## KIENLONG COMMERCIAL JOINT STOCK BANK

No:749/NHKL

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Rach Gia, day 28 month 3 2025

Re: Explanation of Changes in Audited Separate After Tax Profit for 2024

To:

- State Securities Commission (SSC);
- Hanoi Stock Exchange (HNX).

Kienlong Commercial Joint Stock Bank (Stock code: KLB) hereby provides an explanation for the increase of over 10% in KienlongBank's audited separate after-tax profit for 2024, compared to 2023, as follows::

KienlongBank's audited separate after tax profit for 2024 increased by 318,639 million VND, equivalent to a 56.09% rise compared to 2023, primarily due to the following reasons:

- Total income increased by VND 1,185,822 million (corresponding to an increase of 43.39%), mainly because KienlongBank effectively utilized mobilized capital from the beginning of the year and efficiently implemented debt settlement and recovery measures..
- Total expenses increased by VND 787,383 million (corresponding to an increase of 38.95%), including:
- + Operating expenses increased by VND 382,355 million (corresponding to an increase of 23.84%), primarily due to KienlongBank's focus on investing in infrastructure, IT systems, digitalization projects, enhancing employee benefits, and increasing staff income.
- + Credit risk provision expenses increased by VND 405,028 million (corresponding to an increase of 96.92%), mainly because KienlongBank strengthened its provisioning to improve asset quality, accumulate resources for risk management, and establish a solid buffer to increase the non-performing loan coverage ratio. This proactive approach aims to mitigate potential uncertainties in the future, ensuring safe and sustainable operations.

Note: KienlongBank's audited separate after-tax profit remains unchanged from the preaudit report.

Sincerely./.

## Recipients

- As above;
- Board of Directors, Board of Supervisor (for reporting);
- Board of Executive (for direction);
- Archieved at: Clerical department.

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