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**DIVIDEND NOTICE**

**MONTREAL, February 27, 2008** - At its meeting held on February 27, 2008, the Board of Directors of the Laurentian Bank of Canada (the "Bank") has declared the following dividends:

- > a regular quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share on the common shares payable on May 1, 2008 to the holders on record at the close of business on April 1, 2008;
- > a dividend of \$0.375 on the preferred shares Series 9, payable on March 15, 2008 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 10, 2008; and
- > a dividend of \$0.328125 on the preferred shares Series 10, payable on March 15, 2008 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 10, 2008.

For year 2008, all dividends declared will be eligible dividends, unless otherwise indicated. The dividends declared on February 27, 2008, are eligible dividends for income tax legislation purposes.

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