge against capital will occur. Since the funds are borrowed from new SI Financial Group, the borrowing will be eliminated in consolidation and no liability or interest expense will be reflected in the financial statements of new SI Financial Group.
- (5) Assumes the purchase in the open market at \$8.00 per share, for restricted stock awards under the proposed equity incentive plan, of a number of shares equal to 3.1% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. The shares are reflected as a reduction of shareholders equity. The equity incentive plan will be submitted to shareholders for approval at a meeting following the offering. See *Risk Factors Issuance of shares for benefit programs may dilute your ownership interest*, *Pro Forma Data* and *Our Management Future Equity Incentive Plan*.

- (6) Represents the expense of the contribution to the charitable foundation based on a 33% tax rate. The realization of the deferred tax benefit is limited annually to a maximum deduction for charitable contributions equal to 10% of our annual taxable income, subject to our ability to carry forward for federal or state tax purposes any unused portion of the deduction for the five years following the year in which the contribution was made.
- (7) Total tangible shareholders equity as a percentage of total assets is determined by methods other than in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted within the United States, or GAAP. Our management uses this non-GAAP measure in its analysis of our performance. Total tangible shareholders equity as a percentage of total assets is defined as total equity reduced by recorded goodwill and other intangible assets divided by total assets. This measure is important to investors interested in changes in our equity to assets ratio exclusive of changes in intangible assets. This disclosure should not be viewed as a substitute for results determined in accordance with GAAP, and is not necessarily comparable to non-GAAP performance measures that may be presented by other companies. The following reconciliation table provides a more detailed analysis of this non-GAAP performance measure:

		Pro Fo	orma Capitalizati	on Based Upon the	e Sale of 15% Above
		Minimum of Offering Range	Midpoint of Offering Range	Maximum of Offering Range	Maximum of Offering Range
	At June 30,	5,578,125 Shares at \$8.00	6,562,500 Shares at \$8,00	7,546,875 Shares at \$8.00	8,678,906 Shares at \$8.00
(In thousands)	2010	Per Share	Per Share	Per Share	Per Share
Total shareholders equity	\$ 81,160	\$ 118,397	\$ 125,270	\$ 132,142	\$ 140,047
Goodwill and other intangibles	4,179	4,179	4,179	4,179	4,179
Total tangible shareholders equity	\$ 76,981	\$ 114,218	\$ 121,091	\$ 127,963	\$ 135,868
Total assets	\$ 889,435	\$ 926,672	\$ 933,545	\$ 940,417	\$ 948,322



# **Regulatory Capital Compliance**

At June 30, 2010, Savings Institute exceeded all regulatory capital requirements. The following table presents Savings Institute s capital position relative to its regulatory capital requirements at June 30, 2010, on a historical and a pro forma basis. The table reflects receipt by Savings Institute of 60% of the net proceeds of the offering. For purposes of the table, the amount expected to be borrowed by the employee stock ownership plan has been deducted from pro forma regulatory capital. The amounts in the table are unaffected by the \$500,000 cash contribution to be made by SI Financial Group to SI Financial Group Foundation as that contribution does not affect the amount of proceeds to be received by Savings Institute. For a discussion of the assumptions underlying the pro forma capital calculations presented below, see *Use of Proceeds, Capitalization* and *Pro Forma Data*. The definitions of the terms used in the table are those provided in the capital regulations issued by the Office of Thrift Supervision. For a discussion of the capital standards applicable to Savings Institute, see *Regulation and Supervision Federal Banking Regulation Capital Requirements*.

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			Minim Offering		Midpoint of Offering Range 6,562,500 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share		Maximu Offering		Maximu Offering	ım of
	Jun	ical at e 30, 10	5,578,125 at \$8.0 Sha	0 Per			7,546,875 at \$8.00 Shai	) Per	8,678,906 At \$8.0 Shai	0 Per
		Percent of		Percent of		Percent of		Percent of	~	Percent of
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Assets (1)	Amount	Assets	Amount	Assets	Amount	Assets	Amount	Assets
Total equity under generally										
accepted accounting principles	\$ 75,579	8.60%	\$ 96,500	10.68%	\$ 100,338	11.05%	\$ 104,175	11.41%	\$ 108,589	11.83%
Tier 1 leverage capital:										
Actual (2)	\$ 70,633	8.08%	\$ 91,554	10.18%	\$ 95,392	10.56%	\$ 99,229	10.93%	\$ 103,643	11.35%
Requirement	34,967	4.00	35,958	4.00	36,141	4.00	36,323	4.00	36,532	4.00
Excess	\$ 35,666	4.08%	\$ 55,596	6.18%	\$ 59,251	6.56%	\$ 62,906	6.93%	\$ 67,111	7.35%
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Tier 1 risk-based capital:										
Actual	\$ 70,633	13.91%	\$ 91,554	17.86%	\$ 95,392	18.61%	\$ 99,229	19.29%	\$ 103,643	20.10%
Requirement	20,311	4.00	20,507	4.00	20,543	4.00	20,579	4.00	20,621	4.00
Excess	\$ 50,322	9.91%	\$ 71,047	13.86%	\$ 74,849	14.61%	\$ 78,650	15.29%	\$ 83,022	16.10%
Total risk-based capital:										
Actual (3)	\$ 75,324	14.84%	\$ 96,245	18.77%	\$ 100,083	19.49%	\$ 103,920	20.20%	\$ 108,334	21.01%
Requirement	40,606	8.00	41,013	8.00	41,086	8.00	41,159	8.00	41,243	8.00
Excess	\$ 34,718	6.84%	\$ 55,232	10.77%	\$ 58,997	11.49%	\$ 62,761	12.20%	\$ 67,091	13.01%
Reconciliation of capital										
contribution to Savings										
Institute:										
Net proceeds contributed to Savings										
Institute			\$ 24,976		\$ 29,529		\$ 34,082		\$ 39,318	
Less common stock acquired by										
ESOP			(2,678)		(3,150)		(3,623)		(4,166)	

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Less common stock acquired by equity incentive plan

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Pro forma increase in GAAP and				
regulatory capital	\$ 20,921	\$ 24,759	\$ 28,596	\$ 33,010

<sup>(1)</sup> Tier 1 leverage capital level is shown as a percentage of adjusted total assets of \$874.0 million. Risk-based capital levels are shown as a percentage of risk-weighted assets of \$507.7 million.

(3) Pro forma amounts and percentages include capital contributed to Savings Institute from the offering and assume net proceeds are invested in assets that carry a 20% risk-weighting.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net unrealized losses on available for sale securities and investments in nonincludable subsidiaries account for the difference between capital calculated under generally accepted accounting principles and Tier 1 leverage capital. See note 14 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

# **Pro Forma Data**

The following tables illustrate the proforma impact of the conversion and offering on our net income and shareholders equity based on the sale of common stock at the minimum, the midpoint, the maximum and 15% above the maximum of the offering range. The actual net proceeds from the sale of the common stock cannot be determined until the offering is completed. Net proceeds indicated in the following tables are based upon the following assumptions:

40% of the shares of common stock will be sold in the subscription and community offerings and 60% of the shares will be sold in a syndicated community offering;

Our employee stock ownership plan will purchase a number of shares equal to 6.0% of the shares sold in the offering with a loan from new SI Financial Group that will be repaid in equal installments over 20 years;

Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will receive an aggregate management fee equal to 1.0% of the aggregate purchase price of the shares sold in the subscription and community offerings, except that no fee will be paid with respect to shares purchased by the employee stock ownership plan or by our officers, directors and employees or members of their immediate families;

The sales commission and management fee for shares sold in the syndicated community offering will be equal to 5.5% of the aggregate purchase price of the shares sold in the syndicated community offering;

Total expenses of the offering, excluding sales commissions and management fees referenced above, will be approximately \$1,375,000; and

We will make a \$500,000 cash contribution to SI Financial Group Foundation. Actual expenses may vary from this estimate, and the amount of fees paid will depend upon the number of shares sold in the subscription and community offerings, as opposed to the syndicated community offering.

Pro forma net income for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 has been calculated as if the offering were completed at the beginning of each period, and the net proceeds had been invested at 1.79% and 2.69%, respectively, which represents the rate of the five-year United States Treasury security at June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. We believe that the rate of the five-year United States Treasury security represents a more realistic yield on the investment of the offering proceeds than the arithmetic average of the weighted-average yield earned on our interest-earning assets and the weighted-average rate paid on our deposits, which is the reinvestment rate required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations.

A pro forma after-tax return on the investment of the net proceeds of 1.20% and 1.80% is used for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009, respectively, after giving effect to a combined federal and state income tax rate of 33.0%. The actual rate experienced by new SI Financial Group may vary. Historical and pro forma per share amounts have been calculated by dividing historical and pro forma amounts by the number of shares of common stock indicated in the tables.

When reviewing the following tables you should consider the following:

Since funds on deposit at Savings Institute may be withdrawn to purchase shares of common stock, those funds will not result in the receipt of new funds for investment. The pro forma tables do not reflect withdrawals from deposit accounts.

Historical per share amounts have been computed as if the shares of common stock expected to be issued in the offering had been outstanding at the beginning of the period covered by the table. However, neither historical nor pro forma shareholders equity has been adjusted to reflect the investment of the estimated net proceeds from the sale of the shares in the offering, the additional employee stock ownership plan expense or the proposed equity incentive plan.

Pro forma shareholders equity (book value) represents the difference between the stated amounts of our assets and liabilities. Book value amounts do not represent fair market values or amounts available for distribution to shareholders in the unlikely event of liquidation. The amounts shown do not reflect the federal income tax consequences of the restoration to income of Savings Institute s special bad debt reserves for income tax purposes or liquidation accounts, which would be required in the unlikely event of liquidation. See *Federal and State Taxation*.

The amounts shown as pro forma shareholders equity per share do not represent possible future price appreciation of our common stock.

The following pro forma data, which are based on SI Financial Group s shareholders equity at June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, and net income for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009, may not represent the actual financial effects of the offering or our operating results after the offering. The pro forma data rely exclusively on the assumptions outlined above and in the notes to the pro forma tables. The pro forma data does not represent the fair market value of our common stock, the current fair market value of our assets or liabilities, or the amount of money that would be available for distribution to shareholders if we were to be liquidated after the conversion.

At or For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	of ( ] 5,: 8 a	inimum Offering Range 578,125 Shares t \$8.00 er Share	6, 1 1	dpoint of Offering Range 562,500 Shares at \$8.00 er Share	of 7, 2	aximum Offering Range 546,875 Shares at \$8.00 er Share	M of 8, 2	% Above aximum Offering Range 678,906 Shares t \$8.00 er Share
Gross proceeds	\$	44,625	\$	52,500	\$	60,375	\$	69,431
Plus: shares issued in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group		27,500		32,353		37,205		42,786
Pro forma market capitalization		72,125		84,853		97,580		112,217
Gross proceeds		44,625		52,500		60,375		69,431
Less: estimated expenses		(2,998)		(3,285)		(3,572)		(3,901)
Estimated net proceeds		41,627		49,215		56,803		65,530
Less: common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan (1)		(2,678)		(3,150)		(3,623)		(4,166)
Less: common stock to be acquired by employee stock ownersing plan (1) Less: common stock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (2)		(1,377)		(1,620)		(1,863)		(2,142)
Less: common sock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (2)		(500)		(1,020)		(500)		(500)
		(500)		(500)		(500)		(500)
Net proceeds	\$	37,072	\$	43,945	\$	50,817	\$	58,722
Pro Forma Net Income:	Ψ	57,072	Ψ	-3,7-5	ψ	50,017	Ψ	50,722
Pro forma net income (3):								
Historical	\$	1,206	\$	1,206	\$	1,206	\$	1,206
Pro forma income on net proceeds	Ψ	223	Ψ	264	Ψ	305	Ŷ	352
Less: pro forma employee stock ownership plan expense (1)		(45)		(53)		(61)		(70)
Less: pro forma restricted stock award expense (2)		(93)		(109)		(125)		(144)
Less: pro forma stock option expense (3)		(110)		(129)		(149)		(171)
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Pro forma net income	\$	1,181	\$	1,179	\$	1,177	\$	1,174
Pro forma net income per share (3):								
Historical	\$	0.14	\$	0.12	\$	0.10	\$	0.09
Pro forma income on net proceeds		0.03		0.03		0.03		0.03
Less: pro forma employee stock ownership plan expense (1)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)
Less: pro forma restricted stock award expense (2)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)
Less: pro forma stock option expense (3)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)
Pro forma net income per share	\$	0.14	\$	0.12	\$	0.10	\$	0.09
Offering price as a multiple of pro forma net income per share (annualized)		28.57x		33.33x		40.00x		44.44x
Number of shares used to calculate pro forma net income per share (4)	8	689,265	1	0,222,665	1	1,756,065	1.	3,519,474
Pro Forma shareholders equity:								
Pro forma shareholders equity (book value):								
Historical	\$	81,160	\$	81,160	\$	81,160	\$	81,160
Estimated net proceeds		41,627		49,215		56,803		65,530
Less: common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan (1)		(2,678)		(3,150)		(3,623)		(4,166)
Less: common stock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (2)		(1,377)		(1,620)		(1,863)		(2,142)
Less: after-tax expense of contribution to charitable foundation		(335)		(335)		(335)		(335)

Pro forma shareholders equity		118,397		125,270		132,142		140,047
Less: intangible assets		(4,179)		(4, 179)		(4, 179)		(4, 179)
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Pro forma tangible shareholders equity	\$	114,218	\$	121,091	\$	127,963	\$	135,868
Pro forma shareholders equity per share:								
Historical	\$	9.00	\$	7.65	\$	6.65	\$	5.79
Estimated net proceeds		4.62		4.64		4.66		4.67
Less: common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan (1)		(0.30)		(0.30)		(0.30)		(0.30)
Less: common stock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (2)		(0.15)		(0.15)		(0.15)		(0.15)
Less: after-tax expense of contribution to charitable foundation		(0.04)		(0.03)		(0.03)		(0.03)
Pro forma shareholders equity per share		13.13		11.81		10.83		9.98
Less: intangible assets		(0.46)		(0.39)		(0.34)		(0.30)
Pro forma tangible shareholders equity per share	\$	12.67	\$	11.42	\$	10.49	\$	9.68
Offering price as a percentage of pro forma shareholders equity per share	Ŧ	60.93%	Ŧ	67.74%	Ŧ	73.87%	Ŧ	80.16%
Offering price as a percentage of pro forma shareholders tangible equity per		00.0070		2.17 170				2011070
share		63.14%		70.05%		76.26%		82.64%
Number of shares used to calculate pro forma shareholders equity per share (4)	ç	9,015,585	1	0,606,571	1	2,197,557	1	4,027,190
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## At or For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	5, 2	nimum of Offering Range 578,125 Shares at \$8.00 er Share	6, 1	dpoint of Offering Range 562,500 Shares it \$8.00 er Share	7,	Maximum of Offering Range 7,546,875 Shares at \$8.00 Per Share		% Above ximum of Offering Range ,678,906 Shares at \$8.00 er Share
Gross proceeds	\$	44,625	г \$	52,500	\$	60,375	\$	69,431
Plus: shares issued in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group	Ψ	27,500	Ψ	32,353	Ŷ	37,205	Ψ	42,786
Pro forma market capitalization		72,125		84,853		97,580		112,217
Gross proceeds	\$	44,625	\$	52,500	\$	60,375	\$	69,431
Less: estimated expenses		(2,998)		(3,285)		(3,572)		(3,901)
Estimated net proceeds		41,627		49,215		56,803		65,530
Less: common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan (1)		(2,678)		(3,150)		(3,623)		(4,166)
Less: common stock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (2)		(1,377)		(1,620)		(1,863)		(2,142)
Less: cash contribution to charitable foundation		(500)		(500)		(500)		(500)
Net proceeds	\$	37,072	\$	43,945	\$	50,817	\$	58,722
Pro Forma Net Income:								
Pro forma net income (3):								
Historical	\$	435	\$	435	\$	435	\$	435
Pro forma income on net proceeds		668		792		916		1,058
Less: pro forma employee stock ownership plan expense (1)		(90)		(106)		(121)		(140)
Less: pro forma restricted stock award expense (2)		(185)		(217)		(250)		(287)
Less: pro forma stock option expense (3)		(220)		(258)		(297)		(342)
Pro forma net income	\$	608	\$	646	\$	683	\$	724
Pro forma net income per share (3):								
Historical	\$	0.05	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	0.03
Pro forma income on net proceeds		0.08		0.08		0.08		0.08
Less: pro forma employee stock ownership plan expense (1)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)		(0.01)
Less: pro forma restricted stock award expense (2)		(0.02)		(0.02)		(0.02)		(0.02)
Less: pro forma stock option expense (3)		(0.03)		(0.03)		(0.03)		(0.03)
Pro forma net income per share	\$	0.07	\$	0.06	\$	0.06	\$	0.05
Offering price as a multiple of pro forma net income per share (annualized)		114.29x		133.33x		133.33x		160.00x
Number of shares used to calculate pro forma net income per share (4)	8	3,697,632	1(	),232,509	1	1,767,385	1.	3,532,493
Pro Forma Shareholders equity:								
Pro forma shareholders equity (book value):								
Historical	\$	77,462	\$	77,462	\$	77,462	\$	77,462
Estimated net proceeds		41,627		49,215		56,803		65,530
Less: common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan (1)		(2,678)		(3,150)		(3,623)		(4,166)
Less: common stock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (2)		(1,377)		(1,620)		(1,863)		(2,142)
Less: after-tax expense of contribution to charitable foundation		(335)		(335)		(335)		(335)
Pro forma shareholders equity		114,699		121,572		128,444		136,349
Less: intangible assets		(4,195)		(4,195)		(4,195)		(4,195)

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Pro forma tangible shareholders equity	\$	110,504	\$	117,377	\$	124,249	\$	132,154
Pro forma shareholders equity per share:								
Historical	\$	8.59	\$	7.30	\$	6.35	\$	5.52
Estimated net proceeds		4.62		4.64		4.66		4.67
Less: common stock acquired by employee stock ownership plan (1)		(0.30)		(0.30)		(0.30)		(0.30)
Less: common stock to be acquired by equity incentive plan (2)		(0.15)		(0.15)		(0.15)		(0.15)
Less: after-tax expense of contribution to charitable foundation		(0.04)		(0.03)		(0.03)		(0.02)
Pro forma shareholders equity per share		12.72		11.46		10.53		9.72
Less: intangible assets		(0.47)		(0.40)		(0.34)		(0.30)
Pro forma tangible shareholders equity per share	\$	12.25	\$	11.06	\$	10.19	\$	9.42
Offering price as a percentage of pro forma shareholders equity per								
share		62.89%		69.81%		75.97%		82.30%
Offering price as a percentage of pro forma shareholders tangible								
equity per share		65.31%		72.33%		78.51%		84.93%
Number of shares used to calculate pro forma shareholders equity								
per share (4)	9	9,015,585	1	0,606,571	1	2,197,557	14	4,027,190

(1) Assumes that the employee stock ownership plan will acquire a number of shares of stock equal to 6.0% of the shares sold in the offering (334,688, 393,750, 452,813 and 520,734 shares at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and 15% above the maximum of the offering range, respectively). The employee stock ownership plan will borrow the funds to acquire these shares from the proceeds retained by new SI Financial Group. The amount of this borrowing has been reflected as a reduction from gross proceeds to determine estimated net proceeds. This borrowing will have an interest rate equal to the prime rate as published in *The Wall Street Journal*, which is currently 3.25%, which will be fixed at the time of the offering and be for a term of 20 years. Savings Institute intends to make contributions to the employee stock ownership plan in amounts at least equal to the principal and interest requirement of the debt. As the debt is paid down, shares will be released for allocation to participants accounts and shareholders equity will be increased.

The adjustment to pro forma net income for the employee stock ownership plan reflects the after-tax compensation expense associated with the plan. Applicable accounting principles require that compensation expense for the employee stock ownership plan be based upon shares committed to be released and that unallocated shares be excluded from earnings per share computations. An equal number of shares (1/20 of the total, based on a 20-year loan) will be released each year over the term of the loan. The valuation of shares committed to be released would be based upon the average market value of the shares during the year, which, for purposes of the pro forma tables, was assumed to be equal to the \$8.00 per share purchase price. If the average market value per share is greater than \$8.00 per share, total employee stock ownership plan expense would be greater.

(2) Assumes that new SI Financial Group will purchase in the open market a number of shares of common stock equal to 3.1% of the shares sold in the offering (172,122, 202,496, 232,870 and 267,801 shares at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and 15% above the maximum of the offering range, respectively), that will be reissued as restricted stock awards under a new equity incentive plan to be adopted following the offering. Purchases will be funded with cash on hand at new SI Financial Group or with dividends paid to new SI Financial Group by Savings Institute. The cost of these shares has been reflected as a reduction from gross proceeds to determine estimated net proceeds. In calculating the pro forma effect of the restricted stock awards, it is assumed that the required shareholder approval has been received, that the shares used to fund the awards were acquired at the beginning of the respective period and that the shares were acquired at the \$8.00 per share purchase price. The issuance of authorized but unissued shares of the common stock instead of shares repurchased in the open market would dilute the ownership interests of existing shareholders by approximately 1.9%.

The adjustment to pro forma net income for the restricted stock awards reflects the after-tax compensation expense associated with the awards. It is assumed that the fair market value of a share of new SI Financial Group common stock was \$8.00 at the time the awards were made, that shares of restricted stock issued under the equity incentive plan vest 20% per year, that compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over each vesting period so that 20% of the value of the shares awarded was an amortized expense during each year, and that the combined federal and state income tax rate was 33.0%. If the fair market value per share is greater than \$8.00 per share on the date shares are awarded under the equity incentive plan expense would be greater.

(3) The adjustment to pro forma net income for stock options reflects the after-tax compensation expense associated with the stock options that may be granted under the new equity incentive plan to be adopted following the offering. If the new equity incentive plan is approved by shareholders, a number of shares equal to 7.7% of the number of shares sold in the offering (430,304, 506,240, 582,176 and 669,502 shares at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and adjusted maximum of the offering range, respectively), will be reserved for future issuance upon the exercise of stock options that may be granted under the plan. Compensation cost relating to share-based payment transactions will be recognized in the financial statements over the period the employee is required to provide services for the award. The cost will be measured based on the fair value of the equity instruments issued. Applicable accounting standards do not prescribe a specific valuation technique to be used to estimate the fair value of employee stock options. For purposes of this table, the fair value of stock options to be granted under the new equity incentive plan has been estimated at \$2.78 per option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: exercise price, \$8.00; trading price on date of grant, \$8.00; dividend yield, 1.0%; expected life, 10 years; expected volatility, 18.21%; and risk-free interest rate, 2.97%. It is assumed that stock options granted under the equity incentive plan vest 20% per year, that compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period so that 20% of the value of the options awarded was an amortized expense during each year, that all of the options awarded are non-qualified options and that the combined federal and state income tax rate was 33.0%. We plan to use the Black-Scholes option-pricing formula; however, if the fair market value per share is different than \$8.00 per share on the date options are awarded under the equity incentive plan, or if the assumptions used in the option-pricing formula are different from those used in preparing this pro forma data, the value of the stock options and the related expense would be different. The issuance of authorized but unissued shares of common stock to satisfy option exercises instead of shares repurchased in the open market would dilute the ownership interests of existing shareholders by approximately 4.6%

(4) The number of shares used to calculate pro forma net income per share is equal to the total number of shares to be outstanding upon completion of the offering, and subtracting the employee stock ownership plan shares, which have not been committed for release during the period. See footnote 1 above. The number of shares used to calculate pro forma shareholders equity per share is equal to the total number of shares to be outstanding upon completion of the offering.

# **Our Business**

#### General

SI Financial Group was established on August 6, 2004 to become the parent holding company for Savings Institute upon the conversion of Savings Institute s former parent, SI Bancorp, Inc., from a state-chartered to a federally-chartered mutual holding company. At the same time, Savings Institute also converted from a state-chartered to a federally-chartered savings bank. On September 30, 2004, SI Financial Group completed its minority stock offering with the sale of 5,025,500 shares of its common stock to the public, 251,275 shares contributed to SI Financial Group Foundation and 7.286,975 issued to SI Bancorp, MHC. Savings Institute is a wholly-owned subsidiary of SI Financial Group and management of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute are substantially similar. SI Financial Group neither owns nor leases any property, but instead uses the premises, equipment and other property of Savings Institute with the payment of appropriate rental fees, as required by applicable law and regulations, under the terms of an expense allocation agreement that SI Financial Group and Savings Institute will enter into upon completion of the conversion. The expense allocation agreement generally provides that SI Financial Group will pay to Savings Institute, on a quarterly basis, fees for its use of Savings Institute s premises, furniture, equipment and employees in an amount to be determined by the board of directors of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute. Such fees shall not be less than the fair market value received for such goods or services. In addition, SI Financial Group and Savings Institute will also enter into a tax allocation agreement upon completion of the conversion as a result of their status as members of an affiliated group under the Internal Revenue Code. The tax allocation agreement generally provides that SI Financial Group will file consolidated federal tax income returns with Savings Institute and its subsidiaries. The tax allocation agreement also formalizes procedures for allocating the consolidated tax liability of the group among its members and establishes procedures for the future payments by Savings Institute to SI Financial Group for tax liabilities attributable to Savings Institute and its subsidiaries. The financial information and discussion contained in this prospectus primarily relates to the activities of Savings Institute.

Savings Institute operates as a community-oriented financial institution offering a full range of financial services to consumers and businesses in its market area, including insurance, trust and investment services. Savings Institute attracts deposits from the general public and uses those funds to originate one- to four-family residential, multi-family and commercial real estate, commercial business and consumer loans. Beginning in 2008, substantially all of the fixed-rate one- to four-family residential conforming loans we originate are sold in the secondary market with the servicing retained. Such sales generate mortgage banking fees. The remainder of our loan portfolio is originated for investment.

#### **Market Area and Competition**

We conduct business from our headquarters in Willimantic, Connecticut, which is located in eastern Connecticut approximately 30 miles east of Hartford, and 20 full-service branch offices throughout Windham, New London, Tolland, Hartford and Middlesex counties in Connecticut. Our primary lending area is eastern Connecticut and most of our deposit customers reside in the areas surrounding our branch offices. The economy in our market area is relatively diverse and primarily oriented to the educational, service, entertainment, manufacturing and retail industries. The major employers in the area include several institutions of higher education, the Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods casinos, General Dynamics Defense Systems and Pfizer, Inc. In addition, there are also many small to mid-sized businesses that support the local economy.

In view of the current economic downturn, our primary market area has remained a relatively stable banking market. Windham, New London and Tolland Counties have a total population of 536,000 and total households of 204,000 according to SNL Financial. For 2009, median household income levels ranged from \$56,000 to \$75,000 in the five counties we maintain branch offices, compared to \$68,000 for Connecticut as a whole and \$51,000 for the United States according to published statistics.

Savings Institute faces significant competition for the attraction of deposits and origination of loans. The most direct competition for deposits has historically come from the several financial institutions operating in Savings Institute s market area and, to a lesser extent, from other financial service companies, such as brokerage firms, credit unions and insurance companies. Savings Institute also faces competition for investors funds from money market funds and other corporate and government securities. At June 30, 2010, which is the most recent date for which data is available from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Savings Institute held approximately 20.69% of the deposits in Windham County, which is the largest market share out of 10 financial institutions with offices in this county. Also, at June 30, 2010, Savings Institute held approximately 0.96% of the deposits in Hartford, Middlesex, New London and Tolland Counties, which is the 16<sup>th</sup> market

share out of 35 financial institutions with offices in these counties. Bank of America Corp., Webster Bank Financial Corporation, TD Banknorth Group, Inc., People s United and Sovereign Bank, all of which are large national or regional bank holding companies, also operate in Savings Institute s market area. These institutions are significantly larger and, therefore, have significantly greater resources than Savings Institute does and may offer products and services that Savings Institute does not provide.

Savings Institute s competition for loans comes primarily from financial institutions in its market area, and to a lesser extent from other financial service providers, such as mortgage companies and mortgage brokers. Competition for loans also comes from the increasing number of non-depository financial service companies entering the mortgage market, such as insurance companies, securities companies and specialty finance companies.

Savings Institute expects competition to increase in the future as a result of legislative, regulatory and technological changes and the continuing trend of consolidation in the financial services industry. Technological advances, for example, have lowered barriers to entry, allowed banks to expand their geographic reach by providing services over the Internet and made it possible for non-depository institutions to offer products and services that traditionally have been provided by banks. Changes in federal law permit affiliation among banks, securities firms and insurance companies, which promotes a competitive environment in the financial services industry. Competition for deposits and the origination of loans could limit SI Financial Group s growth in the future.

#### Lending Activities

*General.* Savings Institute s loan portfolio consists primarily of one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, multi-family and commercial real estate loans and commercial business loans. To a much lesser extent, the loan portfolio includes construction and consumer loans. Savings Institute historically and currently originates loans primarily for investment purposes. At June 30, 2010, Savings Institute had loans held for sale totaling \$1.8 million.

*One- to Four-Family Residential Loans.* Savings Institute s primary lending activity is the origination of mortgage loans to enable borrowers to purchase or refinance existing homes or to construct new residential dwellings in its market area. Savings Institute offers fixed-rate and adjustable-rate mortgage loans with terms up to 40 years. Borrower demand for adjustable-rate loans versus fixed-rate loans is a function of the level of current and anticipated future interest rates, the difference between the interest rates and loan fees offered for fixed-rate mortgage loans and the initial period interest rates and loan fees for adjustable-rate loans. The relative amount of fixed-rate mortgage loans and adjustable-rate mortgage loans that can be originated at any time is largely determined by the demand for each in a competitive environment and the effect each has on Savings Institute s interest rate risk. The loan fees charged, interest rates and other provisions of mortgage loans are determined on the basis of Savings Institute s own pricing criteria and competitive market conditions. Additionally, Savings Institute offers reverse mortgages to its customers, through a correspondent relationship with another institution, in response to increasing demand for this type of product.

Savings Institute offers fixed-rate loans with terms of 10, 15, 20, 30 or 40 years. Savings Institute s adjustable-rate mortgage loans are based primarily on 30-year amortization schedules. Interest rates and payments on adjustable-rate mortgage loans adjust annually after a one, three, five, seven or ten-year initial fixed period. Interest rates and payments on adjustable-rate loans are adjusted to a rate typically equal to 2.75% (2.875% for jumbo loans) above the one-year constant maturity Treasury index. The maximum amount by which the interest rate may be increased or decreased is generally 2% per adjustment period and the lifetime interest rate cap is generally 6% over the initial interest rate of the loan.

Generally, Savings Institute does not originate conventional loans with loan-to-value ratios exceeding 95% and generally originates loans with a loan-to-value ratio in excess of 80% only when secured by first liens on owner-occupied one- to four-family residences. Loans with loan-to-value ratios in excess of 80% generally require private mortgage insurance or additional collateral. Savings Institute requires all properties securing mortgage loans to be appraised by a board approved independent licensed appraiser and requires title insurance on all first mortgage loans. Borrowers must obtain hazard insurance and flood insurance for loans on property located in a flood zone before closing the loan.

In an effort to provide financing for moderate income and first-time buyers, Savings Institute offers loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration and the Veterans Administration and participates in the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority Program. Savings Institute offers fixed-rate residential mortgage loans through these programs to qualified individuals and originates the loans using modified underwriting guidelines.

*Multi-Family and Commercial Real Estate Loans.* Savings Institute makes multi-family and commercial real estate loans throughout its market area for the purpose of acquiring, developing, improving or refinancing multi-family and commercial real estate where the property is the primary collateral securing the loan, and the income generated from the property is the primary repayment source. Savings Institute offers fixed-rate and adjustable-rate mortgage loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate. At June 30, 2010, 63.3% of Savings Institute s multi-family and commercial real estate loans were secured by owner-occupied properties, including churches, retail facilities and other local properties used for businesses. The remaining percentage are secured by non-owner occupied properties such as condominiums, apartment buildings and single-family subdivisions. Savings Institute intends to continue to emphasize this segment of its loan portfolio, as market conditions permit, as such loans produce yields that are generally higher than one- to four-family residential loans and are more sensitive to changes in market interest rates.

Savings Institute originates adjustable-rate multi-family and commercial real estate loans for terms up to 25 years. Interest rates and payments on these loans typically adjust every five years after a five-year initial fixed-rate period. Interest rates and payments on adjustable-rate loans are adjusted to a rate typically 2.5-3.0% above the classic advance rates offered by the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston. There are no adjustment period or lifetime interest rate caps. Loans are secured by first mortgages that generally do not exceed 75% of the property s appraised value. At June 30, 2010, the largest outstanding multi-family or commercial real estate loan was \$7.0 million. This loan is secured by a nursing home and rehabilitation facility and was performing according to its terms at June 30, 2010.

Loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate generally have larger balances and involve a greater degree of risk than one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. Of primary concern in multi-family and commercial real estate lending is the borrower s creditworthiness and the feasibility and cash flow potential of the project. Payments on loans secured by income-producing properties often depend on the successful operation and management of the properties. As a result, repayment of such loans may be subject, to a greater extent than residential real estate loans, to adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy.

*Construction and Land Loans.* Savings Institute originates loans to individuals, and to a lesser extent, builders, to finance the construction of residential dwellings. Savings Institute also originates construction loans for commercial development projects, including condominiums, apartment buildings, single-family subdivisions as well as owner-occupied properties used for businesses. Residential construction loans generally provide for the payment of interest only during the construction phase, which is usually twelve months. At the end of the construction phase, the loan generally converts to a permanent mortgage loan. Commercial construction loans generally provide for the payment of interest only during the construction for nonresidential properties and 80% of the lesser of the appraised value or cost of the project on multi-family construction. At June 30, 2010, the largest outstanding construction loan commitment for the construction of a church was \$2.8 million, of which \$1.7 million was outstanding and the largest residential construction loan commitment was \$1.8 million, of which \$1.2 million was outstanding. These loans were performing according to their terms at June 30, 2010. Primarily all commitments to fund construction loans require an appraisal of the property by a board approved independent licensed appraiser. Also, inspections of the property are required before the disbursement of funds during the term of the construction loan.

Savings Institute also originates land loans to individuals, local contractors and developers only for making improvements on approved building lots, subdivisions and condominium projects within two years of the date of the loan. Such loans to individuals generally are written with a maximum loan-to-value ratio based upon the appraised value or purchase price of the land. Maximum loan-to-value ratio on raw land is 50%, while the maximum loan-to-value ratio for land development loans involving approved projects is 65%. Savings Institute offers fixed-rate land loans and variable-rate land loans that adjust annually. Interest rates and payments on adjustable-rate land loans are adjusted to a rate typically equal to the then current <u>*The Wall Street Journal*</u> prime rate plus a 1.0 2.0% margin. The maximum amount by which the interest rate may be increased or decreased is generally 2% annually and the lifetime interest rate cap is generally 6% over the initial rate of the loan. Land loans totaled \$435,000 at June 30, 2010.

*Commercial Business Loans.* Savings Institute originates commercial business loans to a variety of professionals, sole proprietorships and small businesses primarily in its market area. Savings Institute offers a variety of commercial lending products, the maximum amount of which is limited by Savings Institute s in-house loans to one borrower limit. At June 30, 2010, the largest commercial loan was a \$1.3 million loan, which is secured by a business asset consisting of a waste processing system. This loan was performing according to its terms at June 30, 2010.

Savings Institute offers loans secured by business assets other than real estate, such as business equipment and inventory. These loans are originated with maximum loan-to-value ratios of 75% of the value of the personal property. Savings Institute originates lines of credit to finance the working capital needs of businesses to be repaid by seasonal cash flows or to provide a period of time during which the business can borrow funds for planned equipment purchases. These loans convert to a term loan at the expiration of a draw period, which is not to exceed twelve months, and will be paid over a pre-defined amortization period. Additional products such as time notes, letters of credit and equipment lease financing are offered. Additionally, Savings Institute purchases the portion of commercial business loans that are fully guaranteed by the Small Business Administration and the United States Department of Agriculture. At June 30, 2010, Small Business Administration and United States Department of Agriculture loans totaled \$90.8 million.

When originating commercial business loans, Savings Institute considers the financial statements of the borrower, the borrower s payment history of both corporate and personal debt, the debt service capabilities of the borrower, the projected cash flows of the business, viability of the industry in which the customer operates and the value of the collateral.

*Consumer Loans*. Savings Institute offers a variety of consumer loans, primarily home equity lines of credit, and, to a lesser extent, loans secured by marketable securities, passbook or certificate accounts, motorcycles, automobiles and recreational vehicles, as well as unsecured loans. Generally, Savings Institute offers automobile loans with a maximum loan-to-value ratio of 100% of the purchase price for new vehicles. Unsecured loans generally have a maximum borrowing limit of \$10,000 and a maximum term of five years.

The procedures for underwriting consumer loans include an assessment of the applicant s payment history on other debts and their ability to meet existing obligations and payments on the proposed loans. Although the applicant s creditworthiness is a primary consideration, the underwriting process also includes a comparison of the value of the collateral, if any, to the proposed loan amount. Home equity lines of credit have adjustable rates of interest that are indexed to the prime rate as reported in *The Wall Street Journal*. Savings Institute will offer home equity loans with a maximum combined loan-to-value ratio of 80%. A home equity line of credit may be drawn down by the borrower for an initial period of five years from the date of the loan agreement. During this period, the borrower has the option of paying, on a monthly basis, either principal and interest or only interest. If the draw period is not extended for an additional 4 years and 10 months, the borrower has to pay back the amount outstanding under the line of credit over a term not to exceed ten years, beginning at the end of the five-year period.

## Loan Underwriting Risks

*Adjustable-Rate Loans*. While we anticipate that adjustable-rate loans will better offset the adverse effects of an increase in interest rates as compared to fixed-rate mortgages, the increased mortgage payments required of adjustable-rate loan borrowers in a rising interest rate environment could cause an increase in delinquencies and defaults. The marketability and collateral value of the underlying property also may be adversely affected in a high interest rate environment. In addition, although adjustable-rate mortgage loans help make our loan portfolio more responsive to changes in interest rates, the extent of this interest sensitivity is limited by the annual and lifetime interest rate adjustment limits.

*Multi-Family and Commercial Real Estate Loans.* Loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate generally have larger balances and involve a greater degree of risk than one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. Of primary concern in multi-family and commercial real estate lending is the borrower s creditworthiness and the feasibility and cash flow potential of the project. Payments on loans secured by income properties often depend on successful operation and management of the properties. As a result, repayment of such loans may be subject to a greater extent than residential real estate loans to adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy. To monitor cash flows on income properties, we generally require borrowers and loan guarantors to provide annual financial statements and/or tax returns. In reaching a decision on whether to make a multi-family or commercial real estate loan, we consider the net operating income of the property, the borrower s expertise, credit history and profitability and the value of the underlying property. We have generally required that the properties securing these real estate loans have debt service coverage ratios (the ratio of earnings before debt service to debt service) of at least 1.20x. Environmental screens, surveys and inspections are obtained when circumstances suggest the prosenties of the presence of hazardous materials. Further, in connection with our ongoing monitoring of the loan, we typically will review the property, the underlying loan and guarantors annually.

*Construction Loans*. Construction financing is generally considered to involve a higher degree of risk of loss than long-term financing on improved, occupied real estate. Risk of loss on a construction loan depends largely upon the accuracy of the initial estimate of the property s value at completion of construction, the estimated cost (including interest) of

construction and the ability of the project to be sold upon completion. During the construction phase, a number of factors could result in delays and cost overruns. If the estimate of construction costs proves to be inaccurate, we may be required to advance funds beyond the amount originally committed to permit completion of the building. If the estimate of value proves to be inaccurate, we may be confronted, at or before the maturity of the loan, with a building having a value that is insufficient to assure full repayment. If we are forced to foreclose on a building before or at completion due to a borrower default, there can be no assurance that we will be able to recover all of the unpaid balance of, and accrued interest on, the loan as well as related foreclosure and holding costs.

*Commercial Business Loans*. Unlike residential mortgage loans, which generally are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from his or her employment or other income, and which are secured by real property the value of which tends to be more easily ascertainable, commercial loans are of higher risk and typically are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from the cash flow of the borrower's underlying business. As a result, the availability of funds for the repayment of commercial loans may depend substantially on the success of the business itself. Further, any collateral securing such loans may depreciate over time, may be difficult to appraise and may fluctuate in value.

*Consumer Loans*. Consumer loans may entail greater risk than residential mortgage loans do, particularly in the case of consumer loans that are unsecured or secured by assets that depreciate rapidly. In such cases, repossessed collateral for a defaulted consumer loan may not provide an adequate source of repayment for the outstanding loan and the remaining deficiency often does not warrant further substantial collection efforts against the borrower. In addition, consumer loan collections depend on the borrower s continuing financial stability, and therefore are more likely to be adversely affected by job loss, divorce, illness or personal bankruptcy. Furthermore, the application of various federal and state laws, including bankruptcy and insolvency laws, may limit the amount that can be recovered on such loans.

#### Loan Originations, Purchases, Sales and Servicing

Loan originations come from a number of sources. The primary source of loan originations are Savings Institute s in-house loan originators, and to a lesser extent, advertising and referrals from customers.

From time to time, Savings Institute will purchase whole participations in loans fully guaranteed by the Small Business Administration and the United States Department of Agriculture. The loans are primarily for commercial and agricultural properties located throughout the United States. Savings Institute purchased \$19.6 million, \$40.9 million and \$12.3 million in loans during the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

At June 30, 2010, we were a participating lender on two loans totaling \$2.9 million, which are secured by commercial real estate. This loan is being serviced by the lead lender. We generally perform our own underwriting analysis before purchasing loans and therefore believe there should not be a greater risk of default on these obligations. However, in a purchased participation loan, we do not service the loan and thus are subject to the policies and practices of the lead lender with regard to monitoring delinquencies, pursuing collections and instituting foreclosure proceedings.

The Bank originates conventional conforming one- to four-family loans, which meet Fannie Mae underwriting standards. Beginning in 2008, substantially all one- to four-family residential conforming loans have been sold in the secondary market on a servicing retained basis. Such loans are sold to Fannie Mae, the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and the Federal Home Loan Bank under the Mortgage Partnership Finance Program. The decision to sell loans in the secondary market is based on prevailing market interest rate conditions, an analysis of the composition and risk of the loan portfolio, liquidity needs and interest rate risk management. Generally, loans are sold without recourse. We utilize the proceeds from these sales primarily to meet liquidity needs. Proceeds from the sale of loans totaled \$20.1 million, \$56.9 million and \$14.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. We intend to continue to originate these types of loans for sale in the secondary market in the future to increase our noninterest income.

At June 30, 2010, Savings Institute retained the servicing rights on \$134.4 million of loans for others, consisting primarily of fixed-rate mortgage loans sold with or without recourse to third parties. Loan repurchase commitments are agreements to repurchase loans previously sold upon the occurrence of conditions established in the contract, including default by the underlying borrower. At June 30, 2010, the balance of loans sold with recourse totaled \$26,000. Loan servicing includes collecting and remitting loan payments, accounting for principal and interest, contacting delinquent mortgagors, processing insurance and tax payments on behalf of borrowers, assisting in foreclosures and property dispositions when necessary and general administration of loans.

#### Loan Approval Procedures and Authority

Our lending activities follow written, non-discriminatory, underwriting standards and loan origination procedures established by our Board of Directors and management. All residential mortgages and home equity lines of credit in excess of \$6.0 million or all commercial loans and other consumer loans in excess of \$2.0 million require the approval of the Board of Directors. The Loan Committee of the Board of Directors has the authority to approve: (1) residential mortgage loans and consumer and home equity lines of credit up to \$6.0 million and (2) commercial and other consumer loans up to \$2.0 million. The President and the Senior Credit Officer have approval for: (1) residential mortgage loans that conform to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac standards up to \$2.0 million or \$417,000 for those that are non-conforming and (2) consumer and other consumer loans up to \$250,000 individually or \$2.0 million jointly for home equity lines of credit or \$1.0 million jointly for commercial and other consumer loans. Additionally, certain loan and branch personnel have the authority to approve residential mortgage loans up to \$417,000, home equity lines up to \$250,000 and consumer loans up to \$100,000.

#### Loans to One Borrower

The maximum amount we may lend to one borrower and the borrower s related entities generally is limited, by regulation, to 15% of our stated capital and reserves. At June 30, 2010, our general regulatory limit on loans to one borrower was approximately \$11.3 million. At that date, our largest lending relationship was \$8.2 million, representing a commercial business loan, two loans secured by a nursing home and rehabilitation facility and a loan to purchase an adjacent property. These loans were performing according to their terms at June 30, 2010.

#### Loan Commitments

We issue commitments for fixed- and adjustable-rate mortgage loans conditioned upon the occurrence of certain events. Commitments to originate mortgage loans are legally binding agreements to lend to our customers. Generally, our mortgage loan commitments expire in 90 days or less from the date of the application.

#### **Investment Activities**

We have legal authority to invest in various types of liquid assets, including U.S. Treasury obligations, securities of various federal agencies, government-sponsored enterprises, state and municipal governments, mortgage-backed securities and certificates of deposit of federally-insured institutions. Within certain regulatory limits, we also may invest a portion of its assets in corporate securities and mutual funds. We are also required to maintain an investment in Federal Home Loan Bank stock. While we have the authority under applicable law and our investment policies to invest in derivative securities, we had no such investments at June 30, 2010.

Our primary source of income continues to be derived from our loan portfolio. The investment portfolio is mainly used to meet our cash flow needs, provide adequate liquidity for the protection of customer deposits and yield a favorable return on investments. The type of securities and the maturity periods are dependent on the composition of the loan portfolio, interest rate risk, liquidity position and our tax strategies. Our investment objectives are to provide and maintain liquidity, to maintain a balance of high quality, diversified investments to minimize risk, to provide collateral for pledging requirements, to establish an acceptable level of interest rate and credit risk, to provide an alternate source of low-risk investments when demand for loans is weak, to generate a favorable return and to assist in the financing needs of various local public entities, subject to credit quality review and liquidity concerns.

Our Board of Directors has the overall responsibility for the investment portfolio, including approval of our Investment Policy and the appointment of the Investment Committee. The Investment Committee is responsible for the approval of investment strategies and monitoring investment performance. The execution of specific investment initiatives and the day-to-day oversight of our investment portfolio is the responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer. These officers, and others designated by the Board, are authorized to execute investment transactions up to specified limits based on the type of security without prior approval of the Investment Committee. Transactions exceeding these limitations require the approval of two of these officers, one of whom must be either the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer. Individual investment transactions are reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors on a monthly basis, while portfolio composition and performance are reviewed at least quarterly by the Investment Committee. Management determines the appropriate classification of securities at the date individual securities are acquired, and the appropriateness of such classification is reassessed at each balance sheet date.

Debt securities that management has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity are classified as held to maturity and recorded at amortized cost. Securities purchased and held principally for the purpose of trading in the near

term are classified as trading securities. These securities are carried at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses recognized in earnings. Securities not classified as held to maturity or trading, including equity securities with readily determinable fair values, are classified as available for sale and recorded at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported in other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes.

At June 30, 2010, our investment portfolio, which consisted solely of available for sale securities, totaled \$182.2 million and represented 20.5% of assets. Our securities consisted primarily of agency mortgage-backed securities issued by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and Ginnie Mae with stated final maturities of 30 years or less, U.S. Government and agency obligations, private-label mortgage-backed securities with maturities of 30 years or less and government-sponsored enterprises securities with maturities of 20 years or less and corporate debt securities.

#### **Deposit Activities and Other Sources of Funds**

*General.* Deposits, other borrowings, repayments on loans and investment securities are the major sources of our funds for lending and other investment purposes. Loan and investment security repayments are a relatively stable source of funds, while deposit flows and loan and mortgage related investment security prepayments are significantly influenced by general interest rates and money market conditions.

*Deposit Accounts.* Substantially all of our depositors are residents of the State of Connecticut. We attract deposits in our market areas through advertising and through the offering of a broad selection of deposit instruments, including noninterest-bearing demand accounts (such as checking accounts), interest-bearing accounts (such as NOW and money market accounts), regular savings accounts and certificates of deposit. CDARS deposits, which are generally offered to in-market retail and commercial customers, offer our customers the ability to receive Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance on deposits up to \$50.0 million. We also utilize brokered deposits, which were \$3.8 million at June 30, 2010, \$1.8 million of which were CDARS deposits. Brokered deposits, which are deposits sold by brokers to banks, are generally out-of-market, thus they are less likely to remain with the institution after their maturity, which may require us to replace these deposits with higher cost alternative funds. Also, because they generally have larger balances, they often are accompanied by a higher interest rate. We do not currently utilize brokered deposits as a primary funding source. Rather, we occasionally maintain a minimal amount of such deposits to ensure our access to another liquidity source should the need arise. Deposit account terms vary according to the minimum balance required, the time periods the funds must remain on deposit and the interest rate, among other factors. In determining the terms of our deposit accounts, we consider the rates offered by our competition, our liquidity needs, profitability to us, matching deposit and loan products and customer preferences and concerns. We generally review our deposit mix and pricing bi-weekly. Our current strategy is to offer competitive rates but not be the market leader in every account type and maturity.

*Cash Management Services.* We also offer a variety of deposit accounts designed for the businesses operating in our market area. Our business banking deposit products include a commercial checking account and checking accounts specifically designed for small businesses and non-profit organizations. We also offer remote capture products for business customers to meet their online banking needs. Additionally, we offer sweep accounts and money market accounts for businesses. We are seeking to increase our commercial deposits through the offering of these types of cash management products.

*Borrowings.* We utilize borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston to supplement our supply of lendable funds and to meet deposit withdrawal requirements. As of June 30, 2010, Savings Institute had outstanding borrowings of \$114.2 million with the Federal Home Loan Bank.

The Federal Home Loan Bank functions as a central reserve bank providing credit for its member financial institutions. As a member, we are required to own capital stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank and are authorized to apply for advances on the security of such stock and certain of our whole first mortgage loans and other assets (principally mortgage related securities which are obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States), provided certain standards related to creditworthiness have been met. Advances are made under several different programs, each having its own interest rate and range of maturities. Depending on the program, limitations on the amount of advances are based either on a fixed percentage of an institution s net worth or on the Federal Home Loan Bank s assessment of the institution s creditworthiness.

*Junior Subordinated Debt Owed to Unconsolidated Trust.* In 2006, SI Capital Trust II (the Trust ), a business trust, issued \$8.0 million of trust preferred securities in a private placement and issued approximately 248 shares of common stock

at \$1,000 par value to SI Financial Group. The Trust has no independent assets or operations and was formed to issue trust preferred securities and invest the proceeds in an equivalent amount of junior subordinated debentures issued by SI Financial Group. The trust preferred securities mature in 30 years and bear interest at three-month LIBOR plus 1.70%. The interest rate on these securities at June 30, 2010 was 2.24%. SI Financial Group may redeem the trust preferred securities, in whole or in part, on or after September 15, 2011, or earlier under certain conditions.

On July 1, 2010, SI Financial Group entered into an interest rate swap agreement with a third party financial institution with a notional amount of \$8.0 million whereby the counterparty will pay a variable rate equal to three-month LIBOR and SI Financial Group will pay a fixed rate of 2.44%. The agreement becomes effective on December 15, 2010 and terminates on December 15, 2015. This agreement was designated as a cash flow hedge against the trust preferred securities issued by SI Capital Trust II. This effectively fixes the interest rate on the \$8.0 million of trust preferred securities at 4.14% for the period December 15, 2010 through December 15, 2015.

The debentures are the sole assets of the Trust and are subordinate to all of SI Financial Group s existing and future obligations for borrowed money, its obligations under letters of credit and certain derivative contracts and any guarantees by SI Financial Group of any such obligations. The trust preferred securities generally rank equal to the trust common securities in priority of payment, but rank before the trust common securities if and so long as SI Financial Group fails to make principal or interest payments on the debentures. Concurrently with the issuance of the debentures and the trust preferred and common securities, SI Financial Group issued a guarantee related to the trust securities for the benefit of the holders. SI Financial Group s obligations under the guarantee and SI Financial Group s obligations under the debentures, the related indentures and the trust agreement relating to the trust securities, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by SI Financial Group of the obligations of the Trust under the trust preferred securities. If SI Financial Group defers interest payments on the junior subordinated debt, or otherwise is in default of the obligations, SI Financial Group would be prohibited from making dividend payments to its shareholders.

The debentures are also subject to redemption before September 15, 2011, at a specified price after the occurrence of certain events that would either have a negative tax effect on the Trust or SI Financial Group or would result in the Trust being treated as an investment company that is required to be registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Upon repayment of the debentures at their stated maturity or following their redemption, the Trust will use the proceeds of such repayment to redeem an equivalent amount of outstanding trust preferred securities and trust common securities.

*Other Borrowings.* SI Financial Group occasionally utilizes collateralized borrowings, which represent loans sold that do not meet the criteria for derecognition, due primarily to recourse and other provisions that could not be measured at the date of transfer. Such borrowings are derecognized when all recourse and other provisions that could not be measured at the time of transfer either expire or become measurable. SI Financial Group had no collateralized borrowings at June 30, 2010.

#### **Trust Services**

Savings Institute s trust department provides fiduciary services, investment management and retirement services, to individuals, partnerships, corporations and institutions. Additionally, Savings Institute acts as guardian, conservator, executor or trustee under various trusts, wills and other agreements. Savings Institute has implemented comprehensive policies governing the practices and procedures of the trust department, including policies relating to investment of trust property, maintaining confidentiality of trust records, avoiding conflicts of interest and maintaining impartiality. Consistent with its operating strategy, Savings Institute will continue to emphasize the growth of its trust business to accumulate assets and increase fee-based income. At June 30, 2010, trust assets under administration were \$136.3 million, consisting of 306 accounts, the largest of which totaled \$11.5 million, or 8.5%, of the trust department s total assets. As of June 30, 2010, SI Trust Servicing provided trust outsourcing services to 14 clients, consisting of 7,839 accounts totaling \$5.5 billion in assets. For the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, total trust services revenue was \$2.0 million, \$3.7 million and \$3.6 million, respectively.

#### Properties

SI Financial Group conducts its business through its executive office at 803 Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut, its 21 branch offices located in Connecticut and its trust servicing office located in Rutland, Vermont. Of the 22 offices, 4 are owned and 18 are leased. Lease expiration dates range from 2011 to 2028 with renewal options of 5 to 20 years.

Office Locations	Number of Offices
Connecticut:	
New London County	8
Windham County	7
Tolland County	3
Hartford County	2
Middlesex County	1
Vermont:	
Rutland County	1
Total:	22

Additionally, Savings Institute owns or leases three other properties used, in part, for banking operations and an employee training center. The total net book value of the properties at June 30, 2010 was \$9.5 million. See Notes 6 and 12 in SI Financial Group s Consolidated Financial Statements included in this prospectus for more information.

#### Personnel

As of June 30, 2010, we had 241 full-time employees and 31 part-time employees. We believe our relationship with our employees is good.

#### Legal Proceedings

Periodically, there have been various claims and lawsuits against us, such as claims to enforce liens, condemnation proceedings on properties in which we hold security interests, claims involving the making and servicing of real property loans and other issues incident to our business. We are not a party to any pending legal proceedings that we believe would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

#### Subsidiaries

SI Financial Group s subsidiaries include Savings Institute Bank and Trust Company and SI Capital Trust II.

The following are descriptions of Savings Institute s wholly-owned subsidiaries.

*803 Financial Corp.* 803 Financial Corp. was established in 1995 as a Connecticut corporation to maintain an ownership interest in a third-party registered broker-dealer, Infinex Investments, Inc. Infinex operates offices at Savings Institute and offers customers a complete range of nondeposit investment products, including mutual funds, debt, equity and government securities, retirement accounts, insurance products and fixed and variable annuities. Savings Institute receives a portion of the commissions generated by Infinex from sales to customers. Due to a regulatory restriction on federally-chartered thrifts, on December 31, 2004, 803 Financial Corp. sold its interest in Infinex to SI Financial Group. As a result, 803 Financial Corp. has no other holdings or business activities.

*SI Realty Company, Inc.* SI Realty Company, Inc., established in 1999 as a Connecticut corporation, holds real estate owned by Savings Institute, including foreclosure properties. At June 30, 2010, SI Realty Company, Inc. had \$4.6 million in assets.

*SI Mortgage Company.* In January 1999, Savings Institute formed SI Mortgage Company to manage and hold loans secured by real property. SI Mortgage Company qualifies as a passive investment company, which exempts it from Connecticut income tax under current law. Income tax savings to Savings Institute from the use of a passive investment company was \$89,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and \$2,000 and

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\$219,000 for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

# Management s Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations

# and Financial Conditions

The objective of this section is to help potential investors understand our views on our results of operations and financial condition. You should read this discussion in conjunction with the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009 and the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements as of June 30, 2010 and 2009 and for the six months periods then ended, that appear at the end of this prospectus.

#### **General Overview**

We conduct community banking activities by accepting deposits and making loans in our market area. Our lending products include residential mortgage loans, multi-family and commercial real estate loans and loans guaranteed by the Small Business Administration and United States Department of Agriculture and, to a lesser extent, construction, commercial business and consumer loans. We also maintain an investment portfolio consisting primarily of mortgage-backed securities, U.S. government and agency obligations, securities of government-sponsored enterprises and corporate debt securities, to manage our liquidity and interest rate risk. Our loan and investment portfolios are funded with deposits as well as collateralized borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston and commercial banks.

*Income*. Our primary source of pre-tax income is net interest income. Net interest income is the difference between interest income, which is the income that we earn on our loans and investments, and interest expense, which is the interest that we pay on our deposits and borrowings. Our net interest income is affected by a variety of factors, including the mix of interest-earning assets in our portfolio and changes in levels of interest rates. Growth in net interest income is dependent upon our ability to prudently manage the balance sheet for growth, combined with how successfully we maintain or increase net interest margin, which is net interest income as a percentage of average interest-earning assets.

A secondary source of income is noninterest income, or other income, which is revenue that we receive from providing products and services. The majority of our noninterest income generally comes from service charges (mostly from service charges on deposit accounts and mortgage and electronic banking) and revenue we generate from our wealth management services, which includes our insurance, investment and trust operations. We also generate noninterest income through mortgage banking fees as we originate substantially all of our fixed-rate one- to four-family residential conforming loans for sale in the secondary market with the servicing retained. We also earn income on bank-owned life insurance and recognize income from the sale of securities.

*Provision for Loan Losses.* The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level representing management s best estimate of known and inherent losses in the loan portfolio, based upon management s evaluation of the portfolio s collectibility. The allowance is established through the provision for loan losses, which is charged against income. Charge-offs, if any, are charged to the allowance. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance. Allocation of the allowance may be made for specific loans, but the entire allowance is available for any loan that, in management s judgment, should be charged off.

*Expenses.* The noninterest expense we incur in operating our business consists of salaries and employee benefits, occupancy and equipment expenses, computer and electronic banking services, outside professional fees, marketing and advertising expenses, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation premiums and regulatory assessments and various other miscellaneous expenses.

Our largest noninterest expense is for salaries and employee benefits, which consists primarily of salaries and wages paid to our employees, payroll taxes, expenses for health insurance, retirement plans, director and committee fees and other employee benefits, including employer 401(k) plan contributions, employee stock ownership plan allocations and equity incentive awards, such as stock options and shares of restricted stock.

Occupancy and equipment expenses include the fixed and variable costs of buildings such as depreciation charges, maintenance, real estate taxes and costs of utilities. Depreciation of premises and equipment is computed using the straight-line method based on the useful lives of the related assets, which range from three to 40 years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the shorter of the useful life of the asset or the term of the lease.

Computer and electronic banking services includes fees to our third-party processing service and fees related to our automatic teller machines and debit cards.

Professional fees include fees paid to our independent auditors, the firm that conducts our internal audit, attorneys, primarily in connection with resolution of problem assets, compensation consultants and certain costs associated with being a public company.

Marketing expenses include expenses for advertisements, promotions and premium items and public relations expenses.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and regulatory assessments are a specified percentage of assessable deposits, depending on the risk characteristics of the institution. Due to losses incurred by the Deposit Insurance Fund in 2008 from failed institutions, and anticipated future losses, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation increased its assessment rates for 2009 and charged a special assessment to increase the balance of the insurance fund. Our special assessment amounted to \$393,000. We also are assessed by our banking regulators.

Other expenses include expenses for stationary, printing, supplies, telephone, postage, contributions and donations, insurance premiums, certain public company expenses and other fees and expenses.

#### **Our Business Strategy**

Our mission is to operate and grow a profitable community-oriented financial institution. SI Financial Group plans to achieve this by continuing its strategies of:

**Offering a full range of financial products and services.** We have a long tradition of focusing on the needs of consumers and small and medium-sized businesses in the community and being an active corporate citizen. We believe that our community orientation, quicker decision-making process and customized products are attractive and distinguish us from the larger regional banks that operate in our market area. In this context, we strive to become a financial services company offering one-stop shopping for all of our customers financial needs through banking, investments, insurance and trust products and services. We believe that our broad array of product offerings deepen our relationships with our current customers and entice new customers to begin banking with us, ultimately increasing fee income and profitability.

Actively managing our balance sheet and diversifying our asset mix. The current economic recession has underscored the importance of a strong balance sheet. We manage our balance sheet by: (1) prudently increasing the percentage of our assets consisting of multi-family and commercial real estate and commercial business loans, which offer higher yields, shorter maturities and more sensitivity to interest rate fluctuations; (2) managing our interest rate risk by diversifying the type and maturity of our assets in our loan and investment portfolios and monitoring the maturities in our deposit portfolio; and (3) maintaining strong capital levels and liquidity. Multi-family and commercial real estate and commercial business loans increased \$13.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and \$28.0 million and \$36.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and comprised 46.0% of total loans at June 30, 2010. We intend to continue to pursue the opportunities from the many multi-family and commercial properties and businesses located in our market area.

**Continuing conservative underwriting practices and maintaining a high quality loan portfolio.** We believe that strong asset quality is a key to long-term financial success. We have sought to maintain a high level of asset quality and moderate credit risk by using conservative underwriting standards and by diligent monitoring and collection efforts. Nonperforming loans decreased from \$9.3 million at December 31, 2008 to \$4.3 million at June 30, 2010. At June 30, 2010, nonperforming loans were 0.70% of the total loan portfolio and 0.48% of total assets. Although we intend to increase our multi-family and commercial real estate and commercial business lending, we intend to continue our philosophy of managing large loan exposures through conservative loan underwriting and credit administration standards.

**Increasing core deposits.** Our primary source of funds is retail deposit accounts. At June 30, 2010, 55.2% of our deposits were core deposits, consisting of demand, savings and money market accounts. We value core deposits because they represent longer-term

customer relationships and a lower cost of funding compared to certificates of deposit. Core deposits have continued to increase primarily due to the investments we have made in our branch network, new product offerings, competitive interest rates and the movement of customer funds out of riskier investments, including the stock market. We intend to continue to increase our core deposits and to focus on

gaining market share in counties outside of Windham County by continuing to offer exceptional customer service, cross-selling our loan and deposit products and trust, insurance and investment services and increasing our commercial deposits from small and medium-sized businesses through additional business banking and cash management products.

**Supplementing fee income through expanded mortgage banking operations.** We view the changing regulatory landscape and historically low interest rate environment as an opportunity to gain noninterest income by leveraging our expertise in originating residential mortgages and selling such increased originations in the secondary market. This strategy enables us to have a much larger lending capacity, provide a more comprehensive product offering and reduce the interest rate, prepayment and credit risks associated with originating residential loans for retention in our loan portfolio. Further, this strategy allows us to be more flexible with the single-family residential loans we maintain for investment. To accelerate this initiative, we hired two additional mortgage originators in 2010 and intend to hire at least one more originator in 2011. The increased capital we raise from this offering may allow us to maintain a greater amount of loans held for sale, which will allow us to increase our mortgage banking operations.

**Grow through acquisitions.** We intend to pursue expansion opportunities in areas in or adjacent to our existing market area in strategic locations that maximize growth opportunities or with companies that add complementary products to our existing business. We believe that the current economic recession will increase the rate of consolidation in the banking industry. We will look to be opportunistic to expand through the acquisition of banks or other financial service companies and believe additional capital will better position us to take advantage of those opportunities. While we periodically conduct informal discussion with other parties, we currently do not have any specific plans for any such acquisitions.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of operations are based on our consolidated financial statements, which are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions affecting the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported amounts of income and expenses. We consider the accounting policies discussed below to be critical accounting policies. The estimates and assumptions that we use are based on historical experience and various other factors and are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions, resulting in a change that could have a material impact on the carrying value of our assets and liabilities and our results of operations.

Allowance for Loan Losses. Determining the amount of allowance for loan losses necessarily involves a high degree of judgment. Management reviews the level of the allowance on a monthly basis and establishes the provision for loan losses based on the size and the composition of the loan portfolio, delinquency levels, loss experience, economic conditions and other factors related to the collectability of the loan portfolio. The level of the allowance for loan losses fluctuates primarily due to changes in the size and composition of the loan portfolio and in the level of nonperforming loans, classified assets and charge-offs. A portion of the allowance is established by segregating the loans by loan category and assigning allocation percentages based on our historical loss experience, delinquency trends, economic conditions and other qualitative factors. The applied loss factors are re-evaluated quarterly to ensure their relevance in the current economic environment. Accordingly, increases in the size of the loan portfolio and the increased emphasis on commercial real estate and commercial business loans, which carry a higher degree of risk of default and, thus, a higher allocation percentage, increases the allowance. Additionally, a portion of the allowance is established based on the level of specific nonperforming loans and classified assets.

Although management believes that it uses the best information available to establish the allowance for loan losses, which is based on estimates that are susceptible to change, future additions to the allowance may be necessary as a result of changes in economic conditions and other factors. Additionally, our regulators, as a part of their examination process, periodically review our allowance for loan losses and may require us to increase our allowance for loan losses by recognizing additional provisions for loan losses charged to expense, or to decrease our allowance for loan losses by recognizing loan charge-offs. *See Notes 1 and 4 in SI Financial Group s Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information*.

**Other-Than-Temporary Impairment of Securities**. One of the significant estimates related to securities is the evaluation of investments for other-than-temporary impairment. Marketable equity securities are evaluated for other-than-

temporary impairment based on the severity and duration of the impairment and, if deemed to be other-than-temporary, the declines in fair value are reflected in earnings as realized losses. For those debt securities for which the fair value is less than its amortized cost and SI Financial Group does not intend to sell such security and it is not more likely than not that it will be required to sell such security prior to the recovery of its amortized cost basis (which may be maturity) less any credit losses, the credit-related other-than-temporary impairment loss is recognized as a charge to earnings. Noncredit-related other-than-temporary impairment losses for debt securities are recognized in other comprehensive income (loss), net of applicable taxes.

The evaluation of securities for impairment is a quantitative and qualitative process, which is subject to risks and uncertainties and is intended to determine whether declines in the fair value of investments should be recognized in current period earnings. The risks and uncertainties include changes in general economic conditions, the issuer s financial condition or future prospects, the effects of changes in interest rates or credit spreads and the expected recovery period. Management evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment at least on a quarterly basis and more frequently when economic or market conditions warrant such evaluation. *See Notes 1 and 3 in SI Financial Group s Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information*.

**Deferred Income Taxes.** SI Financial Group uses the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. If current available information raises doubt as to the realization of the deferred tax assets, a valuation allowance is established. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. SI Financial Group exercises significant judgment in evaluating the amount and timing of recognition of the resulting tax assets and liabilities. These judgments require us to make projections of future taxable income. These judgments and estimates, which are inherently subjective, are reviewed periodically as regulatory and business factors change. A reduction in estimated future taxable income may require SI Financial Group to record a valuation allowance against its deferred tax assets. A valuation allowance would result in additional income tax expense in the period, which would negatively affect earnings. *See Notes 1 and 10 in SI Financial Group s Consolidated Financial Statements*.

*Impairment of Long-Lived Assets.* SI Financial Group is required to record certain assets it has acquired, including identifiable intangible assets such as core deposit intangibles, goodwill and certain liabilities that it acquired at fair value, which may involve making estimates based on third-party valuations, such as appraisals or internal valuations based on discounted cash flow analyses or other valuation techniques. Further, long-lived assets, including intangible assets and premises and equipment, that are held and used by us, are presumed to have a useful life. The determination of the useful lives of intangible assets is subjective, as is the appropriate amortization period for such intangible and long-lived assets. Additionally, long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment at least annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. If impairment is indicated by that review, the asset is written down to its estimated fair value through a charge to noninterest expenses. Testing for impairment is a subjective process, the application of which could result in different evaluations of impairment. *See Notes 1, 6 and 7 in SI Financial Group s Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information*.

### **Balance Sheet Analysis**

*General.* Total assets increased \$17.1 million, or 2.0%, to \$889.4 million at June 30, 2010 from \$872.4 million at December 31, 2009, primarily due to increases of \$21.9 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$1.4 million in loans held for sale, offset by decreases of \$1.9 million in other real estate owned, \$1.4 million in securities, \$1.3 million in net deferred tax assets and \$1.2 million in net loans receivable. Cash and cash equivalents increased as a result of an increase in deposits. During the first half of 2010, SI Financial Group acquired four properties with a net carrying value of \$1.1 million and sold seven other real estate owned properties with an aggregate carrying value of \$2.9 million.

Total assets increased \$19.2 million, or 2.3%, to \$872.4 million at December 31, 2009, as compared to \$853.1 million at December 31, 2008, primarily due to increases in securities, prepaid Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessment, other real estate owned and premises and equipment, offset by decreases in net loans receivable and net deferred tax assets. The prepaid Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessment of \$3.5 million represents the estimated Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessment for the years of 2010 through 2012. As assessments are incurred, a charge will be made to earnings with an offsetting credit to the prepaid asset. Other real estate owned increased \$3.7 million, and consists of four residential and four commercial real estate properties. Cash and cash equivalents increased \$1.0 million to \$24.2 million at December 31, 2009. SI Financial Group s premises and equipment increased during 2009 as a result of the purchase of SI Financial Group s training center, which was formerly leased, and the adjacent parcels of land for future expansion of operations and administration functions.

Total assets increased \$62.9 million, or 8.0%, to \$853.1 million at December 31, 2008, as compared to \$790.2 million at December 31, 2007, primarily due to increases in net loans receivable, securities, and to a lesser extent, net deferred tax assets, intangible assets and cash and cash equivalents. Net deferred tax assets increased \$4.7 million, to \$7.9 million at December 31, 2008 largely resulting from the deferred taxes associated with the increase in the unrealized holding losses on securities. Intangible assets, consisting of core deposit intangibles and goodwill, increased \$3.7 million, to \$4.3 million at December 31, 2008 due to Savings Institute s Colchester and New London, Connecticut branch acquisitions. Cash and cash equivalents increased \$2.5 million to \$23.2 million at December 31, 2008.

*Loans*. The net loan portfolio decreased \$1.2 million for the first six months of 2010. Loan originations decreased \$40.6 million, or 44.5%, during 2010 as related to the comparable period in 2009 due to reduced demand and more prudent underwriting standards, as a result of adverse economic conditions. Changes in the loan portfolio consisted of the following:

**Residential Mortgage Loans**. Residential mortgage loans continue to represent the largest segment of the loan portfolio at June 30, 2010, comprising 48.0% of the total loan portfolio. Residential mortgage loans decreased \$13.8 million, or 4.5%. Contributing to the decrease was the sale of \$20.0 million of longer-term fixed-rate residential mortgage loans. Loan originations for residential mortgage loans decreased \$43.4 million for the first half of 2010 compared to the same period in 2009.

**Commercial Loans**. At June 30, 2010, the commercial loan portfolio, which includes multi-family and commercial real estate and commercial business loans, represented 46.0% of total loans. Multi-family and commercial real estate loans increased \$2.0 million, or 1.3%. Loan originations for multi-family and commercial real estate loans increased \$1.4 million during the first six months of 2010 compared to the same period in 2009. Commercial business loans increased \$11.3 million, or 10.5%, for 2010 primarily due to the purchase of \$19.6 million in United States Department of Agriculture and Small Business Administration loans that are guaranteed by the U.S. Government. As a result of the reduced loan demand, loan originations for commercial business loans declined \$322,000 during the first half of 2010 compared to the first half of 2009.

**Consumer Loans**. Consumer loans represent 4.5% of the total loan portfolio. Consumer loans increased \$1.4 million during the first half of 2010. Increases in home equity loans of \$1.4 million were offset by decreases in other consumer loans. Loan originations for consumer loans, primarily home equity lines of credit, increased \$1.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from the comparable period in 2009.

Despite increases in residential mortgage loan originations, net loans receivable decreased \$9.6 million for 2009 from the sale of \$56.3 million in longer-term fixed-rate residential mortgage loans and lower commercial real estate and business loans originations. Overall loan originations increased \$4.7 million, or 3.3%, during the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008 due primarily to a decrease in market interest rates for residential mortgage loans. The conversion of construction loans to permanent mortgage loans and principal pay-offs contributed to the decrease in construction loans. Changes in the loan portfolio consisted of the following:

*Residential Mortgage Loans.* Residential mortgage loans continue to represent the largest segment of the loan portfolio at December 31, 2009, comprising 50.1% of total loans. Due to residential mortgage loan sales, residential mortgage loans decreased \$26.2 million, despite an increase of \$55.7 million in residential mortgage loan originations over 2008. The increase in residential mortgage loan originations was partially offset by the sale of \$56.3 million in residential mortgage loans from current production during 2009.

*Commercial Loans.* At December 31, 2009, the commercial loan portfolio represented 43.8% of the total loan portfolio. Multi-family and commercial real estate loans increased \$1.1 million, or 0.7%. Commercial business loans increased \$26.9 million for 2009 as a result of the purchase of \$40.9 million in United States Department of Agriculture and Small Business Administration loans that are guaranteed by the U.S. government. SI Financial Group s continued strategy is to increase the percentage of SI Financial Group s assets in commercial loans, including commercial real estate and commercial business loans. To accomplish this goal, SI Financial Group is offering additional banking services to its customers and promoting stronger business development to obtain new business banking relationships, while maintaining strong credit quality.

*Consumer Loans.* Consumer loans represent 4.3% of the total loan portfolio. Consumer loans increased \$4.0 million, or 18.0%, resulting from an increase in home equity lines of credit.

Net loans receivable increased \$29.7 million, or 5.1%, to \$617.3 million at December 31, 2008. Of the \$29.7 million increase in net loans receivable, \$7.4 million represented primarily commercial loans acquired in connection with the

Colchester and New London, Connecticut branch acquisitions during the first quarter of 2008. The increase in net loans receivable included increases in multi-family and commercial real estate loans and residential mortgage loans of \$25.9 million and \$2.0 million, respectively, commercial business loans of \$10.8 million and consumer loans of \$1.0 million, offset by a decrease in construction loans of \$9.3 million. The conversion of construction loans to permanent mortgage loans and principal pay-offs contributed to the decrease in construction loans. Loan originations increased \$5.5 million during 2008 from the comparable period of 2007. During the year ended December 31, 2008, we sold \$14.2 million of longer-term fixed-rate residential mortgage loans. Changes in the loan portfolio consisted of the following:

*Residential Mortgage Loans.* Residential mortgage loans continue to represent the largest segment of our loan portfolio as of December 31, 2008, comprising 53.5% of total loans. Despite mortgage loan sales, residential mortgage loans increased \$2.0 million. Loan originations for residential mortgage loans decreased \$6.9 million for 2008 compared to 2007.

*Commercial Loans.* Multi-family and commercial real estate loans increased \$25.9 million, or 19.5%, due to an increase of \$12.7 million in loan originations during 2008. Commercial business loans increased \$10.8 million for 2008 as a result of loan purchases of \$12.3 million and an increase in loan originations of \$2.5 million. Of the \$7.4 million of net loans receivable acquired in the branch acquisitions, \$3.7 million and \$3.5 million represented commercial real estate and commercial business loans, respectively. As of December 31, 2008, the commercial loan portfolio represented 38.5% of the Company s total loan portfolio. Our continued strategy is to increase the percentage of our assets in commercial loans, including commercial real estate and commercial business loans. To accomplish this goal, we are offering additional banking services to our customers and promoting stronger business development to obtain new business banking relationships, while maintaining strong credit quality.

*Consumer Loans.* Consumer loans represent 3.6% of the total loan portfolio. Consumer loans increased \$1.0 million, or 4.8%, despite a decrease of \$2.8 million in loan originations during 2008. The following table sets forth the composition of our loan portfolio at the dates indicated.

Multi-family and commercial       161,798       26,53       159,781       26,15       158,693       25,52       132,819       22,46       118,600       20,55       100,926       19,54         Construction       9,327       1.53       11,400       1.87       27,892       4.49       37,231       6.29       44,647       7.73       47,325       9.16         Total real estate loans       463,572       76.01       477,425       78.14       518,984       83.47       500,439       84.62       472,942       81.93       414,990       80.36         Consumer loans:       Home Equity       23,961       3.93       22,573       3.69       18,762       3.02       17,774       3.01       18,489       3.20       20,562       3.98         Other       3,478       0.57       3,513       0.57       3,345       0.54       3,330       0.56       10,616       1.84       3,294       0.64         Total consumer loans       27,439       4.50       26,086       4.26       22,107       3.56       21,104       3.57       29,105       5.04       23,856       4.62         Commercial business loans:       Signanticed       90,777       14.89       77,310       12.65		At Jun	1e 30,			At December							
Real estate loans:         Residential 1 to 4 family\$ 292,447       47.95%       \$ 306,244       50.12%       \$ 332,399       53.46%       \$ 330,389       55.87%       \$ 309,695       53.65%       \$ 266,739       51.66%         Multi-family and         commercial       161,798       26.53       159,781       26.15       158,693       25.52       132,819       22.46       118,600       20.55       100,926       19.54         Construction       9,327       1.53       11,400       1.87       27,892       4.49       37,231       6.29       44.647       7.73       47,325       9.16         Construction       9,327       7.6.01       477,425       78.14       518,984       83.47       500,439       84.62       472,942       81.93       414,990       80.36         Construction       3,478       0.57       3,513       0.57       3,345       0.54       3,330       0.56       10.616       1.84       3,294       0.64         Construction       3,478       0.57       3,513       0.57       3,345       0.54       3,330       0.56       10.616       1.84       3,294       0.64		201	10	200	)9	200	)8	200	07	200	06	200	)5
Residential 1 to 4 family§ 292,447       47.95%       \$ 306,244       50.12%       \$ 332,399       53.46%       \$ 330,389       55.87%       \$ 309,695       53.65%       \$ 266,739       51.66%         Multi-family and commercial       161,798       26.53       159,781       26.15       158,693       25.52       132,819       22.46       118,600       20.55       100,926       19.54         Construction       9,327       1.53       11,400       1.87       27,892       4.49       37,231       6.29       44,647       7.73       47,325       9.16         Total real estate loans       463,572       76.01       477,425       78.14       518,984       83.47       500,439       84.62       472,942       81.93       414,990       80.36         Consumer loans:       Home Equity       23,961       3.93       22,573       3.69       18,762       3.02       17,774       3.01       18,489       3.20       20,562       3.98         Other       3,478       0.57       3,513       0.57       3,345       0.54       3,330       0.56       10,616       1.84       3,294       0.64         Total consumer loans       27,439       4.50       26,086       4.26       22,107<	(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
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Deferred loan origination costs, net	of					
deferred fees	1,529	1,523	1,570	1,390	1,258	1,048
Allowance for loan losses	(4,878)	(4,891)	(6,047)	(5,245)	(4,365)	(3,671)
Loans receivable, ne	t \$606,514	\$ 607,692	\$ 617,263	\$ 587,538	\$ 574,111	\$ 513,775

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### Loan Maturity

The following tables set forth certain information at December 31, 2009 regarding scheduled contractual maturities during the periods indicated. The tables do not include any estimate of prepayments which significantly shorten the average life of all loans and may cause our actual repayment experience to differ from that shown below. Demand loans having no stated schedule of repayments and no stated maturity are reported as due in one year or less. The amounts shown below exclude deferred loan fees and costs.

	Amounts Due In							
(In thousands)	One Year or Less	More Than One Year to Five Years	More Than Five Years	Total Amount Due				
Real estate loans:								
Residential 1 to 4 family	\$ 86	\$ 8,611	\$ 297,547	\$ 306,244				
Multi-family and commercial	204	4,234	155,343	159,781				
Construction	5,933	80	5,387	11,400				
Total real estate loans	6,223	12,925	458,277	477,425				
Commercial business loans	9,893	9,110	88,546	107,549				
Consumer loans	149	1,655	24,282	26,086				
Total loans	\$ 16,265	\$ 23,690	\$ 571,105	\$ 611,060				

The following table sets forth the dollar amount of all scheduled maturities of loans at December 31, 2009 that are due after December 31, 2010 and have either fixed interest rates or adjustable interest rates. The amounts shown below exclude unearned interest on consumer loans and deferred loan fees.

	Due After December 31, 2010 Floating or				
	Fixed	Adjustable			
(In thousands)	Rates	Rates	Total		
Real estate loans:					
Residential 1 to 4 family	\$ 207,468	\$ 98,690	\$ 306,158		
Multi-family and commercial	12,622	146,955	159,577		
Construction	4,362	1,105	5,467		
Total real estate loans	224,452	246,750	471,202		
Commercial business loans	38,264	59,392	97,656		
Consumer loans	7,503	18,434	25,937		
Total loans	\$ 270,219	\$ 324,576	\$ 594,795		

*Securities.* Available for sale securities decreased \$1.4 million, or 0.7%, from \$183.6 million at December 31, 2009 to \$182.2 million at June 30, 2010. The sale of U.S. government and agency obligations contributed to the decline in securities. The reduction in net unrealized losses on available for sale securities resulted in a decrease in net deferred tax assets.

Available for sale securities increased \$20.9 million, or 12.8%, from \$162.7 million at December 31, 2008 to \$183.6 million at December 31, 2009 as a result of purchases of predominately U.S. government and agency obligations.

Available for sale securities increased \$20.8 million, or 14.6%, from \$141.9 million at December 31, 2007 to \$162.7 million at December 31, 2008 as a result of purchases of predominately mortgage-backed securities with funds received, in part, from our Colchester and New London, Connecticut branch acquisitions.

The following table sets forth the amortized cost and fair values of our securities portfolio at the dates indicated. All of our securities were classified as available for sale at the dates indicated.

	At June 30, 2010 2009			At December 31, 2008 200			07	
	Amortized	Fair	Amortized	Fair	Amortized	Fair	Amortized	Fair
(In thousands)	Cost	Value	Cost	Value	Cost	Value	Cost	Value
U.S. Government and agency obligations	\$ 28,028	\$ 28,124	\$ 35,945	\$ 36,229	\$ 2,453	\$ 2,415	\$ 1,156	\$ 1,132
Government-sponsored enterprises	15,075	15,405	13,980	14,035	25,985	26,587	32,551	32,762
Mortgage-backed securities (1):								
Agency residential	92,541	96,480	89,751	93,099	81,383	83,651	74,026	74,758
Non-agency residential	13,889	12,906	18,690	16,219	36,347	30,463	18,158	18,106
Non-agency HELOC	4,157	3,456	4,328	2,196	3,089	2,816		
Corporate debt securities	10,341	10,478	6,979	7,321	5,901	5,958	500	500
Collateralized debt obligations	8,129	5,034	8,153	5,038	6,625	5,392	9,575	9,538
Obligations of state and political								
subdivisions	5,756	5,980	5,003	5,131	4,000	4,037	2,000	2,018
Tax-exempt securities	3,210	3,218	3,210	3,219	280	280	350	350
Foreign government securities	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Total debt securities	181,226	181,181	186,139	182,587	166,163	161,699	138,416	139,264
Equity securities financial services	1,015	1,029	1,043	975	1,060	1,000	2,734	2,650
Total available for sale securities	\$ 182,241	\$ 182,210	\$ 187,182	\$ 183,562	\$ 167,223	\$ 162,699	\$ 141,150	\$ 141,914

 Agency securities refer to debt obligations issued or guaranteed by government corporations or government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs). Non-agency securities, or private-label securities, are the sole obligation of their issuer and are not guaranteed by one of the GSEs or the U.S. Government.

We had no individual investments that had an aggregate book value in excess of 10% of our shareholders equity at June 30, 2010.

The following table sets forth the amortized cost, weighted-average yields and contractual maturities of securities at June 30, 2010. Weighted-average yields on tax-exempt securities are not presented on a tax equivalent basis because the impact would be insignificant. Certain mortgage-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations have adjustable interest rates and will reprice periodically within the various maturity ranges. These repricing schedules are not reflected in the table below. At June 30, 2010, the amortized cost of mortgage-backed securities with adjustable rates totaled \$37.3 million.

	One Year	or Less Weighted-	More than One Year to Five Years Weighted-		More than Five Years to Ten Years Weighted-		More than Ten Years Weighted-		Total Weighted-	
	Amortized		Amortized		Amortized		Amortized	average	Amortized	average
(Dollars in thousands)	Cost	Yield	Cost	Yield	Cost	Yield	Cost	Yield	Cost	Yield
U.S. Government and agency	/									
obligations	\$ 2	2.30%	\$ 1,849	2.32%	\$ 6,327	2.97%	\$ 19,850	3.19%	\$ 28,028	3.09%
Government-sponsored										
enterprises	2,000	3.38	10,089	2.23	2,986	2.81			15,075	2.50
Mortgage-backed securities										
Agency residential			5,824	3.89	19,647	4.52	67,070	3.95	92,541	4.07
Non-agency residential							13,889	5.23	13,889	5.23
Non-agency HELOC							4,157	1.08	4,157	1.08
Corporate debt securities			8,430	2.58	911	2.31	1,000	4.67	10,341	2.76
Collateralized debt										
obligations							8,129	1.40	8,129	1.40
Obligations of state and										
political subdivisions			4,756	4.69	500	4.73	500	4.98	5,756	4.72
Tax-exempt securities	3,070	1.62	140	3.87					3,210	1.72
Foreign government										
securities	50	6.04	50	2.39					100	4.22
Total debt securities	5,122		31,138		30,371		114,595		181,226	
Equity securities financial										
services							1,015	2.17	1,015	2.17
Total available for sale										
securities	\$ 5,122	2.35%	\$ 31,138	3.02%	\$ 30,371	3.97%	\$ 115,610	3.69%	\$ 182,241	3.58%

During 2009, we adopted new guidance regarding recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments, which makes the guidance more operational and improves the presentation and disclosure of other-than-temporary impairments on debt and equity securities in the financial statements. This guidance does not amend existing recognition and measurement guidance related to other-than-temporary impairments of equity securities.

Management evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment at least on a quarterly basis and more frequently when economic or market conditions warrant such an evaluation. The evaluation is based upon factors such as the creditworthiness of the issuers/guarantors, the underlying collateral, if applicable, and the continuing performance of the securities. Management also evaluates other facts and circumstances that may be indicative of an other-than-temporary impairment condition. This includes, but is not limited to, an evaluation of the type of security, length of time and extent to which the fair value has been less than cost and near-term prospects of the issuers.

Marketable equity securities are evaluated for other-than-temporary impairments based on the severity and duration of the impairment and, if deemed to be other-than-temporary, the declines in fair value are reflected in earnings as realized losses. For debt securities, other-than-temporary impairment is required to be recognized (1) if we intend to sell the security; (2) if it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before recovery of its amortized cost basis; or (3) the present value of expected cash flows is not sufficient to recover the entire amortized cost basis. For all impaired debt

securities that we intend to sell, or more likely than not will be required to sell, the full amount of the depreciation is recognized as other-than-temporary impairments through earnings. Credit-related other-than-temporary impairments for all other impaired debt securities is recognized through earnings. Non-credit related other-than-temporary impairments for such debt securities is recognized in other comprehensive income (loss), net of applicable taxes. The adoption of this new guidance resulted in a cumulative effect adjustment of \$2.7 million (net of taxes) to retained earnings with a corresponding adjustment to accumulated other comprehensive loss on January 1, 2009. During the six months ended June 30, 2010 and the year ended December 31, 2009, we recognized additional other-than-temporary impairments for credit losses on debt securities of \$332,000 and \$228,000, respectively. The following summarizes, by security type, the basis for management s determination during the preparation of the financial statements of whether the applicable investments within SI Financial Group s available for sale portfolio were other-than-temporarily impaired at June 30, 2010.

*U.S. Government and Agency Obligations and Government Sponsored Enterprises.* The unrealized losses on SI Financial Group s U.S. Government and agency obligations and government-sponsored enterprises related primarily to a widening of the rate spread to comparable treasury securities. The contractual terms of these investments do not permit the issuer to settle the securities at a price less than the amortized cost basis of the investments. Because the decline in market value is attributable to changes in interest rates and not credit quality and because SI Financial Group does not intend to sell these securities and it is not more likely than not that SI Financial Group will be required to sell the securities before their anticipated recovery, which may be maturity, SI Financial Group does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at June 30, 2010.

*Mortgage-backed Securities* Agency Residential. The unrealized losses on SI Financial Group s agency residential mortgage-backed securities were caused by increases in the rate spread to comparable treasury securities. SI Financial Group does not expect these securities to settle at a price less than the amortized cost basis of the investments. Because SI Financial Group does not intend to sell the investments and it is not more likely than not that SI Financial Group will be required to sell the investments before the recovery of their amortized cost basis, which may be at maturity, SI Financial Group does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at June 30, 2010.

*Mortgage-backed Securities* Non-agency Residential. The unrealized losses on SI Financial Group s non-agency-residential mortgage-backed securities are primarily due to the fact that these securities continue to trade well below historic levels, particularly those backed by jumbo or hybrid loan collateral. In particular, three non-agency mortgage-backed securities displayed market pricing below book value and were rated below investment grade at June 30, 2010. At June 30, 2010, management evaluated credit rating details for the tranche owned, as well as credit information on subordinate tranches, potential future credit losses and loss analyses. Additionally, management reviewed reports prepared by an independent third party for certain non-agency mortgage-backed securities. SI Financial Group recorded other-than-temporary impairment on one of these non-agency mortgage-backed securities totaling \$899,000 related to credit, including \$332,000 during the six months ended June 30, 2010. SI Financial Group did not record any further impairment losses at June 30, 2010 because SI Financial Group does not intend to sell the investments and it is not more likely than not that SI Financial Group will be required to sell the investments before recovery of their amortized cost basis, which may be at maturity. See the table of non-agency mortgage-backed securities rated below investment grade as of June 30, 2010 for more details.

*Mortgage-backed Securities Non-agency HELOC.* The unrealized loss on SI Financial Group s non-agency HELOC mortgage-backed security is related to one security whose market has been illiquid. This security is collateralized by home equity lines of credit secured by first and second liens and insured by Financial Security Assurance. At June 30, 2010, management evaluated credit rating details, collateral support and loss analyses. All of the unrealized losses on this security relate to factors other than credit. Because SI Financial Group does not intend to sell this security and it is not more likely than not that SI Financial Group will be required to sell this security before the recovery of its amortized cost basis, which may be at maturity, SI Financial Group did not record an impairment loss at June 30, 2010.

*Collateralized Debt Obligations.* The unrealized losses on SI Financial Group s collateralized debt obligations related to investments in pooled trust preferred securities. The pooled trust preferred securities market continues to experience significant declines in market value as a result of market saturation. Transactions for pooled trust preferred securities have been limited and have occurred primarily as a result of distressed or forced liquidation sales.

Management evaluated current credit ratings, credit support and stress testing for future defaults related to SI Financial Group s pooled trust preferred securities. Management also reviewed analytics provided by the trustee and independent

other-than-temporary impairment review and associated cash flow analyses performed by an independent third party. The unrealized losses on SI Financial Group's pooled trust preferred securities investments were caused by a lack of liquidity, credit downgrades and decreasing credit support. The increased number of bank and insurance company failures has decreased the level of credit support for these investments. A number of lower tranche income issuances have foregone payments or have received payment in kind through increased principal allocations. SI Financial Group previously recorded other-than-temporary impairment losses on three pooled trust preferred securities investments totaling \$1.2 million related to credit factors. At June 30, 2010, based on the existing credit profile, management does not believe that these investments will suffer from any further credit-related losses. Because SI Financial Group does not intend to sell the investments and it is not more likely than not that SI Financial Group will be required to sell the investments before recovery of their amortized cost basis, which may be at maturity, SI Financial Group did not record additional impairment losses at June 30, 2010. *See the table of collateralized debt obligations rated below investment grade as of June 30, 2010 for more details.* 

*Equity Securities.* SI Financial Group s investments in marketable equity securities consist of common and preferred stock of companies in the financial services sector. Management evaluated the near-term prospects of the issuers and SI Financial Group s ability and intent to hold the investments for a reasonable period of time sufficient for an anticipated recovery of fair value. Although the issuers have shown declines in earnings as a result of the weakened economy, no credit issues have been identified that cause management to believe that the declines in market value are other-than-temporary at June 30, 2010.

The following table details SI Financial Group s non-agency mortgage-backed securities that were rated below investment grade at June 30, 2010 (*dollars in thousands*).

Security	Class (1)	Amor	tized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Unr	ross ealized osses	Fair Value	Lowest Credit Rating (2)	Credit	otal Related FI (3)	Credit Support Coverage Ratios (4)
MBS 1	SSNR,AS	\$	3,176	\$	\$	498	\$ 2,678	CCC	\$		1.016
MBS 2	SSUP,AS		606			33	573	CC		899	0.512
MBS 3	PT,AS		511			10	501	CCC			0.878
		\$	4,293	\$	\$	541	\$ 3,752		\$	899	

(1) Class definitions: PT Pass Through, AS Accelerated, SSNR Super Senior, SSUP Senior Support.

(2) SI Financial Group utilized credit ratings provided by Moody s, S&P and Fitch in its evaluation of issuers.

(3) The other-than-temporary impairment amounts provided in the table represent cumulative credit loss amounts through June 30, 2010.

(4) The credit support coverage ratio, which is the ratio that determines the multiple of credit support, is based on assumptions for the performance of the loans within the delinquency pipeline. The assumptions used are: current collateral support/((60 day delinquencies x .60)+(90 day delinquencies x .70)+(foreclosures x 1.00)+(other real estate x 1.00)) x .40 for loss severity.

The following table details SI Financial Group s collateralized debt obligations that were rated below investment grade at June 30, 2010 (*dollars in thousands*).

Security	Class	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Lowest Credit Rating (1)	Total Credit- Related OTTI (2)	% of Current Defaults and Deferrals to Total Collateral
•						0.		
CDO 1	B1	\$ 1,000	\$	\$ 363	\$ 637	B+	\$	9.0
CDO 2	B3	1,000		367	633	B+		9.0
CDO 3	MEZ	88	2		90	CC	35	25.9
CDO 4	В	1,480		866	614	CCC+	376	21.1
CDO 5	С	163		122	41	С	809	23.8
CDO 6	A2	2,629		799	1,830	B+		28.4
CDO 7	A1	1,769		580	1,189	BB		31.4
		\$ 8,129	\$ 2	\$ 3,097	\$ 5,034		\$ 1,220	

(1) SI Financial Group utilized credit ratings provided by Moody s, S&P and Fitch in its evaluation of issuers.

(2) The other-than-temporary impairment amounts provided in the table represent cumulative credit loss amounts through June 30, 2010. *See Notes 3 and 15 in the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Prospectus for more details.* 

*Deposits.* Deposits, including mortgagors and investors escrow accounts, increased 2.4% to \$674.4 million at June 30, 2010. Interest-bearing deposits increased \$12.8 million, or 2.2%, which included increases in NOW and money market accounts of \$18.8 million and savings accounts of \$2.3 million, offset by a decrease in certificates of deposit of \$8.3 million. Noninterest-bearing deposits increased \$2.9 million. Deposit growth was the result of marketing and promotional initiatives, as well as competitively-priced deposit products.

Deposits, including mortgagors and investors escrow accounts, increased \$38.1 million, or 6.1%, in 2009, which included increases in NOW and money market accounts of \$33.1 million, noninterest-bearing demand deposits of \$7.8 million and savings accounts of \$784,000, offset by a decrease in certificates of deposit of \$3.5 million. The increase in deposits was the result of branch expansion, marketing initiatives and competitively-priced deposit products, such as our e.SI checking product, which increased \$12.7 million during 2009. Certificates of deposit decreased as customers transferred their deposits to certain higher-yielding NOW and money market products.

Deposits increased \$72.5 million, or 13.1%, to \$624.3 million at December 31, 2008. We experienced increases in certificates of deposit and NOW and money market accounts of \$40.9 million and \$36.5 million, respectively, offset by a decrease in savings accounts of \$5.8 million. Contributing to the increase in deposits was \$27.7 million in deposits assumed from our Colchester and New London, Connecticut branch acquisitions. Marketing and offerings of competitively-priced deposit products also contributed to the increase. Savings accounts decreased as customers transferred their deposits to certain higher-yielding NOW and money market products.

The following table sets forth the balances of our deposit products at the dates indicated.

						At December 31,			
	At June 30, 2010		2009		2008		2007		
		Percent		Percent		Percent		Percent	
(Dollars in thousands)	Balance	of Total	Balance	of Total	Balance	of Total	Balance	of Total	
Noninterest-bearing demand Deposits	\$ 68,259	10.09%	\$ 65,407	9.87%	\$ 57,647	9.23%	\$ 56,762	10.29%	
NOW and money market accounts	239,538	35.39	220,759	33.33	187,699	30.07	151,237	27.41	
Savings accounts (1)	65,928	9.74	64,903	9.80	64,119	10.27	69,876	12.66	
Certificates of deposit (2)	303,056	44.78	311,309	47.00	314,811	50.43	273,897	49.64	
Total deposits	\$ 676,781	100.00%	\$662,378	100.00%	\$ 624,276	100.00%	\$ 551,772	100.00%	

Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts in the amount of \$2.3 million, \$3.6 million, \$3.6 million and \$3.4 million at June 30, (1)2010 and December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Includes brokered deposits of \$3.8 million, \$1.5 million, \$4.5 million and \$2.1 million at June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, 2008 and (2)2007, respectively.

The following table indicates the amount of jumbo certificates of deposit by time remaining until maturity at June 30, 2010. Jumbo certificates of deposit require minimum deposits of \$100,000.

Maturity Period at June 30, 2010 (In thousands)	Jumbo Certificates of Deposits
Three months or less	\$ 19,038
Over three through six months	22,847
Over six through twelve months	17,964
Over twelve months	41,520
Total	\$ 101,369

### Total

The following table sets forth the time deposits classified by rates at the dates indicated.

(In thousands)	At June 30, 2010	2009	At December 31, 2008	2007
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0.01%  1.00%	\$ 35,327	\$ 29,852	\$ 715	\$ 662
1.01% 2.00%	84,104	51,722	25,106	17,340
2.01% 3.00%	102,215	87,402	50,717	10,751
3.01% 4.00%	36,877	86,632	163,095	21,207
4.01% 5.00%	42,806	50,382	67,869	167,520
5.01% 6.00%	1,727	5,319	7,309	56,293
6.01% greater				124
Total	\$ 303,056	\$ 311,309	\$ 314,811	\$ 273,897

The following table sets forth the amount and maturities of time deposits classified by rates at June 30, 2010.

(Dollars in thousands)	Less than One Year	One to Two Years	Two to Three Years	Three to Four Years	More than Four Years	Total	Percent of Total Certificate Accounts
0.01% 1.00%	\$ 30,129	\$ 5,198	\$	\$	\$	\$ 35,327	11.66%
1.01% 2.00%	53,460	29,577	284	783		84,104	27.75
2.01% 3.00%	50,168	7,358	31,820	518	12,351	102,215	33.73
3.01% 4.00%	8,030	16,116	975	6,645	5,111	36,877	12.17
4.01% 5.00%	32,644	3,249	3,242	3,235	436	42,806	14.12
5.01% 6.00%	690	555	215	267		1,727	0.57
Total	\$ 175,121	\$ 62,053	\$ 36,536	\$ 11,448	\$ 17,898	\$ 303,056	100.00%

*Borrowings*. Borrowings decreased \$1.9 million to \$122.4 million at June 30, 2010, resulting from net repayments of Federal Home Loan Bank advances.

Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank decreased \$23.5 million, or 16.8%, for the year ended December 31, 2009 to \$116.1 million as Savings Institute repaid borrowings with excess cash from the increase of deposits. In addition to repayments and maturities of borrowings, Savings Institute restructured Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings and extended the maturities of certain advances during 2009 and 2010 as a result of the low interest rate environment. These borrowings were used to fund asset growth and increase liquidity.

Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings decreased from \$141.6 million at December 31, 2007 to \$139.6 million at December 31, 2008.

The following table sets forth outstanding balances and weighted-average interest rates for our Federal Home Loan Bank advances and trust preferred securities at and for the periods indicated.

	At or for the Ended J		At or For the Years December 31		ided
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	2009	2009 2008	
Maximum amount of advances outstanding at any					
month-end during the period:					
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	\$ 121,100	\$ 143,600	\$ 143,600	\$ 147,664	\$ 141,619
Subordinated debt	8,248	8,248	8,248	8,248	15,465
Average balance outstanding during the period:					
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	\$116,151	\$ 138,893	\$ 131,460	\$ 143,697	\$ 114,960
Subordinated debt	8,248	8,248	8,248	8,248	10,463
Weighted-average interest rate during the period:					
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	3.67%	4.24%	4.15%	4.40%	4.59%
Subordinated debt	1.96	3.18	2.63	4.81	7.42
Balance outstanding at end of period:					
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	\$ 114,169	\$ 128,600	\$ 116,100	\$ 139,600	\$ 141,619
Subordinated debt	8,248	8,248	8,248	8,248	8,248
Weighted-average interest rate at end of period:					
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	3.63%	4.11%	3.61%	4.24%	4.53%
Subordinated debt	2.24	2.33	1.95	3.70	6.69
Results of Operations for the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010	) and 2009				

*General.* SI Financial Group reported net income of \$1.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010, an increase of \$1.8 million, compared to a net loss of \$563,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2009. The increase in net income was due to increases in noninterest income and net interest income and a decrease in the provision for loan losses, offset by an increase in noninterest expenses.

*Interest and Dividend Income.* For the six months ended June 30, 2010, interest and dividend income decreased \$1.9 million, or 8.7%, to \$20.3 million due to a lower yield earned on interest-earning assets, offset by an increase in the average balance of interest-earning assets of \$12.7 million, of which average securities increased \$22.9 million. The yield on interest-earning assets decreased 56 basis points to 4.93%, with the yield on securities contributing the largest decrease of 132 basis points to 3.49%. SI Financial Group experienced declines in the average balance of loans of \$18.8 million and the yield on loans of 21 basis points. The decrease in yields were due to lower market interest rates.

The following table sets forth the extent to which changes in interest rates and changes in volume of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities have on interest income and interest expense for the periods presented. The rate column shows the effects to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The net column represents the sum of the rate and volume columns. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both changes in rate and volume that cannot be segregated have been allocated proportionately based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume.

	June	Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Increase (Decrease) Due T		
(Dollars in thousands)	Rate	Volume	Net	
Interest-earning assets:				
Interest and dividend income:				
Loans (1)(2)	\$ (650)	\$ (533)	\$ (1,183)	
Securities (3)	(1,216)	497	(719)	
Other interest-earning assets	(56)	28	(28)	
Total interest-earning assets	(1,922)	(8)	(1,930)	
Interest-bearing liabilities:				
Interest expense:				
Deposits (4)	(1,770)	56	(1,714)	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	(366)	(443)	(809)	
Subordinated debt	(50)		(50)	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	(2,186)	(387)	(2,573)	
Change in net interest income (3)	\$ 264	\$ 379	\$ 643	

(1) Amount is net of deferred loan origination fees and costs. Average balances include nonaccural loans and loans held for sale.

(2) Loan fees are included in interest income and are insignificant.

(3) Securities income and net interest income are presented on a tax equivalent basis using a tax rate of 34%. The tax equivalent adjustment is deducted from tax equivalent net interest income to agree to the amount reported in the statements of income.

(4) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts and brokered deposits.

*Interest Expense.* Interest expense decreased \$2.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009, resulting from decreases in the rates paid on deposits and borrowings and a \$22.7 million decrease in the average balance of Federal Home Loan Bank advances, offset by an increase in average interest-bearing deposits of \$29.1 million. Rates paid on average deposits decreased 69 basis points from 2.39% to 1.70%. The rates paid on Federal Home Loan Bank advances and subordinated debt decreased 57 basis points and 122 basis points, respectively. Contributing to higher average deposits were increases in NOW and money market accounts and savings accounts of \$35.7 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, offset by a decrease of \$8.2 million in certificates of deposit accounts.

*Provision for Loan Losses.* The provision for loan losses decreased \$1.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009. The lower provision in 2010 resulted from declines in nonperforming loans and net loan charge-offs, predominately in commercial real estate loans. At June 30, 2010, nonperforming loans totaled \$4.3 million, compared to \$8.6 million at June 30, 2009. Specific loan loss allowances relating to nonperforming loans increased to \$516,000 at June 30, 2010, compared to \$252,000 at June 30, 2009. Net loan charge-offs were \$435,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2010, compared to \$3.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2009. Higher loan charge-offs during the first half of 2009 primarily related to two commercial construction relationships aggregating \$2.3 million.

*Noninterest Income.* The following table shows the components of noninterest income and the dollar and percentage changes for the periods presented.

	Six Months E	nded June 30,	Cha	ange
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	Dollars	Percent
Service fees	\$ 2,577	\$ 2,448	\$ 129	5.3%
Wealth management fees	2,054	1,927	127	6.6
Increase in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance	143	146	(3)	(2.1)
Net gain on sales of securities	681	254	427	168.1
Net impairment losses recognized in earnings	(332)	(150)	(182)	121.3
Mortgage banking fees	355	338	17	5.0
Net gain on sale of equipment		104	(104)	(100.0)
Other	72	(252)	324	(128.6)
Total noninterest income	\$ 5,550	\$ 4,815	\$ 735	15.3

Contributing to higher noninterest income for 2010 were increases in the net gain on the sale of securities, wealth management fees, service fees and other noninterest income. Increases in the net gains on the sale of securities totaling \$427,000 were reported for the six months ended June 30, 2010, compared to the same period in 2009. Higher wealth management fees of \$127,000 resulted from an increase in trust service fees for the six months ended June 30, 2010, compared to the same period in 2009. Service fees increased \$129,000 for the first half of 2010 primarily due to higher electronic banking usage. Other-than-temporary impairment charges on certain securities totaling \$332,000 were recorded for the six months ended June 30, 2010, compared to \$150,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2009. The increase in other noninterest income for the first half of 2010 was the result of impairment charges of \$12,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2010 that were recorded to reduce the carrying value in the investment in two small business investment company limited partnerships compared to \$336,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2009.

Noninterest Expenses. The following table shows the components of noninterest expenses and the dollar and percentage changes for the periods presented.

	Six Months Er	nded June 30,	Cha	nge
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	Dollars	Percent
Salary and employee benefits	\$ 8,211	\$ 8,202	\$9	0.1%
Occupancy and equipment	2,764	2,806	(42)	(1.5)
Computer and electronic banking services	1,894	1,623	271	16.7
Outside professional services	536	469	67	14.3
Marketing and advertising	390	409	(19)	(4.6)
Supplies	265	282	(17)	(6.0)
FDIC deposit insurance and regulatory assessments	668	872	(204)	(23.4)
Other	1,574	1,376	198	14.4
Total noninterest expenses	\$ 16,302	\$ 16,039	\$ 263	1.6

We experienced increases in costs associated with other real estate owned and in computer and electronic banking services expense as a result of increased telecommunications costs and transaction activity. Noninterest expenses for the second quarter of 2009 reflected an Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-imposed industry-wide five basis point special assessment of \$393,000 and prepayment penalties totaling \$111,000 for the early extinguishment of Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings.

*Income Tax Provision.* For the six months ended June 30, 2010, income tax expense increased \$847,000 due to increases in pre-tax income. The effective tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 was 32.4% and 32.3%, respectively.

### Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

*General.* We recorded net income of \$435,000 for the year ended December 31, 2009, an increase of \$3.3 million, compared to a net loss of \$2.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008. The net loss for the year ended December 31, 2008 was primarily attributable to a \$7.1 million other-than-temporary impairment charge on certain securities to reduce their carrying value to fair value.

*Interest and Dividend Income.* Total interest and dividend income decreased \$3.1 million, or 6.7%, for 2009, primarily due to a lower yield on interest-earning assets, offset by an increase in interest-earning assets. Lower market interest rates contributed to decreases in the yield of 60 basis points and 44 basis points on securities and loans, respectively, during 2009. Additionally, the yield on loans was negatively impacted by the increase in unrecognized interest related to nonaccrual loans. Average interest-earning assets increased \$21.8 million to \$823.0 million in 2009, mainly due to a higher average balance of loans and, to a lesser extent, a higher average balance on federal funds and other interest-earning assets. The average balance of loans increased \$15.8 million while the rate earned on loans decreased to 5.67% for 2009 from 6.11% for 2008.

The following table sets forth the extent to which changes in interest rates and changes in volume of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities have on interest income and interest expense for the periods presented. The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The net column represents the sum of the rate and volume columns. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both changes in rate and volume that cannot be segregated have been allocated proportionately based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume.

		2009 Compared to 2008 Increase (Decrease) Due To		
(Dollars in thousands)	Rate	Volume	Net	
Interest-earning assets:				
Interest and dividend income:				
Loans (1)(2)	\$ (2,700)	\$ 948	\$ (1,752)	
Securities (3)	(1,070)	(27)	(1,097)	
Other interest-earning assets	(374)	120	(254)	
Total interest-earning assets	(4,144)	1,041	(3,103)	
Interest-bearing liabilities:				
Interest expense:				
Deposits (4)	(3,429)	874	(2,555)	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	(343)	(520)	(863)	
Subordinated debt	(180)		(180)	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	(3,952)	354	(3,598)	
Change in net interest income (5)	\$ (192)	\$ 687	\$ 495	

(1) Amount is net of deferred loan origination fees and costs. Average balances include nonaccrual loans and loans held for sale.

- (2) Loan fees are included in interest income and are immaterial.
- (3) Municipal securities income and net interest income are presented on a tax equivalent basis using a tax rate of 34%. The tax equivalent adjustment is deducted from tax equivalent net interest income to agree to the amounts reported in the statements of operations.
- (4) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts.

(5) Presented on a tax equivalent basis.

*Interest Expense.* Interest expense decreased \$3.6 million, or 16.0%, to \$18.9 million for 2009 compared to \$22.5 million in 2008, primarily due to lower rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities, offset by a higher average balance of deposits. Overall, average rates declined as a result of the lower interest rate environment during 2009. Average interest-bearing deposits rose \$34.9 million and the average yield decreased 60 basis

points. An increase in NOW and money market accounts totaling \$25.3 million contributed the largest increase to the average balance for deposit accounts, as customers shifted from savings accounts to NOW and money market accounts. The average yield on these deposits decreased 68 basis points. The average balance of certificates of deposit increased \$13.7 million and the average rate paid decreased 59 basis

points to 3.33%. The average balance of Federal Home Loan Bank advances decreased \$12.2 million and the average yield decreased 25 basis points to 4.15% for 2009. Rates on subordinated borrowings decreased 218 basis points due to a reduction in the three-month LIBOR rate.

*Provision for Loan Losses.* The provision for loan losses increased \$1.5 million to \$2.8 million in 2009. The higher provision relates to an increase in charge-offs due to the impact of continued adverse economic and real estate market conditions. For the year ended December 31, 2009, net loan charge-offs totaled \$4.0 million, compared to \$567,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008. Specific loan loss allowances relating to impaired loans decreased to \$267,000 at December 31, 2009 compared to \$1.2 million at December 31, 2008. The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans decreased from 0.97% at December 31, 2008 to 0.80% at December 31, 2009. At December 31, 2009, nonperforming loans totaled \$3.0 million, as compared to \$9.3 million at December 31, 2008. The increase in loan charge-offs and the decrease in nonperforming loans and specific loan loss allowances for the year ended December 31, 2009 primarily resulted from the charge-off of two commercial construction loan relationships aggregating \$2.9 million that were previously identified as impaired with established specific loan loss allowances and the transfer of loans totaling \$5.5 million into other real estate owned. While we have no direct exposure to sub-prime mortgages in its loan portfolio, economic conditions have negatively impacted the residential and commercial construction markets and contributed to the decrease in credit quality for commercial loans.

*Noninterest Income.* Total noninterest income increased \$7.0 million to \$10.2 million in 2009. The following table shows the components of noninterest income and the dollar and percentage changes from 2008 to 2009.

	Years Ended I	December 31,	Cha	nge
(Dollars in thousands)	2009	2008	Dollars	Percent
Service fees	\$ 5,033	\$ 5,251	\$ (218)	(4.2)%
Wealth management fees	3,912	3,923	(11)	(0.3)
Increase in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance	294	304	(10)	(3.3)
Net gain on sales of securities	285	463	(178)	(38.4)
Net impairment losses recognized in earnings	(228)	(7,148)	6,920	(96.8)
Mortgage banking fees	707	202	505	250.0
Net gain on sale of equipment	99		99	n/a
Other	79	141	(62)	(44.0)
Total noninterest income	\$ 10,181	\$ 3,136	\$ 7,045	224.6

An increase in noninterest income for the year ended December 31, 2009 primarily resulted from lower other-than-temporary impairment charges and an increase in mortgage banking fees, offset by decreases in service fees and the net gain on the sale of available for sale securities. For 2009, we reported mortgage banking fees of \$707,000 resulting from the sale of \$56.3 million of fixed-rate longer-term residential mortgage loans, compared to mortgage banking fees of \$202,000 resulting from the sale of \$14.2 million of fixed-rate longer-term residential mortgage loans in 2008. Service fees declined for the year ended December 31, 2009 due to lower overdraft charges on certain deposit products. We realized net gains on the sale of bonds and stocks totaling \$215,000 and \$70,000, respectively, during 2009 compared to a net gain on the sale of bonds totaling \$463,000 for 2008. Other noninterest income included a net gain of \$291,000 in death benefit proceeds received from a bank-owned life insurance policy during 2009, offset by impairment charges of \$383,000 and \$63,000, which were recorded to reduce the carrying value in two small business investment company limited partnerships during the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

*Noninterest Expenses*. Noninterest expenses increased \$1.4 million for 2009 as compared to 2008. The following table shows the components of noninterest expenses and the dollar and percentage changes from 2008 to 2009.

	Years Ended	December 31,	Cha	nge
(Dollars in thousands)	2009	2008	Dollars	Percent
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 15,767	\$ 16,211	\$ (444)	(2.7)%
Occupancy and equipment	5,559	5,733	(174)	(3.0)
Computer and electronic banking services	3,477	3,084	393	12.7
Outside professional services	975	842	133	15.8
Marketing and advertising	791	800	(9)	(1.1)
FDIC deposit insurance and regulatory assessments	1,756	567	1,189	209.7
Supplies	524	569	(45)	(7.9)
Other	2,556	2,234	322	14.4
Total noninterest expenses	\$ 31,405	\$ 30,040	\$ 1,365	4.5

Noninterest expenses increased in 2009 primarily due to increases in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessment, computer and electronic banking services, other noninterest expenses and outside professional services. The increase in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessment of \$1.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 was attributable to the expiration of credits during 2008, an increase in the assessment rate for 2009 and an Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-imposed industry-wide five basis point special assessment totaling \$393,000. Computer and electronic banking services expense increased due to higher telecommunication costs and transaction activity. Other noninterest expenses increased as a result of higher custodian fees for trust operations of \$167,000, prepayment penalties for the early extinguishment of Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings of \$111,000 and an increase in mortgage appraisal fees of \$122,000, offset by a decrease in the provision for credit losses of \$124,000. Additionally, we recorded an impairment charge of \$57,000 during the fourth quarter of 2009 on the goodwill from our New London branch acquisition in 2008. The decrease in salaries and employee benefits primarily related to higher deferred costs associated with the increase in residential mortgage originations in 2009. Occupancy and equipment expense was impacted by our purchase of the Norwich, Connecticut branch office and the training facility, resulting in lower lease expense for 2009.

*Income Tax Provision.* For 2009, we had an income tax provision of \$35,000 compared to an income tax benefit of \$1.4 million for 2008. The income tax provision for 2009 resulted from an increase in taxable income, offset by a nontaxable gain on bank-owned life insurance proceeds. The effective tax rate was 7.4% and 32.1% for 2009 and 2008, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2009, the effective tax rate was impacted by an increase in the valuation allowance to \$139,000 from \$118,000 at December 31, 2008 due to the uncertainty of realization of our charitable contribution deduction. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the valuation allowance of \$118,000 was established due to the uncertainty of realization of federal capital loss carry-forwards and other-than-temporary impairment losses on equity securities. As a result of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, which was enacted into law in October 2008, we recorded a deferred tax benefit during the year ended December 31, 2008 associated with the other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized for our preferred stock holdings of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Before the enactment of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, such losses were treated as capital losses for both tax and financial reporting purposes. Under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, ordinary loss treatment is available to financial institutions for such securities.

### Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007

*General.* We recorded a net loss of \$2.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, a decrease of \$4.3 million, compared to net income of \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The decrease in net income was attributable to the other-than-temporary impairment charge on securities of \$7.1 million, an increase in noninterest expenses of \$2.1 million and an increase in the provision for loan losses of \$307,000, offset in part by an increase in net income of \$2.5 million and a decrease in the provision for income taxes of \$1.9 million.

*Interest and Dividend Income*. Total interest and dividend income increased \$3.2 million, or 7.3%, for 2008. Average interest-earning assets increased \$77.5 million, or 10.7%, to \$801.1 million in 2008, mainly due to higher average balances of securities and loans and, to a lesser extent, a higher average balance on federal funds and other interest-earning assets. The higher yield on securities was, in part, offset by a decrease in the yield on loans. The average balance of securities increased \$47.0 million and the yield increased to 5.02% in 2008 from 4.85% in 2007, due in part to the purchase of higher-yielding

mortgage-backed securities during 2008. The average balance of loans increased \$24.6 million while the rate earned on loans decreased 17 basis points to 6.11% for 2008 from 6.28% for 2007. The decrease in the average yield on loans was attributable to unrecognized interest related to an increase in nonaccrual loans during the period and lower market interest rates, offset by an increase in higher-yielding commercial loans.

The following table sets forth the extent to which changes in interest rates and changes in volume of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities have on interest income and interest expense for the periods presented. The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The net column represents the sum of the rate and volume columns. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both changes in rate and volume that cannot be segregated have been allocated proportionately based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume.

	Increase	2008 Compared to 2007 Increase (Decrease) Due 7		
(Dollars in thousands)	Rate	Volume	Net	
Interest-earning assets: Interest and dividend income:				
Loans (1)(2)	\$(1,031)	\$ 1,520	\$ 489	
Securities (3)	373	2,210	2,583	
Other interest-earning assets	(83)	163	2,505	
Total interest-earning assets	(741)	3,893	3,152	
Interest-bearing liabilities:				
Interest expense:				
Deposits (4)	(1,446)	1,453	7	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	(225)	1,273	1,048	
Subordinated debt	(236)	(143)	(379)	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	(1,907)	2,583	676	
Change in net interest income (5)	\$ 1,166	\$ 1,310	\$ 2,476	

(1) Amount is net of deferred loan origination fees and costs. Average balances include nonaccrual loans and loans held for sale.

- (2) Loan fees are included in interest income and are immaterial.
- (3) Municipal securities income and net interest income are presented on a tax equivalent basis using a tax rate of 34%. The tax equivalent adjustment is deducted from tax equivalent net interest income to agree to the amounts reported in the statements of operations.
- (4) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts.
- (5) Presented on a tax equivalent basis.

*Interest Expense.* Interest expense increased \$676,000, or 3.1%, to \$22.5 million for 2008 compared to \$21.8 million in 2007. We experienced increases in the average balance of deposits and Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings and a decrease in the average rates paid during 2008. Average interest-bearing deposits rose \$58.8 million and the average yield decreased 34 basis points. An increase in NOW and money market accounts totaling \$45.1 million contributed the largest increase to the average balance for deposit accounts, as customers shifted from savings accounts to NOW and money market accounts. The average yield on these deposits increased 29 basis points. The average balance of certificates of deposit increased \$23.4 million and the average rate paid decreased 61 basis points to 3.92%. The average balance of Federal Home Loan Bank advances increased \$28.7 million and the average yield decreased 19 basis points to 4.40% for 2008. Rates on subordinated borrowings decreased 261 basis points due to a reduction in the three-month LIBOR rate. Overall, average rates declined during 2008 as a result of the lower interest rate environment.

*Provision for Loan Losses.* The provision for loan losses increased \$307,000 to \$1.4 million in 2008 from \$1.1 million in 2007. The higher provision reflects an increase in nonperforming loans, charge-offs and the allowance loan factors for commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loan portfolios due to adverse market conditions. Specific loan loss allowances relating to impaired loans decreased to \$1.2 million at December 31, 2008 compared to \$1.3 million at December 31, 2007. The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans increased

from 0.89% at December 31, 2007 to

0.97% at December 31, 2008. At December 31, 2008, nonperforming loans totaled \$9.3 million, of which two commercial construction relationships accounted for \$5.5 million of nonperforming loans and \$1.0 million in specific loan loss allowances. Nonperforming loans totaled \$7.6 million at December 31, 2007. For the year ended December 31, 2008, net loan charge-offs totaled \$567,000, compared to net loan charge-offs of \$182,000 for the year ended December 31, 2007, due largely to higher charge-offs on commercial business loans. While we have no direct exposure to sub-prime mortgages in its loan portfolio, declining economic conditions have negatively impacted the residential and commercial construction markets and contributed to the decrease in credit quality for commercial loans.

*Noninterest Income.* Total noninterest income decreased \$6.2 million to \$3.1 million in 2008. The following table shows the components of noninterest income and the dollar and percentage changes from 2007 to 2008.

	Years Decemb		Cha	nge
(Dollars in thousands)	2008	2007	Dollars	Percent
Service fees	\$ 5,251	\$ 4,838	\$ 413	8.5%
Wealth management fees	3,923	3,843	80	2.1
Increase in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance	304	294	10	3.4
Net gain on sales of securities	463	106	357	336.8
Net impairment losses recognized in earnings	(7,148)		(7,148)	n/a
Mortgage banking fees	202	167	35	21.0
Other	141	130	11	8.5
Total noninterest income	\$ 3.136	\$ 9.378	\$ (6,242)	(66.6)

# The decrease in noninterest income for the year ended December 31, 2008 was attributable to \$7.1 million of other-than-temporary impairment charges on certain securities, offset primarily by increases in service fees, net gain on sales of securities and wealth management fees. For the year ended December 31, 2008, SI Financial Group recognized other-than-temporary impairment on two non-agency mortgage-backed securities totaling \$2.7 million, five pooled trust preferred securities totaling \$2.8 million, three preferred stock holdings of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac aggregating \$1.5 million, and other equity securities in the financial services industry totaling \$100,000. At December 31, 2008, management determined that the above mentioned securities were deemed other-than-temporily impaired based upon management s evaluation of (1) the credit support and coverage ratios of the non-agency mortgage-backed securities, (2) the credit ratings, credit support and stress testing of future defaults as well as the disruption of projected cash flows for the pooled trust preferred securities, (3) the deterioration in value, suspension of dividends and future outlook for the preferred shares in Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac following the announcement that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac were in conservatorship of the U.S. Treasury and (4) the financial data and the near-term prospects of recovery for SI Financial Group s other equity securities. During 2008, service fees rose as a result of an increase in overdraft charges on certain deposit products and higher electronic banking usage. The increase in the gain on sales of securities was due to \$34.1 million in securities sold or called during 2008 compared to \$17.6 million in securities sold during 2007. Wealth management fees were higher principally due to increases in fees associated with trust servicing and life insurance products. During 2008, an impairment charge of \$63,000 was recorded in other noninterest income to reduce the carrying value of our investment in a small busine

*Noninterest Expenses*. Noninterest expenses increased \$2.1 million, for 2008 as compared to 2007. The following table shows the components of noninterest expenses and the dollar and percentage changes from 2007 to 2008.

		Ended ber 31,		
(Dollars in thousands)	2008	2007	Dollars	Percent
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 16,211	\$ 15,029	\$ 1,182	7.9%
Occupancy and equipment	5,733	5,379	354	6.6
Computer and electronic banking services	3,084	2,654	430	16.2
Outside professional services	842	1,029	(187)	(18.2)
Marketing and advertising	800	773	27	3.5
FDIC deposit insurance and regulatory assessments	567	264	303	114.8
Supplies	569	509	60	11.8
Other	2,234	2,291	(57)	2.5

Total noninterest expenses	\$ 30,040	\$ 27,928	\$ 2,112	7.6

Higher noninterest expenses were primarily attributable to increased operating costs associated with three additional branch offices. This resulted in higher compensation costs due to increased staffing levels and occupancy expense related to facility leases and other occupancy-related expenses. Computer and electronic banking services expense rose due to increased telecommunication costs and transaction activity. The increase in noninterest expenses in 2008 was offset by a decrease in outside professional services resulting from charges associated with the termination of the agreement to purchase a mortgage company that were recorded in 2007.

*Income Tax Provision.* For 2008, we had an income tax benefit of \$1.4 million compared to an income tax provision of \$540,000 for 2007. The income tax benefit for 2008 resulted from the pre-tax operating loss. The effective tax rate was 32.1% and 27.7% for 2008 and 2007, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the effective tax rate was impacted by a valuation allowance totaling \$118,000, which was established due to the uncertainty of realization of federal capital loss carry-forwards and other-than-temporary impairment losses on equity securities. As a result of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, which was enacted into law on October 3, 2008, we recorded a deferred tax benefit during the year ended December 31, 2008 associated with the other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized for our preferred stock holdings of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Before the enactment of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, such losses were treated as capital losses for both tax and financial reporting purposes. Under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, ordinary loss treatment is available to financial institutions for such securities.

Average Balance Sheets. The following sets forth information regarding average balances of assets and liabilities as well as the total dollar amounts of interest income from average interest-earning assets and interest expense on average interest-bearing liabilities, resulting yields and rates paid, interest rate spread, net interest margin and the ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities for the periods indicated.

	At June 30,	Six Months Ended June 30,						
(Dollars in thousands)	2010 Yield/ Rate	Average Balance	2010 Interest and Dividends	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Balance	2009 Interest and Dividends	Average Yield/ Rate	
Interest-earning assets:								
Loans (1) (2)	5.64%	\$ 608,308	\$ 16,856	5.59%	\$627,156	\$ 18,039	5.80%	
Securities (3)	3.26	194,617	3,372	3.49	171,686	4,091	4.81	
Other interest-earning assets	0.02	26,164	49	0.38	17,534	77	0.89	
Total interest-earning assets	4.88	829,089	20,277	4.93	816,376	22,207	5.49	
Noninterest-earning assets		52,648			46,495			
Total assets		\$ 881,737			\$ 862,871			
Interest-bearing liabilities:								
Deposits:								
NOW and money market	0.68	\$ 234,443	904	0.78	\$ 198,718	1,186	1.20	
Savings (4)	0.39	64,030	161	0.51	62,408	225	0.73	
Certificates of deposit (5)	2.46	307,447	4,052	2.66	315,666	5,420	3.46	
Total interest-bearing deposits	1.54	605,920	5,117	1.70	576,792	6,831	2.39	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	3.63	116,151	2,112	3.67	138,893	2,921	4.24	
Subordinated debt	2.24	8,248	80	1.96	8,248	130	3.18	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1.87	730,319	7,309	2.02	723,933	9,882	2.75	
Noninterest-bearing liabilities		71,310			65,063			
Total liabilities		801,629			788,996			

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Total shareholders equity	80,108	73,87	5	
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 881,737	\$ 862,87	1	
Net interest-earning assets	\$ 98,770	\$ 92,44	3	
Tax equivalent net interest income (3) Tax equivalent interest rate spread (6)	12,9	2.91%	12,325	2.74%
Tax equivalent net interest margin as a percentage of interest-earning assets (7)		3.15%		3.04%
Average of interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities		113.52%		112.77%
Less: tax equivalent adjustment (3)		(10)	(3)	
Net interest income	\$ 12,9	958	\$ 12,322	

- (1) Amount is net of deferred loan origination fees and costs. Average balances include nonaccrual loans and loans held for sale.
- (2) Loan fees are included in interest income and are immaterial.
- (3) Securities income and net interest income are presented on a tax equivalent basis using a tax rate of 34%. The tax equivalent adjustment is deducted from tax equivalent net interest income to agree to the amounts reported in the statements of operations.
- (4) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts.
- (5) Includes brokered deposits.
- (6) Tax equivalent net interest rate spread represents the difference between the weighted-average yield on interest-earning assets and the weighted-average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.
- (7) Tax equivalent net interest margin represents tax equivalent net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets.

		Years Ended December 31, 2009 2008 2007							
	Average	Interest and	Average Yield/	Average	Interest and	Average Yield/	Average	Interest and	Average Yield/
(Dollars in thousands)	Balance	Dividends	Rate	Balance	Dividends	Rate	Balance	Dividends	Rate
Interest-earning assets:				+					
Loans (1)(2)	\$ 624,647	\$ 35,440	5.67%	\$ 608,838	\$ 37,192	6.11%	\$ 584,237	\$ 36,703	6.28%
Securities (3)	177,609	7,849	4.42	178,146	8,946	5.02	131,100	6,363	4.85
Other interest-earning assets	20,709	112	0.54	14,160	366	2.58	8,339	286	3.43
Total interest-earning assets	822,965	43,401	5.27	801,144	46,504	5.80	723,676	43,352	5.99
Noninterest-earning assets	47,377			44,518			38,609		
Total assets	\$ 870,342			\$ 845,662			\$ 762,285		
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Interest-bearing liabilities:									
Deposits:									
NOW and money market	\$206,012	2,189	1.06	\$ 180,699	3,149	1.74	\$ 135,568	1,960	1.45
Savings (4)	62,717	408	0.65	66,796	668	1.00	76,517	1,053	1.38
Certificates of deposit (5)	318,029	10,586	3.33	304,361	11,921	3.92	280,924	12,718	4.53
Total interest-bearing deposits	586,758	13,183	2.25	551,856	15,738	2.85	493,009	15,731	3.19
Federal Home Loan Bank									
advances	131,460	5,461	4.15	143,697	6,324	4.40	114,960	5,276	4.59
Subordinated debt	8,248	217	2.63	8,248	397	4.81	10,463	776	7.42
Total interest-bearing liabilities	726,466	18,861	2.60	703,801	22,459	3.19	618,432	21,783	3.52
Noninterest bearing lightlities	69 250			64.436			60.052		
Noninterest-bearing liabilities	68,350			04,430			60,952		
Total liabilities	794,816			768,237			679,384		
Total shareholders equity	75,526			77,425			82,901		
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Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 870,342			\$ 845,662			\$ 762,285		
Net interest-earning assets	\$ 96,499			\$ 97,343			\$ 105,244		

Tax equivalent net interest income (3)	24,540	24,045	21,569
Tax equivalent interest rate spread (6)	2.67%	2.61%	2.47%
Tax equivalent net interest margin as a percentage of interest-earning assets (7)	2.98%	3.00%	2.98%
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities	113.28%	113.83%	117.02%
Less: tax equivalent adjustment (3)	(16)	(5)	(5)
Net interest income	\$ 24,524	\$ 24,040	\$ 21,564

- (1) Amount is net of deferred loan origination fees and costs. Average balances include nonaccrual loans and loans held for sale.
- (2) Loan fees are included in interest income and are immaterial.
- (3) Securities income and net interest income are presented on a tax equivalent basis using a tax rate of 34%. The tax equivalent adjustment is deducted from tax equivalent net interest income to agree to the amounts reported in the statements of operations.
- (4) Includes mortgagors and investors escrow accounts.
- (5) Includes brokered deposits.
- (6) Tax equivalent net interest rate spread represents the difference between the weighted-average yield on interest-earning assets and the weighted-average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.
- (7) Tax equivalent net interest margin represents tax equivalent net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets.

### **Risk Management**

*Overview.* Managing risk is an essential part of successfully managing a financial institution. Our most prominent risk exposures are credit risk, interest rate risk and market risk. Credit risk is the risk of not collecting the interest and/or the principal balance of a loan or investment when it is due. Interest rate risk is the potential reduction of net interest income as a result of changes in interest rates. Market risk arises from fluctuations in interest rates that may result in changes in the values of financial instruments, such as available for sale securities, that are accounted for on a mark-to-market basis. Other risks that we face are operational risks, liquidity risks and reputation risk. Operational risks include risks related to fraud, regulatory compliance, processing errors, technology and disaster recovery. Liquidity risk is the possible inability to fund obligations to depositors, lenders or borrowers due to unforeseen circumstances. Reputation risk is the risk that negative publicity or press, whether true or not, could cause a decline in our customer base or revenue.

*Credit Risk Management.* Our strategy for credit risk management focuses on having well-defined credit policies and uniform underwriting criteria and providing prompt attention to potential problem loans. Further, we have strengthened our oversight of problem assets by maintaining a Managed Assets Committee. The Committee, which consists of our chief executive officer, our chief financial officer and other loan and credit administration officers, meets monthly to review classified and watch list credits to ensure the appropriateness of the current classification and to attempt to identify any new problem loans. The Board of Directors reviews the committee s reports on a quarterly basis.

When a borrower fails to make a required loan payment, we take a number of steps to have the borrower cure the delinquency and restore the loan to current status. We make initial contact with the borrower when the loan becomes 15 days past due. If payment is not then received by the 30<sup>th</sup> day of delinquency, additional letters and phone calls generally are made. When the loan becomes 90 days past due, a letter is sent notifying the borrower that foreclosure proceedings will commence if the loan is not brought current within 30 days. Generally, when the loan becomes 120 days past due, we will commence foreclosure proceedings against any real property that secures the loan or attempt to reposses any personal property that secures a consumer or commercial loan. If a foreclosure action is instituted and the loan is not brought current, paid in full or refinanced before the foreclosure sale, the real property securing the loan is typically sold at foreclosure. We may consider loan repayment arrangements with certain borrowers under certain circumstances.

Management reports to the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board monthly regarding the amount of loans delinquent more than 30 days, all loans in foreclosure and all foreclosed and repossessed property that we own.

Analysis of Nonperforming and Classified Assets. We consider repossessed assets and loans that are 90 days or more past due to be nonperforming assets. Loans are generally placed on nonaccrual status when they become 90 days delinquent at which time the accrual of interest ceases and any previously recorded interest is reversed and recorded as a reduction of loan interest and fee income. Typically, payments received on a nonaccrual loan are applied to the outstanding principal and interest as determined at the time of collection of the loan.

Real estate that we acquire as a result of foreclosure or by deed-in-lieu of foreclosure are classified as foreclosed assets until it is sold. When property is acquired, it is initially recorded at the lower of its cost or fair value, less estimated selling expenses. Holding costs and declines in fair value after acquisition of the property result in charges against income.

Troubled debt restructurings occur when debtors are granted concessions that we would not otherwise consider because of economic or legal reasons pertaining to the debtor s financial difficulties. Such concessions would include, but are not limited to, the transfer of assets or the issuance of equity interest by the debtor to satisfy all or part of the debt, modification of the terms of debt or the substitution or addition of debtor(s).

The following table provides information with respect to our nonperforming assets and troubled debt restructurings as of the dates indicated. The Company had no accruing loans past due 90 days or more at each of the dates indicated.

	At June 30,		At December 31,			
(Dollars in Thousands)	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Nonaccrual loans:						
Real estate loans:						
Residential 1-4 family	\$ 2,523	\$ 2,597	\$ 2,795	\$ 755	\$ 392	\$ 149
Multi-family and commercial	949		832	42		75
Construction	375	375	5,483	6,082		
Commercial business loans	420	35	217	733	71	
Consumer loans			1	20	929	16
Total nonaccrual loans	4,267	3,007	9,328	7,632	1,392	240
Other real estate owned, net (1)	1,745	3,680		913		325
Total nonperforming assets	6,012	6,687	9,328	8,545	1,392	565
Accruing troubled debt restructurings	2,574	67	69	71	72	74
Total nonperforming assets and accruing troubled debt restructurings	\$ 8,586	\$ 6,754	\$ 9,397	\$ 8,616	\$ 1,464	\$ 639
Ratios:						
Total nonperforming loans to total loans	0.70%	0.49%	1.50%	1.29%	0.24%	0.05%
Total nonperforming loans to total assets	0.48	0.34	1.09	0.97	0.18	0.03
Total nonperforming assets and troubled debt restructurings to total						
assets	0.97	0.77	1.10	1.09	0.19	0.09

(1) Other real estate owned balances are shown net of related loss allowance.

The decrease in nonperforming assets was primarily due to a decrease in other real estate owned offset by an increase in nonaccrual loans. Nonaccrual loans increased due to the addition of one commercial real estate loan totaling \$949,000 and two commercial business loans totaling \$387,000, one of which was classified as special mention at December 31, 2009. The remaining nonaccrual loans consisted of 20 residential loans that have all received appraisals in the past year.

Other real estate owned decreased \$1.9 million from December 31, 2009 to June 30, 2010, primarily as a result of the sale of five residential and two commercial properties with an aggregate carrying value of \$2.9 million. During the first half of 2010, we acquired one commercial and three residential properties with a net carrying value totaling \$1.1 million and reduced the carrying value of one commercial property in the amount of \$111,000.

As of June 30, 2010, troubled debt restructurings increased \$3.5 million as a result of interest rate concessions for two commercial real estate loans. As of June 30, 2010, all borrowers are performing in accordance with their loans as restructured. Further, we anticipate that the borrowers will repay all contractual principal and interest in accordance with the terms of their restructured loan agreements.

The decrease in nonaccrual loans at December 31, 2009 resulted, in part, to the transfer of \$5.5 million in loans to other real estate owned during 2009. Management is proactive in its approach to identifying and resolving problem loans and is focused on working with the borrowers and guarantors of these loans to provide loan modifications when warranted. The level of nonperforming assets is expected to fluctuate in response

to changing economic and market conditions, the relative size and composition of the loan portfolio, as well as management s degree of success in resolving problem assets.

Interest income that would have been recorded for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 had nonaccruing loans and troubled debt restructurings been current in accordance with their original

terms and had been outstanding throughout the period amounted to \$169,000 and \$554,000, respectively. The amount of interest related to nonaccrual loans and troubled debt restructurings included in interest income was \$78,000 and \$65,000 for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009, respectively.

Federal regulations require us to review and classify our assets on a regular basis. In addition, the Office of Thrift Supervision has the authority to identify problem assets and, if appropriate, require them to be classified. There are three classifications for problem assets: substandard, doubtful and loss. Substandard assets must have one or more defined weaknesses and are characterized by the distinct possibility that we will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. Doubtful assets have the weaknesses of substandard assets with the additional characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values questionable, and there is a high possibility of loss. An asset classified loss is considered uncollectible and of such little value that continuance as an asset of the institution is not warranted. The regulations also provide for a special mention category, described as assets which do not currently expose us to a sufficient degree of risk to warrant classification but do possess credit deficiencies or potential weaknesses deserving our close attention. If we classify an asset as loss, we allocate an amount equal to 100% of the portion of the asset classified loss.

The following table shows the aggregate amounts of our criticized and classified assets at the dates indicated.

	At June	At December 31,			
	30,				
(In thousands)	2010	2009	2008	2007	
Special mention assets	\$ 28,493	\$ 33,874	\$ 11,044	\$ 13,322	
Substandard assets	28,913	26,855	10,825	8,297	
Doubtful assets		33		27	
Loss assets	8		1	1	
Total criticized and classified assets	\$ 57,414	\$60,762	\$21,870	\$ 21,647	

At June 30, 2010, total classified assets included forty-four commercial real estate loans totaling \$3.1 million, thirty-four commercial business loans totaling \$8.9 million, twenty-six residential mortgage loans totaling \$3.7 million, three commercial construction loans totaling \$1.0 million and nine investment securities totaling \$10.7 million. Substandard assets include \$18.3 million in loans of which \$4.3 million were nonperforming at June 30, 2010. Of the \$4.3 million in nonperforming loans, residential mortgage loans totaling \$1.9 million and commercial loans totaling \$762,000 were 90 days or more past due. The substandard assets also included six collateralized debt obligations totaling \$6.4 million and three non-agency mortgage-backed securities totaling \$4.3 million.

Other than disclosed in the above tables, there are no other loans at June 30, 2010 that management has serious doubts about the ability of the borrowers to comply with the present loan repayment terms.

Of the substandard assets at December 31, 2009, \$16.0 million were loans, \$3.0 million of which were nonperforming loans. The substandard assets also included four non-agency mortgage-backed securities totaling \$7.1 million and five collateralized debt obligations totaling \$3.7 million. The largest substandard loan, a commercial construction loan totaling \$2.4 million, was not 90 days or more past due at December 31, 2009. Of the \$33.9 million of special mention loans, only one loan totaling \$270,000 was 60 days or more past due at December 31, 2009.

At December 31, 2009, total classified loans related to forty-eight commercial real estate loans totaling \$31.7 million, twenty-eight commercial business loans totaling \$8.4 million, six commercial construction loans totaling \$5.9 million and twenty-four residential mortgage loans totaling \$3.9 million. Declining economic conditions have negatively impacted the residential and commercial construction markets and contributed to the decrease in credit quality for commercial loans. The continued weakening of both the local and national real estate markets has contributed to the inability of commercial developers to sell completed units, which resulted in declining collateral values and an increased risk of default.

Delinquencies. The following table provides information about delinquencies in our loan portfolio at the dates indicated.

		At Jun 9 Days Principal Balance of Loans	Ν	Days or Iore Principal Balance of	l l Number	9 Days Principa Balance of	N I	Days or Iore Principal Balance of		9 Days Principal Balance of	Ν	Days or Iore Principal Balance of
(Dollars in thousands)												
Real estate loans:												
Residential 1 to 4 family	8	\$ 1,091	13	\$ 1,986	2	\$ 484	14	\$ 2,393	5	\$ 750	9	\$ 1,774
Multi-family and commercial			1	375			1	375	3	1,421	2	716
Construction									1	179	4	5,484
Total real estate loans	8	1,091	14	2,361	2	484	15	2,768	9	2,350	15	7,974
Consumer loans:												
Home equity												
Other	1	6							2	7		
Total consumer loans	1	6							2	7		
Commercial business loans:	-											
SBA and USDA guaranteed	1	1,263	2	899					1	515	2	1,240
Other		,	2	389	1	8	1	27	1	328	3	217
Total commercial business loans	1	1,263	4	1,288	1	8	1	27	2	843	5	1,457
Total delinquent loans	10	\$ 2,360	18	\$ 3,649	3	\$ 492	16	\$ 2,795	13	\$ 3,200	20	\$ 9,431

The increase in delinquencies was primarily due to three delinquent Small Business Administration and United States Department of Agriculture loans. These loans, which are fully guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, require no allowance for loan losses.

*Allowance for Loan Losses.* The allowance for loan losses, a material estimate which could change significantly in the near-term, is established through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings to account for losses that are inherent in the loan portfolio and estimated to occur, and is maintained at a level that management considers adequate to absorb losses in the loan portfolio. Loan losses are charged against the allowance for loan losses when management believes that the uncollectibility of the principal loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance for loan losses when received.

Management s judgment in determining the adequacy of the allowance is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available. The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a monthly basis by management and is based on the evaluation of the known and inherent risk characteristics and size and composition of the loan portfolio, the assessment of current economic and real estate market conditions, adverse situations that may affect the borrower s ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral, historical loan loss experience and evaluations of loans and other relevant factors.

The allowance for loan losses consists of the following key elements:

*Specific allowance for identified impaired loans*. For such loans that are identified as impaired, an allowance is established when the discounted cash flows (or collateral value if the loan is collateral dependent or observable market price) of the impaired loan are lower than the carrying value of that loan.

*General valuation allowance,* which represents a valuation allowance on the remainder of the loan portfolio, after excluding impaired loans. For this portion of the allowance, loans are segregated by category and are assigned

allowance percentages based on historical loan loss experience adjusted for qualitative factors. Qualitative factors that, in management s judgment, affect the collectibility of the portfolio as of the evaluation date, may include changes in lending policies and procedures, changes in existing general economic and business conditions affecting Savings Institute s primary lending areas, credit quality trends, collateral value, loan volumes and concentrations, seasoning of the loan portfolio, specific industry conditions within portfolio segments, recent loss experience in particular segments of the portfolio, duration of the current business cycle and Savings Institute s regulatory examination results. The applied loss factors are re-evaluated quarterly to ensure their relevance in the current economic environment.

In computing the allowance for loan losses, we do not assign a general valuation allowance to the United States Department of Agriculture and Small Business Administration loans that we purchase as such loans are fully guaranteed. Such loans account for \$90.8 million, or 14.9% of the loan portfolio at June 30, 2010.

The majority of our loans are collateralized by real estate located in eastern Connecticut. Accordingly, the collateral value of a substantial portion of the loan portfolio and real estate acquired through foreclosure is susceptible to changes in market conditions.

Although management believes that it uses the best information available to establish the allowance for loan losses, future adjustments to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary and our results of operations could be adversely affected if circumstances differ substantially from the assumptions used in making the determinations. In addition, because future events affecting borrowers and collateral cannot be predicted with certainty, there can be no assurance that the existing allowance for loan losses is adequate or that increases will not be necessary should the quality of any loans deteriorate as a result of the factors discussed above. Any material increase in the allowance for loan losses would adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

The following table sets forth the breakdown of the allowance for loan losses by loan category at the dates indicated.

(Dollars in thousands) Real estate loans:	Amount	June 30, 2010 % of Allowance in each Category to Total Allowance	% of Loans in each Category to Total Loans	Amount	2009 % of Allowance in each Category to Total Allowance	% of Loans in each Category to Total Loans	Amount	December 31 2008 % of Allowance in each Category to Total Allowance	l, Voans in each Category to Total Loans	Amount	2007 % of Allowance in each Category to Total Allowance	% of Loans in each Category to Total Loans
Residential 1 to family Multi-family and commercial Construction Commercial business Consumer loans	4 \$ 984 2,593 159 833 309	20.17% 53.16 3.26 17.08 6.33	47.95% 26.53 1.53 19.49 4.50	\$ 1,028 2,443 221 906 293	21.02% 49.95 4.51 18.53 5.99	50.12% 26.15 1.87 17.60 4.26	\$ 906 2,358 1,533 1,097 153	14.98% 38.99 25.36 18.13 2.54	53.46% 25.52 4.49 12.97 3.56	\$ 823 1,679 1,653 922 168	15.69% 32.01 31.52 17.57 3.21	55.87% 22.46 6.29 11.81 3.57
Total allowance for loan losses	\$ 4,878	100.00%	100.00%	\$ 4,891	100.00%	100.00%	\$ 6,047	100.00%	100.00%	\$ 5,245	100.00%	100.00%

		December 31,						
		2006			2005			
		% of % of			% of	% of		
		Allowance	Loans in		Allowance	Loans in		
		in each	each		in each	each		
		Category to Total	Category to Total		Category to Total	Category to Total		
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Allowance	Loans	Amount	Allowance	Loans		
Real estate loans:								
Residential 1 to 4 family	\$ 794	18.19%	53.65%	\$ 739	20.13%	51.66%		
Multi-family and commercial	1,744	39.95	20.55	1,414	38.52	19.54		
Construction	706	16.18	7.73	486	13.24	9.16		
Commercial business	783	17.94	13.03	892	24.29	15.02		
Consumer loans	338	7.74	5.04	140	3.82	4.62		
Total allowance for loan losses	\$ 4,365	100.00%	100.00%	\$ 3,671	100.00%	100.00%		

Although we believe that we use the best information available to establish the allowance for loan losses, future adjustments to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary and our results of operations could be adversely affected if circumstances differ substantially from the assumptions used in making the determinations. Furthermore, while we believe we have established our allowance for loan losses in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, there can be no assurance that the Office of Thrift Supervision, in reviewing our loan portfolio, will not request us to increase our allowance for loan losses. The Office of Thrift Supervision may require us to increase our allowance for loan losses future events affecting borrowers and collateral cannot be predicted with certainty, there can be no assurance that increases will not be necessary should the quality of any loans deteriorate as a result of the factors discussed above. Any material increase in the allowance for loan losses may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

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Analysis of Loan Loss Experience. The following table sets forth an analysis of the allowance for loan losses for the periods indicated.

	Six Montl June		d Years Ended December 31,					
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	2009	2008 2007 2006			2005	
Allowance at beginning of period	\$ 4,891	\$ 6,047	\$ 6,047	\$ 5,245	\$ 4,365	\$ 3,671	\$ 3,200	
Provision for loan losses	422	1,930	2,830	1,369	1,062	881	410	
Charge-offs:								
Residential 1 to 4 family	(144)	(84)	(257)	(80)				
Multi-family and commercial	(222)	(79)	(149)	(42)	(246)		(17)	
Construction		(2,312)	(2,927)	(41)				
Commercial business loans	(48)	(448)	(645)	(359)			(1)	
Consumer loans	(28)	(75)	(97)	(75)	(188)	(199)	(11)	
Total charge-offs	(442)	(2,998)	(4,075)	(597)	(434)	(199)	(29)	
Recoveries:								
Residential 1 to 4 family	1	17	43	4	4	4	5	
Multi-family and commercial	3				131		65	
Construction								
Commercial business loans	1	1	37	21		2	3	
Consumer loans	2	4	9	5	117	6	17	
Total recoveries	7	22	89	30	252	12	90	
Net (charge-offs) recoveries	(435)	(2,976)	(3,986)	(567)	(182)	(187)	61	
Allowance at end of year	\$ 4,878	\$ 5,001	\$ 4,891	\$ 6,047	\$ 5,245	\$ 4,365	\$ 3,671	

#### Ratios:

Allowance to total loans outstanding at end of	•						
period	0.80%	0.79%	0.80%	0.97%	0.89%	0.76%	0.71%
Allowance to nonperforming loans	114.32	57.92	162.65	64.83	68.72	313.58	1529.58
Net (charge-offs) recoveries to average loans							
outstanding during the period	(0.14)	(0.96)	(0.64)	(0.09)	(0.03)	(0.03)	0.01

*Interest Rate Risk Management.* We manage the interest rate sensitivity of our interest-bearing liabilities and interest-earning assets in an effort to minimize the adverse effects of changes in the interest rate environment. To reduce the volatility of our earnings, we have sought to improve the match between asset and liability maturities and rates, while maintaining an acceptable interest rate spread. Our strategy for managing interest rate risk generally is to emphasize the origination of adjustable-rate mortgage loans for retention in our loan portfolio. However, the ability to originate adjustable-rate loans depends to a great extent on market interest rates and borrowers preferences. As an alternative to adjustable-rate mortgage loans, we offer fixed-rate mortgage loans with maturities of fifteen years. This product enables us to compete in the fixed-rate mortgage market while maintaining a shorter maturity. Fixed-rate mortgage loans typically have an adverse effect on interest rate sensitivity compared to adjustable-rate loans. Accordingly, we have sold more longer-term fixed-rate mortgage loans in the secondary market in recent periods to manage interest rate risk. We also use shorter-term investment securities and longer-term borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank to help manage interest rate risk.

We have an Asset/Liability Committee to communicate, coordinate and control all aspects involving asset/liability management. The committee establishes and monitors the volume, maturities, pricing and mix of assets and funding sources with the objective of managing assets and funding sources to provide results that are consistent with liquidity, growth, risk limits and profitability goals.

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On July 1, 2010, SI Financial Group entered into an interest rate swap agreement with a third party financial institution with a notional amount of \$8.0 million whereby the counterparty will pay a variable rate equal to three-month LIBOR and SI Financial Group will pay a fixed rate of 2.44%. The agreement becomes effective on December 15, 2010 and terminates on December 15, 2015. This agreement was designated as a cash flow hedge against the trust preferred securities

issued by SI Capital Trust II. This effectively fixes the interest rate on the \$8.0 million of trust preferred securities at 4.14% for the period December 15, 2010 through December 15, 2015.

*Net Interest Income Simulation Analysis.* We analyze our interest rate sensitivity position to manage the risk associated with interest rate movements through the use of interest income simulation. The matching of assets and liabilities may be analyzed by examining the extent to which such assets and liabilities are interest sensitive. An asset or liability is said to be interest rate sensitive within a specific time period if it will mature or reprice within that time period.

Our goal is to manage asset and liability positions to moderate the effects of interest rate fluctuations on net interest income. Interest income simulations are completed quarterly and presented to the Asset/Liability Committee. The simulations provide an estimate of the impact of changes in interest rates on net interest income under a range of assumptions. The numerous assumptions used in the simulation process are reviewed by the Asset/Liability Committee on a quarterly basis. Changes to these assumptions can significantly affect the results of the simulation. The simulation incorporates assumptions regarding the potential timing in the repricing of certain assets and liabilities when market rates change and the changes in spreads between different market rates. The simulation analysis incorporates management s current assessment of the risk that pricing margins will change adversely over time due to competition or other factors.

Simulation analysis is only an estimate of our interest rate risk exposure at a particular point in time. We continually review the potential effect changes in interest rates could have on the repayment of rate sensitive assets and funding requirements of rate sensitive liabilities.

The table below sets forth an approximation of our exposure as a percentage of estimated net interest income for the next 12- and 24-month periods using interest income simulation. The simulation uses projected repricing of assets and liabilities at June 30, 2010 on the basis of contractual maturities, anticipated repayments and scheduled rate adjustments. Prepayment rates can have a significant impact on interest income simulation. Because of the large percentage of loans and mortgage-backed securities we hold, rising or falling interest rates have a significant impact on the prepayment speeds of our earning assets that in turn affect the rate sensitivity position. When interest rates rise, prepayments tend to slow. When interest rates fall, prepayments tend to rise. Our asset sensitivity would be reduced if prepayments slow and vice versa. While we believe such assumptions to be reasonable, there can be no assurance that assumed prepayment rates will approximate actual future mortgage-backed security and loan repayment activity.

The following table reflects changes in estimated net interest income only for SI Financial Group.

	At June : Percentage Estim Net Interest I	Change in nated
	12 Months	24 Months
300 basis point increase in rates	(3.11)%	(4.11)%
225 basis point increase in rates	0.73	2.10
50 basis point decrease in rates	(0.20)	(1.13)

Management believes that under the current rate environment, a change of interest rates downward of 200 basis points is a highly remote interest rate scenario. Therefore, management modified the limit and a 50 basis point decrease in interest rates was used. This limit will be re-evaluated periodically and may be modified as appropriate.

The basis point change in rates in the above table is assumed to occur evenly over the following 12 months for the 300 basis point increase in rates and the 50 basis point decrease in rates. The 225 basis point increase in rates represents the most likely scenario and incorporates a gradual increase in rates of 75 basis points during the next 12-month period and 150 basis points increase during the subsequent 12-month period based on anticipated policy of the Federal Reserve Board. Based on the scenario above, net interest income would be adversely affected (within our internal guidelines) in the 12-month and 24-month period, if rates declined by 50 basis points or increased by 300 basis points.

*Liquidity Management.* Liquidity management is the ability to meet current and future financial obligations of a short-term nature. Our primary sources of funds consist of deposit inflows, loan repayments and sales, maturities and sales of securities and Federal Home Loan Bank and subordinated debt borrowings. While maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and securities are predictable sources of funds, deposit flows, mortgage prepayments and loan and security sales are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions and competition.

We regularly adjust our investment in liquid assets based upon our assessment of (1) expected loan demand, (2) expected deposit flows, (3) yields available on interest-earning deposits and securities and (4) the objectives of our asset/liability management, funds management and liquidity policies. Our policy is to maintain liquid assets less short-term liabilities within a range of 10.0% to 20.0% of total assets. Liquid assets were 18.5% of total assets at June 30, 2010. Excess liquid assets are generally invested in interest-earning deposits and short- and intermediate-term securities.

Our most liquid assets are cash and cash equivalents. The levels of these assets depend on our operating, financing, lending and investing activities during any given period. At June 30, 2010, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$46.1 million. Interest-bearing deposits and federal funds sold totaled \$32.8 million. Securities classified as available for sale, which provide additional sources of liquidity, totaled \$182.2 million at June 30, 2010, we had the ability to borrow \$187.7 million from the Federal Home Loan Bank, which includes overnight lines of credit of \$10.0 million. On that date, we had Federal Home Loan Bank advances outstanding of \$114.2 million and no overnight advances outstanding. Additionally, we have the ability to access the Federal Reserve Bank s Discount Window on a collateralized basis. We also maintain a \$7.0 million unsecured line of credit with a financial institution to access federal funds. We had not accessed this line of credit as of June 30, 2010. We believe that our liquid assets combined with the available lines provide adequate liquidity to meet our current financial obligations.

At June 30, 2010, Savings Institute had \$59.7 million in loan commitments outstanding, which included \$9.3 million in undisbursed construction loans, \$20.9 million in unused home equity lines of credit, \$13.4 million in commercial lines of credit, \$14.1 million in commitments to grant loans, \$1.4 million, or verdraft protection lines and \$717,000 in standby letters of credit. Certificates of deposit due within one year of June 30, 2010 totaled \$175.1 million, or 26.0% of total deposits. Management believes that the amount of deposits in shorter-term certificates of deposit reflects customers hesitancy to invest their funds in longer-term certificates of deposit due to the uncertain interest rate environment. To compensate, Savings Institute has increased the duration of its borrowings with the Federal Home Loan Bank and offered attractive rates on certain certificates of deposit in an effort to extend the maturity of its deposits. Savings Institute will be required to seek other sources of funds, including other certificates of deposit and lines of credit, if maturing certificates of deposit are not retained. Depending on market conditions, Savings Institute may be required to pay higher rates on such deposits or other borrowings than are currently paid on certificates of deposit. Additionally, a shorter duration in the securities portfolio may be necessary to provide liquidity to compensate for any deposit outflows. We believe, however, based on past experience, a significant portion of our certificates of deposit will be retained. We have the ability, if necessary, to adjust the interest rates offered to our customers in an effort to attract and retain deposits.

The following table presents certain of our contractual obligations as of June 30, 2010.

Payments Due by Period							
	Less Than	One to Three	Three to	More Than			
Total	One Year	Years	Five Years	Five Years			
\$ 11,864	\$ 1,317	\$ 2,314	\$ 1,734	\$ 6,499			
114,169	1,000	46,100	55,069	12,000			
8,248				8,248			
\$ 134,281	\$ 2,317	\$ 48,414	\$ 56,803	\$ 26,747			
	114,169 8,248	Less Than One Year           \$ 11,864         \$ 1,317           114,169         1,000           8,248         \$ 1	Less Than One Year         One to Three Years           \$ 11,864         \$ 1,317         \$ 2,314           114,169         1,000         46,100           8,248         \$ 1,000         \$ 1,000	Less Than         One to Three Years         Three to Five Years           \$ 11,864         \$ 1,317         \$ 2,314         \$ 1,734           \$ 114,169         1,000         46,100         55,069           \$ 8,248         \$ 1,217         \$ 1,734			

#### (1) Payments are for lease of real property.

(2) Represents junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trust.

Our primary investing activities are the origination of loans and the purchase and sale of securities. Our primary financing activities consist of activity in deposit accounts and borrowed funds. Deposit flows are affected by the overall levels of interest rates, the interest rates and products offered by us and our local competitors and other factors. We generally manage the pricing of our deposits to be competitive and to increase core deposit relationships. Occasionally, we offer promotional rates on certain deposit products to attract deposits.

The following table presents our primary investing and financing activities during the periods indicated.

	Six Months Ended June 30,	Years Ende	ed December 31,
(Dollars in thousands)	2010	2009	2008
Loan originations	\$ 50,597	\$ 146,324	\$ 141,588
Loan sales	20,010	56,336	14,232
Other decreases in loans	51,373	141,544	109,290
Purchase of loans	19,589	40,876	12,281
Security purchases	58,460	95,071	100,810
Security sales	33,801	24,483	19,981
Security maturities, calls and principal repayments	29,726	54,782	47,720
Increases in deposits	15,656	39,804	44,648
Net decrease in Federal Home Loan Bank advances	1,931	23,500	2,019
Purchase of treasury stock	74	68	2,626

*Capital Management.* We have managed our capital to maintain strong protection for depositors and creditors. Savings Institute is subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the Office of Thrift Supervision, including a risk-based capital measure. The risk-based capital guidelines include both a definition of capital and a framework for calculating risk-weighted assets by assigning balance sheet assets and off-balance sheet items to broad risk categories. At June 30, 2010, Savings Institute exceeded all of its regulatory capital requirements. Savings Institute is considered well capitalized under regulatory guidelines. See *Regulation and Supervision Federal Banking Regulations Capital Requirements* and the notes to the consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus. In addition, due in part to our sufficient capital level, we did not participate in the U.S. Government sponsored Troubled Asset Relief Program.

The following tables provide its capital amounts and ratios at the dates provided.

			For Capital Adequacy		To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective		
June 30, 2010	Actual Purposes		v	Action Provisions			
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	
Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio	\$75,324	14.84%	\$40,606	8.00%	\$ 50,757	10.00%	
Tier I Risk-Based Capital Ratio	70,633	13.91	20,311	4.00	30,467	6.00	
Tier I Capital Ratio	70,633	8.08	34,967	4.00	43,709	5.00	
Tangible Equity Ratio	70,633	8.08	13,113	1.50	n/a	n/a	

			For Ca Adequ	•	To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective		
December 31, 2009	Actual Purposes			•	Action Provisions		
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	
Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio	\$ 74,095	14.30%	\$41,452	8.00%	\$ 51,815	10.00%	
Tier I Risk-Based Capital Ratio	69,201	13.36	20,719	4.00	31,078	6.00	
Tier I Capital Ratio	69,201	8.02	34,514	4.00	43,143	5.00	
Tangible Equity Ratio	69,201	8.02	12,943	1.50	n/a	n/a	

		For Capital	To Be Well Capitalized Under
December 31 2008	Actual	Adequacy Purposes	Prompt Corrective Action Provisions

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(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio	\$ 69,273	13.32%	\$41,605	8.00%	\$ 52,007	10.00%
Tier I Risk-Based Capital Ratio	64,130	12.33	20,805	4.00	31,207	6.00
Tier I Capital Ratio	64,130	7.59	33,797	4.00	42,246	5.00
Tangible Equity Ratio	64,130	7.59	12,674	1.50	n/a	n/a

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

In the normal course of operations, we engage in a variety of financial transactions that, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, are not recorded in our financial statements. These transactions involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit, interest rate and liquidity risk. Such transactions are used primarily to manage customers requests for funding and take the form of loan commitments, lines of credit and letters of credit.

The contractual amounts of commitments to extend credit represent the amounts of potential accounting loss should the contract be fully drawn upon, the customer defaults and the value of any existing collateral becomes worthless. We use the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments. Financial instruments whose contract amounts represent credit risk at June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	At June	At Dece	mber 31,
(In thousands)	30, 2010	2009	2008
Commitments to extend credit: (1)			
Future loan commitments	\$ 14,057	\$ 8,648	\$ 5,386
Undisbursed construction loans	9,272	9,843	19,840
Undisbursed home equity lines of credit	20,908	18,733	18,327
Undisbursed commercial lines of credit	13,369	12,390	13,507
Overdraft protection lines	1,390	1,425	1,434
Standby letters of credit (2)	717	784	710
Total commitments	\$ 59,713	\$ 51,823	\$ 59,204

(1) Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments may require payment of a fee and generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses.

(2) Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. Savings Institute is a limited partner in two Small Business Investment Corporations. At June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, our remaining off-balance sheet commitment for the capital investments was \$757,000. *See Note 12 in our Consolidated Financial Statements*.

For the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, we engaged in no off-balance sheet transactions reasonably likely to have a material effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

#### **Impact of Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

The information required by this item is included in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus.

#### Effect of Inflation and Changing Prices

The financial statements and related financial data presented in this prospectus have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which require the measurement of financial condition and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering the change in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. The primary impact of inflation on our operations is reflected in increased operating costs. Unlike most industrial companies, virtually all the assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates generally have a more significant impact on a financial institution s performance than do general levels of inflation. Interest rates do not necessarily move in the same direction or to the same extent as the prices of goods and services.

# **Our Management**

#### **Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors of new SI Financial Group is comprised of seven persons who are elected for terms of three years, approximately one-third of whom will be elected annually. The directors of new SI Financial Group are the same individuals that comprise the boards of directors of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute. All of our directors are independent under the current listing standards of the Nasdaq Stock Market, except for Mr. Brouillard, who is President and Chief Executive Officer of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute. Unless otherwise stated, each person has held his or her current occupation for the last five years. Ages presented are as of June 30, 2010.

#### The following directors have terms ending in 2011:

*Mark D. Alliod* is the President and sole owner of Mark D. Alliod CPA PC, a public accounting firm in South Windsor, Connecticut. Age 46. Director since 2005.

Mr. Alliod provides expertise with regard to tax, financial and accounting matters. Also, as owner of the accounting firm, Mr. Alliod brings small business knowledge and management experience. He has the background to qualify as SI Financial Group s audit committee financial expert.

*Michael R. Garvey* is a principal and owner of the public accounting firm of Garvey & Associates, LLC, which provides audit and tax services throughout Connecticut. As a principal of the accounting firm, Mr. Garvey is responsible for monitoring the firm s risk management, strategic plan and overall firm operations. Mr. Garvey is also a principal and owner of Professional Payrolls, LLC, which provides payroll processing services to small, local businesses in New London, Connecticut. Age 45. Director since 2007.

Mr. Garvey is a certified public accountant and has the financial background and expertise in financial accounting, auditing and tax matters to qualify as an audit committee financial expert. In addition, Mr. Garvey possesses substantial small company management experience as the owner of Professional Payrolls, LLC.

*Robert O. Gillard* is the Chairman and owner of the O.L. Willard Company, Inc., a material supply company with locations in Storrs and Willimantic, Connecticut. Age 63. Director since 1999.

Mr. Gillard s career as a small business executive provides SI Financial Group with organizational understanding and expertise. Further, through his business, Mr. Gillard has gained comprehensive knowledge of the homebuilding industry throughout Eastern Connecticut, which aids the Board in its oversight of the lending function. In addition, as an active member of the community, including being a member of the Design Review subcommittee of the Mansfield Planning Board and his previous service on the Greater Windham Community Foundation, Mr. Gillard maintains contact with and is in touch with the local consumer environment.

#### The following directors have terms ending in 2012:

*Donna M. Evan* is a Sales Manager for WILI AM/FM, a commercial radio station located in Willimantic, Connecticut. Her responsibilities include working with local and regional businesses to market products and services, soliciting business from local and regional businesses and communicating with advertising agencies to coordinate advertising for national clients. Age 61. Director since 1996.

Ms. Evan brings significant business and management level experience from a setting outside of the financial services industry. In addition, through her business experience, Ms. Evan has gained significant marketing knowledge, valuable insight into current buying trends and the local economic environment, adding additional value to the Board.

*Henry P. Hinckley* is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of SI Bancorp, SI Financial Group and Savings Institute. Mr. Hinckley also is the President and owner of J.P. Mustard Agency, Inc., an insurance agency located in Willimantic, Connecticut. In this capacity, he manages five employees and operates a computerized agency management system. Age 69. Director since 1984.

Mr. Hinckley provides the Board with significant local marketing and sales insight and managerial and operational knowledge through his experience as president of an insurance agency. Mr. Hinckley has considerable experience in the insurance industry and the related risk assessment practice area necessary in banking operations.

#### The following directors have terms ending in 2013:

*Rheo A. Brouillard* has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of Savings Institute, SI Bancorp and SI Financial Group since 1995, 2000 and 2004, respectively. Age 56. Director since 1995.

Mr. Brouillard s extensive experience in the local banking industry and involvement in business and civic organizations in the communities in which Savings Institute serves affords the Board valuable insight regarding the business and operation of Savings Institute. Mr. Brouillard s knowledge of SI Financial Group s and Savings Institute s business and history, combined with his success and strategic vision, position him well to continue to serve as our President and Chief Executive Officer.

*Roger Engle* was the President of The Crystal Water Company, a water supplier located in Danielson, Connecticut, from 1973 until his retirement in 2000. Mr. Engle served as the First Selectman for the town of Brooklyn, Connecticut from November 2005 until November 2009. As First Selectman, Mr. Engle oversaw all functions of the town, including the budgeting process, issuance of bonds and maintenance of public infrastructure. He was also a director of Connecticut Water Service, Inc. (NASDAQ: CTWS), which delivers water to customers throughout 42 towns in Connecticut and Massachusetts. Age 72. Director since 1998.

Mr. Engle s experience as President of The Crystal Water Company and First Selectman provides the Board valuable management level experience, including insight into the budget process. In addition, Mr. Engle s continued involvement in community organizations and local political matters is a vital component of a well rounded board.

#### **Executive Officers**

Our executive officers are elected by the Board of Directors and serve at the board s discretion. The following individuals currently serve as executive officers of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute and will serve in the same positions with new SI Financial Group following the conversion and the offering.

Name	Position
Rheo A. Brouillard	President and Chief Executive Officer of SI Financial Group, SI Bancorp, MHC and Savings Institute
Brian J. Hull	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of SI Financial Group, SI Bancorp, MHC and
	Savings Institute
David T. Weston	Senior Vice President and Senior Trust Officer of Savings Institute
William E. Anderson	Senior Vice President and Retail Banking Officer of Savings Institute
Laurie L. Gervais	Senior Vice President and Director of Human Resources of Savings Institute
Michael J. Moran	Senior Vice President and Senior Credit Officer of Savings Institute
Below is information regard	ling our executive officers who are not also directors. Unless otherwise stated, each executive officer has held his or
her current position for at le	ast the last five years. Ages presented are as of June 30, 2010.

*Brian J. Hull* has been Executive Vice President since 2002 and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer since he joined Savings Institute in 1997. Mr. Hull has served as Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Savings Institute, SI Bancorp, MHC and SI Financial Group since 2000 and 2004, respectively. Age 50.

*David T. Weston* has been Senior Vice President and Senior Trust Officer since 2008. Mr. Weston oversees wealth management services, which includes trust, investment and insurance operations. Mr. Weston served as a Vice President within Savings Institute s Trust Department since 2004. Age 48.

*William E. Anderson, Jr.* was named Senior Vice President in 2009 after having served as Vice President since 2002. Mr. Anderson joined Savings Institute in 1995. Age 41.

Laurie L. Gervais was named Senior Vice President in 2009 after having served as Vice President since 2003. Ms. Gervais joined Savings Institute in 1983. Age 46.

*Michael J. Moran* has been Senior Vice President and Senior Credit Officer since November 2008 and previously held this position from 1998 through December 2006. Mr. Moran served as Senior Vice President and Senior Commercial Real Estate Officer from January 2007 until November 2008. Mr. Moran joined Savings Institute in 1995. Age 61.

#### Board Leadership Structure and Board s Role in Risk Oversight

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The Board of Directors of SI Financial Group has determined that the separation of the offices of Chairman of the Board and President and Chief Executive Officer will enhance board independence and oversight. Moreover, the separation of the Chairman of the Board and President and Chief Executive Officer will allow the President and Chief Executive Officer to focus on his responsibilities of running SI Financial Group, enhancing shareholder value and expanding and strengthening

our franchise while allowing the Chairman of the Board to lead the Board in its fundamental role of providing advice to and independent oversight of management. Consistent with this determination, Henry P. Hinckley serves as Chairman of the Board of SI Financial Group. Mr. Hinckley is independent under the listing requirements of The Nasdaq Stock Market.

Risk is inherent with every business, and how well a business manages risk can ultimately determine its success. We face a number of risks, including credit, interest rate, liquidity, operational, strategic and reputation risks. Management is responsible for the day-to-day management of risks SI Financial Group faces, while the Board, as a whole and through its committees, has responsibility for the oversight of risk management. In its risk oversight role, the Board of Directors has the responsibility to satisfy itself that the risk management processes designed and implemented by management are adequate and functioning as designed. To do this, the Chairman of the Board meets regularly with management to discuss strategy and risks facing SI Financial Group. Senior management attends the board meetings and is available to address any questions or concerns raised by the Board on risk management and any other matters. The Chairman of the Board and independent members of the Board work together to provide strong, independent oversight of SI Financial Group s management and affairs through its standing committees and, when necessary, special meetings of independent directors.

#### Meetings and Committees of the Board of Directors

SI Financial Group and Savings Institute conduct business through meetings and activities of their Boards of Directors and their committees. During the year ended December 31, 2009, the Board of Directors of SI Financial Group held eleven meetings and the Board of Directors of Savings Institute held twelve meetings. No director attended fewer than 75% of the aggregate total meetings of SI Financial Group s and Savings Institute s respective Board of Directors and the committees on which such director served during the year ended December 31, 2009.

In connection with the completion of the conversion and offering, new SI Financial Group will establish an audit committee, a compensation committee and a nominating and corporate governance committee. All of the members of the audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees will be independent directors as defined in the listing standards of the Nasdaq Stock Market. Such committees will operate in accordance with the written charters currently used by SI Financial Group.

The following table identifies our standing committees and their members at June 30, 2010. All members of each committee are independent in accordance with the listing requirements of the Nasdaq Stock Market. Each committee operates under a written charter that is approved by the Board of Directors that governs its composition, responsibilities and operation. Each committee reviews and reassesses the adequacy of its charter at least annually. The charters of those committees are available in the Governance Documents portion of the Investor Relations section of our website (<u>www.mysifi.com</u>).

Director	Audit Committee	Compensation Committee	Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee
Mark D. Alliod	X*	Х	Х
Rheo A. Brouillard			
Roger Engle	Х	X*	Х
Donna M. Evan		Х	X*
Michael R. Garvey	Х		
Robert O. Gillard	Х		
Henry P. Hinckley		Х	Х
Number of Meetings in 2009	5	6	5

#### \* Denotes Chairperson

#### Audit Committee

The Audit Committee meets periodically with the independent registered public accounting firm and management to review accounting, auditing, internal control structure and financial reporting matters. The committee also receives and reviews the reports and findings and other information presented to them by SI Financial Group s officers regarding financial reporting policies and practices. The Audit Committee selects the independent registered public accounting firm and meets

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with them to discuss the results of the annual audit and any related matters. The Board of Directors has determined that Messrs. Alliod and Garvey are audit committee financial experts under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Both are independent under the listing standards of the Nasdaq Stock Market applicable to audit committee members.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The Compensation Committee approves the compensation objectives for SI Financial Group and Savings Institute, establishes the compensation for the President and Chief Executive Officer and other executives and establishes personnel policies. The Compensation Committee reviews all components of compensation, including base salary, bonus, equity compensation, benefits and other perquisites. In addition to reviewing competitive market values, the Compensation Committee also examines the total compensation mix, pay-for-performance relationships and how all elements, in the aggregate, comprise the executives total compensation package. The Chief Executive Officer makes recommendations to the Compensation Committee from time to time regarding the appropriate mix and level of compensation for other officers. Those recommendations consider the objectives of our compensation philosophy and the range of compensation programs authorized by the Compensation Committee. Decisions by the Compensation Committee with respect to the compensation of executive officers are approved by the full Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee also assists the Board of Directors in evaluating potential candidates for executive positions.

The Compensation Committee, in conjunction with the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, considers the appropriate levels and form of director compensation and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding director compensation.

#### Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee takes a leadership role in shaping governance policies and practices, including recommending to the Board of Directors the corporate governance policies and guidelines applicable to SI Financial Group and monitoring compliance with these policies and guidelines. In addition, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for identifying individuals qualified to become Board members and recommending to the Board the director nominees for election at the next annual meeting of shareholders. It recommends director candidates for each committee for appointment by the Board.

#### **Directors** Compensation

The following table provides the compensation received by individuals who served as non-employee directors of SI Financial Group during 2009. The table excludes perquisites, which did not exceed \$10,000 in the aggregate for each director.

	Fees Earned	Stock	Option	De	ferred	All Other	
Name	or Paid in Cash (\$)	Awards (\$)(1)	Awards (\$)(2)		pensation ings (\$)(3)	Compensation (\$)(4)	Total (\$)
Mark D. Alliod	\$ 22,800	\$ 4,500	\$	\$	1,272	\$	\$ 28,572
Roger Engle	23,200					160	23,360
Donna M. Evan	20,800					160	20,960
Michael R. Garvey	23,200	2,250					25,450
Robert O. Gillard	23,200				2,613	160	25,973
Henry P. Hinckley	32,800					192	32,992
Steven H. Townsend (5)	10,100					160	10,260

- (1) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value for restricted stock awards granted during the year computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718 Share Based Payment. The amounts were calculated based on SI Financial Group s stock price as of the grant date, which was \$4.50. See footnote 1 to the directors and executive officers stock ownership table under *Stock Ownership* for the aggregate number of unvested restricted stock award shares held in trust by each director at fiscal year-end.
- (2) As of December 31, 2009, Messrs. Alliod, Engle, Gillard, and Ms. Evan each held 20,000 options to purchase shares of SI Financial Group s common stock, Mr. Garvey held 10,000 options to purchase shares of SI Financial Group s

common stock, Mr. Hinckley held 25,000 options to purchase shares of SI Financial Group s common stock and Mr. Townsend held no options to purchase shares of SI Financial Group s common stock.

- (3) This column reflects the above market earnings on the deferred fee arrangements between Savings Institute and Messrs. Alliod and
- Gillard. Under the terms of the arrangements, Messrs. Alliod and Gillard elect to defer a portion of their director fees.
- (4) Reflects the dollar value of dividends paid on unvested restricted stock awards.

(5) Steven H. Townsend resigned as a director of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute effective as of July 3, 2009.

*Cash Retainer and Meeting Fees for Non-Employee Directors.* The following table sets forth the applicable retainers and fees to be paid to non-employee directors for their service on Savings Institute s and SI Financial Group s Board of Directors during 2010. SI Bancorp does not pay any fees to its directors.

Quarterly Retainer (for service on SI Financial Group s Board of Directors)	\$ 500
Monthly Retainer (for service on Savings Institute s Board of Directors)	1,000
Monthly Retainer for Savings Institute's Chairman of the Board	2,000
Fee per Board or Committee Meeting	400
Compensation Discussion and Analysis	

We have designed a compensation and benefits program for our named executive officers that is focused on motivating and retaining talented executives that can help us build our franchise and enhance long-term shareholder value. More specifically, our program is designed to accomplish the following objectives:

Align the interests of our named executive officers with the interests of shareholders in the creation of long-term shareholder value;

Tie annual cash incentives to the achievement of measurable corporate performance;

Reward executives for enhancing long-term shareholder value;

Balance rewards for the achievement of both short-term and long-term SI Financial Group objectives and ensure sound risk management; and

Encourage ownership of SI Financial Group common stock.

Management and the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors work together to ensure that executives are held accountable and rewarded for delivering superior performance and enhanced shareholder returns.

*Elements of Our Compensation and Benefits Program.* To achieve our objectives we have structured a compensation and benefits program that provides our named executive officers with the following:

Competitive Base Pay

Annual Cash Incentives

Long-term Equity Incentives

Retirement Benefits; and

Employment/Change in Control Agreements

The elements of a named executive officer s total compensation package will vary depending upon the executive s job position and responsibilities with SI Financial Group and Savings Institute.

*Role of Compensation Committee*. The Compensation Committee reviews all of the elements of compensation for our named executive officers annually to ensure we are competitive in the market place and that the mix of benefits accurately reflects our compensation philosophy. The Committee operates under a written charter that establishes the Compensation Committee s responsibilities. The Compensation Committee and Board of Directors review the charter annually to ensure that the scope of the charter is consistent with the Compensation Committee s role. Under the charter, the Compensation Committee is charged with general responsibility for the oversight and administration of our compensation program. The charter also authorizes the Compensation Committee to engage consultants and other professionals without management approval to the extent deemed necessary to discharge its responsibilities.

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*Role of Management.* Our chief executive officer and other named executive officers develop recommendations regarding the appropriate mix and level of compensation for their subordinates. The chief executive officer develops recommendations for the other named executive officers. The recommendations consider the objectives of our compensation philosophy and the range of compensation programs authorized by the Compensation Committee. The chief executive officer meets with the Compensation Committee to discuss the recommendations and also reviews with the Committee his recommendations concerning the compensation of our named executive officers. Our chief executive officer also provides input on his own compensation. However, he does not participate in Committee discussions or the review of Committee documents relating to the determination of his compensation.

*Role of Compensation Consultant.* In 2008, the Compensation Committee retained the services of Arthur Warren and Associates, a compensation consulting firm with expertise in the community bank sector, to review, and make recommendations concerning, SI Financial Group s executive compensation program. The consultant s report provided the Committee with competitive market observations on executive base salaries, short- and long-term incentives and other executive benefits. A representative from Arthur Warren and Associates attended the October 16, 2008 meeting of the Compensation Committee to present their findings.

**2009** *Peer Group.* For 2009, the Compensation Committee, with the assistance of Arthur Warren and Associates and SI Financial Group s Human Resources Department, selected the following financial institutions as a peer group to benchmark compensation levels for its named executive officers:

New England Bank

Chicopee Savings Bank

Legacy Banks

Westfield Bank

United Bank

Rockville Bank

Farmington Savings Bank

Naugatuck Savings Bank

Chelsea Groton Bank

Dime Bank

These financial institutions were selected based on asset size (\$600 million to \$1.5 million), geographic proximity to SI Financial Group and operating characteristics. In addition to reviewing the compensation data of these peer institutions, the Compensation Committee also reviewed other publicly available salary surveys prepared by Amalfi Consulting LLC and Pearl Meyer & Partners.

*Base Salary.* Our goal is to provide our executive officers with base salaries that are competitive, that reflect their tenure and individual experience and that are consistent with their individual performance. The Compensation Committee has established base salary ranges for each named executive officer using the median base salaries of Savings Institute s peer institutions as a target.

Annual Pay for Performance Program. Our named executive officers are eligible to receive annual cash incentive compensation awards through our Pay-for-Performance Program (PFP). The plan provides for quarterly and annual payouts for some participants; however, our named executive officers are only eligible for annual cash incentives. The Compensation Committee, in conjunction with the Asset Liability Committee, establishes the performance goals for each of our named executive officers on an annual basis, focusing on performance measures that are critical to our growth. The 2009 PFP targeted four performance measures: (1) return on average assets, (2) noninterest expense, (3) earnings per share, and (4) deposit growth. The Committee assigns a weighting to each goal. In 2009, the highest weighting was assigned to the noninterest expense metric (35%), earnings per share and return on average assets were each assigned a 25% weighting and deposit growth was assigned a 15% weighting. In addition, each goal is assigned a target level with stretch and threshold performance levels set approximately 10% above and below the target, respectively. The threshold, target and stretch levels are then linked to an incentive opportunity that is

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calculated based on the midpoint of the executives pay grade and position, ranging from 20% at the threshold level, 30% at the target level and 50% at the stretch level. To be eligible to receive a PFP payout, plan participants must be employed by Savings Institute as of the payment date of the award. However, the Compensation Committee, in its sole discretion, may pay awards on a pro rata basis if the named executive officers are not employed as of the payment date due to retirement or disability. Before PFP payouts, our president and chief executive

officer certifies that all of the other named executive officers have met the goals set forth on their Profile Sheets. The Compensation Committee certifies to the president and chief executive officer achievement of his stated goals. Typically PFP payouts are made within 2-1/2 months of the end of the program year, which begins in January and ends in December. The actual 2009 PFP payouts varied based on the achievement of the stated SI Financial Group performance goals. See *Executive Compensation Summary Compensation Table* for details on PFP awards earned in 2009. See also *Executive Compensation Grant of Plan-Based Awards* for additional information on the threshold, target and stretch levels for the 2009 PFP.

#### 2009 Payouts

The following charts set forth the 2009 Annual Pay for Performance Program payouts made to each of the participating named executive officers, as well as the Compensation Committee s assessment of the executive in relation to Savings Institute s achievement of the noted performance measures. The charts list each performance measure and the weight given to each measure. The charts also illustrate the threshold, target and maximum levels for measuring the performance and the weight given to the achievement at each level and provides information on Savings Institute s actual performance under the noted measures and the corresponding payout.

#### **Rheo A. Brouillard**

		Payment Range as a								
	Percentage of Midpoint Performance Goals Base Salary					Actual Ach	iievement			
Bank Measure	Weight	Threshold	Target	Maximum	25% Threshold	37.5% Target	50% Maximum	Actual Performance	Actual Payout	
Return on Average Assets	-		36.6			-				
	25.0%	32.9 bp	bp	40.3 bp	\$ 21,486	\$ 32,228	\$ 42,971	5.8 bp	\$	
Non-Interest Expense	35.0	\$ 34,800	\$ 31,649	\$ 28,500	30,080	45,120	60,160	\$ 32,134	30,080	
Earnings Per Share	25.0	0.23	0.28	0.34	21,486	32,228	42,971	0.05		
Deposit Growth	15.0	41,200	48,399	58,200	12,891	19,337	25,783	42,385	12,891	

Total

100.0%

#### Brian J. Hull

		Payment Range as a								
					Perce	entage of Mic	•			
		Performa	ince Goals			Base Salary		Actual Ach	lievement	
					20%	30%	40%	Actual	Actual	
Bank Measure	Weight	Threshold	Target	Maximum	Threshold	Target	Maximum	Performance	Payout	
Return on Average Assets			36.6							
	25.0%	32.9 bp	bp	40.3 bp	\$ 10,030	\$ 15,046	\$ 20,061	5.8 bp	\$	
Non-Interest Expense	35.0	\$ 34,800	\$ 31,649	\$ 28,500	14,043	21,064	28,086	\$ 32,134	14,043	
Earnings Per Share	25.0	0.23	0.28	0.34	10,031	15,046	20,061	0.05		
Deposit Growth	15.0	41,200	48,399	58,200	6,018	9,028	12,037	42,385	6,018	
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Total	100.0%								\$ 20.061	

#### David T. Weston/Michael Moran/Laurie Gervais

**Performance Goals** 

\$ 42.971

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				Payment Range as a Percentage of Midpoint Base Salary					
Bank Measure	Weight	Threshold	Target	Maximum	20% Threshold	30% Target	40% Maximum	Actual Performance	Actual Payout
Return on Average Assets	-		36.6						
	25.0%	32.9 bp	bp	40.3 bp	\$7,140	\$ 10,709	\$ 14,279	5.8 bp	\$
Non-Interest Expense	35.0	\$ 34,800	\$ 31,649	\$ 28,500	9,995	14,993	19,991	\$ 32,134	9,995
Earnings Per Share	25.0	0.23	0.28	0.34	7,140	10,709	14,279	0.05	
Deposit Growth	15.0	41,200	48,399	58,200	4,284	6,426	8,568	42,385	4,284
Total	100.0%								\$ 14,279

*Long-Term Equity Incentives.* Since we became a public company in 2004, equity-based compensation has been a significant element of the total compensation package for our named executive officers. The Committee believes that equity

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awards help align the interests of our named executive officers to the interests of our SI Financial Group s shareholders. Since the initial awards were made in 2005, SI Financial Group has been somewhat limited in its ability to use equity compensation by the limitations inherent in the mutual holding company structure. However, it is anticipated that, subsequent to SI Financial Group s second-step conversion, it will be possible to reintroduce equity compensation as a regular feature of SI Financial Group s overall executive compensation program.

*Retirement Benefits.* All of our named executive officers participate in Savings Institute s qualified retirement plans available to all employees, including Savings Institute s ESOP and 401(k) Plan. In addition to the tax-qualified plans, Savings Institute has entered into a non-qualified supplemental retirement plan agreement with certain of its named executive officers. The agreements provide retirement benefits based on a fixed percentage of each executive s three highest years of compensation for the calendar years preceding his or her termination of employment. Savings Institute also maintains a nonqualified supplemental plan for Mr. Brouillard to make up for the potential shortfall in his retirement benefits attributable to the limitations that reduce benefits for highly compensated executives under tax-qualified retirement plans. The Committee reviews these programs on an annual basis to ensure that they are consistent with prevailing market practices, our overall executive compensation philosophy, and are cost effective to Savings Institute. See *Executive Compensation Non-Qualified Plans* for details on these programs.

*Employment/Change in Control Agreements.* We recognize that an important consideration in our ability to attract and retain key personnel is our ability to minimize the impact on our management team of the possible disruption associated with our analysis of strategic opportunities. Accordingly, we believe that it is in the best interest of SI Financial Group and its shareholders to provide our key personnel with reasonable financial arrangements in the event of termination of employment. In addition, the use of such arrangements by our competitors necessarily influences our use of such arrangements to maintain our ability to attract and retain key personnel. At present, all of our named executive officers are covered by employment agreements providing specified severance benefits and benefit continuation in the event of their termination without cause or for good reason, disability, and after a change in control. No severance benefits are payable if the executive is terminated for cause or upon the executive s voluntary termination of employment. We currently maintain employment agreements with Messrs. Brouillard and Hull and change in control agreements with our other named executive officers. See *Executive Compensation Employment and Change in Control Agreements* for the details of these arrangements.

*Perquisites.* We provide our named executive officers with reasonable perquisites to further their ability to promote the business interests of SI Financial Group in our markets and to reflect competitive practices for similarly situated officers employed by our peers. The perquisites are reviewed periodically and adjusted as necessary.

*Tax and Accounting Considerations.* SI Financial Group considers the tax consequences of the compensation plans (to the individual and to SI Financial Group) in making compensation decisions. Specifically, the Compensation Committee reviewed and considered the deductibility of executive compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code ), which provides that SI Financial Group may not deduct compensation of more than \$1.0 million if paid to certain individuals unless such compensation is performance-based. SI Financial Group does not consider base salary and the grant of options and stock under its equity incentive plan to be performance-based compensation and, therefore, such compensation would not be deductible to SI Financial Group to the extent it exceeds \$1.0 million. However, in 2009, no such compensation exceeded \$1.0 million for any named executive officer.

#### **Compensation for Named Executive Officers in 2009**

*Chief Executive Officer Compensation*. In determining Mr. Brouillard s compensation, the Compensation Committee, in conjunction with the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, conducted a formal review to assess his performance in relation to SI Financial Group s business plan. Based on this review, the Compensation Committee increased his base salary by 8.33% to \$325,000, effective March 8, 2010. Mr. Brouillard also received a payout under SI Financial Group s 2009 PFP equal to \$42,971. No option or stock awards were granted to Mr. Brouillard in 2009. The Committee noted that, based on peer group information, Mr. Brouillard s total compensation package remained in line with similarly situated officers at peer companies and that adjustments to his compensation were warranted in light of the quality of his leadership in challenging economic times.

*Compensation for Other Named Executive Officers.* In determining 2009 compensation for other named executive officers, Mr. Brouillard conducted an annual performance review of each executive and considered each executive s total compensation relative to similarly situated officers at peer companies. Mr. Brouillard provided the results of the performance reviews and compensation analyses to the Committee which, after further deliberation, followed Mr. Brouillard s specific recommendations, authorizing the following base salary adjustments, effective March 1, 2010:

Brian Hull	7.69% increase to \$210,000		
David T. Weston	4.00% increase to \$156,000		
Michael J. Moran	5.00% increase to \$147,000		
Laurie L. Gervais	10.00% increase to \$143,000		
In addition, each executive receive	ed a payout under the 2009 PFP. See	Executive Compensation	Summary Compensation Table.

#### **Executive Compensation**

*Summary Compensation Table.* The following table provides information concerning total compensation earned or paid to the principal executive officer, principal financial officer and the three other most highly compensated executive officers of SI Financial Group who served in such capacities at December 31, 2009. These five officers are referred to as the named executive officers in this prospectus.

				Stock	All	
		Salary	Bonus	Awards	Other	Total
Name and Principal Position Rheo A. Brouillard	Year	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)(1)	Compensation (\$)(2)	(\$)
Kieo A. Biounaid	2009	\$ 312,339	\$ 42,971	\$	\$ 21,755	\$ 377,065
President and Chief Executive Officer	2008	294,831	43,806		52,369	391,006
	2007	279,199	30,060		23,521	332,780
Brian J. Hull	2009	203,084	20,061		13,569	236,714
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial	2008	189,308	20,451		32,720	242,479
Officer and Treasurer	2007	170,808	15,015		17,168	202,991
David T. Weston	2009	155,769	14,279	20,500	8,141	198,689
Senior Vice President, Senior Trust Officer	2008	142,315	14,556		6,506	163,377
	2007	137,025	3,125		9,965	150,115
Michael J. Moran	2009	145,769	14,279		16,077	176,125
Senior Vice President, Senior Credit Officer	2008	125,577	14,556		28,411	168,544
	2007	120,385	2,092		15,402	137,879
Laurie L. Gervais	2009	133,203	14,279		8,694	156,176
Senior Vice President, Director Human	2008	117,692	14,556		18,164	150,412
Resources	2007	99,196	9,873		9,581	118,650

- Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value for restricted stock awards granted during the year computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718 Share Based Payment. The amounts were calculated based on SI Financial Group s stock price as of the grant date, which was \$4.10.
- (2) Details of the amounts reported in the All Other Compensation column for 2009 are provided in the table below. The table excludes perquisites, which did not exceed \$10,000 in the aggregate for each named executive officer:

	Mr.	Mr.	Mr.	Mr.	Ms.
	Brouillard	Hull	Weston	Moran	Gervais
Employer contributions to 401(k) Plan	\$ 5,711	\$ 6,689	\$ 5,110	\$ 4,798	\$ 4,423
Market value of allocations under the ESOP	3,688	3,365	2,564	2,413	2,224
Economic benefit of employer-paid premiums for life insurance					
agreements	11,556	2,931	467	8,482	1,729
Dividends paid on stock awards	800	584		384	318

**Employment and Change in Control Agreements** 

SI Financial Group and Savings Institute maintain employment agreements with Messrs. Brouillard and Hull. The employment agreements had an initial term of three years. On each anniversary of the date of the agreement, the Board of Directors may extend the agreement for an additional year, unless Messrs. Brouillard and Hull elect not to extend the term.

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As a result of extensions approved by the Board of Directors, Messrs. Brouillard s and Hull s employment agreements currently have a term through September 30, 2013. Under the agreements, Mr. Brouillard will serve as the President and Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Hull will serve as Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer. The current base salaries under the employment agreements for Messrs. Brouillard and Hull are \$325,000 and \$210,000, respectively. In addition to the base salary, among other things, the agreements provide for participation in discretionary bonuses or other incentive compensation provided to senior management, and participation in stock benefit plans and other fringe benefits applicable to executive personnel.

Under the terms of their employment agreements, Messrs. Brouillard and Hull are subject to a one year non-compete if they terminate their employment for good reason (as defined in the agreement) or they are terminated without cause (as defined in the agreement).

Savings Institute has entered into change in control agreements with Messrs. Weston and Moran and Ms. Gervais. Each agreement had an initial term of two years. On each anniversary of the date of the agreement, the Board of Directors may extend the agreement for an additional year, unless the executive requests that the term not be extended. As a result of extensions approved by the Board of Directors, the change in control agreements currently each have a term through September 30, 2012.

See *Potential Post-Termination Benefits* for a discussion of the benefits and payments Messrs. Brouillard, Hull, Weston and Moran and Ms. Gervais may receive under their agreements upon termination of employment.

#### **Grants of Plan-Based Awards**

The following table provides information concerning awards granted to the named executive officers during the year ended December 31, 2009.

		Estimated Possible Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards (1)			Number of Shares of Stock or	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock Awards
Name	Grant Date	Threshold	Target	Maximum	Units (1)	(2)
Rheo A. Brouillard		\$ 85,943	\$ 128,914	\$ 171,885		\$
Brian J. Hull		40,112	60,184	80,245		
David T. Weston	03/19/2009				5,000	20,500
		28,558	42,838	57,117		
Michael J. Moran		28,558	42,838	57,117		
Laurie J. Gervais		28,558	42,838	57,117		

(1) Vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

(2) Sets forth the grant date fair value of stock awards computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. The grant date fair value of all stock awards is equal to the number of awards multiplied by the closing price for SI Financial Group s common stock on the date of grant, which was \$4.10 for Mr. Weston.

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#### **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End**

The following table provides information concerning options and stock awards that have not vested as of December 31, 2009 for each named executive officer.

	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options	Option A Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised	Option Exercise	Option	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not	Sl of S H	tet Value of hares or Units tock That ave Not
Name	(#)(1) Exercisable	Options (#) Unexercisable	Price (\$)	Expiration Date (1)	Vested (#)(2)		Vested (\$)(3)
Rheo A. Brouillard	80,000	20,000	\$ 10.10	5/17/2015	10,000	\$	52,500
Brian J. Hull	32,000	8,000	10.10	5/17/2015	7,300		38,325
David T. Weston	8,000	2,000	10.10	5/17/2015	5,000		26,250
Michael J. Moran	21,600	5,400	10.10	5/17/2015	4,800		25,200
Laurie L. Gervais	21,600	5,400	10.10	5/17/2015	3,975		20,869

(1) Stock options granted pursuant to the Equity Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments commencing on May 17, 2006.

(2) Stock awards granted to Messrs. Brouillard, Hull, Moran and Ms. Gervais vest in five equal installments commencing on May 17, 2006.

The 5,000 awards granted to Mr. Weston vest in five equal installments commencing on March 19, 2010.

(3) Based on \$5.25 per share, the closing price of SI Financial Group s common stock on December 31, 2009.

#### Stock Vested

The following table provides information concerning the vesting of stock awards for each named executive officer, on an aggregate basis, during the year ended December 31, 2009. No stock options were exercised during the year ended December 31, 2009.

	Stock	Stock Awards		
Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)	s Value ed Realized On Vesting		
Rheo A. Brouillard	10,000	\$ 55,900		
Brian J. Hull	7,300	40,807		
David T. Weston				
Michael J. Moran	4,800	26,832		
Laurie J. Gervais	3,975	22,220		

# (1) Based upon SI Financial Group s closing stock price of \$5.59 on May 17, 2009. Non-Qualified Plans

*Executive Supplemental Retirement Plan.* Savings Institute maintains an Executive Supplemental Retirement Plan Agreement for Messrs. Brouillard, Hull and Moran and Ms. Gervais. Each agreement provides a retirement benefit based on a fixed percentage of the participant s three highest years of compensation for the calendar years preceding his or her termination of employment. Benefits are payable upon the earlier of a participant s termination of employment (other than for cause) at or after attaining age 65, or on the date when the sum of the participant s years of service and age total 80 for Messrs. Brouillard and Moran and Ms. Gervais or 78 for Mr. Hull. If a participant terminates employment before satisfaction of these requirements, the participant may receive an early retirement benefit that would be adjusted by 2% for each point by which

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the sum of the participant s age and years of service is less than 80 for Mr. Brouillard, Mr. Moran and Ms. Gervais or 78 for Mr. Hull. Participants may elect to receive their plan benefits in the form of a single life annuity with 15 guaranteed annual payments or a lump sum equal to the actuarial equivalent of the annuity payment.

*Split-Dollar Life Insurance Agreements.* Savings Institute maintains individual split-dollar life insurance agreements with Messrs. Brouillard, Hull and Moran and Ms. Gervais to encourage the officers to continue to render high quality service

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to Savings Institute in exchange for financial protection for their beneficiaries if they die. The death benefits provided under the split-dollar life insurance agreements are funded through bank-owned life insurance policies. Savings Institute pays all of the life insurance premiums. See *Potential Post-Termination Benefits* for a description of the benefits provided under the agreements.

*Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan.* Savings Institute also maintains a Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan that provides restorative payments to executives designated by the Board of Directors who are prevented from receiving the full benefits contemplated by the employee stock ownership plan s benefit formula and the full matching contribution under the 401(k) Plan. Savings Institute s Board of Directors has designated Mr. Brouillard to participate in the plan. The restorative payments under the plan consist of payments in lieu of shares that cannot be allocated to the participant s account under the employee stock ownership plan and payments for employer matching contributions that cannot be allocated under the 401(k) Plan due to the legal limitations imposed on tax-qualified plans. The benefits under the plan will be paid to Mr. Brouillard at the same time benefits are paid under the employee stock ownership plan and 401(k) Plan. See *Potential Post-Termination Benefits* for a description of the benefit provided under the plan.

#### **Potential Post-Termination Benefits**

**Payments Made Upon Termination for Cause.** If named executive officers are terminated for cause, they will receive their base salary through the date of termination and retain the rights to any vested benefits subject to the terms of the plan or agreement under which those benefits are provided. Unvested stock options and restricted stock awarded under the Equity Incentive Plan to named executive officers would be forfeited upon termination for cause.

All benefits credited to Mr. Brouillard under the supplemental executive retirement plan are non-forfeitable and therefore payable to him if he is terminated for cause. All benefits accrued on behalf of the named executive officers under their executive supplemental retirement arrangements would be forfeited if the executives are terminated for cause.

*Payments Made Upon Termination without Cause or for Good Reason.* If SI Financial Group or Savings Institute elects to terminate Messrs. Brouillard or Hull for reasons other than for cause, or if Messrs. Brouillard or Hull resign after specified circumstances that would constitute constructive termination, the executives (or, in the event of death, their beneficiaries) are entitled to a lump sum severance payment equal to the base salary payments due for the remaining term of the employment agreement, along with all contributions that would have been made on behalf of the executive during the remaining term of the agreement pursuant to any of SI Financial Group s or Savings Institute s employee benefit plans. In addition, Savings Institute or SI Financial Group would continue and/or pay for each executive s life, medical, disability and dental coverage for the remaining term of the employment agreement.

If Messrs. Weston or Moran or Ms. Gervais are terminated without cause or for good reason, each would retain the rights to any vested benefits subject to the terms of the plan or agreement under which those benefits are provided.

All benefits credited to Mr. Brouillard under the supplemental executive retirement plan are non-forfeitable and therefore payable to him if he is terminated for good reason or without cause. If Messrs. Brouillard, Moran and Hull and Ms. Gervais are terminated without cause or for good reason, the executives would be entitled to either an early retirement benefit or Basic Benefit (as defined under their executive supplemental retirement arrangements) depending on when the executive semployment was terminated.

Unvested stock options and restricted stock awarded under the Equity Incentive Plan to named executive officers would be forfeited upon termination without cause or for good reason.

*Payments Made Upon Disability.* Under Messrs. Brouillard s and Hull s employment agreements, if they become disabled and their employment is terminated, they will be entitled to disability pay equal to 100% of their bi-weekly base salary in effect at the date of termination. They would continue to receive disability payments until the earlier of: (1) the date they return to full employment with us; (2) their death; or (3) age 65. All disability payments would be reduced by the amount of any benefits payable under our disability plans. In addition, Messrs. Brouillard and Hull would continue to be covered to the greatest extent possible under all benefit plans in which they participated before their disability as if they were actively employed by us. If Mr. Weston, Mr. Moran or Ms. Gervais becomes disabled and his or her employment is terminated, each will be entitled to benefits payable under our disability plan.

All benefits credited to Mr. Brouillard under the supplemental executive retirement plan are non-forfeitable and therefore payable to him if he becomes disabled and his employment is terminated.

Under the terms of the executive supplemental retirement plan agreements, if the designated executives become disabled, Savings Institute will transfer funds to a Contingent Liability Trust equal to its accrued plan liability for the executive as of the date of the disability. When the accrued liability balance is transferred, Savings Institute s obligation ends and a bank-owned disability policy from MassMutual Life Insurance Company covering the executive makes payments to the Contingent Liability Trust during the disability period.

Upon termination due to disability, outstanding stock options granted pursuant to the Equity Incentive Plan vest and remain exercisable until the earlier of one year from the date of termination of employment due to disability or the expiration date of the stock options. Restricted stock awards granted to these officers under the plan also vest upon termination of employment due to disability.

*Payments Made Upon Death.* Under their employment agreements, Messrs. Brouillard s and Hull s estates are entitled to receive the compensation due to them through the end of the month in which their death occurs. Messrs. Weston s or Moran s or Ms. Gervais estate is entitled to receive compensation due to him or her through the date of his or her death.

All benefits credited to Mr. Brouillard under the supplemental executive retirement plan are non-forfeitable and therefore payable to his beneficiary if he dies.

Under the terms of the executive supplemental retirement plan agreements, should a participant die while employed with Savings Institute or after the payments have begun, the executive s designated beneficiary will receive the balance in the executive s plan liability account on the date of death in a lump sum cash payment.

Pursuant to the split-dollar life insurance agreements with Messrs. Brouillard, Hull and Moran and Ms. Gervias, if an executive dies following his termination of employment, the death benefit provided under his split-dollar life insurance agreement is determined in accordance with the methodology set forth in his agreement. The death benefit will not exceed the excess of the net-at-risk amount under the policies for the inactive officer, provided, however that the death benefit provided to a beneficiary of an inactive officer will be reduced to three times the officer s compensation (as defined in the agreement), if, as of the officer s death, the officer had an irrevocable election to receive a lump sum distribution of his benefits (if any) payable under the executive supplemental retirement plan agreement.

Upon termination of employment due to death, outstanding stock options granted pursuant to the Equity Incentive Plan vest and remain exercisable until the earlier of one year from the date of death or the expiration date of the stock options. Restricted stock awards granted under the plan also vest upon death.

*Payments Made Upon a Change in Control.* Messrs. Brouillard s and Hull s employment agreements provide that in the event of a change in control followed by voluntary termination of employment (upon circumstances discussed in the agreement) or involuntary termination of employment for reasons other than cause, the executives receive a severance payment equal to 2.99 times the average of each executive s five preceding taxable years annual compensation ( base amount ). For this calculation, annual compensation will include all taxable income plus any retirement contributions or benefits made or accrued during the period. In addition, Messrs. Brouillard and Hull will also receive the contributions they would have received under our retirement programs for a period of thirty-six months, as well as health, life, dental and disability coverage for that same time period. Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code provides that payments related to a change in control that equal or exceed three times the base amount constitute excess parachute payments. Individuals who receive excess parachute payments are subject to a 20% excise tax on the amount that exceeds the base amount, and the employer may not deduct such amounts. The executives employment agreements provide that if the total value of the benefits provided and payments made to them in connection with a change in control, either under their employment agreements alone or together with other payments and benefits that they have the right to receive from SI Financial Group and Savings Institute, exceed three times their base amount ( 280G Limit ), their severance payment will be reduced or revised so that the aggregate payments do not exceed their 280G Limit.

The change in control agreement provides that if, following a change in control, the officer s employment is terminated without cause or he or she voluntarily terminates employment for good reason, he or she will be entitled to a severance payment equal to two times the average of his or her annual compensation over the five calendar years preceding the change in control, plus coverage under Savings Institute s health and welfare plans for twenty-four months. The terms change in control and good reason are defined in the change in control agreement. The change in control agreement provides that the total value of the benefits provided and payments made may not exceed his 280G Limit and that to avoid such a result the severance payment would be reduced.

Under the terms of the executive supplemental retirement plan agreements, if a participant terminates employment in connection with a change in control (as defined in the plan), the participant will be entitled to a lump sum cash amount specified in the executive s plan agreement payable within 30 days of the participant s termination of employment. Payments made under the agreements upon a change in control may be categorized as parachute payments and, therefore, count towards each executive s 280G Limit.

Under the terms of the employee stock ownership plan, upon a change in control (as defined in the plan), the plan trustee will repay in full any outstanding acquisition loan. After repayment of the acquisition loan, all remaining shares of our stock held in the loan suspense account, all other stock or securities, and any cash proceeds from the sale or other disposition of any shares of our stock held in the loan suspense account will be allocated among the accounts of all participants in the plan who were employed by us on the date immediately preceding the effective date of the change in control. The allocations of shares or cash proceeds shall be credited to each eligible participant in proportion to the opening balances in their accounts as of the first day of the valuation period in which the change in control occurred. Payments under the employee stock ownership plan are not categorized as parachute payments and, therefore, do not count towards each executive s 280G Limit.

In addition to providing for benefits lost under the employee stock ownership plan and 401(k) Plan as a result of limitations imposed by the Internal Revenue Code, the supplemental executive retirement plan also provides supplemental benefits to participants upon a change in control (as defined in the plan) before the complete scheduled repayment of the employee stock ownership plan loan. The supplement benefit is equal to the benefit the participants would have received under the employee stock ownership plan, had the participants remained employed throughout the term of the plan s acquisition loan, less the benefits actually provided. All benefits received under this plan count towards the participant s 280G Limit.

In the event of a change in control of SI Financial or Savings Institute, outstanding stock options granted pursuant to the Equity Incentive Plan vest and, if the option holder is terminated other than for cause within twelve months of the change in control, will remain exercisable until the expiration date of the stock options. Restricted stock awards granted to these officers under the plan also vest upon a change in control. The value of the accelerated options and restricted stock grants count towards an executive s 280G Limit.

**Potential Post-Termination Benefits Tables.** The amount of compensation payable to each named executive officer upon termination for cause, termination without cause or for good reason, a change in control followed by termination of employment, disability, death and retirement is shown below. The amounts shown assume that such termination was effective as of December 31, 2009, and thus include amounts earned through such time and are estimates of the amounts that would be paid out to the executives upon their termination. The amounts do not include: (1) the executive s account balances in Savings Institute s tax-qualified retirement plans to which each executive has a non-forfeitable interest; or (2) the value of any stock options as the exercise prices of all stock options exceeded the stock price of SI Financial Group common stock at December 31, 2009. The amounts shown relating to unvested restricted stock awards are based on the fair market value of SI Financial Group s common stock on December 31, 2009, which was \$5.25. The actual amounts to be paid out can only be determined at the time of such executive s separation from SI Financial Group.

The following table provides the amount of compensation payable to Mr. Brouillard for each of the situations listed below.

	Payments Due Upon								
		Termination				Change in			
	Termination	Without Cause				Control with			
	For	or for	Disability		Termination of				
	Cause	Good Reason (1)	(2)	Death	Retirement	Employment			
Cash wages	\$	\$ 893,750	\$ 1,317,083	\$	\$	\$ 1,179,813			
Health and welfare benefits (3)		43,445	143,498			47,394			
Income attributable to executive									
supplemental retirement plan		2,231,775	1,082,666	1,082,666	1,844,922	2,200,000			
Income attributable to vesting of									
restricted stock		52,500	52,500	52,500		52,500			
Income attributable to distribution									
under split-dollar insurance policy				2,206,000					
Income attributable to distribution									
under supplemental executive									
retirement plan	30,042	30,042	30,042	30,042	30,042	30,042			
Total payment	\$ 30,042	\$ 3,251,512	\$ 2,625,789	\$ 3,371,208	\$ 1,874,964	\$ 3,509,749 (4)			

(1) Good Reason means the material breach of the agreement by Savings Institute or SI Financial Group, including: (1) a material change to the executive s responsibilities or authority; (2) assignment to executive of duties of a non-executive nature or duties for which he is not reasonably equipped by his skills or experience; (3) the failure to nominate or renominate the executive to the Board of Directors of Savings Institute or SI Financial Group; (4) a reduction in salary or benefits; (5) termination or material reduction of incentive and benefits plans, programs or arrangements; (6) relocation of executive s principal business office by more than twenty-five miles; or (7) the liquidation or dissolution of SI Financial Group or Savings Institute.

(2) Disability payment equals the executive s base salary as of his termination date assuming coverage is continued until executive reaches 65 years of age.

(3) The value of coverage under Savings Institute s life, medical, health and dental insurance programs for a period of 36 months.

(4) The amount represents the maximum severance payments to Mr. Brouillard. To avoid incurring an excess parachute payment under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code, Mr. Brouillard s payment would need to be reduced by \$451,026. See Potential Post-Termination Payments Payments Made upon a Change in Control.

The following table provides the amount of compensation payable to Mr. Hull for each of the situations listed below.

	Payments Due Upon								
	Terminatio	****	rmination hout Cause					hange in ntrol with	
	For Cause		or for d Reason (1)	Disability (2)	Death	Retirement		mination of 1ployment	
Cash wages	\$	\$	577,500	\$	\$	\$	\$	741,273	
Health and welfare benefits (3)			43,445	236,970				47,394	
Income attributable to executive									
supplemental retirement plan			1,300,093	781,304	298,601	962,201		1,290,000	
Income attributable to vesting of restricted stock			38,325	38,325	38,325			38,325	
Income attributable to distribution under split-dollar insurance policy					1,617,000				

Total payment	\$	\$	1,959,363	\$ 1,056,599	\$ 1,953,926	\$ 962,201	\$ 2,116,992 (4)
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(1) Good Reason means the material breach of the agreement by Savings Institute or SI Financial Group, including: (1) a material change to the executive s responsibilities or authority; (2) assignment to executive of duties of a non-executive nature or duties for which he is not reasonably equipped by his skills or experience; (3) the failure to nominate or renominate the executive to the Board of Directors of Savings Institute or SI Financial Group; (4) a reduction in salary or benefits; (5) termination or material reduction of incentive and benefits plans, programs or arrangements;

(6) relocation of executive s principal business office by more than twenty-five miles; or (7) the liquidation or dissolution of SI Financial Group or Savings Institute.

- (2) Disability payment equals the executive s base salary as of his termination date assuming coverage is continued until executive reaches 65 years of age.
- (3) The value of coverage under Savings Institute s life insurance programs for a period of 36 months.
- (4) The amount represents the maximum severance payments to Mr. Hull. To avoid incurring an excess parachute payment under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code, Mr. Hull s payment would need to be reduced by \$411,039. See *Potential Post-Termination Payments Payments Made upon a Change in Control.*

The following table provides the amount of compensation payable to Mr. Weston for each of the situations listed below.

			Payments Due Upon						
	Termination				Co	ntrol with			
	For				Ter	mination of			
	Cause	Disability	Death	Retirement	En	nployment			
Cash wages	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	276,599			
Health and welfare benefits (1)						25,332			
Income attributable to vesting of restricted stock		26,250	26,250			26,250			
Total payment	\$	\$ 26,250	\$ 26,250	\$	\$	328,181			

(1) The value of coverage under Savings Institute s life insurance programs for a period of 24 months.

The following table provides the amount of compensation payable to Mr. Moran for each of the situations listed below.

			Payments Du	e Upon		
					Cl	hange in
	Ferminatio	1			Сог	ntrol with
	For				Tern	nination of
	Cause	Disability	Death	Retirement	Em	ployment
Cash wages	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	359,222
Income attributable to executive supplemental retirement plan		541,503	163,510	774,910		780,000
Income attributable to vesting of restricted stock		25,200	25,200			25,200
Income attributable to distribution under split-dollar insurance policy			1,081,000			
Total payment	\$	\$ 566,703	\$ 1,269,710	\$ 774,910	\$	1,164,422

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The following table provides the amount of compensation payable to Ms. Gervais for each of the situations listed below.

		Payments Due Upon					
					Change in		
	Termination	1			Control with		
	For				Termination of		
	Cause	Disability	Death	Retirement	Employment		
Cash wages	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 294,666		
Health and welfare benefits					1,896		

Income attributable to executive supplemental retirement plan	407,259	116,334	792,269	750,000
Income attributable to vesting of restricted stock	20,869	20,869		20,869
Income attributable to distribution under split-dollar insurance				
policy		975,000		
Total payment	\$ \$ 428,128	\$ 1,112,203	\$ 792,269	\$ 1,067,431

### 2005 Equity Incentive Plan

The SI Financial Group 2005 Equity Incentive Plan was adopted by our Board of Directors and approved by our shareholders in May 2005. The 2005 Equity Incentive Plan authorized the granting of up to 615,623 stock options and 246,249 shares of restricted stock. The purpose of the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan is to promote SI Financial Group s success by linking the personal interests of its employees, officers and directors to those of SI Financial Group s shareholders, and by providing participants with an incentive for outstanding performance. The 2005 Equity Incentive Plan is further intended to provide flexibility to SI Financial Group in its ability to motivate, attract, and retain the services of employees, officers and directors upon whose judgment, interest, and special effort the successful conduct of SI Financial Group s operation is largely dependent. The 2005 Equity Incentive Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee of SI Financial Group s Board of Directors, which has the authority to determine the eligible directors or employees to whom awards are to be granted, the number of awards to be granted, the vesting of the awards and the conditions and limitations of the awards.

As of June 30, 2010, options for 496,750 shares were outstanding and options for 118,873 shares remained available for future awards under the plan. None of the options granted under the plan have been exercised. As of June 30, 2010, 243,649 shares of restricted stock were granted and 2,600 shares remained available for future awards under the plan.

The 2005 Equity Incentive Plan provides that in the event any merger, consolidation, share exchange or other similar corporate transaction affects the shares of SI Financial Group in such a manner that an adjustment is required to preserve the benefits available under the plan, the committee administering the plan has the authority to adjust the number of shares which may be granted, the number of shares subject to restricted stock awards or outstanding stock options, and the exercise price of any stock option grant. As a result, upon completion of the conversion and offering, outstanding shares of restricted stock and options to purchase shares of SI Financial Group common stock will be converted into and become shares of restricted stock and options to purchase shares of new SI Financial Group common stock. The number of shares of restricted stock and common stock to be received upon exercise of these options and the related exercise price will be adjusted for the exchange ratio in the conversion. The aggregate exercise price, duration and vesting schedule of these awards will not be affected.

### **Future Equity Incentive Plan**

Following the offering, SI Financial Group plans to adopt an equity incentive plan that will provide for grants of stock options and restricted stock. In accordance with applicable regulations, SI Financial Group anticipates that the plan will authorize a number of stock options equal to 7.7% of the total shares sold in the offering, and a number of shares of restricted stock equal to 3.1% of the total shares sold in the offering. Therefore, the number of shares reserved under the plan will range from 602,426 shares, assuming 5,578,125 shares are issued in the offering, to 815,046 shares, assuming 7,546,875 shares are issued in the offering.

SI Financial Group may fund the equity incentive plan through the purchase of common stock in the open market by a trust established in connection with the plan or from authorized, but unissued, shares of SI Financial Group common stock. The issuance of additional shares after the offering would dilute the interests of existing shareholders. See *Pro Forma Data*.

SI Financial Group will grant all stock options at an exercise price equal to 100% of the fair market value of the stock on the date of grant. SI Financial Group will grant restricted stock awards at no cost to recipients. Restricted stock awards and stock options generally vest ratably over a five-year period (or as otherwise permitted by the Office of Thrift Supervision), but SI Financial Group may also make vesting contingent upon the satisfaction of performance goals established by the Board of Directors or the committee charged with administering the plan. All outstanding awards will accelerate and become fully vested upon a change in control of SI Financial Group.

The equity incentive plan will comply with all applicable Office of Thrift Supervision regulations. We will submit the equity incentive plan to shareholders for their approval not less than six months after completion of the conversion and offering, at which time we will provide shareholders with detailed information about the plan.

### Policies and Procedures for Approval of Related Persons Transactions

SI Financial Group maintains a Policy and Procedures Governing Related Persons Transactions, which is a written policy and set of procedures for the review and approval or ratification of transactions involving related persons. Under the policy, related persons consist of directors, director nominees, executive officers, persons or entities known to us to be the

beneficial owner of more than five percent of any outstanding class of voting securities of SI Financial Group, or immediate family members or certain affiliated entities of any of the foregoing persons.

Transactions covered by the policy consist of any financial transaction, arrangement or relationship or series of similar transactions, arrangements or relationships, in which:

the aggregate amount involved will or may be expected to exceed \$50,000 in any calendar year;

SI Financial Group is, will or may be expected to be a participant; and

any related person has or will have a direct or indirect material interest. The policy excludes certain transactions, including:

any compensation paid to an executive officer of SI Financial Group if the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors approved (or recommended that the Board approve) such compensation;

any compensation paid to a director of SI Financial Group if the Board or an authorized committee of the board approved such compensation; and

any transaction with a related person involving consumer and investor financial products and services provided in the ordinary course of SI Financial Group business and on substantially the same terms as those prevailing at the time for comparable services provided to unrelated third parties or to SI Financial Group s employees on a broad basis (and, in the case of loans, in compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002).

Related person transactions will be approved or ratified by the Audit Committee. In determining whether to approve or ratify a related person transaction, the Audit Committee will consider all relevant factors, including:

whether the terms of the proposed transaction are at least as favorable to SI Financial Group as those that might be achieved with an unaffiliated third party;

the size of the transaction and the amount of consideration payable to the related person;

the nature of the interest of the related person;

whether the transaction may involve a conflict of interest; and

whether the transaction involves the provision of goods and services to SI Financial Group that are available from unaffiliated third parties.

A member of the Audit Committee who has an interest in the transaction will abstain from voting on the approval of the transaction but may, if so requested by the Chair of the Committee, participate in some or all of the discussion relating to the transaction.

#### **Transactions with Related Persons**

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 generally prohibits loans by SI Financial Group to its executive officers and directors. However, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act contains a specific exemption from such prohibition for loans by Savings Institute to its executive officers and directors in compliance with federal banking regulations. Federal regulations require that all loans or extensions of credit to executive officers and directors of insured financial institutions must be made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons and must not involve more than the normal risk of repayment or present other unfavorable features. Savings Institute is therefore prohibited from making any new loans or extensions of credit to executive officers and directors at different rates or terms than those offered to the general public. Notwithstanding this rule, federal regulations permit Savings Institute to make loans to executive officers and directors at reduced interest rates if the loan is made under a benefit program generally available to all other employees and does not give preference to any executive officer or director over any other employee. All outstanding loans made by Savings Institute to its directors and executive officers, and members of their immediate families, were made in the ordinary course of business, were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable loans with persons not related to Savings Institute, and did not involve more than the normal risk of collectibility or present other unfavorable features.

In accordance with banking regulations, the Board of Directors reviews all loans made to a director or executive officer in an amount that, when aggregated with the amount of all other loans to such person and his or her related interests, exceed the greater of \$25,000 or 5% of Savings Institute s capital and surplus (up to a maximum of \$500,000) and such loan must be approved in advance by a majority of the disinterested members of the Board of Directors. Additionally, pursuant to SI Financial Group s Code of Ethics and Business Conduct, all executive officers and directors of SI Financial Group must disclose any existing or emerging conflicts of interest to the President and Chief Executive Officer of SI Financial Group. Such potential conflicts of interest include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) SI Financial Group conducting business with or competing against an organization in which a family member of an executive officer or director has an ownership or employment interest and (2) the ownership of more than 5% of the outstanding securities or 5% of total assets of any business entity that does business with or in competition with SI Financial Group.

### **Indemnification for Directors and Officers**

SI Financial Group s articles of incorporation provide that SI Financial Group must indemnify all directors and officers of SI Financial Group against all expenses and liabilities reasonably incurred by them in connection with or arising out of any action, suit or proceeding in which they may be involved by reason of their having been a director or officer of SI Financial Group. Such indemnification may include the advancement of funds to pay for or reimburse reasonable expenses incurred by an indemnified party. Except insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of SI Financial Group pursuant to its articles of incorporation or otherwise, SI Financial Group has been advised that, in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission, such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable.

# **Stock Ownership**

The following table provides information as of November 1, 2010 about the persons known to SI Financial Group to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of our outstanding common stock. A person may be considered to beneficially own any shares of common stock over which he or she has, directly or indirectly, sole or shared voting or investing power.

Name and Address	Number of Shares Owned	Percent of Common Stock Outstanding (1)
SI Bancorp, MHC (2)	7,286,975	61.9%
803 Main Street		
Willimantic, Connecticut 06226		

(1) Based on 11,777,496 shares of SI Financial Group s common stock outstanding and entitled to vote as of November 1, 2010.

(2) The members of the Board of Directors of SI Bancorp, MHC also constitute the Board of Directors of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute.

The following table provides information about the shares of SI Financial Group common stock that may be considered to be owned by each director and director nominee of SI Financial Group, each executive officer named in the summary compensation table and by all directors, director nominees and executive officers of SI Financial Group as a group as of November 1, 2010. A person may be considered to own any shares of common stock over which he or she has, directly or indirectly, sole or shared voting or investment power. Unless otherwise indicated, each of the named individuals has sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares shown. The number of shares beneficially owned by all directors and executive officers as a group totaled 5.3% of our common stock as of November 1, 2010. Each director and named executive officer owned less than 1% of our outstanding common stock as of that date, except for Mr. Brouillard who owned 1.4% of our outstanding common stock.

	Common	<b>Options Exercisable</b>	
Name	Stock (1)	Within 60 Days	Total
Directors			
Mark D. Alliod	8,121(2)	16,000	24,121
Rheo A. Brouillard	70,584(3)	100,000	170,584
Roger Engle	20,548(4)	20,000	40,548
Donna M. Evan	20,000	20,000	40,000
Michael R. Garvey	5,499	6,000	11,499
Robert O. Gillard	22,427(5)	20,000	42,427
Henry P. Hinckley	17,000	25,000	42,000
Named Executive Officers Who Are Not Also Directors			
Laurie L. Gervais	28,736	27,000	55,736
Brian J. Hull	47,174	40,000	87,174
Michael J. Moran	27,891	27,000	54,891
David T. Weston	12,655	10,000	22,655
All Directors and Executive Officers as a group (12 persons)	298,783	338,000	636,783

(1) This column includes the following:

Unvested SharesAllocatedShares Heldof RestrictedShares Heldin Trust in

	Stock Held in Trust	in ESOP Trust	401(k)
			Plan
Mr. Alliod			
Mr. Brouillard		3,817	24,187
Mr. Engle			
Ms. Evan			
Mr. Garvey	500		
Mr. Gillard			
Mr. Hinckley			
Ms. Gervais		1,937	14,301
Mr. Hull		3,248	13,361
Mr. Moran		2,400	11,834
Mr. Weston	3,000	2,455	

- (2) Includes 1,350 shares held by Mr. Alliod s daughter and 1,146 shares held by the individual retirement account of Mr. Alliod s spouse.
- (3) Includes 1,000 shares held by Mr. Brouillard s spouse and 2,850 shares held by the individual retirement account of Mr. Brouillard s spouse.
- (4) Includes 25 shares and 48 shares held in a custodian account for Mr. Engle s two children, under which Mr. Engle s spouse has voting and investment power.
- (5) Includes 4,409 shares held by the individual retirement account of Mr. Gillard s spouse.

# Subscriptions by Executive Officers and Directors

The table below sets forth, for each of our directors and named executive officers and for all of the directors and named executive officers as a group, the following information:

the number of shares of SI Financial Group common stock to be received in exchange for shares of new SI Financial Group common stock upon consummation of the conversion and the offering, based upon their beneficial ownership of SI Financial Group common stock as of November 1, 2010;

the proposed purchases of new SI Financial Group common stock, assuming sufficient shares are available to satisfy their subscriptions; and

the total amount of new SI Financial Group common stock to be held upon consummation of the conversion and the offering. In each case, it is assumed that shares are sold and the exchange ratio is calculated at the midpoint of the offering range. No individual has entered into a binding agreement to purchase these shares and, therefore, actual purchases could be more or less than indicated. Directors and executive officers and their associates may not purchase more than 25% of the shares sold in the offering. Like all of our depositors, our directors and officers have subscription rights based on their deposits. For purposes of the following table, sufficient shares are assumed to be available to satisfy subscriptions in all categories. See *The Conversion and Offering Limitations on Purchases of Shares*.

	Number of Shares Received	Stock in th	Purchases of e Offering (1)	Total Common Stock to be Held		
Name of Beneficial Owner	in Exchange for Shares of SI Financial Group (1) (2)	Number of Shares	Dollar Amount	Number of Shares (2)	Percentage of Total Outstanding (3)	
Directors:					0()	
Mark D. Alliod	7,313	2,500	\$ 20,000	9,813	*	
Rheo A. Brouillard (4)	63,567	5,875	47,000	69,442	*	
Roger Engle	18,505	100	800	18,605	*	
Donna M. Evan	18,012	1,000	8,000	19,012	*	
Michael R. Garvey	4,952	312	2,496	5,264	*	
Robert O. Gillard	20,197	1,250	10,000	21,447	*	
Henry P. Hinckley	15,310	625	5,000	15,935	*	
Named Executive Officers Who Are Not Also Directors:						
Laurie L. Gervais (4)	25,879	750	6,000	30,129	*	
Brian J. Hull (4)	42,484	3,125	25,000	45,609	*	
Michael J. Moran (4)	25,118	625	5,000	25,118	*	
David T. Weston (4)	11,397	1,250	10,000	11,397	*	
All Directors and Named Executive Officers as a						
Group (12 persons)	269,078	18,037	\$ 144,296	287,115	2.71%	

\* Less than 1%.

(1) Also includes proposed subscriptions, if any, by associates.

(2) Based on information presented in Stock Ownership. Excludes shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding stock options.

(3) If shares are sold and the exchange ratio is calculated at the minimum of the offering range, all directors and officers as a group would own

2.74% of the outstanding shares of new SI Financial Group common stock.

(4)

Includes an estimated 5,875, 750, 3,125, 625 and 1,250 shares to be purchased by Mr. Brouillard, Ms. Gervais, Mr. Hull, Mr. Moran and Mr. Weston, respectively, through self-directed purchases within Savings Institute s 401(k) plan. Such purchases will receive the same purchase priorities, and be subject to the same purchase limitations, as purchases made by such officers using other funds.

# **Regulation and Supervision**

### General

Savings Institute is subject to extensive regulation, examination and supervision by the Office of Thrift Supervision, as its primary federal regulator, and by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as the insurer of its deposits. Savings Institute is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Savings Institute must file reports with the Office of Thrift Supervision concerning its activities and financial condition in addition to obtaining regulatory approvals before entering into certain transactions such as mergers with, or acquisitions of, other financial institutions. There are periodic examinations by the Office of Thrift Supervision to evaluate Savings Institute safety and soundness and compliance with various regulatory requirements. This regulatory structure is intended primarily for the protection of the insurance fund and depositors. The regulatory structure also gives the regulatory authorities extensive discretion in connection with their supervisory and enforcement activities and examination policies, including policies with respect to the classification of assets and the establishment of an adequate allowance for loan losses for regulatory purposes. Any change in such policies, whether by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or Congress, could have a material adverse impact on new SI Financial Group and Savings Institute and their operations. New SI Financial Group, as a savings and loan holding company, will be required to file certain reports with, is subject to examination by, and otherwise must comply with the rules and regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Certain of the regulatory requirements that are or will be applicable to Savings Institute and new SI Financial Group are described below. This description of statutes and regulations is not intended to be a complete explanation of such statutes and regulations and their effects on Savings Institute and new SI Financial Group and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the actual statutes and regulations.

#### **Regulatory Reform Legislation**

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the Dodd-Frank Act ) makes extensive changes in the regulation of financial institutions and their holding companies. The Dodd-Frank Act requires various federal agencies to adopt a broad range of new implementing rules and regulations, and to prepare numerous studies and reports for Congress. The federal agencies are given significant discretion in drafting the implementing rules and regulations, and consequently, many of the details and much of the impact of the Dodd-Frank Act may not be known for many months or years.

Certain provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act are expected to have a near term impact on new SI Financial Group and Savings Institute. For example, the Office of Thrift Supervision will be eliminated. Responsibility for the supervision and regulation of federal savings banks will be transferred to the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which is the agency that is currently primarily responsible for the regulation and supervision of national banks. The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency will assume responsibility for implementing and enforcing many of the laws and regulations applicable to federal savings banks. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System will supervise and regulate all savings and loan holding companies that were formerly regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision, including new SI Financial Group. The transfer of regulatory functions will take place over a transition period of up to one year from the enactment date of July 21, 2010 (subject to a possible six month extension).

Additionally, the Dodd-Frank Act creates a new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau as an independent bureau of the Federal Reserve Board. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau will assume responsibility for the implementation of the federal financial consumer protection and fair lending laws and regulations, a function currently assigned to prudential regulators, and will have authority to impose new requirements. However, institutions of less than \$10 billion in assets, such as Savings Institute, will continue to be examined for compliance with consumer protection and fair lending laws and regulations by, and be subject to the enforcement authority of, their prudential regulator, although the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau will have back-up authority to examine and enforce consumer protection laws against all institutions, including institutions with less than \$10 billion in assets.

Also effective one year after the date of enactment is a provision of the Dodd-Frank Act that eliminates the federal prohibitions on paying interest on demand deposits, thus allowing businesses to have interest-bearing checking accounts. Depending on competitive responses, this change to existing law could have an adverse impact on Savings Institute s interest expense. The Dodd-Frank Act also broadens the base for Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance assessments. Assessments will now be based on the average consolidated total assets less tangible equity capital of a financial institution.

The Dodd-Frank Act also permanently increases the maximum amount of deposit insurance for banks, savings institutions and credit unions to \$250,000 per depositor, retroactive to January 1, 2009, and non-interest bearing transaction accounts have unlimited deposit insurance through December 31, 2013.

The Dodd-Frank Act will require publicly traded companies to give shareholders a non-binding vote on executive compensation and so-called golden parachute payments, and authorizes the Securities and Exchange Commission to promulgate rules that would allow shareholders to nominate their own candidates using a company s proxy materials. On August 25, 2010, the Securities and Exchange Commission adopted such rules requiring all publicly traded companies to include nominees of significant, long-term shareholders in their proxy materials, alongside the nominees of management. Under the rules, shareholders will be eligible to have their nominees included in the proxy materials if they own at least 3% of a company s shares continuously for at least the prior three years. The new proxy rules take effect 60 days after their publication in the Federal Register, although smaller reporting companies, defined as a company with \$75 million or less in public float, will not have to comply with the new proxy rules for three years. The legislation also directs the Federal Reserve Board to promulgate rules prohibiting excessive compensation paid to bank holding company executives, regardless of whether the company is publicly traded or not.

The Dodd-Frank Act also weakens the federal preemption rules that have been applicable for national banks and federal savings associations, and gives state attorneys general the ability to enforce federal consumer protection laws. Additionally, the Dodd-Frank Act includes a series of provisions covering mortgage loan origination standards affecting, among other things, originator compensation, minimum repayment standards and pre-payments. The Dodd-Frank Act also directs the Federal Reserve to issue rules that are expected to limit debit-card interchange fees.

Unlike bank holding companies, thrift holding companies, including new SI Financial Group, are not currently subject to consolidated capital requirements. The Dodd-Frank Act immediately authorizes the Office of Thrift Supervision and its successor regulator of thrift holding companies, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, to promulgate capital requirements for all thrift holding companies, including new SI Financial Group. The Dodd-Frank Act also extends the source of strength doctrine to include thrift holding companies, including new SI Financial Group. The federal banking regulatory agencies are required to issue joint rules within two years of enactment of the Dodd-Frank act requiring that all bank and thrift holding companies serve as a source of strength for any depository institution subsidiary.

Five years after the date of enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act, thrift holding companies that were not subject to the authority of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve as of May 19, 2010, including new SI Financial Group, will be subject to the following: (1) minimum capital requirements for thrift holding companies that can be no lower than the generally applicable capital requirements that were in effect for insured depositories as of the date of enactment of the Dodd-Frank Act; (2) any trust preferred securities issued after May 19, 2010 are removed as a permitted component of a holding company s Tier 1 capital; (3) for holding companies with \$15 billion or more in consolidated assets, any trust preferred securities issued before May 19, 2010 will no longer be a permitted component of a holding company s Tier 1 capital after a three-year phase-in period which begins January 1, 2013; and (4) for holding companies, such as new SI Financial Group, with less than \$15 billion in consolidated assets, any trust preferred securities issued before May 19, 2010 may remain a component of a holding company s Tier 1 capital. All of SI Financial Group s trust preferred securities were issued prior to May 19, 2010. As such, these securities will not be subject to the deduction from capital pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act; however the restrictions set forth above may restrict SI Financial Group s ability to refinance existing trust preferred securities, as new issuances would not be included as capital.

It is difficult to predict at this time what specific impact the Dodd-Frank Act and the yet to be written implementing rules and regulations will have on community banks. However, it is expected that at a minimum they will increase new SI Financial Group and Savings Institute s operating and compliance costs and could also increase interest expense.

### **Federal Banking Regulation**

**Business Activities.** The activities of federal savings banks, such as Savings Institute, are governed by federal laws and regulations. Those laws and regulations delineate the nature and extent of the business activities in which federal savings banks may engage. In particular, certain lending authority for federal savings banks, *e.g.*, commercial, non-residential real property loans and consumer loans, is limited to a specified percentage of the institution s capital or assets.

*Capital Requirements.* The Office of Thrift Supervision s capital regulations require savings associations to meet three minimum capital standards: a 1.5% tangible capital to total assets ratio, a 4% Tier 1 capital to total assets leverage ratio (3% for institutions that are not anticipating or experiencing significant growth and have well diversified risk; <u>i.e.</u>, generally, the highest examination rating) and an 8% total risk-based capital ratio. In addition, the prompt corrective action standards discussed below also establish, in effect, a minimum 2% tangible capital standard, a 4% leverage ratio (3% for institutions receiving the highest rating on the CAMELS system) and, together with the risk-based capital standard itself, a 4% Tier 1 risk-based capital standard. The regulations also require that, in meeting the tangible, leverage and risk-based capital standards, institutions must generally deduct investments in and loans to subsidiaries engaged in activities as principal that are not permissible for a national bank.

The risk-based capital standard for savings associations requires the maintenance of Tier 1 (core) and total capital (which is defined as core capital and Tier 2 (supplementary) capital less certain specified deductions from total capital such as reciprocal holdings of depository institution capital instruments and equity investments) to risk-weighted assets of at least 4% and 8%, respectively. In determining the amount of risk-weighted assets, all assets, including certain off-balance sheet activities, recourse obligations, residual interests and direct credit substitutes, are multiplied by a risk-weight factor of 0% to 100%, assigned by the capital regulation based on the risks believed inherent in the type of asset. Tier 1 (core) capital is generally defined as common shareholders equity (including retained earnings), certain noncumulative perpetual preferred stock and related surplus and minority interests in equity accounts of consolidated subsidiaries, less intangibles other than certain mortgage servicing rights and credit card relationships. Tier 2 (supplementary) capital includes cumulative preferred stock, long-term perpetual preferred stock, mandatory convertible debt securities, subordinated debt and intermediate preferred stock, the allowance for loan and lease losses limited to a maximum of 1.25% of risk-weighted assets and up to 45% of unrealized gains on available for sale equity securities with readily determinable fair market values. Overall, the amount of Tier 2 capital included as part of total capital cannot exceed 100% of Tier 1 capital.

The Office of Thrift Supervision also has authority to establish individual minimum capital requirements in appropriate cases upon a determination that an institution s capital level is or may become inadequate in light of the particular risks or circumstances. At June 30, 2010, Savings Institute met each of its capital requirements.

Prompt Corrective Regulatory Action. The Office of Thrift Supervision is required to take certain supervisory actions against undercapitalized institutions, the severity of which depends upon the institution s degree of undercapitalization. Generally, a savings association that has a ratio of total capital to risk weighted assets of less than 8%, a ratio of Tier 1 (core) capital to risk-weighted assets of less than 4% or a ratio of core capital to total assets of less than 4% (3% or less for institutions with the highest examination rating) is considered to be undercapitalized. A savings association that has a total risk-based capital ratio of less than 6%, a Tier 1 capital ratio of less than 3% or a leverage ratio that is less than 3% is considered to be significantly undercapitalized and a savings association that has a tangible capital to assets ratio equal to or less than 2% is deemed to be critically undercapitalized. Subject to a narrow exception, the Office of Thrift Supervision is required to appoint a receiver or conservator within specified time frames for an institution that is critically undercapitalized. The regulation also provides that a capital restoration plan must be filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision within 45 days of the date a savings association is deemed to have received notice that it is undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized or critically undercapitalized. Compliance with the plan must be guaranteed by any parent holding company up to the lesser of 5% of the savings association s total assets when it was deemed to be undercapitalized or the amount necessary to achieve compliance with applicable capital requirements. In addition, numerous mandatory supervisory actions become immediately applicable to an undercapitalized institution, including, but not limited to, increased monitoring by regulators and restrictions on growth, capital distributions and expansion. A number of discretionary supervisory actions could also be taken, including the issuance of a capital directive and the replacement of senior executive officers and directors. Significantly and critically undercapitalized institutions are subject to additional mandatory and discretionary measures.

In addition to the increase in capital requirements set forth in the Dodd-Frank Act, Federal bank regulators have the authority to impose higher capital requirements on an individual bank basis. These requirements may be greater than those set forth in the Dodd-Frank Act or that would qualify a bank as being well capitalized under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation s prompt corrective action regulations. If SI Financial Group or Savings Institute were to become subject to higher individual capital requirements, such action may have a negative impact on their ability to execute their business plans, as well as their ability to grow, pay dividends or engage in mergers and acquisitions and may result in restrictions in their operations.

*Insurance of Deposit Accounts.* Savings Institute s deposits are insured up to applicable limits by the Deposit Insurance Fund of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation s risk-based

assessment system, insured institutions are assigned to one of four risk categories based on supervisory evaluations, regulatory capital levels and certain other factors, with less risky institutions paying lower assessments. An institution s assessment rate depends upon the category to which it is assigned. Effective April 1, 2009, assessment rates range from seven to 77.5 basis points. The Dodd-Frank Act requires the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to amend its procedures to base assessments on total assets less tangible equity rather than deposits. It is uncertain how quickly that will occur. No institution may pay a dividend if in default of the federal deposit insurance assessment.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation imposed on all insured institutions a special emergency assessment of five basis points of total assets minus Tier 1 capital, as of June 30, 2009 (capped at ten basis points of an institution s deposit assessment base), in order to cover losses to the Deposit Insurance Fund. That special assessment was collected on September 30, 2009. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation provided for similar assessments during the final two quarters of 2009, if deemed necessary. However, in lieu of further special assessments, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation required institutions to prepay estimated quarterly risk-based assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009 through the fourth quarter of 2012. The estimated assessments, which include an assumed annual assessment base increase of 5%, were recorded as a prepaid expense asset as of December 31, 2009. As of December 31, 2009, and each quarter thereafter, a charge to earnings will be recorded for each regular assessment with an offsetting credit to the prepaid asset.

Due to the recent difficult economic conditions, deposit insurance per account owner has been raised to \$250,000 for all types of accounts. That coverage was made permanent by the Dodd-Frank Act. In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation adopted an optional Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program by which, for a fee, noninterest bearing transaction accounts would receive unlimited insurance coverage until June 30, 2010, subsequently extended to December 31, 2010, and certain senior unsecured debt issued by institutions and their holding companies between October 13, 2008 and December 31, 2009 would be guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation through June 30, 2012, or in some cases, December 31, 2012. Savings Institute participates in the unlimited noninterest bearing transaction account coverage; Savings Institute and SI Financial Group opted not to participate in the unsecured debt guarantee program. The Dodd-Frank Act extended the unlimited coverage for certain noninterest bearing transactions accounts through December 31, 2012.

In addition to the assessment for deposit insurance, institutions are required to make payments on bonds issued in the late 1980s by the Financing Corporation to recapitalize a predecessor deposit insurance fund. That payment is established quarterly and during the four quarters ended June 30, 2010 averaged 1.04 basis points of assessable deposits.

The Dodd-Frank Act increased the minimum target Deposit Insurance Fund ratio from 1.15% of estimated insured deposits to 1.35% of estimated insured deposits. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation must seek to achieve the 1.35% ratio by September 30, 2020. Insured institutions with assets of \$10 billion or more are supposed to fund the increase. The Dodd-Frank Act eliminated the 1.5% maximum fund ratio, instead leaving it to the discretion of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has authority to increase insurance assessments. A significant increase in insurance premiums would likely have an adverse effect on the operating expenses and results of operations of Savings Institute. Management cannot predict what insurance assessment rates will be in the future.

Insurance of deposits may be terminated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation upon a finding that the institution has engaged in unsafe or unsound practices, is in an unsafe or unsound condition to continue operations or has violated any applicable law, regulation, rule, order or condition imposed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Office of Thrift Supervision. The management of Savings Institute does not know of any practice, condition to rviolation that might lead to termination of deposit insurance.

*Loans to One Borrower.* Federal law provides that savings associations are generally subject to the limits on loans to one borrower applicable to national banks. Generally, subject to certain exceptions, a savings association may not make a loan or extend credit to a single or related group of borrowers in excess of 15% of its unimpaired capital and surplus. An additional amount may be lent, equal to 10% of unimpaired capital and surplus, if secured by specified readily-marketable collateral.

*Qualified Thrift Lender Test.* Federal law requires savings associations to meet a qualified thrift lender test. Under the test, a savings association is required to either qualify as a domestic building and loan association under the Internal Revenue Code or maintain at least 65% of its portfolio assets (total assets less: (i) specified liquid assets up to 20% of total assets; (ii) intangibles, including goodwill; and (iii) the value of property used to conduct business) in certain qualified thrift investments (primarily residential mortgages and related investments, including certain mortgage-backed securities but also including education, credit card and small business loans) in at least 9 months out of each 12-month period.

A savings association that fails the qualified thrift lender test is subject to certain operating restrictions. The Dodd-Frank Act subjects violations of the qualified thrift lender requirements to possible enforcement action for violation of law. As of June 30, 2010, Savings Institute maintained 73.61% of its portfolio assets in qualified thrift investments and, therefore, met the qualified thrift lender test.

*Limitation on Capital Distributions.* Applicable regulations impose limitations upon all capital distributions by a savings association, including cash dividends, payments to repurchase its shares and payments to shareholders of another institution in a cash-out merger. Under the regulations, an application to and the prior approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision is required before any capital distribution if the institution does not meet the criteria for expedited treatment of applications under Office of Thrift Supervision regulations (*i.e.*, generally, examination and Community Reinvestment Act ratings in the two top categories), the total capital distributions for the calendar year exceed net income for that year plus the amount of retained net income for the preceding two years, the institution would be undercapitalized following the distribution or the distribution would otherwise be contrary to a statute, regulation or agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision. If an application is not required, the institution must still provide prior notice of the capital distribution if, like Savings Institute, it is a subsidiary of a holding company. If Savings Institute s capital ever fell below its regulatory requirements or the Office of Thrift Supervision notified it that it was in need of increased supervision, its ability to make capital distributions could be restricted. In addition, the Office of Thrift Supervision could prohibit a proposed capital distribution, which is otherwise permitted by the regulation, if the Office of Thrift Supervision determines that such distribution would constitute an unsafe or unsound practice.

*Standards for Safety and Soundness.* The federal banking agencies have adopted Interagency Guidelines prescribing Standards for Safety and Soundness in various areas such as internal controls and information systems, internal audit, loan documentation and credit underwriting, interest rate exposure, asset growth and quality, earnings and compensation, fees and benefits. The guidelines set forth the safety and soundness standards that the federal banking agencies use to identify and address problems at insured depository institutions before capital becomes impaired. If the Office of Thrift Supervision determines that a savings association fails to meet any standard prescribed by the guidelines, the institution may be required to submit an acceptable plan to achieve compliance with the standard.

*Community Reinvestment Act.* All federal savings associations have a responsibility under the Community Reinvestment Act and related regulations to help meet the credit needs of their communities, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. An institution s failure to comply with the provisions of the Community Reinvestment Act could result in denials of applications for transactions such as mergers, acquisitions and branches. Savings Institute received an outstanding Community Reinvestment Act rating in its most recently completed examination. The responsibility for implementing the Community Reinvestment Act is not being transferred to the new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau but rather is remaining with the prudential regulators.

*Transactions with Related Parties.* Federal law limits Savings Institute s authority to engage in transactions with affiliates (*e.g.*, any entity that controls or is under common control with Savings Institute, including new SI Financial Group). The aggregate amount of covered transactions with any individual affiliate is limited to 10% of the capital and surplus of the savings association. The aggregate amount of covered transactions with all affiliates is limited to 20% of the savings association s capital and surplus. Certain transactions with affiliates are required to be secured by collateral in an amount and of a type specified by federal law. The purchase of low quality assets from affiliates is generally prohibited. Transactions with affiliates must generally be on terms and under circumstances that are at least as favorable to the institution as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with non-affiliated companies. In addition, savings associations are prohibited from lending to any affiliate that is engaged in activities that are not permissible for bank holding companies and no savings association may purchase the securities of any affiliate other than a subsidiary.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 generally prohibits loans by SI Financial Group to its executive officers and directors. However, the law contains a specific exception for loans by a depository institution to its executive officers and directors in compliance with federal banking laws. Under such laws, Savings Institute s authority to extend credit to executive officers, directors and 10% shareholders ( insiders ), as well as entities such persons control, is limited. The laws limit both the individual and aggregate amount of loans that Savings Institute may make to insiders based, in part, on Savings Institute s capital level and requires that certain board approval procedures be followed. Such loans are required to be made on terms substantially the same as those offered to unaffiliated individuals and not involve more than the normal risk of repayment. There is an exception for loans made pursuant to a benefit or compensation program that is widely available to all employees of the institution and does not give preference to insiders over other employees. Loans to executive officers are subject to additional limitations based on the type of loan involved.

*Enforcement.* The Office of Thrift Supervision currently has primary enforcement responsibility over savings associations and has authority to bring actions against the institution and all institution-affiliated parties, including shareholders, and any attorneys, appraisers and accountants who knowingly or recklessly participate in wrongful actions likely to have an adverse effect on an insured institution. Formal enforcement action may range from the issuance of a capital directive or cease and desist order to removal of officers and/or directors to institution of receivership, conservatorship or termination of deposit insurance. Civil penalties cover a wide range of violations and can amount to \$25,000 per day, or even \$1 million per day in especially egregious cases. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has the authority to recommend to the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision that enforcement action be taken with respect to a particular savings association. If action is not taken by the Director, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has authority to take such action under certain circumstances. Federal law also establishes criminal penalties for certain violations. The Office of Thrift Supervision s enforcement authority will transfer to the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency under the Dodd-Frank Act regulatory restructuring.

*Assessments.* Savings associations are required to pay assessments to the Office of Thrift Supervision to fund the agency s operations. The general institution (and savings and loan holding companies) assessment, paid on a semi-annual basis, is computed based upon the savings association s (including consolidated subsidiaries) total assets, financial condition and complexity of its business. The Office of Thrift Supervision assessments paid by SI Financial Group and Savings Institute for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 totaled \$117,000 and \$223,000, respectively. The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency similarly assesses its regulated institutions to fund its operations.

*Federal Home Loan Bank System.* Savings Institute is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, which consists of 12 regional Federal Home Loan Banks. The Federal Home Loan Bank provides a central credit facility primarily for member institutions. Savings Institute, as a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, is required to acquire and hold shares of capital stock in that Federal Home Loan Bank. Savings Institute was in compliance with this requirement with an investment in Federal Home Loan Bank stock at June 30, 2010 of \$8.4 million.

The Federal Home Loan Banks have been required to provide funds for the resolution of insolvent thrifts in the late 1980s and to contribute funds for affordable housing programs. Such requirements, and general financial condition, affect the amount of dividends that the Federal Home Loan Banks pay to their members and the rate of interest that the Federal Home Loan Banks impose on advances to their members. Indeed, primarily due to financial conditions, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston has not paid a dividend since 2008.

*Federal Reserve System.* The Federal Reserve Board regulations require savings associations to maintain noninterest earning reserves against their transaction accounts (primarily Negotiable Order of Withdrawal (NOW) and regular checking accounts). The regulations generally provide that reserves be maintained against aggregate transaction accounts as follows: a 3% reserve ratio is assessed on net transaction accounts up to and including \$55.2 million; a 10% reserve ratio is applied above \$55.2 million. The first \$10.7 million of otherwise reservable balances (subject to adjustments by the Federal Reserve Board) are exempted from the reserve requirements. The amounts are adjusted annually. Savings Institute complies with the foregoing requirements.

### **Other Regulations**

Savings Institute s operations are also subject to federal laws applicable to credit transactions, such as, but not limited to, the:

Truth-In-Lending Act, governing disclosures of credit terms to consumer borrowers;

Home Mortgage Disclosure Act of 1975, requiring financial institutions to provide information to enable the public and public officials to determine whether a financial institution is fulfilling its obligation to help meet the housing needs of the community it serves;

Equal Credit Opportunity Act, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, creed or other prohibited factors in extending credit;

Fair Credit Reporting Act of 1978, governing the use and provision of information to credit reporting agencies;

Fair Debt Collection Act, governing the manner in which consumer debts may be collected by collection agencies; and The operations of Savings Institute also are subject to the:

Right to Financial Privacy Act, which imposes a duty to maintain confidentiality of consumer financial records and prescribes procedures for complying with administrative subpoenas of financial records;

Electronic Funds Transfer Act and Regulation E promulgated thereunder, which govern automatic deposits to and withdrawals from deposit accounts and customers rights and liabilities arising from the use of automated teller machines and other electronic banking services; and

Check Clearing for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (also known as Check 21), which gives substitute checks, such as digital check images and copies made from that image, the same legal standing as the original paper check. Holding Company Regulation

*General.* New SI Financial Group will register with the Office of Thrift Supervision and will be subject to Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, examinations, supervision, reporting requirements and regulations. In addition, the Office of Thrift Supervision will have enforcement authority over new SI Financial Group and its non-savings institution subsidiaries. Among other things, this authority permits the Office of Thrift Supervision to restrict or prohibit activities that are determined to be a serious risk to Savings Institute. As a savings and loan holding company, new SI Financial Group will be able to engage only in activities permitted to a financial holding company and those permitted for a multiple savings and loan holding company, which includes non-banking activities that have been determined to be permissible for bank holding companies.

As part of the Dodd-Frank Act regulatory restructuring, the Office of Thrift Supervision s authority over savings and loan holding companies will be transferred to the Federal Reserve Board, which is the agency that regulates and supervises bank holding companies.

A savings and loan holding company is prohibited from, directly or indirectly, acquiring more than 5% of the voting stock of another savings association or savings and loan holding company, without prior regulatory approval, and from acquiring or retaining control of a depository institution that is not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. In evaluating applications by holding companies to acquire savings associations, factors considered include, among other things, the financial and managerial resources and future prospects of the company and institution involved, the effect of the acquisition on the risk to the deposit insurance funds, the convenience and needs of the community and competitive effects.

No acquisition may be approved that would result in a multiple savings and loan holding company controlling savings associations in more than one state, subject to two exceptions: (i) the approval of interstate supervisory acquisitions by savings and loan holding companies; and (ii) the acquisition of a savings association in another state if the laws of the state of the target savings association specifically permit such acquisitions. The states vary in the extent to which they permit interstate savings and loan holding company acquisitions.

Savings and loan holding companies are not currently subject to specific regulatory capital requirements. The Dodd-Frank Act, however, requires the Federal Reserve Board to promulgate consolidated capital requirements for depository institution holding companies that are no less stringent, both quantitatively and in terms of components of capital, than those applicable to institutions themselves. There is a five year transition period before the capital requirements will apply to savings and loan holding companies.

Savings Institute must notify the Office of Thrift Supervision thirty (30) days before declaring any dividend. In addition, the financial impact of a holding company on its subsidiary institution is a matter that is evaluated by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the agency has authority to order cessation of activities or divestiture of subsidiaries deemed to pose a threat to the safety and soundness of the institution.

*Acquisition of Control.* Under the federal Change in Bank Control Act, a notice must be submitted to the Office of Thrift Supervision if any person (including a company), or group acting in concert, seeks to acquire control of a savings and loan holding company or savings association. An acquisition of control can occur upon the acquisition of 10% or more of the voting stock of a savings and loan holding company or savings institution or as otherwise defined by the Office of Thrift Supervision. Under the Change in Bank Control Act, the Office of Thrift Supervision has 60 days from the filing of a complete notice to act, taking into consideration certain factors, including the financial and managerial resources of the acquirer and the anti-trust effects of the acquisition. Any company that so acquires control would then be subject to regulation as a savings and loan holding company.

On July 21, 2010, President Obama signed the Dodd-Frank Act, which is legislation that restructures the regulation of depository institutions. In addition to eliminating the Office of Thrift Supervision and creating the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the Dodd-Frank Act, among other things, requires changes in the way that institutions are assessed for deposit insurance, mandates the imposition of consolidated capital requirements on savings and loan holding companies, requires that originators of securitized loans retain a percentage of the risk for the transferred loans, reduces the federal preemption afforded to federal savings associations and contains a number of reforms related to mortgage origination. Many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act require the issuance of regulations before their impact on operations can be assessed by management. However, there is a significant possibility that the Dodd-Frank Act will, at a minimum, result in increased regulatory burden and increase compliance costs for Savings Institute and new SI Financial Group.

### **Federal Securities Laws**

SI Financial Group common stock is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. As a result, SI Financial Group files quarterly and annual reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is subject to the information, proxy solicitation, insider trading restrictions and other requirements under the Securities Exchange Act. Upon completion of the conversion and offering, new SI Financial Group common stock will be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act. As a result, new SI Financial Group will be required to file quarterly and annual reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission and will be subject to the information, proxy solicitation, insider trading restrictions and other requirements under the Securities Exchange Commission and Exchange Commission and will be subject to the information, proxy solicitation, insider trading restrictions and other requirements under the Securities Exchange Act.

# **Federal and State Taxation**

#### **Federal Income Taxation**

*General.* SI Financial Group reports its income on a calendar year basis using the accrual method of accounting. The federal income tax laws apply to SI Financial Group in the same manner as to other corporations with some exceptions, including particularly Savings Institute s reserve for bad debts discussed below. The following discussion of tax matters is intended only as a summary and does not purport to be a comprehensive description of the tax rules applicable to SI Financial Group and its subsidiaries. SI Financial Group s federal income tax returns have been either audited or closed under the statute of limitations through tax year 2006. SI Financial Group s maximum federal income tax rate was 34.0% for 2009.

*Bad Debt Reserves.* For fiscal years beginning before June 30, 1996, thrift institutions that qualified under certain definitional tests and other conditions of the Internal Revenue Code were permitted to use certain favorable provisions to calculate their deductions from taxable income for annual additions to their bad debt reserve. A reserve could be established for bad debts on qualifying real property loans, generally secured by interests in real property improved or to be improved, under the percentage of taxable income method or the experience method. The reserve for nonqualifying loans was computed using the experience method. Federal legislation enacted in 1996 repealed the reserve method of accounting for bad debts for institutions with assets in excess of \$500.0 million and the percentage of taxable income method for all institutions for tax years beginning after 1995 and required savings institutions to recapture or take into income certain portions of their accumulated bad debt reserves. However, those tax-based bad debt reserves accumulated prior to 1988 (Base Year Reserves) were not required to be recaptured unless the institution failed certain tests. Approximately \$3.7 million of Savings Institute s accumulated tax-based bad debt reserves would not be recaptured into taxable income unless it makes a non-dividend distribution to SI Financial Group as described below.

*Distributions.* If Savings Institute makes non-dividend distributions to SI Financial Group, the distributions will be considered to have been made from Savings Institute s unrecaptured tax-based bad debt reserves, including the balance of its Base Year Reserves as of December 31, 1987, to the extent of the non-dividend distributions, and then from Savings Institute s supplemental reserve for losses on loans, to the extent of those reserves, and an amount based on the amount distributed, but not more than the amount of those reserves, will be included in Savings Institute s taxable income. Non-dividend distributions include distributions in excess of Savings Institute s current and accumulated earnings and profits as calculated for federal income tax purposes, distributions in redemption of stock and distributions in partial or complete liquidation. Dividends paid out of Savings Institute s current or accumulated earnings and profits will not be so included in Savings Institute s taxable income.

The amount of additional taxable income triggered by a non-dividend is an amount that, when reduced by the tax attributable to the income, is equal to the amount of the distribution. Therefore, if Savings Institute makes a non-dividend distribution to SI Financial Group, approximately one and one-half times the amount of the distribution not in excess of the amount of the reserves would be includable in income for federal income tax purposes, assuming a 34% federal corporate income tax rate. Savings Institute does not intend to pay non-dividend distributions that would result in a recapture of any portion of its bad debt reserves.

### **State Income Taxation**

SI Financial Group and its subsidiaries are subject to the Connecticut corporation business tax. SI Financial Group and its subsidiaries are eligible to file a combined Connecticut income tax return and pay the regular corporation business tax. The Connecticut corporation business tax is based on the federal taxable income before net operating loss and special deductions of SI Financial Group and its subsidiaries and makes certain modifications to federal taxable income to arrive at Connecticut taxable income. Connecticut taxable income is multiplied by the state tax rate (7.5% for fiscal years 2010 and 2009) to arrive at Connecticut income tax.

In May 1998, the State of Connecticut enacted legislation permitting the formation of passive investment company subsidiaries by financial institutions. This legislation exempts qualifying passive investment companies from the Connecticut corporation business tax and excludes dividends paid from a passive investment company from the taxable income of the parent financial institution. Savings Institute s formation of a passive investment company in January 1999 substantially eliminates the state income tax expense of SI Financial Group and its subsidiaries under current law. *See Business Subsidiary Activities SI Mortgage Company for a discussion of Savings Institute s passive investment company.* 

# The Conversion and Offering

This conversion is being conducted pursuant to a plan of conversion approved by the boards of directors of SI Bancorp, MHC, SI Financial Group and Savings Institute. The Office of Thrift Supervision has conditionally approved the plan of conversion; however, such approval does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement of the plan of conversion by such agency.

### General

On September 9, 2010, the boards of directors of SI Bancorp, MHC, SI Financial Group and Savings Institute adopted the plan of conversion. The second-step conversion that we are now undertaking involves a series of transactions by which we will convert our organization from the partially public mutual holding company form to the fully public stock holding company structure. Under the plan of conversion, Savings Institute will convert from the mutual holding company form of organization to the stock holding company form of organization and become a wholly owned subsidiary of new SI Financial Group, a newly formed Maryland corporation. Shareholders of SI Financial Group at the closing of the conversion, other than SI Bancorp, MHC, will receive shares of new SI Financial Group common stock in exchange for their shares of SI Financial Group common stock. Following the conversion and offering, SI Financial Group and SI Bancorp, MHC will no longer exist.

The conversion to a stock holding company structure also includes the offering by new SI Financial Group of its common stock to eligible depositors of Savings Institute in a subscription offering and, if necessary, to members of the general public through a community offering and/or a syndicate of registered broker-dealers. The amount of capital being raised in the offering is based on an independent appraisal of new SI Financial Group. Most of the terms of the offering are required by the regulations of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Consummation of the conversion and offering requires the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. In addition, pursuant to Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, consummation of the conversion and offering and the contribution to the charitable foundation are each conditioned upon approval by (1) at least a majority of the votes eligible to be cast by depositors of Savings Institute, (2) the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of SI Financial Group common stock and (3) the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock of SI Financial Group, excluding shares held by SI Bancorp, MHC.

The Office of Thrift Supervision approved our plan of conversion, subject to, among other things, approval of the plan of conversion by SI Bancorp, MHC s members (depositors of Savings Institute) and SI Financial Group s shareholders. Meetings of SI Bancorp, MHC s members and SI Financial Group s shareholders have been called for this purpose on December 23, 2010.

Funds received before completion of the subscription and community offerings will be maintained in a segregated account at Savings Institute. If we fail to receive the necessary shareholder or member approval, or if we cancel the conversion and offering for any reason, orders for common stock already submitted will be cancelled, subscribers funds will be returned promptly, with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate, and all deposit account withdrawal holds will be cancelled. We will not make any deduction from the returned funds for the costs of the offering.

The following is a brief summary of the pertinent aspects of the conversion and offering. A copy of the plan of conversion is available from SI Financial Group upon request and is available for inspection at each banking office of Savings Institute and at the Office of Thrift Supervision. The plan of conversion is also filed as an exhibit to the registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, that new SI Financial Group has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. See *Where You Can Find More Information*.

### **Reasons for the Conversion and Offering**

After considering the advantages and disadvantages of the conversion and offering, the boards of directors of SI Bancorp, MHC, SI Financial Group and Savings Institute approved the conversion and offering as being in the best interests of SI Financial Group and Savings Institute and their respective shareholders and customers. The Board of Directors concluded that the conversion and offering provide a number of advantages that will be important to our future growth and performance and that outweigh the disadvantages of the conversion and offering.

The conversion and offering will result in the raising of additional capital that will support Savings Institute s future lending and operational growth and may also support the acquisition of other financial institutions or financial service companies or their assets. Although Savings Institute is categorized as well-capitalized and does not require additional capital, the Board of Directors has determined that opportunities for continued growth make pursuing the conversion and offering at this time desirable.

We expect that the larger number of shares that will be in the hands of public investors after completion of the conversion and offering will result in a more liquid and active trading market than currently exists for SI Financial Group common stock. A more liquid and active market would make it easier for investors to buy and sell our common stock.

After completion of the conversion and offering, the unissued common and preferred stock authorized by new SI Financial Group s articles of incorporation will permit us to raise additional capital through further sales of securities. Although SI Financial Group currently has the ability to raise additional capital through the sale of additional shares of SI Financial Group common stock, that ability is limited by the mutual holding company structure, which, among other things, requires that SI Bancorp, MHC hold a majority of the outstanding shares of SI Financial Group common stock.

As a fully converted stock holding company, we will have greater flexibility in structuring mergers and acquisitions, including the form of consideration paid in a transaction. Our current mutual holding company structure, by its nature, limits our ability to offer our common stock as consideration in a merger or acquisition because we cannot now issue stock in an amount that would cause SI Bancorp, MHC to own less than a majority of the outstanding shares of SI Financial Group. Our new stock holding company structure will enhance our ability to compete with other bidders when acquisition opportunities arise by better enabling us to offer stock or cash consideration, or a combination of the two.

We are currently regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision. The financial regulatory reform legislation will result in changes to our primary bank regulator and holding company regulator, as well as changes in regulations applicable to us, which may include changes in regulations affecting capital requirements, payment of dividends and conversion to stock form. Specifically, under the Dodd-Frank Act, the Federal Reserve Board will become the sole federal regulator of all holding companies, including mutual holding companies, and the Federal Reserve Board historically has not allowed mutual holding companies to waive the receipt of dividends from their mid-tier holding company subsidiaries. Although SI Bancorp, MHC is considered a grandfathered mutual holding company under the Dodd-Frank Act, it is not clear how the Federal Reserve Board will evaluate dividend waivers by grandfathered mutual holding companies and whether the Federal Reserve Board would require any future waived dividends to be taken into account in determining an appropriate exchange ratio, which would result in dilution to the ownership interests of minority stockholders in the event of a second-step conversion to stock form. The reorganization will eliminate our mutual holding company structure and any regulatory uncertainty associated with dividend waivers by our mutual holding company, as well as the treatment of waived dividends in a conversion of our mutual holding company to stock form and better position us to meet all future regulatory capital requirements.

If SI Financial Group had undertaken a conversion in to fully public stock form 2004 rather than a minority stock offering, applicable regulations would have required a greater amount of SI Financial Group common stock to be sold than the amount that was sold in the minority offering. If a standard conversion had been conducted in 2004, management of SI Financial Group believed that it would have been difficult to prudently invest the larger amount of capital that would have been raised, when compared to the net proceeds raised in connection with the minority offering. In addition, a conversion to stock form in 2004 would have immediately eliminated all aspects of the mutual form of organization.

The disadvantage of the conversion and offering considered by the Board of Directors is that operating in the stock holding company form of organization could subject Savings Institute to contests for corporate control. The Board of Directors determined that the advantages of the conversion and offering outweighed this disadvantage.

### **Description of the Conversion**

New SI Financial Group has been incorporated under Maryland law as a first-tier wholly owned subsidiary of SI Financial Group. To effect the conversion, the following will occur:

SI Bancorp, MHC will convert to stock form and simultaneously merge with and into SI Financial Group, with SI Financial Group as the surviving entity; and

SI Financial Group will merge with and into new SI Financial Group, with new SI Financial Group as the surviving entity. As a result of the series of mergers described above, Savings Institute will become a wholly owned subsidiary of new SI Financial Group and the outstanding shares of SI Financial Group common stock held by persons other than SI Bancorp, MHC (*i.e.*, public shareholders) will be converted into a number of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock that will result in the holders of such shares owning in the aggregate approximately the same percentage of new SI Financial Group common stock to be outstanding upon the completion of the conversion and offering (*i.e.*, the common stock issued in the offering plus the shares issued in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group common stock) as the percentage of SI Financial Group common stock owned by them in the aggregate immediately before consummation of the conversion and offering before giving effect to (1) the payment of cash in lieu of issuing fractional exchange shares and (2) any shares of common stock purchased by public shareholders in the offering.

#### Share Exchange Ratio for Current Shareholders

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations provide that in a conversion from mutual holding company to stock holding company form, the public shareholders will be entitled to exchange their shares for common stock of the new stock holding company, provided that the mutual holding company demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Office of Thrift Supervision that the basis for the exchange is fair and reasonable. Under the plan of conversion, each publicly held share of SI Financial Group common stock will, on the effective date of the conversion and offering, be converted automatically into and become the right to receive a number of new shares of new SI Financial Group common stock. The number of new shares of common stock will own approximately the same percentage of common stock in new SI Financial Group after the conversion and offering as they held in SI Financial Group immediately before the conversion and offering, before giving effect to (1) the payment of cash in lieu of fractional shares and (2) their purchase of shares in the offering. At November 1, 2010, there were 11,777,496 shares of SI Financial Group common stock. It will be calculated based on the percentage of SI Financial Group common stock held by the public, the appraisal of SI Financial Group prepared by RP Financial and the number of shares sold in the offering.

The following table shows how the exchange ratio will adjust, based on the number of shares sold in the offering. The table also shows how many shares an owner of 100 shares of SI Financial Group common stock would receive in the exchange, based on the number of shares sold in the offering.

	Shares to b In the Off	oe Sold	Shares to be Exc Existing Sh SI Financial	ares of	Total Shares of Common		•	uivalent Per Share	Pro	uivalent 9 Forma Value Pe	Shares to be Received for ed00 Existing
					Stock to be	Exchange		Value	Exc	changed	Shares
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Outstanding	Ratio		(1)	Sh	are (2)	(3)
Minimum	5,578,125	61.9%	3,437,460	38.1%	9,015,585	0.7655	\$	6.12	\$	9.70	76
Midpoint	6,562,500	61.9%	4,044,071	38.1%	10,606,571	0.9006		7.20		10.28	90
Maximum	7,546,875	61.9%	4,650,682	38.1%	12,197,557	1.0357		8.29		10.86	103
Maximum, as adjusted	8,678,906	61.9%	5,348,284	38.1%	14,027,190	1.1910		9.53		11.53	119

 Represents the value of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock received in the conversion by a holder of one share of SI Financial Group common stock at the exchange ratio, assuming a market price of \$8.00 per share.

(2) Represents the pro forma tangible shareholders equity per share at each level of the offering range multiplied by the respective exchange ratio.

(3) Cash will be paid instead of issuing any fractional shares.

Outstanding options to purchase shares of SI Financial Group common stock will be converted into and become options to purchase new SI Financial Group common stock. The number of shares of common stock to be received upon exercise of these options and the related exercise price will be adjusted for the exchange ratio. The aggregate exercise price, duration and vesting schedule of these options will not be affected. At June 30, 2010, there were 496,750 outstanding options to purchase SI Financial Group common stock, of which 414,150 were exercisable.

#### How We Determined the Offering Range and the \$8.00 Purchase Price

Federal regulations require that the aggregate purchase price of the securities sold in connection with the offering be based upon our estimated pro forma market value after the conversion (*i.e.*, taking into account the expected receipt of proceeds from the sale of securities in the offering), as determined by an appraisal by an independent person experienced and expert in corporate appraisal. We have retained RP Financial, which is experienced in the evaluation and appraisal of business entities, to prepare the appraisal. RP Financial will receive fees totaling \$90,000 for its appraisal report, plus \$10,000 for each appraisal update (of which there will be at least one more) and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. We have agreed to indemnify RP Financial under certain circumstances against liabilities and expenses, including legal fees, arising out of, related to, or based upon the offering. RP Financial has not received any other compensation from us in the past two years.

RP Financial prepared the appraisal taking into account the pro forma impact of the offering. For its analysis, RP Financial undertook substantial investigations to learn about our business and operations. We supplied financial information, including annual financial statements, information on the composition of assets and liabilities, and other financial schedules. In addition to this information, RP Financial reviewed our conversion application as filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision and our registration statement as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Furthermore, RP Financial visited our facilities and had discussions with our management. RP Financial did not perform a detailed individual analysis of the separate components of our assets and liabilities. We did not impose any limitations on RP Financial in connection with its appraisal.

In connection with its appraisal, RP Financial reviewed the following factors, among others:

the economic make-up of our primary market area;

our financial performance and condition in relation to publicly traded, fully converted financial institution holding companies that RP Financial deemed comparable to us;

the specific terms of the offering of our common stock;

the pro forma impact of the additional capital raised in the offering;

our proposed dividend policy;

conditions of securities markets in general; and

the market for thrift institution common stock in particular.

RP Financial s independent valuation also utilized certain assumptions as to the pro forma earnings of new SI Financial Group after the offering. These assumptions included estimated expenses, an assumed after-tax rate of return on the net offering proceeds, and expenses related to the stock-based benefit plans of new SI Financial Group, including the employee stock ownership plan and the new equity incentive plan. The employee stock ownership plan and new equity incentive plan are assumed to purchase 6.0% and 3.1%, respectively, of the shares of new SI Financial Group common stock sold in the offering. The new equity incentive plan is assumed to grant options to purchase the equivalent of 7.7% of the shares of new SI Financial Group common stock sold in the offering. See *Pro Forma Data* for additional information concerning these assumptions. The use of different assumptions may yield different results.

The independent appraisal also reflects the cash contribution to SI Financial Group Foundation. The cash contribution to the charitable foundation will not have a material effect on our estimated pro forma market value.

Consistent with Office of Thrift Supervision appraisal guidelines, RP Financial applied three primary methodologies to estimate the pro forma market value of our common stock: the pro forma price-to-book value approach applied to both reported book value and tangible book value; the pro forma price-to-earnings approach applied to reported and estimated core earnings; and the pro forma price-to-assets approach. The market value ratios applied in the three methodologies were based upon the current market valuations of a peer group of companies considered by RP Financial to be comparable to us, subject to valuation adjustments applied by RP Financial to account for differences between SI Financial Group and the peer group.

The price-to-earnings approach is generally the best indicator of long-term value for a stock and, as a result, RP Financial gave it the most significant weight among the three valuation approaches. The price-to-book value approach also

serves as a valuable benchmark in the valuation of thrift stocks, particularly in the context of a conversion offering, as the earnings approach is limited by the assumptions it requires regarding the use of the proceeds. The price-to-assets approach is generally a less reliable indicator of market value and thus given less weight by RP Financial. This approach is also given less weight by investors. Also, this approach as set forth in the regulatory guidelines does not take into account the amount of stock purchases that are funded by deposit withdrawals, thus understating the price-to-assets ratio on a pro forma basis.

In applying each of the valuation methods, RP Financial considered adjustments to our pro forma market value based on a comparison of SI Financial Group with the peer group. RP Financial made slight downward adjustments for profitability, growth and viability of earnings and for marketing of the issue and made a slight upward adjustment for financial condition. No adjustments were made for asset growth, primary market area, dividends, trading liquidity, regulatory matters or management.

The peer group is comprised of publicly traded thrifts all selected based on asset size, market area and operating strategy. In preparing its appraisal, RP Financial placed emphasis on the price-to-earnings and the price-to-book approaches and placed lesser emphasis on the price-to-assets approaches in estimating pro forma market value. The peer group consisted of ten publicly traded, fully converted, financial institution holding companies based in the northeastern region of the United States. The peer group included companies with:

average assets of \$1.1 billion;

average nonperforming assets of 1.1% of total assets;

average loans of 64.6% of total assets;

average tangible equity of 10.4% of total assets; and

average core income of 0.54% of average assets. The appraisal peer group consists of the companies listed below. Total assets are as of June 30, 2010.

Company Name and Ticker Symbol	Exchange	Headquarters	Total Assets (In millions)
Beacon Federal Bancorp, Inc. (BFED)	NASDAQ	East Syracuse, NY	\$ 1,072
Central Bancorp, Inc. (CEBK)	NASDAQ	Somerville, MA	527
ESB Financial Corporation (ESBF)	NASDAQ	Ellwood City, PA	1,948
ESSA Bancorp, Inc. (ESSA)	NASDAQ	Stroudsburg, PA	1,067
Harleysville Savings Financial Corporation (HARL)	NASDAQ	Harleysville, PA	867
Hingham Institution for Savings (HIFS)	NASDAQ	Hingham, MA	972
New Hampshire Thrift Bancshares, Inc. (NHTB)	NASDAQ	Newport, NH	993
TF Financial Corporation (THRD)	NASDAQ	Newton, PA	721
United Financial Bancorp, Inc. (UBNK)	NASDAQ	West Springfield, MA	1,545
Westfield Financial, Inc. (WFD)	NASDAQ	Westfield, MA	1,235

RP Financial prepared a valuation dated August 26, 2010. RP Financial has advised us that the estimated pro forma market value, or valuation range, of our common stock, including shares sold in the offering and exchange shares, ranged from a minimum of \$72.1 million to a maximum of \$97.6 million, with a midpoint of \$84.9 million. The aggregate offering price of the shares of common stock will be equal to the valuation range multiplied by the 61.9% ownership interest that SI Bancorp, MHC has in SI Financial Group. The number of shares offered will be equal to the aggregate offering price divided by the price per share. Based on the valuation range, the percentage of SI Financial Group common stock owned by SI Bancorp, MHC and the \$8.00 price per share, the minimum of the offering range is 5,578,125 shares, the midpoint of the offering range is 6,562,500 shares, the maximum of the offering range is 7,546,875 shares and 15% above the maximum of the offering range is 8,678,906 shares. RP Financial will update its independent valuation before we complete our offering.

The following table presents a summary of selected pricing ratios for the peer group companies and for all publicly traded thrifts and the resulting pricing ratios for new SI Financial Group reflecting the pro forma impact of the offering, as calculated by RP Financial in its appraisal report of August 26, 2010. Compared to the median pricing ratios of the peer group, SI Financial Group s pro forma pricing ratios at the maximum of the offering range indicated a discount of 14.8% on a price-to-book value basis and a discount of 21.9% on a price-to-tangible book value basis.

	Price to Earnings Multiple	Price to Core Earnings Multiple	Price to Book Value Ratio	Price to Tangible Book Value Ratio
New SI Financial Group (pro forma) (1):				
Minimum	32.80x	36.07x	60.93%	63.14%
Midpoint	38.54	42.37	67.74	70.05
Maximum	44.26	48.65	73.87	76.26
Maximum, as adjusted	50.81	55.85	80.16	82.64
Pricing ratios of peer group companies as of August 26, 2010 (2):				
Average	15.21x	15.83x	85.14%	93.10%
Median	12.02	11.48	86.74	97.68
All fully-converted, publicly traded thrifts as of August 26, 2010 (2):				
Average	18.32x	17.69x	69.82%	77.62%
Median	15.19	16.20	67.16	73.61

(1) Based on SI Financial Group financial data as of and for the twelve months ended June 30, 2010.

(2) Based on earnings for the twelve months ended June 30, 2010 and book value and tangible book value as of June 30, 2010. Our Board of Directors reviewed RP Financial s appraisal report, including the methodology and the assumptions used by RP Financial, and determined that the offering range was reasonable and adequate. Our Board of Directors has decided to offer the shares for a price of \$8.00 per share. The purchase price of \$8.00 per share was determined by us, taking into account, among other factors, the market price of our stock before adoption of the plan of conversion, the requirement under Office of Thrift Supervision regulations that the common stock be offered in a manner that will achieve the widest distribution of the stock, and desired liquidity in the common stock after the offering range, the exchange ratio ranged from a minimum of 0.7655 to a maximum of 1.0357 shares of new SI Financial Group common stock for each current share of SI Financial Group common stock, with a midpoint of 1.0357. Based upon this exchange ratio, we expect to issue between 3,437,460 and 4,650,682 shares of new SI Financial Group common stock outstanding immediately before the completion of the conversion and offering.

Our Board of Directors considered the appraisal when recommending that shareholders and depositors approve the plan of conversion. However, our Board of Directors makes no recommendation of any kind as to the advisability of purchasing shares of common stock.

Since the outcome of the offering relates in large measure to market conditions at the time of sale, it is not possible for us to determine the exact number of shares that we will issue at this time. The offering range may be amended, with the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision, if necessitated by developments following the date of the appraisal in, among other things, market conditions, our financial condition or operating results, regulatory guidelines or national or local economic conditions.

If, upon expiration of the offering, at least the minimum number of shares are subscribed for, RP Financial, after taking into account factors similar to those involved in its prior appraisal, will determine its estimate of our pro forma market value. If, as a result of regulatory considerations, demand for the shares or changes in market conditions, RP Financial determines that our pro forma market value has increased, we may sell up to 8,678,906 without any further notice to you.

No shares will be sold unless RP Financial confirms that, to the best of its knowledge and judgment, nothing of a material nature has occurred that would cause it to conclude that the actual total purchase price of the shares on an aggregate basis was materially incompatible with its appraisal. If, however, the facts do not justify that statement, a new offering range may be set, in which case all funds would be promptly returned and holds on funds authorized for withdrawal from deposit accounts will be released and all subscribers would be given the opportunity to place a new order. If the offering is

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terminated, all subscriptions will be cancelled and subscription funds will be returned promptly with interest, and holds on funds authorized for withdrawal from deposit accounts will be released. If RP Financial establishes a new valuation range, it must be approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

In formulating its appraisal, RP Financial relied upon the truthfulness, accuracy and completeness of all documents we furnished to it. RP Financial also considered financial and other information from regulatory agencies, other financial institutions, and other public sources, as appropriate. While RP Financial believes this information to be reliable, RP Financial does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of the information and did not independently verify the financial statements and other data provided by us or independently value our assets or liabilities. The appraisal is not intended to be, and must not be interpreted as, a recommendation of any kind as to the advisability of purchasing shares of common stock. Moreover, because the appraisal must be based on many factors that change periodically, there is no assurance that purchasers of shares in the offering will be able to sell shares after the offering at prices at or above the purchase price.

Copies of the appraisal report of RP Financial, including any amendments to the report, and the detailed memorandum of the appraiser setting forth the method and assumptions for such appraisal are available for inspection at our main office and the other locations specified under *Where You Can Find More Information*.

### Subscription Offering and Subscription Rights

Under the plan of conversion, we have granted rights to subscribe for our common stock to the following persons in the following order of priority:

- 1. Persons with deposits in Savings Institute with aggregate balances of \$50 or more ( qualifying deposits ) as of the close of business on June 30, 2009 ( eligible account holders ).
- 2. Our employee stock ownership plan.
- 3. Persons with qualifying deposits in Savings Institute as of the close of business on September 30, 2010 who are not eligible account holders, excluding our officers, directors and their associates (supplemental eligible account holders).
- 4. Depositors of Savings Institute as of the close of business on October 29, 2010, who are not eligible or supplemental eligible account holders.

Unlike our employee stock ownership plan, the Savings Institute 401(k) Plan has not been granted priority subscription rights. Accordingly, a 401(k) plan participant who elects to purchase shares in the offering through self-directed purchases within the 401(k) plan will receive the same subscription priority, and be subject to the same purchase limitations, as if the participant had elected to purchase shares using funds outside the 401(k) plan.

The amount of common stock that any person may purchase will depend on the availability of the common stock after satisfaction of all subscriptions having prior rights in the subscription offering and to the maximum and minimum purchase limitations set forth in the plan of conversion. See *Limitations on Purchases of Shares.* All persons on a joint deposit account will be counted as a single subscriber to determine the maximum amount that may be subscribed for by an individual in the offering.

*Priority 1: Eligible Account Holders.* Subject to the purchase limitations as described below under *Limitations on Purchases of Shares*, each eligible account holder has the right to subscribe for up to the greater of:

\$1,500,000 of common stock (which equals 187,500 shares); or

one-tenth of 1% of the total offering of common stock; or

15 times the product, rounded down to the next whole number, obtained by multiplying the total number of shares of common stock to be sold by a fraction of which the numerator is the amount of qualifying deposits of the eligible account holder and the denominator is the total amount of qualifying deposits of all eligible account holders. The balance of qualifying deposits of all eligible account holders was \$645.1 million.

If there are insufficient shares to satisfy all subscriptions by eligible account holders, shares first will be allocated so as to permit each subscribing eligible account holder, if possible, to purchase a number of shares sufficient to make the person s

total allocation equal 100 shares or the number of shares actually subscribed for, whichever is less. After that, unallocated shares will be allocated among the remaining subscribing eligible account holders whose subscriptions remain unfilled in the proportion that the amounts of their respective qualifying deposits bear to the total qualifying deposits of all remaining eligible account holders whose subscriptions remain unfilled. Subscription rights of eligible account holders who are also executive officers or directors of SI Financial Group or Savings Institute or their associates will be subordinated to the subscription rights of other eligible account holders to the extent attributable to their increased deposits in Savings Institute in the one year period preceding June 30, 2009.

To ensure a proper allocation of stock, each eligible account holder must list on his or her stock order form all deposit accounts in which such eligible account holder had an ownership interest at June 30, 2009. Failure to list an account, or providing incomplete or incorrect information, could result in the loss of all or part of a subscriber s stock allocation in the event of an oversubscription.

*Priority 2: Tax-Qualified Employee Benefit Plans.* Subject to the purchase limitations as described below under *Limitations on Purchases of Shares,* our tax-qualified employee benefit plans (other than our 401(k) plan) have the right to purchase up to 10% of the shares of common stock issued in the offering. As a tax-qualified employee benefit plan, our employee stock ownership plan intends to purchase 6.0% of the shares sold in the offering. Subscriptions by the employee stock ownership plan will not be aggregated with shares of common stock purchased by any other participants in the offering, including subscriptions by our officers and directors, for the purpose of applying the purchase limitations in the plan of conversion. If we increase the number of shares offered above the maximum of the offering range, the employee stock ownership plan will have a first priority right to purchase any shares exceeding that amount up to the amount of its subscription. If the plan s subscription is not filled in its entirety due to oversubscription or by choice, the employee stock ownership plan may purchase shares after the offering in the open market or directly from us, with the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

*Priority 3: Supplemental Eligible Account Holders.* Subject to the purchase limitations as described below under *Limitations on Purchases of Shares,* each supplemental eligible account holder has the right to subscribe for up to the greater of:

\$1,500,000 of common stock (which equals 187,500 shares); or

one-tenth of 1% of the total offering of common stock; or

15 times the product, rounded down to the next whole number, obtained by multiplying the total number of shares of common stock to be sold by a fraction of which the numerator is the amount of qualifying deposits of the supplemental eligible account holder and the denominator is the total amount of qualifying deposits of all supplemental eligible account holders. The balance of qualifying deposits of all supplemental eligible account holders was \$668.1 million.

If eligible account holders and the employee stock ownership plan subscribe for all of the shares being sold, no shares will be available for supplemental eligible account holders. If shares are available for supplemental eligible account holders but there are insufficient shares to satisfy all subscriptions by supplemental eligible account holders, shares first will be allocated so as to permit each subscribing supplemental eligible account holder, if possible, to purchase a number of shares sufficient to make the person s total allocation equal 100 shares or the number of shares actually subscribed for, whichever is less. After that, unallocated shares will be allocated among the remaining supplemental eligible account holders whose subscriptions remain unfilled in the proportion that the amounts of their respective qualifying deposits bear to the total qualifying deposits of all remaining supplemental eligible account holders whose subscriptions remain unfilled.

To ensure a proper allocation of stock, each supplemental eligible account holder must list on his or her stock order form all deposit accounts in which such eligible account holder had an ownership interest at September 30, 2010. Failure to list an account, or providing incomplete or incorrect information, could result in the loss of all or part of a subscriber s stock allocation in the event of an oversubscription.

*Priority 4: Other Members.* Subject to the purchase limitations as described below under *Limitations on Purchases of Shares* each other member has the right to purchase up to the greater of \$1,500,000 of common stock (which equals 187,500 shares) or one-tenth of 1% of the total offering of common stock. If eligible account holders, the employee stock ownership plan and supplemental eligible account holders subscribe for all of the shares being sold, no shares will be available for other members. If shares are available for other members but there are not sufficient shares to satisfy all

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subscriptions by other members, shares first will be allocated so as to permit each subscribing other member, if possible, to purchase a number of shares sufficient to make the person s total allocation equal 100 shares or the number of shares actually subscribed for, whichever is less. After that, unallocated shares will be allocated among the remaining subscribing other members whose subscriptions remain unfilled in the proportion that each other member s subscription bears to the total subscriptions of all such subscribing other members whose subscriptions remain unfilled.

To ensure a proper allocation of stock, each other member must list on his or her stock order form all deposit accounts in which such other member had an ownership interest at October 29, 2010. Failure to list an account or providing incomplete or incorrect information could result in the loss of all or part of a subscriber s stock allocation.

*Expiration Date for the Subscription Offering.* The subscription offering, and all subscription rights under the plan of conversion, will terminate at 2:00 p.m., Eastern time, on December 20, 2010. We will not accept orders for common stock in the subscription offering received after that time. We will make reasonable attempts to provide a prospectus and related offering materials to holders of subscription rights; however, all subscription rights will expire on the expiration date whether or not we have been able to locate each person entitled to subscription rights.

If the sale of the common stock is not completed by February 3, 2011 and regulatory approval of an extension has not been granted, all funds received will be returned promptly, with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate and without deduction of any fees, and all deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be cancelled. If we receive approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision to extend the time for completing the offering, we will notify all subscribers of the duration of the extension, and subscribers will have the right to confirm, change or cancel their orders. If we do not receive a response from a subscriber to any resolicitation, the subscriber s order will be rescinded and all funds received will be returned promptly, with interest and withdrawal authorizations will be cancelled. No single extension can exceed 90 days. The offering must be completed no later than 24 months after SI Bancorp, MHC s members approve the plan of conversion.

*Persons in Non-Qualified States.* We will make reasonable efforts to comply with the securities laws of all states in the United States in which persons entitled to subscribe for stock under the plan of conversion reside. However, we are not required to offer stock in the subscription offering to any person who resides in a foreign country or who resides in a state of the United States in which (1) only a small number of persons otherwise eligible to subscribe for shares of common stock reside; (2) the granting of subscription rights or the offer or sale of shares to such person would require that we or our officers or directors register as a broker, dealer, salesman or selling agent under the securities laws of the state, or register or otherwise qualify the subscription rights or common stock for sale or qualify as a foreign corporation or file a consent to service of process; or (3) we determine that compliance with that state s securities laws would be impracticable or unduly burdensome for reasons of cost or otherwise.

*Restrictions on Transfer of Subscription Rights and Shares. Subscription rights are nontransferable.* You may not transfer, or enter into any agreement or understanding to transfer, the legal or beneficial ownership of your subscription rights issued under the plan of conversion or the shares of common stock to be issued upon exercise of your subscription rights. Your subscription rights may be exercised only by you and only for your own account. When registering your stock purchase on the order form, you should not add the name(s) of persons who have no subscription rights or who qualify in a lower purchase priority than you do. Doing so may jeopardize your subscription rights. If you exercise your subscription rights, you will be required to acknowledge on the order form that you are purchasing shares solely for your own account and that you have no agreement or understanding regarding the sale or transfer of such shares. Federal regulations also prohibit any person from offering, or making an announcement of an offer or intent to make an offer, to purchase such subscription rights or a subscriber s shares of common stock before the completion of the offering.

If you sell or otherwise transfer your rights to subscribe for common stock in the subscription offering or subscribe for common stock on behalf of another person, you may forfeit those rights and face possible further sanctions and penalties imposed by the Office of Thrift Supervision or another agency of the U.S. Government. Illegal transfers of subscription rights, including agreements made before completion of the offering to transfer shares after the offering, have been subject to enforcement actions by the Securities and Exchange Commission as violations of Rule 10b-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

We intend to report to the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Securities and Exchange Commission anyone who we believe sells or gives away their subscription rights. We will pursue any and all legal and equitable remedies in the event we become aware of the transfer of subscription rights, and we will not honor orders that we believe involve the transfer of subscription rights.

## **Community Offering**

To the extent that shares remain available for purchase after satisfaction of all subscriptions received in the subscription offering, we may, in our discretion, offer shares to the general public in a community offering. In the community offering, preference will be given first to natural persons and trusts of natural persons who are residents of Hartford, Middlesex, New London, Tolland and Windham Counties, Connecticut ( community residents ), second to shareholders of SI Financial Group as of November 1, 2010 and finally to members of the general public.

We will consider a person to be a resident of a particular county if he or she occupies a dwelling in the county, has the intent to remain for a period of time, and manifests the genuineness of that intent by establishing an ongoing physical presence together with an indication that such presence is something other than merely transitory in nature. We may utilize deposit or loan records or other evidence provided to us to make a determination as to a person s resident status. In all cases, the determination of residence status will be made by us in our sole discretion.

Subject to the purchase limitations as described below under *Limitations on Purchases of Shares*, purchasers in the community offering are eligible to purchase up to \$1,500,000 of common stock (which equals 187,500 shares). If shares are available for community residents in the community offering but there are insufficient shares to satisfy all of their orders, the available shares will be allocated first to each community resident whose order we accept in an amount equal to the lesser of 100 shares or the number of shares ordered by each such subscriber, if possible. After that, unallocated shares will be allocated among the remaining community residents whose orders remain unsatisfied on an equal number of shares per order basis until all available shares have been allocated. If, after filling the orders of community residents in the community offering, shares are available for shareholders of SI Financial Group in the community offering but there are insufficient shares to satisfy all orders, shares will be allocated in the same manner as for community residents. The same allocation method would apply if oversubscription occurred among the general public.

*Expiration Date for the Community Offering.* We expect that the community offering, if held, will terminate at the same time as the subscription offering, although it may continue without notice to you until February 3, 2011, or longer if the Office of Thrift Supervision approves a later date. No single extension may exceed 90 days. If we receive regulatory approval for an extension beyond February 3, 2011, all subscribers will be notified of the duration of the extension, and will have the right to confirm, change or cancel their orders. If we do not receive a response from a subscriber to any resolicitation, the subscriber s order will be rescinded and all funds received will be promptly returned, with interest.

The opportunity to subscribe for shares of common stock in the community offering is subject to our right to reject orders, in whole or part, either at the time of receipt of an order or as soon as practicable following the expiration date of the offering. If your order is rejected in part, you will not have the right to cancel the remainder of your order.

# Syndicated Community Offering

The plan of conversion provides that shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription offering and community offering may be offered for sale to the general public in a syndicated community offering. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated is acting as sole book-running manager. Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. is acting as co-manager for the syndicated community offering. In such capacity, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. may form a syndicate of other brokers-dealers who are Financial Industry Regulatory Authority member firms. Neither Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. nor any registered broker-dealer will have any obligation to take or purchase any shares of the common stock in the syndicated community offering; however, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. have each agreed to use its best efforts in the sale of shares in any syndicated community offering. We have not selected any other particular broker-dealers to participate in a syndicated community offering and will not do so until before the commencement of any syndicated community offering. The syndicated community offering would terminate no later than 45 days after the expiration of the subscription offering, unless extended by us, with approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

The opportunity to subscribe for shares of common stock in the syndicated community offering is subject to our right in our sole discretion to accept or reject orders, in whole or part, either at the time of receipt of an order or as soon as practicable following the expiration date of the offering. If your order is rejected in part, you will not have the right to cancel the remainder of your order.

Common stock sold in the syndicated community offering will be sold at the \$8.00 per share purchase price. Subject to the purchase limitations as described below under *Limitations on Purchases of Shares*, purchasers in the syndicated community offering are eligible to purchase up to \$1,500,000 of common stock (which equals 187,500 shares). We may begin the syndicated community offering at any time following the commencement of the subscription offering.

The syndicated community offering will be conducted in accordance with certain Securities and Exchange Commission rules applicable to best efforts offerings. Under these rules, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. or the other broker-dealers participating in the syndicated community offering generally will accept payment for shares of common stock to be purchased in the syndicated community offering through a sweep arrangement under which a customer s brokerage account at the applicable participating broker-dealer will be debited in the amount of the purchase price for the shares of common stock that such customer wishes to purchase in the syndicated community offering on the settlement date. Customers who authorize participating broker-dealers to debit their brokerage accounts are required to have the funds for the payment in their accounts on, but not before, the settlement date. No funds will be debited from brokerage accounts until the settlement date, which will only occur if the minimum of the offering range is met, at which time the funds will be promptly paid to SI Financial Group. Customers who do not wish to authorize participating broker-dealers to debit their brokerage accounts will not be permitted to purchase shares of common stock in the syndicated community offering. Customers without brokerage accounts will not be able to participate in the syndicated community offering. Institutional investors will pay Stifel Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, in its capacity as sole book-running manager, or Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P., in its capacity as co-manager, for shares purchased in the syndicated community offering on the settlement date through the services of the Depository Trust Company on a delivery versus payment basis. The closing of the syndicated community offering is subject to conditions set forth in an agency agreement among SI Financial Group, SI Bancorp, MHC and Savings Institute, on one hand, and Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P., on the other hand. If and when all the conditions for the closing are met, funds for common stock sold in the syndicated community offering less fees and commissions payable by us, will be delivered promptly to us. If the offering is consummated, but some or all of an interested investor s funds are not accepted by us, those funds will be returned to the interested investor promptly after the closing, without interest. If the offering is not consummated, funds in the account will be returned promptly, without interest, to the potential investor. Normal customer ticketing will be used for order placement. In the syndicated community offering, order forms will not be used.

#### Limitations on Purchases of Shares

In addition to the purchase limitations described above under *Subscription Offering and Subscription Rights*, *Community Offering* and *Syndicated Community Offering*, the plan of conversion provides for the following purchase limitations:

The minimum purchase is 25 shares.

No individual (or individuals exercising subscription rights through a single qualifying deposit account held jointly) may purchase more than \$1,500,000 of common stock (which equals 187,500 shares), subject to increase as described below.

Except for our employee stock ownership plan, no individual, together with any associates, and no group of persons acting in concert, may purchase in all categories of the stock offering combined, more than 5.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering (which equals 278,906 shares, 328,125 shares, 377,343 shares and 433,945 shares at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and maximum, as adjusted of the offering range, respectively), subject to increase as described below.

Our directors and executive officers, together with their associates, may purchase in the aggregate up to 25% of the common stock sold in the offering.

The maximum number of shares of new SI Financial Group common stock that may be subscribed for in all categories of the stock offering combined, by any person, together with associates of, or persons acting in concert with, such person, when combined with any shares of new SI Financial Group common stock to be received by them in exchange for shares of SI Financial Group common stock, may not exceed 5.0% of the total shares of new SI Financial Group common stock outstanding upon completion of the conversion and offering. However, existing shareholders of SI Financial Group will not be required to sell any shares of SI Financial

Group common stock or be limited from receiving any shares of new SI Financial Group common stock in exchange for their shares of SI Financial Group common stock or have to divest themselves of any shares of new SI Financial Group common stock received in exchange for their shares of SI Financial Group common stock as a result of this limitation.

We may, in our sole discretion, increase the individual purchase limitation to up to 5% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. If we decide to increase the purchase limitation, persons who subscribed in the subscription offering for the maximum number of shares of common stock and indicated on their stock order forms an interest in being resolicited, will be permitted to increase their subscriptions accordingly, subject to the rights and preferences of any person who has priority subscription rights. In the event of such a resolicitation, we have the right, in our sole discretion, to require subscribers to supply immediately available funds for the purchase of additional shares. Such persons will be prohibited from paying with a personal check, but we may allow payment by wire transfer.

We may increase the maximum purchase limitations to 9.99%, provided that orders for common stock exceeding 5% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering may not exceed in the aggregate 10% of the total shares of common stock sold in the offering.

The plan of conversion defines acting in concert to mean knowing participation in a joint activity or interdependent conscious parallel action towards a common goal whether or not by an express agreement or understanding; or a combination or pooling of voting or other interests in the securities of an issuer for a common purpose under any contract, understanding, relationship, agreement or other arrangement, whether written or otherwise. In general, a person who acts in concert with another party will also be deemed to be acting in concert with any person who is also acting in concert with that other party. We may presume that certain persons are acting in concert based upon, among other things, joint account relationships and the fact that persons reside at the same address or may have filed joint Schedules 13D or 13G with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to other companies. For purposes of the plan of conversion, our directors are not deemed to be acting in concert solely by reason of their board membership.

The plan of conversion defines associate, with respect to a particular person, to mean:

a corporation or organization other than SI Bancorp, MHC, SI Financial Group or Savings Institute or a majority-owned subsidiary of SI Bancorp, MHC, SI Financial Group or Savings Institute of which a person is a senior officer or partner or is, directly or indirectly, the beneficial owner of 10% or more of any class of equity securities of such corporation or organization;

a trust or other estate in which a person has a substantial beneficial interest or as to which a person serves as a trustee or a fiduciary; and

any person who is related by blood or marriage to such person and who lives in the same home as such person or who is a director or senior officer of SI Bancorp, MHC, SI Financial Group or Savings Institute or any of their subsidiaries.

For example, a corporation of which a person serves as an officer would be an associate of that person and, therefore, all shares purchased by the corporation would be included with the number of shares that the person could purchase individually under the purchase limitations described above. We have the right in our sole discretion to reject any order submitted by a person whose representations we believe to be false or who we otherwise believe, either alone or acting in concert with others, is violating or circumventing, or intends to violate or circumvent, the terms and conditions of the plan of conversion. Directors and officers are not treated as associates of each other solely by virtue of holding such positions. We have the sole discretion to determine whether prospective purchasers are associates or acting in concert.

#### **Marketing Arrangements**

To assist in the marketing of our common stock, we have retained Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, which is a broker-dealer registered with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will assist us on a best efforts basis in the offering by:

- (1) acting as our financial advisor for the conversion and offering;
- (2) providing administrative services and managing the Stock Information Center;

- (3) educating our employees regarding the offering;
- (4) targeting our sales efforts, including assisting in the preparation of marketing materials; and
- (5) soliciting orders for common stock.

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For these services, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will receive an advisory and administrative fee of \$50,000 and 1% of the dollar amount of all shares of common stock sold in the subscription and community offering. No sales fee will be payable to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated with respect to shares purchased by officers, directors and employees or their immediate families, shares purchased by our tax-qualified and non-qualified employee benefit plans, and shares that will be issued in the exchange for existing shares of SI Financial Group common stock. In the event that Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated sells common stock through a group of broker-dealers in a syndicated community offering, it will be paid a fee equal to 1% of the dollar amount of total shares sold in the syndicated community offering, 80% of which will be paid to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and 20% of which will be paid to Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P., which fee along with the fee payable to selected dealers (which may include Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P.) shall not exceed 5.50% in the aggregate. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P have agreed that: (1) with regard to shares sold to institutional investors, 80% of the 5.50% fee will be paid to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and 20% will be paid to Stafel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and 20% with respect to the respective shares sold by each to retail customers. Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated also will be reimbursed for allocable expenses in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the subscription offering and community offering and \$45,000 for the syndicated offering, and for attorney s fees in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 (excluding the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses of counsel).

If we are required to resolicit subscribers for shares of our common stock in the subscription and community offerings, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will be required to provide significant additional services in connection with the resolicitation (including repeating the services described above), and we may pay Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated an additional fee for those services that will not exceed \$50,000. Under such circumstances, with our consent, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated may be reimbursed for additional accountable reimbursable out-of-pocket expenses not to exceed \$10,000 and additional reimbursable attorney s fees not to exceed \$20,000, provided that the aggregate of all reimbursable expenses and legal fees shall not exceed \$200,000.

We will indemnify Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. against liabilities and expenses, including legal fees, incurred in connection with certain claims or litigation arising out of or based upon untrue statements or omissions contained in the offering materials for the common stock, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Some of our directors and executive officers may participate in the solicitation of offers to purchase common stock. These persons will be reimbursed for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the solicitation. Other regular employees of Savings Institute may assist in the offering, but only in ministerial capacities, and may provide clerical work in effecting a sales transaction. No offers or sales may be made by tellers or at the teller counters. No sales activity will be conducted in a Savings Institute banking office. Investment-related questions of prospective purchasers will be directed to executive officers or registered representatives of Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated. Our other employees have been instructed not to solicit offers to purchase shares of common stock or provide advice regarding the purchase of common stock. We will rely on Rule 3a4-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and sales of common stock will be conducted within the requirements of Rule 3a4-1, so as to permit officers, directors and employees to participate in the sale of common stock. None of our officers, directors or employees will be compensated in connection with their participation in the offering.

In addition, we have engaged Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated to act as our records management agent in connection with the conversion and offering. In its role as records management agent, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will coordinate with our data processing contacts and interface with the Stock Information Center to provide the records processing and the proxy and stock order services, including but not limited to: (1) consolidating deposit accounts and vote calculation; (2) preparing information for order forms and proxy cards; (3) interfacing with our financial printer; (4) recording stock order information; and (5) tabulating proxy votes. For these services, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will receive a fee of \$35,000 (additional fees in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 may be negotiated in the event significant work is required due to unexpected circumstances), and we will have made an advance payment of \$10,000 with respect to this fee. We will also reimburse Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses associated with its acting as information agent in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.

#### Lock-up Agreements

We and our directors and executive officers have agreed not to, directly or indirectly, offer, sell, transfer, pledge, assign, hypothecate or otherwise encumber any shares of our common stock or options, warrants or other securities exercisable, convertible or exchangeable for our common stock during the period commencing with the filing of the registration statement for the offering and conversion and ending 90 days after completion of the offering and conversion without the prior written consent of Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated. In addition, except for securities issued pursuant to existing employee benefit plans in accordance with past practices or securities issued in connection with a merger or acquisition by us, we have agreed not to issue, offer to sell or sell any shares of our common stock or options, warrants or other securities exercisable, convertible or exchangeable for our common stock without the prior written consent of Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated or other securities exercisable, convertible or exchangeable for our common stock without the prior written consent of Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated for a period of 90 days after completion of the offering and conversion.

#### **Prospectus Delivery**

To ensure that each subscriber in the subscription and community offerings receives a prospectus at least 48 hours before the expiration date of the offering in accordance with Rule 15c2-8 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we may not mail a prospectus any later than five days prior to the expiration date or hand deliver a prospectus any later than two days prior to that date. We are not obligated to deliver a prospectus or order form by means other than U.S. mail. Execution of an order form will confirm receipt of delivery of a prospectus in accordance with Rule 15c2-8. Stock order forms will be distributed only if preceded or accompanied by a prospectus.

In the syndicated community offering, a prospectus in electronic format may be made available on the Internet sites or through other online services maintained by Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated or one or more other members of the syndicate, or by their respective affiliates. In those cases, prospective investors may view offering terms online and, depending upon the syndicate member, prospective investors may be allowed to place orders online. The members of the syndicate may agree with us to allocate a specific number of shares for sale to online brokerage account holders. Any such allocation for online distributions will be made on the same basis as other allocations.

Other than the prospectus in electronic format, the information on the Internet sites referenced in the preceding paragraph and any information contained in any other Internet site maintained by any member of the syndicate is not part of this prospectus or the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, has not been approved and/or endorsed by us or by Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated or any other member of the syndicate in its capacity as selling agent or syndicate member and should not be relied upon by investors.

#### Procedure for Purchasing Shares in the Subscription and Community Offerings

*Use of Order Forms.* To purchase shares of common stock in the subscription offering or community offering, you must submit a properly completed original stock order form and remit full payment. We are not required to accept stock orders submitted on photocopied or facsimiled stock order forms. All stock order forms must be received (not postmarked) prior to 2:00 p.m. Eastern time, on December 20, 2010. We are not required to accept stock order forms that are not received by that time, are unsigned, executed defectively or are received without submitting full payment or without appropriate deposit account withdrawal instructions. We are not required to notify purchasers of incomplete or improperly executed stock order forms. We have the right to waive or permit the correction of incomplete or improperly executed stock order forms, but we do not represent that we will do so.

You may submit your stock order form and payment by mail using the stock order reply envelope provided or by overnight delivery to our Stock Information Center at the indicated address on the order form. Stock order forms may only be hand-delivered to Savings Institute s main office, located at 803 Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut. Stock order forms will not be accepted at our other Savings Institute offices and should not be mailed to Savings Institute. Once tendered, a stock order form cannot be modified or revoked without our consent. We reserve the absolute right, in our sole discretion, to reject orders received in the community offering, in whole or in part, at the time of receipt or at any time prior to completion of the offering.

If you are ordering shares in the subscription offering, by signing the stock order form you are representing that you are purchasing shares for your own account and that you have no agreement or understanding with any person for the sale or transfer of the shares.

By signing the stock order form, you will be acknowledging that the common stock is not a deposit or savings account and is not federally insured or otherwise guaranteed by Savings Institute or any federal or state government, and that you received a copy of this prospectus. However, signing the stock order form will not cause you to waive your rights under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. We have the right to reject any order submitted in the offering by a person who we believe is making false representations or who we otherwise believe, either alone or acting in concert with others, is violating, evading, circumventing, or intends to violate, evade or circumvent the terms and conditions of the plan of conversion. Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the plan of conversion and of the acceptability of the stock order forms will be final.

*Payment for Shares.* Payment for all shares of common stock will be required to accompany all completed order forms for the purchase to be valid. Payment for shares may be made only by:

Personal check, bank check or money order made payable directly to SI Financial Group, Inc. ; or

Authorization of withdrawal from the types of Savings Institute deposit accounts identified for on the stock order form. You may not remit Savings Institute line of credit checks, and we will not accept wire transfers or third-party checks, including those payable to you and endorsed over to SI Financial Group, Inc. Please do not remit cash. You may not designate on your stock order form a direct withdrawal from a Savings Institute individual retirement account or other retirement account. See *Using Retirement Account Funds to Purchase Shares* for information on using such funds. Additionally, you may not designate on your stock order form a direct withdrawal from Savings Institute deposit accounts with check-writing privileges. Instead, a check should be provided. If you request a direct withdrawal, we reserve the right to interpret that as your authorization to treat those funds as if we had received a check for the designated amount, and we will immediately withdraw the amount from your checking account(s).

Appropriate means for designating withdrawals from deposit accounts at Savings Institute are provided on the order forms. The funds designated must be available in the account(s) at the time the stock order form is received. A hold will be placed on these funds, making them unavailable to the depositor. Funds authorized for withdrawal will continue to earn interest within the account at the applicable contract rate until the offering is completed, at which time the designated withdrawal will be made. Interest penalties for early withdrawal applicable to certificate of deposit accounts will not apply to withdrawals authorized for the purchase of shares of common stock during the offering; however, if a withdrawal results in a certificate of deposit account with a balance less than the applicable minimum balance requirement, the certificate of deposit will be cancelled at the time of withdrawal without penalty and the remaining balance will earn interest calculated at the current passbook savings rate subsequent to the withdrawal.

If payment is made by personal check, funds must be available in the account. Payments made by check or money order will be immediately cashed and placed in a segregated account at Savings Institute and will earn interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate from the date payment is processed until the offering is completed, at which time a subscriber will be issued a check for interest earned.

Once we receive your executed stock order form, it may not be modified, amended or rescinded without our consent, unless the offering is not completed by February 3, 2011, in which event purchasers may be given the opportunity to increase, decrease or rescind their orders for a specified period of time.

Regulations prohibit Savings Institute from lending funds or extending credit to any persons to purchase shares of common stock in the offering.

The employee stock ownership plan will not be required to pay for shares at the time it subscribes, but rather may pay for shares upon the completion of the offering; provided that there is in force, from the time of its subscription until the completion of the offering, a loan commitment from an unrelated financial institution or from us to lend to the employee stock ownership plan, at that time, the aggregate purchase price of the shares for which it subscribed.

We may, in our sole discretion, permit institutional investors to submit irrevocable orders together with a legally binding commitment for payment and to thereafter pay for such shares of common stock for which they subscribe in the community offering at any time prior to the 48 hours before the completion of the offering. This payment may be made by wire transfer.

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Using Retirement Account Funds To Purchase Shares. A depositor interested in using funds in his or her individual retirement account, or IRA, or any other retirement account at Savings Institute to purchase common stock must do so through a self-directed retirement account. Since we do not offer those accounts, before placing a stock order, a depositor must make a transfer of funds from Savings Institute to a trustee (or custodian) offering a self-directed retirement account program (such as a brokerage firm). There will be no early withdrawal or Internal Revenue Service interest penalties for such transfers. The new trustee would hold the common stock in a self-directed account in the same manner as we now hold the depositor s retirement funds. An annual administrative fee may be payable to the new trustee. Subscribers interested in using funds in a retirement account held at Savings Institute or elsewhere to purchase common stock should contact the Stock Information Center for assistance, preferably at least two weeks before the December 20, 2010 offering expiration date, because processing such transactions takes additional time. Whether or not you may use retirement funds for the purchase of shares in the offering depends on timing constraints and, possibly, limitations imposed by the institution where the funds are held.

*Termination of Offering.* We reserve the right in our sole discretion to terminate the offering at any time and for any reason, in which case we will cancel any deposit account withdrawal authorizations and promptly return all funds submitted, with interest calculated at Savings Institute s passbook savings rate from the date of processing.

#### Effects of Conversion on Deposits and Borrowers

*General.* Each depositor in Savings Institute currently has both a deposit account in the institution and a pro rata ownership interest in the net worth of SI Bancorp, MHC based upon the balance in his or her account. However, this ownership interest is tied to the depositor s account and has no value separate from such deposit account. Furthermore, this ownership interest may only be realized in the unlikely event that SI Bancorp, MHC is liquidated. In such event, the depositors of record at that time, as owners, would share pro rata in any residual surplus and reserves of SI Bancorp, MHC after other claims are paid. Any depositor who opens a deposit account at Savings Institute obtains a pro rata ownership interest in the net worth of SI Bancorp, MHC without any additional payment beyond the amount of the deposit. A depositor who reduces or closes his or her account receives a portion or all of the balance in the account but nothing for his or her ownership interest in the net worth of SI Bancorp, MHC, which is lost to the extent that the balance in the account is reduced. When a mutual holding company converts to stock holding company form, depositors lose all rights to the net worth of the mutual holding company, except the right to claim a pro rata share of funds representing the liquidation account established by each of new SI Financial Group and Savings Institute in connection with the conversion.

*Continuity.* While the conversion and offering are being accomplished, the normal business of Savings Institute will continue without interruption, including being regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision. After the conversion and offering, Savings Institute will continue to provide services for depositors and borrowers under its current policies by its present management and staff.

The directors of Savings Institute at the time of conversion will serve as directors of Savings Institute after the conversion and offering. The Board of Directors of new SI Financial Group is composed of the individuals who serve on the Board of Directors of SI Financial Group. All officers of Savings Institute at the time of conversion will retain their positions after the conversion and offering.

*Deposit Accounts and Loans.* The conversion and offering will not affect any deposit accounts or borrower relationships with Savings Institute. All deposit accounts in Savings Institute after the conversion and offering will continue to be insured up to the legal maximum by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in the same manner as such deposit accounts were insured immediately before the conversion and offering. The conversion and offering will not change the interest rate or the maturity of deposits at Savings Institute.

After the conversion and offering, all loans of Savings Institute will retain the same status that they had before the conversion and offering. The amount, interest rate, maturity and security for each loan will remain as they were contractually fixed before the conversion and offering.

*Effect on Liquidation Rights.* If SI Bancorp, MHC were to liquidate, all claims of SI Bancorp, MHC s creditors would be paid first. Thereafter, if there were any assets remaining, members of SI Bancorp, MHC would receive such remaining assets, pro rata, based upon the deposit balances in their deposit accounts at Savings Institute immediately before liquidation. In the unlikely event that Savings Institute were to liquidate after the conversion and offering, all claims of creditors (including those of depositors, to the extent of their deposit balances) also would be paid first, followed by distribution of the

liquidation account to certain depositors (see *Liquidation Rights* below), with any assets remaining thereafter distributed to new SI Financial Group as the holder of Savings Institute s capital stock.

#### **Liquidation Rights**

*Liquidation Prior to the Conversion*. In the unlikely event of a complete liquidation of SI Bancorp, MHC or SI Financial Group prior to the conversion, all claims of creditors of SI Financial Group, including those of depositors of Savings Institute (to the extent of their deposit balances), would be paid first. Thereafter, if there were any assets of SI Financial Group remaining, these assets would be distributed to shareholders, including SI Bancorp, MHC. Then, if there were any assets of SI Bancorp, MHC remaining, members of SI Bancorp, MHC would receive those remaining assets, pro rata, based upon the deposit balances in their deposit account in Savings Institute immediately prior to liquidation.

*Liquidation Following the Conversion.* In the unlikely event that new SI Financial Group and Savings Institute were to liquidate after the conversion, all claims of creditors, including those of depositors, would be paid first, followed by distribution of the liquidation account maintained by SI Financial Group pursuant to the plan of conversion to certain depositors, with any assets remaining thereafter distributed to SI Financial Group as the holder of Savings Institute capital stock. The plan of conversion also provides that new SI Financial Group shall cause the establishment of a bank liquidation account. The establishment and maintenance of a second liquidation account by Savings Institute is designed to support the liquidation account. There are no differences in the provisions of the two liquidation accounts to be established and maintained.

The plan of conversion provides for the establishment, upon the completion of the conversion, of a liquidation account by new SI Financial Group for the benefit of eligible account holders and supplemental eligible account holders in an amount equal to SI Bancorp, MHC s ownership interest in the retained earnings of SI Financial Group as of the date of its latest balance sheet contained in this prospectus. The plan of conversion also provides that new SI Financial Group shall cause Savings Institute to establish a bank liquidation account.

The liquidation account established by new SI Financial Group is designed to provide payments to depositors of their liquidation interests in the event of a liquidation of new SI Financial Group and Savings Institute or of Savings Institute. Specifically, in the unlikely event that new SI Financial Group and Savings Institute were to completely liquidate after the conversion, all claims of creditors, including those of depositors, would be paid first, followed by distribution to depositors as of June 30, 2009 and September 30, 2010 of the liquidation account maintained by new SI Financial Group. In a liquidation of both entities, or of Savings Institute, when new SI Financial Group has insufficient assets to fund the distribution due to eligible account holders and Savings Institute has positive net worth, Savings Institute will pay amounts necessary to fund new SI Financial Group is sold or liquidated apart from a sale or liquidation of Savings Institute, then the rights of eligible account holders in the liquidation account maintained by new SI Financial Group will be surrendered and treated as a liquidation account in Savings Institute. Depositors will have an equivalent interest in Savings Institute liquidation account and Savings Institute liquidation account will have the same rights and terms as the liquidation account.

Pursuant to the plan of conversion, after two years from the date of conversion and upon the written request of the Office of Thrift