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March 8, 1999

Dear Shareholder:

You are invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Pacific Century Financial Corporation ("Pacific Century" or the "Company"). The meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, April 23, 1999 on the Sixth Floor of the Bank of Hawaii Building, 111 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii.

The Notice of Meeting and Proxy Statement accompanying this letter describe the business we will consider and vote upon at the meeting. In addition to

consideration of these matters, a report to shareholders on the affairs of Pacific Century will be given and shareholders will have the opportunity to discuss matters of interest concerning the Company.

Your vote is very important. Please complete, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card and mail it promptly in the enclosed postage-paid return envelope, even if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting. You may also vote by telephone or electronically via the Internet. If you wish to do so, your proxy may be revoked at any time prior to its use.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

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LAWRENCE M. JOHNSON CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD APRIL 23, 1999

To Our Shareholders:

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Pacific Century Financial Corporation ("Pacific Century" or the "Company") will be held on Friday, April 23, 1999, at 8:30 a.m. on the sixth floor of the Bank of Hawaii Building, 111 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii, for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect four Class I Directors for terms expiring in 2002.
- 2. To elect one Class III Director for a term expiring in 2001.
- 3. To approve an Amendment to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to reduce the percentage of shares required to remove a director for cause.
- 4. To approve an Amendment to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to permit ten percent of the shareholders to call a special meeting.
- 5. To approve an amendment to the Pacific Century Financial Corporation Stock Option Plan of 1994 (the "Option Plan") to increase the number of shares of common stock available for grant under the Option Plan.
- 6. To approve certain performance-based compensation provisions of the Option Plan for purposes of Section 162(m).
- 7. To approve certain material terms of the One-Year Incentive Plan for purposes of Section 162(m).
- To approve certain material terms of the Long-Term Incentive Plan for purposes of Section 162(m).

9. To elect an Independent Auditor.

10. To transact any other business that may be properly brought before the meeting.

Shareholders of record of Pacific Century common stock at the close of business on February 23, 1999 are entitled to attend the meeting and vote on the business brought before it.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. However, in the event that you are unable to attend the meeting, your shares may still be voted if you complete, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card in the enclosed postage-paid return envelope. You may also vote by telephone or electronically via the Internet. The accompanying proxy statement provides certain background information that will be helpful in deciding how to cast your vote on business transacted at the meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors

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CORI C. WESTON VICE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Honolulu, Hawaii Dated: March 8, 1999

IMPORTANT PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD OR VOTE BY TELEPHONE OR ON THE INTERNET AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE. THIS WILL SAVE YOUR COMPANY THE EXPENSE OF A SUPPLEMENTARY SOLICITATION.

THANK YOU FOR ACTING PROMPTLY.

PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION 130 MERCHANT STREET HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

PROXY STATEMENT FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD APRIL 23, 1999 (APPROXIMATE MAILING DATE: MARCH 8, 1999)

The accompanying proxy is solicited by order of the Board of Directors of Pacific Century Financial Corporation ("Pacific Century" or the "Company"). Any proxy submitted as a result of this solicitation may be revoked by the shareholder by giving notice of revocation to Pacific Century in writing or in person at any time prior to its use. Attendance at the Annual Meeting will not in itself constitute revocation of a proxy.

The expense of this solicitation will be paid by Pacific Century. In addition to using the mail and Internet, proxies may be solicited by officers, directors, and regular employees of Pacific Century or its subsidiaries, in person, or by telephone, telegram, facsimile or other means without additional compensation for such services. Pacific Century will also request brokers or nominees who hold Pacific Century's common stock in their names to forward proxy material at Pacific Century's expense to the beneficial owners of such stock. Pacific Century has retained Georgeson & Company, a firm of professional proxy solicitors, to aid in the solicitation of such proxies at an estimated fee of \$8,000 plus reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses. The Company also reimburses brokerage firms and others for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in forwarding solicitation material to the beneficial owners of stock.

VOTING SECURITIES, VOTES REQUIRED, AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

As of February 23, 1999 (the "record date"), Pacific Century had outstanding 80,530,016 shares of common stock. The presence at the meeting, in person or by a proxy, of at least one-third of the outstanding shares is necessary to constitute a quorum for the meeting. Each outstanding share is entitled to one

vote on all matters.

Brokers holding shares of record for customers generally are not entitled to vote on certain matters unless they receive voting instructions from their customers. As used herein, "broker non-votes" mean shares that are present for quorum purposes but which are not voted on a particular matter by a broker because the broker has no authority to vote on the matter without instructions. The Company intends to treat abstentions and broker non-votes in accordance with the principles set forth below.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS (PROPOSALS 1 AND 2): Directors are elected by a plurality, and the nominees for each class who receive the most votes will be elected. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not be taken into account in determining the outcome of the election.

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION (PROPOSALS 3 AND 4): To be adopted, Proposals 3 and 4 must each receive the affirmative vote of the majority of shares outstanding on the record date. Accordingly, abstentions and broker non-votes have the effect of negative votes.

OTHER PROPOSALS: All other proposals to be considered at the meeting require the affirmative vote of the majority of the shares present in person or by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote. For these purposes, any broker non-votes on a proposal will be treated as not entitled to vote and therefore will not affect the outcome. Abstentions will have the effect of negative votes.

At the close of business on December 31, 1998, Pacific Century had 80,352,548 shares of common stock outstanding. Two corporations were known to Pacific Century to own beneficially 5% or more of Pacific Century's common stock. Information about such ownership is set forth in the following table:

TITLE OF CLASS	NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF BENEFICIAL OWNERS	AMOUNT AND NATURE OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP	PERCENT OF CLASS
Common Stock	Wellington Management Co., LLP 75 State Street Boston, Massachusetts 02109	6,185,000	7.7%
Common Stock	State Farm Mutual Auto Insurance Company and its related entities One State Farm Plaza Bloomington, Illinois 61701	5,061,312	6.3%

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- (1) Wellington Management Company, LLP ("WMC") is an investment adviser registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. As of December 31, 1998 WMC, in its capacity as investment adviser, may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of 6,185,000 shares of common stock of Pacific Century that are owned by numerous investment advisory clients, none of which is known to have such interest with respect to more than five percent of the class. As of December 31, 1998, WMC had shared voting power over 4,611,740 shares, and shared dispositive power over 6,185,000 shares.
- (2) State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company and its related entities have sole voting and dispositive power over the 5,061,312 shares.

PROPOSALS 1 AND 2: ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The Certificate of Incorporation of Pacific Century provides that the Board of Directors shall consist of not less than 3 nor more than 15 persons who shall be elected for such terms as may be prescribed in the Certificate of Incorporation of Pacific Century. The Certificate of Incorporation of Pacific Century provides that the Board of Directors is to be divided into 3 classes, with the terms of office of one class expiring each year. Directors to succeed the class of directors whose terms expire will be elected for terms of 3 years at Pacific Century's annual meetings. The Board of Directors has increased the number of directors from 11 to 13 to provide for a greater diversity of skills and experience on the Board. As discussed below, the Board recommends that Mr. Fredericks and Mr. Stein be elected to the new positions.

Listed below are the four persons who have been nominated as Class I directors to serve 3-year terms to expire in 2002 and one person who has been nominated as a Class III director to serve a 2-year term to expire in 2001. With the exception of Mr. Fredericks (Class I nominee) and Mr. Stein (Class III nominee) all of the nominees are currently serving as directors of Pacific Century. The Board recommends the election of Mr. Fredericks and Mr. Stein to the Board. Both nominees will further enhance the Board's geographic diversity and augment existing expertise and experience in the areas of technology, strategic development and investment banking. Mr. Fredericks and Mr. Stein are residents of the State of California, a significant market of the Company's subsidiary, Pacific Century Bank, N.A. Mr. Fredericks was formerly Senior Managing Director at NationsBanc Montgomery Securities. Mr. Fredericks joined Montgomery in 1977 as a Security Analyst covering the banking industry until 1995, the last 17 years of which he was a member of Institutional Investor Magazine's All-American Research Team. In 1995, until February 1999, he was director of NationsBanc Montgomery Securities' Investment Banking Financial Services and Financial Technology Group. He has played a leading role in numerous mergers and acquisitions, including 5 of the 20 largest bank transactions completed. Mr Fredericks is a past president of the Bank and Financial Analysts Society and is the author of "Darwinian Banking". Mr. Stein was formerly vice chairman of technology and operations at BankAmerica Corporation. Mr. Stein was responsible for the corporation's technology development, computer operations, check processing and vault functions and environmental policies and programs. He was a member of the bank's Office of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Capital Budget Committee. Mr. Stein is currently president of Sonoma Mountain Ventures, a company that provides strategic and technology consulting. Mr. Stein has over 30 years experience in the area of technology and operations as well as strategic and tactical planning, margin growth and re-engineering of financial institutions. Should any of these nominees become unable to serve, an event which is not anticipated by Pacific Century, the proxies, except those from shareholders who have given instructions to withhold voting for the following nominees, will be voted for such other persons as management may nominate. Certain information concerning each of the nominees, and each of the continuing directors, is set forth after his name. Each nominee or director continuing in office is also currently a director of Bank of Hawaii (the "Bank"), Pacific Century's major subsidiary.

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NOMINEES FOR ELECTION AS CLASS I DIRECTORS--TERMS EXPIRE IN 2002

NAME, AGE, AND YEAR FIRST ELECTED AS DIRECTOR		OTHER DIRECTORSHIPS HELD	SHARES OF PACIFIC CENTURY COMMON STOCK OWNED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1998
Peter D. Baldwin; 61; 1991	President of Baldwin Pacific Corporation (diversified foods distribution, milk and juice processing/packaging company, and orchard farming in California) since 1965; President, Baldwin Pacific Properties, Inc. (real estate development company) since 1988; Director and Chief Executive Officer of Orchards Hawaii, Inc. (fruit juice marketing) since 1986; President of Haleakala Ranch Co. (cattle ranching and real estate development).		9,302(1)
Richard J. Dahl; 47; 1995	President of Pacific Century and Bank of Hawaii since August 1994; Chief Operating Officer of Pacific Century since 1997;	affiliates of Pacific	518,668(2)

	Chief Operating Officer of the Bank since August 1995; Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Pacific Century, April 1987 to January 1994; Vice Chair of the Bank, December 1989 to July 1994. Director of Bank since April 1994.		
Donald M. Takaki; 57; 1997	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Island Movers, Inc. since 1964 (a transportation service company); President, Transportation Concepts, Inc. since 1988 (a transportation leasing company) and General Partner, Don Rich Associates since 1979 (a real estate development company).	Various subsidiaries and affiliates of Pacific Century.	9,234(3)
J. Richard Fredericks; 53	Private investor and consultant; former Senior Managing Director and Director of Investment Banking Financial Services and Financial Technology Group for NationsBanc Montgomery Securities from January 1995 to February 1999; Research analyst covering the banking and financial services industry for NationsBanc Montgomery Securities from 1977 to January 1995.	Bank of Hawaii	
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NOMINEE FOR ELECTION AS CLASS III DIRECTOR--TERM EXPIRES IN 2001

				SHARES OF
				PACIFIC CENTURY
				COMMON STOCK
NAME, AGE, AND YEAR	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION(S)			OWNED AS OF
FIRST ELECTED AS DIRECTOR	DURING PAST 5 YEARS	OTHER	DIRECTORSHIPS HELD	DECEMBER 31, 1998

Martin A. Stein	President, Sonoma Mountain Venture,	Bank of Hawaii; Sequest	
58	(strategic and technology consulting and	Computers	
	venture capital) since October 1998; Vice		
	Chair of BankAmerica Corp. from 1990 to		
	October 1998, responsible for Technology,		
	Operations, Payments and Purchasing.		

The foregoing persons will be nominated for election as Class I and Class III directors, as indicated above. The shares represented by the proxy cards returned will be voted FOR the election of these nominees unless you specify otherwise.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" THE ELECTION OF THE ABOVE NOMINEES AS DIRECTORS.

A shareholder may nominate a particular individual to serve as a director, provided notice of such nomination together with the written consent of such individual to serve as a director is given within the time period provided for in Section 1.12 of the By-Laws of Pacific Century. The notice of nomination must be made in writing, delivered or mailed by first class mail to the Corporate Secretary of Pacific Century, and must set forth (1) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (2) the principal occupation or employment of the nominee, and (3) the number of shares of Pacific Century stock beneficially owned by the nominee.

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DIRECTORS CONTINUING IN OFFICE CLASS II DIRECTORS--TERMS EXPIRE IN 2000

David A. Heenan; 59; 1993	Trustee, The Estate of James Campbell since January 1, 1995; Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Theo H. Davies & Co., Ltd. (the North American subsidiary of Hong Kong-based Jardine Matheson Holdings Ltd., a diversified multi-national corporation) July 1982 to December 31, 1994.	and affiliates of	17,559(4)
Stuart T. K. Ho; 63; 1987	Chairman of the Board and President, Capital Investment of Hawaii, Inc. (diversified real estate development and management company) since January 1982; Chairman, Gannett Pacific Corp. (newspaper publishing company) since 1987.		24,140(5)
Lawrence M. Johnson; 58; 1989	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Pacific Century and the Bank of Hawaii since August 1994; President of Pacific Century and Bank March 1989 to July 1994; Executive Vice President of Pacific Century August 1980 to February 1989.	Various subsidiaries and affiliates of Pacific Century.	847,706(6)
Fred E. Trotter; 68; 1978	President of F. E. Trotter, Inc. since January 1970.	Longs Drug Stores; Maui Land & Pineapple Co., Inc.; Various subsidiaries and affiliates of Pacific Century.	11,942(7)

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DIRECTORS CONTINUING IN OFFICE CLASS III DIRECTORS--TERMS EXPIRE IN 2001

NAME, AGE, AND YEAR FIRST ELECTED AS DIRECTOR		OTHER DIRECTORSHIPS HELD	SHARES OF PACIFIC CENTURY COMMON STOCK OWNED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1998
Mary G. F. Bitterman; 54; 1994	President and Chief Executive Officer, KQED, Inc. (public broadcasting center) since November 1993; Consultant (telecommunications, investments and Asian-Pacific affairs) November 1988 to October 1993.	affiliates of Pacific Century. McKesson Corp.	18,417(8)
Herbert M. Richards, Jr.; 69; 1994	President and Manager, Kahua Ranch, Ltd. (cattle and sheep ranching and diversified agricultural business) since December 1953.	affiliates of Pacific	13,922(9)
H. Howard Stephenson; 69; 1980	Retired; Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Pacific Century and the Bank of Hawaii March 1989 to July 1994; President of Pacific Century and the Bank of Hawaii August 1980 to February 1989.		288,191(10)
Stanley S. Takahashi; 66	Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, Kyo-Ya Company, Ltd. since 1989; Chairman since 1996 and Director of United Laundry Service, Inc. since 1992; President and Director of Kyo-Ya Insurance Services Inc. since 1994; Director of Kokusai Kogyo Company, Ltd. since 1992 (diversified ownership of hotels and resorts in Hawaii, California, Florida and Australia).	affiliates of Pacific	8,100(11)

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(1) Includes 2,674 shares owned by Baldwin Pacific Corporation, of which Mr. Baldwin is President, Director and sole shareholder, 600 restricted shares and 28 shares held in trust for Mr. Baldwin, and 6,000 restricted shares that Mr. Baldwin has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Compensation Program ("Director Stock Program"). (2) Includes 52,468 shares held in trust for Mr. Dahl, 600 restricted shares owned individually, 41,591 shares held in trust for spouse, 5,433 shares owned by son Steven, 5,433 shares owned by daughter Sarah, 5,321 shares owned by daughter Jane, 3,798 shares held in trust for Mr. Dahl under the Pacific Century Profit Sharing Plan, and 404,624 shares that Mr. Dahl has the right to acquire within 60 days through the exercise of stock options.

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- (3) Includes 2,312 shares owned jointly with spouse, 600 restricted shares held individually, 1,322 shares acquired under the Directors Deferred Compensation Plan ("Deferred Plan"), and 5,000 restricted shares Mr. Takaki has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program.
- (4) Includes 600 restricted shares owned individually, 2,420 shares owned by a family partnership, 656 shares owned by David Allan Heenan, Inc., 7,883 shares acquired under the Deferred Plan, and 6,000 restricted shares that Mr. Heenan has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program.
- (5) Includes 1,340 shares owned individually, 740 shares of which are in an individual retirement account and 600 of which are restricted shares, 1,124 shares owned by spouse in an individual retirement account, 14,421 shares acquired under the Deferred Plan, 6,000 restricted shares that Mr. Ho has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program, and indirectly 1,255 shares as co-trustee for the Chinn Ho Trust under Trust Agreement dated February 6, 1987.
- (6) Includes 406,493 shares that Mr. Johnson has the right to acquire within 60 days through the exercise of stock options, 262,264 shares held in trust for Mr. Johnson, 600 restricted shares issued under the Director Stock Program owned individually, and 26,076 shares held in trust for Mr. Johnson under the Pacific Century Profit Sharing Plan.

Includes 152,273 shares owned by the Bank of Hawaii Charitable Foundation (the "Foundation"). The Board of Directors of the Foundation, which consists of the Bank of Hawaii directors, has appointed Mr. Johnson as President of the Foundation. Mr. Johnson, as President, has the authority to direct the disposition and to vote and execute proxies for such shares on behalf of the Foundation. Because Mr. Johnson possesses shared voting and investment power with respect to such shares, he may be deemed to have beneficial ownership for certain purposes within the meaning of regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. If the total number of shares beneficially owned by Mr. Johnson included such shares held in trust for the Foundation, the percentage of shares of common stock owned by Mr. Johnson would be 0.01%. Mr. Johnson has advised Pacific Century that he disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.

- (7) Includes 1,934 shares owned by the F. E. Trotter, Inc. Pension Plan, of which Mr. Trotter is the sole participant, 3,408 shares owned individually, 600 restricted shares held in trust, and 6,000 restricted shares that Mr. Trotter has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program.
- (8) Includes 5,522 shares held in trust for Dr. Bitterman, 600 of which are restricted, 1,000 shares owned individually in an individual retirement account, 3,895 shares held in trust for spouse, 2,000 shares owned by spouse in an individual retirement account, and 6,000 restricted shares that Dr. Bitterman has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program.
- (9) Includes 4,206 shares owned by Kahua Ranch, Ltd., of which Mr. Richards is President and Manager and beneficiary of a trust, 5,716 shares owned

individually, 2,600 of which are restricted shares, and 4,000 restricted shares that Mr. Richards has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program.

- (10) Includes 142,328 shares held in trust for Mr. Stephenson, 600 of which are restricted shares, 127,232 shares held in trust for spouse, 12,631 shares that Mr. Stephenson has the right to acquire within 60 days through the exercise of stock options, and 6,000 restricted shares that Mr. Stephenson has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program.
- (11) Includes 1,500 shares owned jointly with spouse in trust, 600 restricted shares held individually, and 6,000 restricted shares that Mr. Takahashi has the right to acquire under the Director Stock Program.

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SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF MANAGEMENT

The following table shows as of December 31, 1998, the number of shares of common stock of Pacific Century beneficially owned by all named executive officers of Pacific Century, individually, and all directors, executive officers and nominees as a group. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Johnson and President and Chief Operating Officer Dahl are omitted from this table since such information is provided for Mr. Johnson as a director continuing in office on page 6 and for Mr. Dahl as a nominee for Class I director on page 4.

NAME, AND AGE OF INDIVIDUAL	CURRENT POSITION AND BUSINESS EXPERIENCE DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED (A)
Alton T. Kuioka, 55	Vice Chair and Chief Lending Officer of Pacific Century since April 1997; Executive Vice President of Pacific Century since October 1994, Vice Chair of the Bank since June 1994; Chief Lending Officer of the Bank since August 1995; Executive Vice President of the Bank from November 1991 to May 1994; Senior Vice President from October 1988 to October 1991.	241,698(b)
David A. Houle, 51	Executive Vice President of Pacific Century since April 1997; Senior Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of Pacific Century since December 1992; Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Bank since February 1994.	92,271(c)
Mary P. Carryer, 51	Vice Chair of Pacific Century and the Bank from November 1997; General Manager Consumer Marketing/ Product Development for Westpac Banking Corporation from August 1993 to November 1997; Senior Vice President, Corporate Planning Group, Wells Fargo and Company from 1991 to August 1993.	82,545(d)
Directors, nominees and executive officers as a group (17 persons)		1,699,922(e)

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- (a) Each of the named executive officers beneficially owns less than 1% of the outstanding shares of common stock of Pacific Century.
- (b) Includes 17,988 shares held in trust for Mr. Kuioka under the Pacific Century Profit Sharing Plan, 52,148 shares owned individually, 400 of which are restricted shares, and 171,562 shares that Mr. Kuioka has the right to acquire within 60 days through the exercise of stock options.
- (c) Includes 2,475 shares held in trust for Mr. Houle under the Pacific Century Profit Sharing Plan, 6,000 shares owned jointly with spouse, 200 shares owned by spouse in an individual retirement account, 600 shares owned in an individual retirement account and 82,996 shares that Mr. Houle has the right

to acquire within 60 days through the exercise of stock options.

- (d) Includes 45 shares owned individually, and 82,500 shares that Ms. Carryer has the right to acquire within 60 days through the exercise of stock options.
- (e) Includes 152,273 shares owned by the Bank of Hawaii Charitable Foundation of which Mr. Johnson is President as mentioned in footnote (6) on page 8, 1,148,175 shares that may be acquired by executive officers within 60 days through the exercise of stock options, and 50,337 shares held in trust under the Pacific Century Profit Sharing Plan pursuant to elections by executive officers. If all such shares are included, all directors and executive officers of Pacific Century as a group owned 0.01% of Pacific Century's common stock on December 31, 1998 and no one director or executive officer owned more than 1% of such stock.

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SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, requires Pacific Century's directors and executive officers and persons who own more than ten percent of Pacific Century's common stock to report their ownership and changes in their ownership of Pacific Century's common stock to the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Stock Exchange. Specific due dates for these reports have been established by the Securities and Exchange Commission and Pacific Century is required to report in this proxy statement any failure of its directors and executive (and certain other) officers to file by these dates.

To Pacific Century's knowledge, based solely on review of the copies of such reports received by Pacific Century and the written representations of its directors and officers, Pacific Century believes that all such filing requirements were satisfied by its directors and officers for 1998, with the exception of one option exercise with respect to 1,000 shares in August 1998 by Mr. Houle, which was filed in October 1998. This late filing resulted from administrative oversight at the Company.

DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS

Pacific Century's Board of Directors met a total of 10 times during 1998. Each of the directors attended 75% or more of the aggregate of the total number of meetings of the Board of Directors and the total number of meetings held by the committees on which he or she served in 1998.

With the exception of Mr. Johnson and Mr. Dahl, who do not receive fees for serving on the Board of Directors, each director was paid an annual retainer of \$8,000, plus \$750 for each regular Board meeting attended. All Pacific Century directors are also directors of the Bank of Hawaii and, with the exception of Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dahl and Mr. Kuioka, receive an annual retainer as a Bank of Hawaii director of \$8,000, plus \$750 for each regular Bank of Hawaii Board meeting. Each current Pacific Century director holds 125 shares of Bank of Hawaii, and during 1998 received \$4,350 in dividends on such shares. Directors are also reimbursed for board-related travel expenses. The Company does not have a retirement plan for directors who are not employees of the Company.

The Board of Directors has five committees--Audit Committee, Compensation and Management Development Committee ("Compensation Committee"), Chief Executive Officer Evaluation Committee ("CEO Evaluation Committee"), Executive Committee, and Nominating Committee. Directors who are not employees of Pacific Century or any of its subsidiaries serving as members of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and Executive Committee receive \$600 for each meeting attended. In 1999, the Audit Committee meeting fee will be \$750. The chair of the Compensation Committee receives an annual retainer of \$2,500. For 1998, the chair and vice chair of the Audit Committee also received an annual retainer of \$3,000 and \$2,500, respectively, and for 1999 will receive \$3,500 and \$3,000, respectively. The chair of the CEO Evaluation Committee receives an annual retainer of \$1,500 and each member receives an annual retainer of \$1,000 each. Members of the CEO Evaluation Committee receive no separate meeting fees.

DIRECTORS DEFERRED PLAN

Pacific Century maintains a Deferred Plan under which each director may elect to defer all of his or her annual retainer and meeting fees or all of his or her annual retainer. Distribution of the deferred amounts will commence as of the first day of the first calendar month after the participating director ceases to be a director of Pacific Century. Distribution will be made in a lump sum or in approximately equal annual installments over such period of years (not exceeding 10 years) as the director elects at the time of deferral. Under the Deferred Plan, deferred amounts are not credited with interest, but are valued based on corresponding investments in Pacific Capital Funds or Pacific Century Stock, as selected by participants.

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DIRECTOR STOCK PROGRAM

Pacific Century maintains a Director Stock Program under which each director of Pacific Century and the Bank who is not an employee receives an annual grant of options to acquire restricted stock at a price equal to the fair market value of Pacific Century's stock at the date of grant. A director who is not an employee of Pacific Century or the Bank and who is a member of both Boards receives an annual option for 2,000 restricted shares, and a director who serves on only one Board receives an annual option for 1,000 restricted shares. In addition, under the Director Stock Program, all directors of the Bank receive annual grants of 200 restricted shares (not to exceed 1,000 restricted shares to any one director). Restricted stock issued under the Director Stock Program carries voting and dividend rights but is generally non-transferable during a restriction period that ends upon expiration of a director's last consecutive term, at death, upon disability, upon a change in control, or upon removal from office by shareholders without cause. Restricted stock will be forfeited if a director ceases to serve as a director for any reason that does not cause a lapse of the restriction period.

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

AUDIT COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: Stuart T. K. Ho (Chair), Mary G. F. Bitterman (Vice-Chair), David A. Heenan and Robert Wo, Jr.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 1998: 8

FUNCTIONS:

- Reviews Pacific Century's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission
- Reviews tax matters of consequence to Pacific Century and its subsidiaries
- Reviews the internal financial controls of Pacific Century and its subsidiaries
- Reviews the scope of auditing activity and reports prepared by Pacific Century's independent and internal auditors and regulatory agencies
- Reviews the audit services provided by the independent auditors and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to the nomination of independent auditors for Pacific Century.
- Reviews matters pertaining to corporate governance.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: Fred E. Trotter (Chair), Stuart T. K. Ho and Herbert M. Richards, Jr.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 1998: 4

FUNCTIONS:

- Reviews, approves, and reports to the Board of Directors as to the compensation arrangements and plans for senior management of Pacific

- Reviews and approves goals for incentive compensation plans, stock option plans and evaluates performance against these goals.

CEO EVALUATION COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: Fred E. Trotter (Chair), Stuart T. K. Ho, Mary G. F. Bitterman, Stanley S. Takahashi and Herbert M. Richards, Jr.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 1998: 4

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FUNCTIONS:

- Determines performance objectives of the CEO and evaluates the CEO's performance measured against the performance objectives and goals of Pacific Century.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: H. Howard Stephenson (Chair), Lawrence M. Johnson (Vice Chair), Richard J. Dahl, Stuart T. K. Ho, Fred E. Trotter, and two other non-employee directors; currently Mary G. F. Bitterman and Donald M. Takaki who serve for six-month terms.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 1998: 2

FUNCTIONS:

- Authorized to exercise certain powers of the Board of Directors during intervals between the meetings of the Board of Directors when time is of the essence.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: Fred E. Trotter (Chair), Stuart T. K. Ho (Vice Chair), Peter D. Baldwin, Mary G. F. Bitterman, David A. Heenan, Herbert M. Richards, Jr., H. Howard Stephenson, Stanley S. Takahashi and Donald M. Takaki.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS IN 1998: 1

FUNCTIONS:

- Reviews the qualifications of all Board candidates and recommends candidates for membership on the Board.

In addition to the nomination procedure discussed on page 5, this Committee will consider recommendations by shareholders for nominees for election to the Board at the Annual Meeting to be conducted in 2000, if such recommendations are received in writing, prior to February 4, 2000 and not earlier than January 25, 2000 and as otherwise provided by Section 1.12 of the By-Laws of Pacific Century, addressed to Pacific Century's Nominating Committee in care of the Corporate Secretary, Pacific Century Financial Corporation, 130 Merchant Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.

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EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The following table sets forth for the fiscal years ending December 31, 1998, 1997, and 1996, information with respect to compensation paid by Pacific Century to its Chief Executive Officer and to other persons who, at December 31, 1998, were the four most highly compensated executive officers of Pacific Century other than the CEO ("named executive officers"):

SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

				AWA	RDS	23.1001772
		ANNUAL C	OMPENSATION	 RESTRICTED	SECURITIES	PAYOUTS
NAME AND PRINCIPAL POSITION(1)	YEAR		BONUS (\$) (2)	STOCK	UNDERLYING OPTIONS/	LONG TERM INCENTIVE PAYOUTS (\$)(6)
Lawrence M. Johnson Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	1997		80,151	200	150,000 75,000 100,000	0 0 0
President and Chief	1998 1997 1996	475,008	175,000 48,950 300,929	200 200 200	120,000 60,000 80,000	0 0 0
Alton T. Kuioka Vice Chair and Chief Lending Officer	1997	300,000	150,000 30,915 184,234	200 200	55,000 32,500 40,000	0 0 0
Mary P. Carryer Vice Chair		325,008 50,000 0	150,000 0 0		55,000 82,500 0	0 0 0
David A. Houle Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer	1997	255,000 236,256 222,917			25,000 18,000 20,000	0 0 0

NAME AND PRINCIPAL	ALL OTHER
POSITION (1)	(\$) (7)
POSITION(1)	(\$)(7)
Lawrence M.	86,361
Johnson	145,454
Chairman of the	135,825
Board and Chief	
Executive Officer	
Richard J. Dahl	61,990
President and Chief	96,081
Operating Officer	84,585
Alton T. Kuioka	39,960
Vice Chair and	61,464
Chief Lending	52,980
Officer	
Mary P. Carryer	6,138
Vice Chair	0
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David A. Houle	35,666
Executive Vice	44,055
President,	38,834
Treasurer and	
Chief Financial	
Officer	

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- (1) Mr. Johnson has been Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer since August 1, 1994. Mr. Dahl has been President since August 1, 1994 and Chief Operating Officer since August 1995. Mr. Kuioka has been Executive Vice President since October 26, 1994 and Chief Lending Officer since August 1995; and in April of 1997 assumed the title of Vice Chair and Chief Lending Officer. Ms. Carryer joined the Company on November 1, 1997 as Vice Chair. Accordingly, information for Ms. Carryer for 1996 is not presented.
- (2) "Bonus" consists of cash awards under Pacific Century's One-Year Incentive Plans for the years 1996 and 1997. No cash awards were made to any named executive officer under the Executive One-Year Incentive Plan for 1998 as performance goals were not met. The Executive One-Year Plan participants are Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dahl, Mr. Kuioka and Ms. Carryer. For the year 1998, a cash bonus, as described on pages 22 and 23, was awarded to all Executive One Year Incentive Plan participants. Mr. Houle received a cash award under the Company's One-Year Incentive Plan which covers other key employees of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company's incentive plans are described on pages 21 and 22.
- (3) Perquisites did not exceed the lesser of \$50,000 or 10% of the total of annual salary and bonus reported for any named executive officer for 1998.

(4) In 1996, 1997 and 1998 Mr. Johnson and Mr. Dahl each received 200 restricted shares and in 1997 and 1998 Mr. Kuioka received 200 restricted shares (adjusted for the December 1997 100% stock dividend) under the Director Stock Program. The fair market value on the date of the 1996, 1997 and 1998 grants (adjusted for the December 1997 100% stock dividend) were \$17.75, \$20.88 and \$24.50 per share respectively and the fair market value at December 31, 1998 was \$24.38. Dividends are paid on the restricted stock.

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- (5) Under the Pacific Century Stock Option Plan of 1994, each stock option was in tandem with a stock appreciation right ("SAR"). A SAR entitles the optionee, in lieu of exercising the stock option, to receive cash equal to the excess of the value of one share over the option price times the number of shares as to which the option is exercised. All stock option awards were granted with an exercise price equal to the fair market value of Pacific Century's common stock on the date of grant. The number and exercise price of the stock options awarded to the named executive officers were not adjusted or amended for the years 1996, 1997 and 1998, except adjustments for the 100% stock dividend paid on December 12, 1997, as required by the underlying stock option plans.
- (6) There were no amounts paid under Pacific Century's Sustained Profit Growth Plan (the "Growth Plan") for the three-year incentive periods of January 1, 1994 through December 31, 1996; January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1997 or January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1998. The Growth Plan is described on page 22.
- (7) This column includes the following allocations under the Pacific Century Profit Sharing Plan (the "Profit Sharing Plan"), the Pacific Century Profit Sharing Excess Plan (the "Excess Profit Sharing Plan"), the Pacific Century Money Purchase Plan (the "Money Purchase Plan") and the Pacific Century Excess Money Purchase Plan (the "Excess Money Purchase Plan"). These plans are described on pages 17 and 18.

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Lawrence M. Johnson	\$	4,000	Ş	9,766	\$	39,989	Ş	6,400	Ş	26,206
Richard J. Dahl	\$	4,000	\$	9,766	\$	25,266	\$	6,400	\$	16,558
Alton T. Kuioka	\$	4,000	\$	9,766	\$	11,958	\$	6,400	\$	7,836
Mary P. Carryer	\$	677	\$	1,627	\$	1,678	\$	1,066	\$	1,100
David A. Houle	Ş	4,000	Ş	9,766	\$	9,364	Ş	6,400	\$	6,136

STOCK OPTION/SAR GRANTS IN LAST FISCAL YEAR

		JAL GRANTS								
	NUMBER OF SECURITIES UNDERLYING OPTIONS/SARS	% OF TOTAL OPTIONS/SARS GRANTED TO EMPLOYEES IN	EXERCISE OR BASE PRICE	EXPIRATION	REA JE (1	LIZABLE .)				
NAME	GRANTED (#)	FISCAL YEAR	\$/SHARE	DATE		5%		10%		
Lawrence M. Johnson	150,000(2)	13.4%/37.3%	\$16.875	9-7-08	Ş	1,591,890	Ş	4,034,161		
Richard J. Dahl	80,000(2)	7.2%/19.9%	\$16.875	9-7-08	Ş			2,151,552		
	30,000(3)	2.7%/7.5%	\$25.0625	4-14-08	Ş	472,850	Ş	1,198,295		
Alton T. Kuioka	55,000(2)	4.9%/13.7%	\$16.875	9-7-08	Ş	583,693	Ş	1,479,192		
Mary P. Carryer	55,000(2)	4.9%/13.7%	\$16.875	9-7-08	Ş	583,693	\$	1,479,192		
David A. Houle	25,000(2)	2.2%/6.2%	\$16.875	9-7-08	\$	265,315	\$	672,360		

- (1) The Potential Realizable Values were determined using the Black-Scholes model. The following assumptions were utilized in determining the values: annual dividend yield of 3.10%; stock price volatility of 25.52% (based on daily stock prices for the one year period prior to the grant date); and an option term of ten years. An annual dividend yield of 3.10% and stock price volatility of 19.76% were used for the April 1998 grant.
- (2) Stock options in tandem with SARs become exercisable one year from the date of grant for a nine-year period ending September 7, 2008. The exercise or base price of the stock options and tandem SARs was the fair market value of Pacific Century's common stock on date of grant. All such options and tandem SARs would become immediately exercisable upon a change in control of Pacific Century.

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(3) Stock options in tandem with SARs become exercisable one year from the date of grant for a nine-year period ending April 14, 2008. The exercise or base price of the stock options and tandem SARs would become immediately exercisable upon a change in control of Pacific Century.

The stock options and stock appreciation rights exercised by the named executive officers during fiscal 1998, as well as the number and total value of unexercised in-the-money options as of December 31, 1998, are shown in the following table:

AGGREGATED OPTION/SAR EXERCISES IN LAST FISCAL YEAR AND FISCAL YEAR-END OPTION VALUES

	SHARES ACQUIRED ON EXERCISE	VALUE	UNDERLYING OPTIONS/SA	SECURITIES UNEXERCISED RS AT FISCAL END (#)	VALUE OF UNEXERCISED, IN-THE-MONEY OPTIONS/SARS AT FISCAL YEAR-END (\$)(2)				
NAME	(#)	(\$)(1)	EXERCISABLE	UNEXERCISABLE	ΕX	ERCISABLE	UNE	XERCISABLE	
					-				
Lawrence M. Johnson	47,333	\$ 1,477,644	406,493	150,000	Ş	2,420,306	\$	1,125,000	
Richard J. Dahl	9,442	542,243	404,624	110,000	Ş	2,983,971	Ş	600,000	
Mary P. Carryer	0	0	82,500	55,000	Ş	0	Ş	412,500	
Alton T. Kuioka	8,376	629,057	171,562	55,000	Ş	1,089,034	Ş	412,500	
David A. Houle	2,000	56,690	82,996	25,000	Ş	444,751	Ş	187,500	

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(1) Includes exercise of stock appreciation rights.

(2) The fair market value of Pacific Century's stock at year-end was \$24.375.

LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLANS--AWARDS IN LAST FISCAL YEAR(1)

			ESTIMATED FUTURE PAYOUTS			
	NO. OF SHARES, UNITS OR OTHER RIGHTS (#)	PERFORMANCE OR OTHER PERIOD UNTIL MATURATION OR PAYOUT	THRESHOLD (#)	TARGET	MAXIMUM (#)	
	(#)		(#)	(#)	MAXIMON (#)	
Lawrence M. Johnson Richard J. Dahl Mary P. Carryer	10,000 10,000 10,000	3 years ending 12/31/2000 3 years ending 12/31/2000 3 years ending 12/31/2000	10,000 10,000 10,000	10,000 10,000 10,000	10,000 10,000 10,000	

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(1) Represents performance share (restricted stock unit) awards under the Pacific Century Stock Option Plan of 1994. Each award provides for issuance of 10,000 unrestricted shares of Pacific Century common stock if for the year ending December 31, 2000 Pacific Century attains a return on average assets of at least 1.2% and a return on average equity of at least 17.5%. If the shares are earned, the grantee will also receive a cash payment equal the amount of dividends (without interest) that would have been earned on

the shares if they had been outstanding during the performance period. "Return on average assets" means "net income" of Pacific Century divided by "average total assets." "Net income" means Pacific Century's consolidated net income for the year as reported in the annual report to shareholders, subject to adjustment by the Compensation Committee in its discretion for extraordinary or unusual gain or loss transactions, securities gains or losses or dividends on preferred stock. "Average total assets" means the average total assets for the year reported in the annual report to shareholders. "Return on average equity" means net income for the year divided by average total equity as the latter amount is reported in the annual report to shareholders, reduced by the average amount of any preferred stock. Except as described below, each grant will terminate if the grantee does not remain in the employment of Pacific Century or its subsidiaries until December 31, 2000. If the grantee dies or becomes disabled, and the performance criteria are met as of December 31, 2000, the grantee will be entitled to receive a number of shares of stock (and the cash amount attributable to dividends) obtained by prorating

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the grantee's period of service by the number of full months of the entire performance period during which the grantee was an employee of Pacific Century or its subsidiaries. Also, if a "change in control" occurs, the performance period will be deemed to have ended on the date of the change of control and the performance shares will be treated as having been earned on a prorated basis as of that date. As a result, the grantee would be entitled to a portion of the 10,000 shares (and the cash amount attributable to dividends) that reflects the number of full months of the entire performance period which had been completed as of the date of change in control. However, if the performance criteria had been achieved for any year prior to the change in control date, the shares will be treated as fully earned and the total number of shares (rather than a prorated amount) will be payable. Grantees may elect (subject to approval of the Compensation Committee) to satisfy withholding requirements arising from issuance of shares by having Pacific Century withhold shares that would otherwise be payable. Alton T. Kuioka and David A. Houle also hold performance share grants that were effective as of January 1, 1997. Each of those grants is for 10,000 shares, after adjustment for the 100% stock dividend paid on December 12, 1997, and has other terms identical to those described above, except that the performance period (which affects proration calculations and the cash amount payable with respect to dividends) is the four-year period ended January 1, 2000.

PENSION PLAN TABLE

AVERAGE ANNUAL SALARY IN CONSECUTIVE	ESTIMATED MAXIMUM ANNUAL RETIREMENT BENEFIT BASED UPON YEARS OF SERVICE									
HIGHEST PAID YEARS		15		20		25	_	30		35*
\$ 75,000	Ş	20,254	Ş	27,005	Ş	33,756	Ş	40,507	Ş	47,258
100,000		27,754		37,005		46,256		55,507		64,758
125,000		35,254		47,005		58,756		70,507		82,258
150,000		42,754		57,005		71,256		85,507		99,758
200,000		57,754		77,005		96,256		115,507		134,758
250,000		72,754		97,005		121,256		145,507		169,758
300,000		87,754		117,005		146,256		175,507		204,758
350,000		102,754		137,005		171,256		205,507		239,758
400,000		117,754		157,005		196,256		235,507		274,758
450,000		132,754		177,005		221,256		265,507		309,758
500,000		147,754		197,005		246,256		295,507		344,758
550,000		162,754		217,005		271,256		325,507		379,758
600,000		177,754		237,005		296,256		355,507		414,758
650,000		192,754		257,005		321,256		385,507		449,758
700,000		207,754		277,005		346,256		415,507		484,758
750,000		222,754		297,005		371,256		445,507		519,758

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* Applies only to individuals hired before November 1, 1969.

The Employees' Retirement Plan of Bank of Hawaii (the "Retirement Plan") provides retirement benefits for employees of participating employers who have completed certain age and service requirements. "Participating employers" means

the Bank of Hawaii, First Savings and Loan Association of America, Pacific Century Bank, N.A. and any associated company that has adopted the Retirement Plan. Although retirement generally occurs at age 65, employees may retire at or after age 62 with unreduced benefits.

The amount of benefits payable to employees who retire prior to age 62 is subject to specified adjustments. Benefits paid under the Retirement Plan are primarily determined by (1) the number of

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months a participant has worked, and (2) a participant's average annual salary during the 60 consecutive months in his or her last 120 months of service affording the highest average, excluding overtime, premium pay, incentive plan payouts, and discretionary bonuses.

The normal retirement benefit shown earlier assumes payment in the form of a single life annuity commencing at age 65, and is not subject to any deduction for Social Security or other offset amounts. The Internal Revenue Code generally limits the maximum annual benefit which can be paid under the Retirement Plan to the lesser of \$130,000 in 1998 or 100% of the participant's average compensation for the highest three consecutive calendar years during which he or she was a participant. Accordingly, if at retirement the annual benefit of any participant should exceed this limit, the individual's benefit from the Retirement Plan will be reduced to the permissible maximum. The amount of this reduction will be paid to the participant from an unfunded excess benefit plan designed for this purpose. The Internal Revenue Code also limits the maximum average annual salary that may be considered for purposes of determining a participant's benefit (e.g., \$160,000 in 1998). The amount of the reduction of benefit due to this salary limitation will also be paid to the participant under the unfunded excess benefit plan.

On January 25, 1995, Pacific Century's Board of Directors approved comprehensive revisions to Pacific Century's retirement and profit sharing benefits, which include the freezing of the Retirement Plan and vesting of participants as of December 31, 1995 (with the exception that for the next succeeding five year period commencing January 1, 1996, benefits for certain eligible participants, including Messrs. Johnson and Kuioka, will increase in proportion to the increase in the participant's average annual salary).

The credited years of service and the 1995 compensation covered by the Retirement Plan of the named executive officers as of the 1995 freeze date are as follows: Mr. Johnson, 32 years and \$575,004; Mr. Dahl, 13 years and \$375,000; Mr. Kuioka, 26 years and \$226,257; and Mr. Houle, 2 years and \$168,639. Through 1998, the Retirement Plan benefits for Messrs. Johnson and Kuioka were increased by 11.44% and 16.77%, respectively, due to increases in their average annual salaries.

PROFIT SHARING PLANS

The Profit Sharing Plan is a tax-qualified defined contribution plan. Each plan year, Pacific Century makes a profit sharing contribution based on Pacific Century's adjusted net income and adjusted return on equity for the plan year. The profit sharing contribution is allocated to all participants based on a participant's eligible compensation. The Profit Sharing Plan contains a 401(k) member savings feature as well as a company matching contribution of \$1.25 for each \$1.00 (up to 2% of eligible compensation) a participant contributes in 401(k) savings. The Money Purchase Plan was adopted effective January 1, 1996. The Money Purchase Plan is a tax-qualified defined contribution plan under which a participant will receive an allocation of an amount equal to 4% of the participant's total eligible compensation for each plan year. Ms. Carryer did not participate in the above mentioned plans until 1998.

The Internal Revenue Code ("Code") imposes certain limitations on the annual amounts that any participant may receive under tax-qualified defined contribution plans equal to the lesser of \$30,000 or 25% of eligible compensation. As a result, the Excess Profit Sharing Plan and the Excess Money Purchase Plan were adopted effective January 1, 1992 and January 1, 1996, respectively. The amount of any reduction applied to the qualified plan contributions as a result of Code limitations are credited under the Excess Profit Sharing and Excess Money Purchase Plans to accounts maintained on the books of Pacific Century. The amounts allocated under these plans will be paid from the general assets of Pacific Century at the time the participant receives a distribution of his respective account from the Profit Sharing Plan and Money Purchase Plan. Effective August 1, 1996, "rabbi trusts" were established with respect to the Excess Profit Sharing Plan and Excess Money Purchase Plan in order to better

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secure the payment of benefits. While assets of these plans are set aside in trust (with Pacific Century Trust, a division of Bank of Hawaii, as trustee), such assets remain the general assets of Pacific Century and are subject to the claims of Pacific Century's general creditors. Participants under these plans are allowed to direct the investment of their accounts in a manner similar to the Profit Sharing and Money Purchase Plans.

CHANGE-IN-CONTROL ARRANGEMENTS

Pacific Century's Key Executive Severance Plan (the "Severance Plan") provides participants, following a change in control of Pacific Century, with severance benefits under circumstances and in amounts set forth in the Severance Plan and in individual severance agreements with each participant. Each of the severance agreements with Pacific Century's current named executive officers provides that a "change of control" will be deemed to have occurred if (1) any person or group becomes the beneficial owner of 25% or more of the total number of voting securities of Pacific Century, or (2) the persons who were directors of Pacific Century before a cash tender or exchange offer, merger or other business combination, sale of assets, or contested election cease to constitute a majority of the Board of Directors of Pacific Century or any successor to Pacific Century.

Mr. Johnson's agreement, and the Severance Plan, further provide that a "change of control" will be deemed to have occurred if a majority of the Board of Directors determines in good faith that a change of control is imminent. For Messrs. Johnson, Dahl, Kuioka, and Ms. Carryer, severance benefits are payable if their employment is terminated voluntarily or involuntarily within 2 years of a change of control. Key features include the following:

- (1) The payment of a lump sum amount equal to 3 years of compensation, consisting of salary, bonuses, and certain other incentive compensation, calculated in Mr. Johnson's case on the basis of his highest total compensation during any 12-month period in the preceding three years, and in the case of Messrs. Dahl and Kuioka, and Ms. Carryer, by applying a multiplier of 3 to the highest salary, highest bonus and highest incentive compensation amounts paid in the preceding three years.
- (2) Special supplemental retirement payments equal to the retirement benefits the participant would have received had his or her employment continued for 3 years following his or her termination of employment (or until his or her normal retirement date, if earlier).
- (3) The continuation of all other benefits he or she would have received had employment continued for 3 years following the termination of employment (or until his or her normal retirement date, if earlier), such as hospital, medical-surgical, major medical, and group life insurance.
- (4) The lump sum payment to Mr. Dahl, Mr. Kuioka and Ms. Carryer would also include a payment equal to any difference between the actual payout under the One-Year Incentive Plan for the year of termination and the maximum amount that would be payable if employment continued to the end of the period and all performance goals were achieved.
- (5) For Mr. Houle, severance benefits are payable if within 2 years of a change of control his employment is involuntarily terminated (or if he voluntarily terminates employment following certain events involving demotion, reduction of responsibilities, relocation, reduction in base salary, certain failures to continue compensation plans and benefits programs or his participation therein, or a failure of Pacific Century or its successor to assume the obligations to Mr. Houle under the agreement following a change in control). If such events occur, Mr. Houle would receive as severance two times his then base salary, two times his target bonus under the One-Year Incentive Plan, payouts under the One-Year Plan and the Long Term Incentive Plan, continuation of all benefits for two years (or, if earlier, until normal

retirement age), and special retirement benefits similar to those described above but calculated as though he had continued employment for two years following termination.

(6) The agreements with Mr. Dahl, Mr. Kuioka and Ms. Carryer provide that amounts payable will be grossed up for the amount necessary to pay any golden parachute excise tax due. Mr. Houle's agreement provides that if payments to him would constitute or result in "excess parachute payments", payments to him under the agreement are to be reduced, but only if such reduction would result in an increase in his net benefit.

Stock options and SARs held by named executive officers will become immediately exercisable upon a change of control. See notes to the table entitled "STOCK OPTION/SAR GRANTS IN LAST FISCAL YEAR" on page 14. A change in control will also cause the lapse of restrictions on stock issued under the Director Stock Program, and (as described on page 11) will entitle named executive officers to receive all or a portion of the shares covered by performance share grants. In the case of the Incentive Plans and the 1999 to 2001, 1998 - 2000 and 1997 to 1999 Growth Plan cycles, the relevant incentive period will end and awards will be paid upon a dissolution, liquidation, or change in control (as defined under the Severance Plan) of Pacific Century. In those circumstances, payments will be calculated by multiplying contingent awards by 2.0 and by adjusting awards in proportion to the number of months of the original incentive period that elapsed prior to the triggering event.

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REPORT OF THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

The Compensation Committee, composed entirely of directors who are not employed by the Company, sets and administers the policies which govern Pacific Century's executive compensation programs, and various incentive and stock option programs. The Committee reviews compensation levels of members of management, evaluates the performance of management, and considers management succession and related matters. All decisions relating to the compensation of Pacific Century's officers are reviewed with the full Board.

The policies and underlying philosophy governing Pacific Century's executive compensation program, which are endorsed by the Committee and the Board of Directors, are designed to accomplish the following:

- 1. Maintain a compensation program that is equitable in a competitive marketplace $% \left({{{\boldsymbol{x}}_{i}}} \right)$
- Provide opportunities that integrate pay with Pacific Century's annual and long-term performance goals
- 3. Encourage achievement of strategic objectives and creation of shareholder value
- 4. Recognize and reward individual initiative and achievements
- 5. Maintain an appropriate balance between base salary and short and long-term incentive opportunity
- 6. Allow Pacific Century to compete for, retain, and motivate talented executives who are critical to Pacific Century's success.

The Committee seeks to target executive compensation at levels that the Committee believes to be consistent with others in Pacific Century's industry. The executive officers' compensation is weighted toward programs contingent upon Pacific Century's level of annual and long-term performance.

The following are Pacific Century's competitive targets:

In general, for senior management positions of Pacific Century (including Pacific Century's executive officers) and its subsidiaries, Pacific Century will pay base salaries that, on average, are at the 50th percentile of other banks and financial service companies of Pacific Century's current and projected asset size, and with similar products and markets.

Goals for specific components are as follows:

- 1. Base salaries for executives generally are targeted at the 50th percentile.
- The short-term (one-year) incentive plan will provide 50th percentile awards if annual goals are achieved. The plan will pay higher awards if annual performance goals are exceeded.
- 3. Under long-term incentive plans, Pacific Century will provide to participants a consistent 50th percentile opportunity from year-to-year, with possibilities of earning substantially higher levels if long-term performance goals are exceeded.

Pacific Century retains the services of nationally recognized consulting firms to assist the Committee in connection with the performance of its various duties. Those firms provide advice to the Committee with respect to compensation programs for senior management (including executive officers) of Pacific Century and its subsidiaries. Pacific Century also obtains an extensive compensation survey every two years. Such a survey was received in October 1997 in connection with the review by the consulting firm of Pacific Century's compensation programs for senior managers.

The 1997 compensation survey provided a comparative analysis of 33 positions utilizing a comparator group of 17 bank corporations (including Pacific Century). Those bank corporations were viewed as

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more comparable to Pacific Century in terms of overall size, business mix and geographic scope than the 25 bank corporations in the S&P Major Regional Bank Index (which includes 10 of the 17 compensation survey bank corporations) used in the performance graph. For purposes of the 1997 survey, the consultant obtained base salaries as of April 1, 1997 and other compensation data from the comparator group and derived market comparables from that data.

In addition to the survey performed every two years, Pacific Century participates in a series of annual compensation practice reviews conducted by nationally recognized compensation consultants. In 1998, those reviews provided pay practice data for professional and managerial positions at nationwide banks with \$10 billion to \$19.9 billion in assets (a group which includes 11 bank corporations utilized for comparative purposes in the 1997 compensation survey) and in the S&P Major Regional Bank Index and for various smaller bank corporations. Based on that data and the results of Pacific Century's 1997 survey, Pacific Century believes, after taking into account the compensation discussed below, that salary and total cash compensation of its executive officers generally corresponds to the 50th percentile of cash compensation opportunities provided by comparable banks and financial services companies.

1998 COMPENSATION ELEMENTS

Compensation paid to named executive officers in 1998, as reflected in the Summary Compensation Table on page 13, consisted of the following elements: (1) base salary, (2) profit sharing, (3) One-Year Incentive Plan cash award for 1998 payable to Mr. Houle, (4) bonuses paid to four of the five named executive officers and (5) performance share grants.

In addition, as indicated in the Summary Compensation Table and the table on page 14 entitled "STOCK OPTION/SAR GRANTS IN LAST FISCAL YEAR", in 1998 the Committee awarded stock options under Pacific Century's employee stock plans.

BASE SALARIES

Base salaries for executive officers are determined by evaluating the following:

- 1. Responsibilities of the positions held
- 2. The experience of the individual

3. The competitive marketplace

4. The individual's performance of his or her responsibilities.

The greatest emphasis is on individual performance and the competitive marketplace. Adjustments to salary also reflect new responsibilities assigned or assumed by the individual. In setting salaries, the focus is generally on competitive data. Also taken into account are key differences in responsibilities between the executives of Pacific Century and of other banks, and the overall economic environment. No specific weighting is given to the foregoing factors.

Effective January 1, 1998, the Committee increased the 1998 base salaries for Messrs. Johnson, Dahl and Kuioka and Ms. Carryer upon the recommendation of a 1997 compensation survey, discussed above, which reflected that the current base salaries were under the 50th percentile of the financial services industry. The annual base salaries were increased as follows: Mr. Johnson from \$700,00 to \$735,000; Mr. Dahl from \$475,000 to \$525,000; Mr. Kuioka and Ms. Carryer from \$300,000 to \$325,000.

INCENTIVE PLANS

ONE-YEAR INCENTIVE PLAN. The purpose of Pacific Century's One-Year Incentive Plans is to accomplish the following: (1) motivate special achievement of eligible employees; (2) supplement other compensation plans and (3) assist Pacific Century in retaining and attracting key employees.

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The awards are based on financial performance factors established at the start of the fiscal year and reviewed and approved by the Compensation Committee. Each participant received a contingent incentive award of a specified percentage of his or her annual salary. For 1998, the performance factors measured the Company's return on average assets ("ROAA") and net income.

Under the 1998 Incentive Plans, the maximum financial performance factor of 2.0 would be attained if Net Income were \$148 million or more and ROAA were 1.03% or more. In the case of the Executive One-Year Incentive Plan covering the group which includes the Chairman, the amount of the annual award is determined by multiplying the contingent incentive award by the financial performance factor, and the Committee is not permitted to increase (though it may reduce) the resulting award amount. No awards were made in 1998 to any named executive officer under the Executive One-Year Incentive Plan.

The Incentive Plan covering other key employees, including Mr. Houle, utilizes both a financial performance factor and an individual performance factor. For 1998, the Committee increased Mr. Houle's contingent award from 35% to 40%. The financial performance factor and the individual performance factor are weighted by multiplying the factors by percentages which total 100% (e.g., 75% financial performance factor and 25% individual performance factor). Thereafter, the annual award is determined by multiplying the contingent incentive award by the sum of the financial performance and individual performance factors as so adjusted. The weighting of the performance factors allows the annual award to be tied more directly to the employee's roles and responsibilities.

GROWTH PLAN. The Growth Plan is intended to motivate special achievement by eligible employees by emphasizing long-term performance objectives. Under the Growth Plan, each selected senior officer receives a contingent incentive award opportunity of a specified percentage of his or her average annual base salary for the three-year period. Actual awards are determined by measuring Pacific Century's performance over a three-year period. Before the beginning of a Growth Plan year, the Committee selects business criteria or measures and establishes specific objective numeric goals for the following three-year period.

The measures selected for the 1996 to 1998 Growth Plan cycle were net earnings growth rate and return on average equity ("ROAE"). The measures selected for the 1995 to 1997 and 1994 to 1996 Growth Plan cycles were net

income per employee and growth in earnings per share, weighted equally. Pacific Century did not meet its performance goals for cycles ending 1998, 1997 or 1996 and, accordingly, no long-term incentive payments were made to any named executive officer with respect to such cycles.

BONUS

Pacific Century's executive compensation program has certain objectives which the Committee has determined were not met in 1998. These are as follows:

- Maintaining a fair compensation system in a competitive marketplace
- Recognizing and rewarding individual initiatives and achievements
- Retaining and motivating talented executives who are critical to the Company's success.

The Committee believes that the compensation programs for four of the named executive officers did not meet the Committee's objectives. In the Committee's view, that occurred largely because the Executive One-Year Plan and the Three-Year Growth Plan do not address the fact that objective results on which those plans are based may not be achieved in some years due to reasons that largely lie beyond the control of Pacific Century management; in this case, a sluggish Hawaii economy and Asian Rim financial volatility.

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Accordingly, the Committee determined that a bonus should be considered for key management personnel of Pacific Century for performance in 1998 even though no payments were earned under either the one-year or three-year plan. The Committee reviewed the performance of the named executive officers and noted significant objectives were accomplished in 1998 by the named executive officers. These included the following:

Continuing Pacific Century's strategy of improving efficiency and reducing annual operating costs by up to \$22 million:

- New Era restructuring and redesign program
- Rationalization of Hawaii's delivery channels
- Reincorporation into the state of Delaware
- Merger of Pacific Century Bank, N.A. and California United Bank into one nationally chartered entity
- First Savings and Loan Association of America's change to a federally chartered institution and direct subsidiary of the Company
- Merger of First Federal Savings & Loan Association with Bank of Hawaii and the closure of 19 branches, resulting in a total number of branch 27 closures

- Outsourcing of Bank of Hawaii's credit card processing.

Continued progress on Year 2000 compliance.

Expansion of Pacific Century's products and services:

- \$1 billion in origination of residential mortgages from \$532 million in 1997
- Expansion into the insurance services industry through the acquisition of Triad Insurance Agency
- Expansion of services and market share in the South Pacific through the acquisition of Banque Paribas

- Strategic alliance with the Bank of Queensland in Australia.

In 1998, in the face of the turmoil in the Asia markets, the named executive officers took aggressive actions and prudently managed the Company's Asia exposure.

Considering these factors and the desired objectives of the compensation program, the Committee determined on a subjective basis and review of individual performances to authorize bonuses of \$200,000 to Mr. Johnson, \$175,000 to Mr. Dahl and \$150,000 each to Mr. Kuioka and Ms. Carryer. The Committee determined Mr. Johnson had done a commendable job in a difficult year. Although the amounts of bonuses for these named executive officers fell within a narrow range, the Committee established the bonus amount for Mr. Johnson so as to reflect his greater degree of policy, decision-making authority and level of responsibility with respect to the strategic direction and financial and operational results of the Company.

STOCK OPTION PLAN

The Committee considers stock option grants under the Pacific Century Financial Corporation Stock Option Plan of 1994 (the "Plan") for key employees of Pacific Century and its subsidiaries. Stock options are granted by the Committee to those key employees whose management responsibilities place them in a position to make substantial contributions to the financial success of Pacific Century. Directors who are not also employees may not participate in the Plans. The Committee, which administers the Plan, determines whether the options are incentive stock options or nonqualified stock options.

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Stock options are ordinarily granted with an exercise price equal to the market price of Pacific Century's common stock on the date of grant.

The Committee believes that stock options provide a strong incentive to increase shareholder value, since stock options have value only if the stock price increases over time. The Committee believes that option grants to its executive officers and other key employees help to align the interests of management with those of shareholders and to focus the attention of management on the long-term success of Pacific Century.

The size of stock option awards is based primarily on the individual's responsibilities and position. Individual awards are also affected by the Committee's subjective evaluation of other factors it deems appropriate, such as assumption of additional responsibilities, competitive factors, and achievements that in the Committee's view are not fully reflected by other compensation elements. The Committee's decisions concerning individual grants generally are not affected by the number of options previously exercised, or the number of unexercised options held.

In April 1998, 48,000 options were granted to 8 key employees and in September 1998, 1,038,000 options were granted to 473 key employees for a total of 1,086,000 options to 477 key employees. The number of grants in 1998 reflected advice received by the Committee from two compensation consulting firms that annual levels of option grants should be 1% to 1.5% of outstanding

stock.

The amounts of individual awards to executive officers in 1998 were based on their individual positions and responsibilities, and the other factors discussed above. In the case of Mr. Johnson, the Committee elected to grant him a stock option for 150,000 shares at an option price of \$16.875. The 1998 award to Mr. Johnson reflects the Committee's continuing strategy of balancing short and long-term incentives in structuring executive officer compensation. The level of his 1998 option awards was determined primarily by the Committee's subjective evaluation of the importance to Pacific Century of its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer relative to positions held by other key employees to whom options were awarded. In addition, the Committee's September 1998 grants to Mr. Johnson took into account, without any specific weighting, competitive considerations and the Committee's view that Mr. Johnson had made significant accomplishments.

PERFORMANCE GRANTS

As noted under "LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLANS--AWARDS IN LAST FISCAL YEAR", during 1998 the Committee made performance share awards of 10,000 shares each to Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dahl and Ms. Carryer, in recognition of their leadership and performance as discussed in this report.

CEO COMPENSATION

In evaluating Mr. Johnson's annual compensation as Chief Executive Officer ("CEO"), the Committee has sought to provide levels that are competitive among comparable banks and financial services corporations as described at pages 20-21. The specific target levels for each element of compensation were the same as those shown on pages 20-22 for all Pacific Century executive officers. Pacific Century's One-Year Incentive Plan, the Growth Plan and option grants make a substantial percentage of Mr. Johnson's compensation dependent upon Pacific Century's performance. These arrangements also implement the Committee's intent to have a significant percentage of each executive officer's target compensation based on objective long-term performance criteria.

The members of the Committee are a majority of the CEO Evaluation Committee and as a result, they have the benefit of that Committee's deliberations on Mr. Johnson's performance. The Committee engages in an evaluation process with the CEO Evaluation Committee, which met 4 times in 1998. The CEO Evaluation Committee requested a self-performance review from Mr. Johnson and the CEO

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Evaluation Committee and Compensation Committee discussed Mr. Johnson's peformance relative to the criteria set forth below. The Committee presented the ratings and evaluation to Mr. Johnson and the full board for discussion and Mr. Johnson responded to the Committees and the full board. Mr. Johnson's performance was evaluated using the following criteria:

- 1. Strategic Planning
- 2. Financial Performance
- 3. Structural Soundness
- 4. Decision Making
- 5. External Relations
- 6. Board Relations
- 7. Shareholder Relations
- 8. Corporate Objectives

In early 1998, the Compensation Committee considered the results of the evaluation and assessment of the CEO's performance for 1997 and also considered the results of a 1997 review of Pacific Century's compensation program as described on pages 20-21 and the Company's performance in 1997. Based on those considerations, the Committee increased Mr. Johnson's salary effective January 1, 1998 by 5% from \$700,000 to \$735,000. The Committee determined that the

salary adjustment was appropriate in view of the above findings (which reflected that Mr. Johnson's base salary was below the 50th percentile of market data) and also in view of the Company's 1997 corporate performance. In September 1998, the Committee awarded Mr. Johnson at-market options to acquire a total of 150,000 shares, for reasons previously described. He received no payment under the incentive plans. As described on pages 21-22, the Committee awarded Mr. Johnson a bonus. In considering that award, the Committee considered, without any specific weighting, key quantitative performance indicators such as the following:

	COMPANY PERFORMANCE					
			1997			
Net Income (millions)	Ş	133.1	\$	139.5	Ş	107
Earnings Per Share (EPS)* Return on Average Assets (ROAA)				1.72 0.98%		1.32 0.72%
Return on Average Equity (ROAE) Equity to Assets (EOA)						

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* EPS shown is diluted.

In reviewing 1998 year-end results, the Committee took into account the fact that they were greatly affected by second quarter 1998 results, which included restructuring charges and increased provisioning to the reserve for loan losses. The Committee viewed those actions and others as demonstrating prudent management and sound leadership in a volatile environment, notwithstanding the fact that various performance measures declined from the prior year. Accordingly, the Committee awarded Mr. Johnson a bonus based on its subjective assessment of Mr. Johnson's contributions to Pacific Century during 1998, and the other factors discussed above.

REVENUE RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1993

In 1993, Congress adopted the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1993 (the "1993 Act"), certain provisions of which limit the ability of publicly held companies to deduct for taxation purposes the compensation paid to individual employees in excess of \$1 million in any fiscal year. The 1993 Act

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affords certain exemptions to the deductibility limitation, generally requiring that compensation be closely tied to objective performance criteria.

In general, Pacific Century intends to maintain deductibility for all compensation paid to covered employees, and will comply with the required terms of the specified exemptions under the 1993 Act, except in circumstances under which such compliance would unduly interfere with the goals of Pacific Century's executive compensation program or the loss of deductibility would not be materially adverse to Pacific Century's overall financial position.

> Compensation Committee Fred E. Trotter, Chairman Stuart T. K. Ho Herbert M. Richards, Jr.

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COMPENSATION COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION

No executive officer of Pacific Century served as a member of a compensation committee (or board of directors serving as such) of any entity of which any member of the Compensation Committee was an executive officer.

PERFORMANCE GRAPH

The following graph shows the cumulative total return for Pacific Century common stock compared to the cumulative total returns for the S&P 500 Index and the S&P Major Regional Bank Index. The graph assumes that \$100 was invested on December 31, 1993 in Pacific Century's stock, the S&P 500 Index and the S&P Major Regional Bank Index. The cumulative total return on each investment is as of December 31, of each of the subsequent five years and assumes reinvested dividends.

EDGAR REPRESENTATION OF DATA POINTS USED IN PRINTED GRAPHIC

CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN

Based upon an initial investment of \$100 on December 31, 1993 with dividends reinvested

	PCFC	S&P	S&P Major Reg. Banks Index
12/31/93	\$100	\$100	\$100
12/31/94	\$97	\$101	\$95
12/31/95	\$141	\$139	\$149
12/31/96	\$170	\$171	\$204
12/31/97	\$206	\$229	\$306
12/31/98	\$209	\$294	\$338
Source: Georgeson & Company Inc.			

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CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS WITH MANAGEMENT AND OTHERS

Certain transactions involving loans, deposits and certificates of deposit, other money market instruments, sales of commercial paper, and certain other banking transactions occurred during 1998 between the Company and Bank of Hawaii on the one hand and certain directors or executive officers of the Company and Bank of Hawaii, members of their immediate families or associates of the directors, the executive officers or their family members on the other. All such transactions were made in the ordinary course of business on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, that prevailed at the time for comparable transactions with other persons and did not involve more than the normal risk of collectibility or present other unfavorable features.

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PROPOSAL 3: AMENDMENT OF PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION TO REDUCE THE PERCENTAGE OF SHARES REQUIRED TO REMOVE A DIRECTOR FOR CAUSE

Pacific Century's Board of Directors has approved, and recommends that shareholders approve, an amendment to Article VII, Section E of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to reduce the percentage required to remove a director for cause from sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the outstanding shares, to a majority of the voting power of then outstanding shares. This is intended to increase the power of shareholders to remove a director for cause. The language in Article VII, Section E of the existing Certificate of Incorporation would be amended as follows (new language in bold, old language lined out):

"Except for such additional directors, if any, as are elected by the holders of any series of Preferred Stock as provided for or fixed pursuant to the provisions of Article V of this Certificate of Incorporation, any director may be removed from office only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) or more AT LEAST A MAJORITY of the combined voting power of the then-outstanding shares of Voting Stock at a meeting of stockholders called for that purpose, voting THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" THE FOREGOING PROPOSAL.

PROPOSAL 4: AMENDMENT OF PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION TO PERMIT TEN PERCENT OF THE SHAREHOLDERS TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING

Pacific Century's Board of Directors has approved, and recommends that shareholders approve, an amendment to Article VIII, Section A of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to permit ten percent (10%) of the combined voting power of the outstanding shares of the Company to call a special meeting of shareholders. At present, the Certificate of Incorporation does not provide an opportunity for shareholders to call a special meeting. The language in Article VIII, Section A of the existing Certificate of Incorporation would be amended by adding the phrase in bold type below:

"Meetings of stockholders of the Corporation may be held within or without the State of Delaware, as the Bylaws of the Corporation may provide. Except as otherwise provided for or fixed pursuant to the provisions of Article V of this Certificate of Incorporation relating to the rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock, special meetings of stockholders of the Corporation may be called only by the Chairman of the Board, the President or the Board pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the then-authorized number of directors of the Corporation, OR BY THE HOLDERS OF NOT LESS THAN 10 PERCENT OF THE COMBINED VOTING POWER OF THE THEN-OUTSTANDING SHARES OF VOTING STOCK; provided, however, that where such special meeting of stockholders is called for the purpose of acting upon a proposal made by or on behalf of a Related Person or, at any time that one or more Related Persons exist, by or at the request of a director who is not a Continuing Director as to all Related Persons, or where a Related Person otherwise seeks action requiring approval of stockholders, then, in addition to the aforesaid vote of directors, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Continuing Directors, if any, shall also be required to call such special meeting of stockholders. Special meetings of stockholders may not be called by any other person or persons or in any other person or persons or in any other manner. Elections of directors need not be by written ballot unless the Bylaws of the Corporation shall so provide.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" THE FOREGOING PROPOSAL.

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PROPOSAL 5: AMENDMENT OF THE PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION STOCK OPTION PLAN OF 1994 TO INCREASE AVAILABLE SHARES

Pacific Century's Board of Directors has adopted, subject to shareholder approval, an amendment increasing the total number of shares that may be granted under the Pacific Century Financial Corporation Stock Option Plan of 1994 (the "Plan"). The amendment to the Plan increases the maximum shares of common stock that may be issued under the Plan by 3,900,000 to 9,650,000.

The original 1,250,000 shares were adjusted to 1,875,000 as a result of a 50 percent stock dividend declared on January 26, 1994 and payable on March 15, 1994. On April 25, 1997, the shareholders approved an additional 1,000,000 shares, increasing the maximum number of shares to 2,875,000. This amount was adjusted to 5,750,000 as a result of a 100 percent stock dividend declared on October 24, 1997 and payable on December 12, 1997. As of December 31, 1998 there were 1,393,176 shares available under the Plan.

The purpose of the Plan is to attract, retain and motivate high quality personnel and to provide incentives for the promotion of business and financial success of the Company by providing them with equity participation. The Board of Directors believes that the additional shares are desirable in order to service the needs of the Plan and to promote and closely align the interests of employees of Pacific Century with its shareholders by providing stock-based compensation. Beginning in 1995, the Compensation Committee, based on advice from compensation consulting firms, concluded that it would increase, beginning in 1995, the aggregate number of options awarded. The Compensation Committee anticipates future annual awards approximating 1% to 1.5% of Pacific Century's outstanding shares. The additional shares will fulfill this need.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE "FOR" THE FOREGOING PROPOSAL.

SUMMARY OF THE OPTION PLAN

The following is a brief description of the material features of the Plan, as heretofore amended, other than those features described under Proposal 6. The proposed amendment will not affect any existing provisions of the Plan except the number of shares that may be granted. Reference should be made to the full text of the Plan for a complete description of its terms and conditions. A complete copy of the Plan can be obtained from the Corporate Secretary's office at the address listed on page 42.

PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS. Since 1994, the Plan has been amended to increase the available pool of shares, and in some other respects. In 1997 the Board amended the Plan (subject to shareholder approval granted in 1998) to provide specific authority for the issuance of options in connection with Pacific Century's acquisition of CU Bancorp, and to add general authority to grant awards or amend Plan provisions in connection with the assumption, substitution or conversion of stock compensation awards of another party to a merger, acquisition or similar transaction. In January 1999 the Board further amended the Plan to modify the business criteria applicable to certain performance-based awards (as discussed under Proposal 6) and to modify the Plan in various respects due to changes to rules adopted under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Section 16").

TERM; SHARES AVAILABLE. The Plan will expire on January 1, 2004 and (unless that date is extended) no Plan awards will be granted thereafter. As described above, the Plan establishes a maximum number of shares available for awards. The Plan includes rules to calculate the number of shares in the authorized pool that remain available for grant. Among other things, these rules provide that awards are counted against the authorized pool whether or not vested; that when awards are cancelled or expire, shares subject to the awards are again available for grant; and that if awards are settled in cash,

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the authorized pool of shares is increased by the appropriate number of shares. The maximum number of shares subject to options (and the maximum number of shares subject to stock appreciation rights) which may be granted to any single participant during the term of the Plan is 20% of the authorized pool. The number of shares of common stock subject to grant (as well as outstanding awards and applicable exercise prices) is subject to equitable adjustment by the Committee in connection with any merger, reorganization, consolidation, recapitalization, stock dividend or similar changes, which may be required in order to prevent dilution or enlargement of rights.

ADMINISTRATION. The Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee, which is to consist of two or more directors who qualify as "outside directors" for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Code. The Plan generally confers on the Committee complete authority as to the grant of awards and their terms. The Plan also permits the Committee, in connection with actions involving awards to or transactions by persons subject to Section 16 to adopt procedures to assure the availability of exemptions from Section 16 (which may involve, for example, referring such approval to a subcommittee or to the full board of directors).

ELIGIBILITY. Persons eligible to participate in the Plan include all full time, nonunion employees of Pacific Century and its subsidiaries, including employees who are directors. The Committee is permitted to select from all eligible employees those to whom awards will be granted, and the nature and amount of such awards. As of December 31, 1998, approximately 595 persons held awards under the Plan. AWARDS. The Plan authorizes issuance of awards in several forms, including options, stock appreciation rights ("SARs"), restricted stock, restricted stock units, and common stock for payment of obligations under the Company's One Year Incentive Plan, its Growth Plan, or any successor plan (including the plans discussed under Proposals 7 and 8). As discussed under Proposal 5, the Plan gives the Committee discretion to issue any such awards as "performance-based compensation" so as to satisfy exemption requirements under Section 162(m) of the Code.

Stock options and SARs cannot be issued under the Plan at an exercise or grant price less than the fair market value of Pacific Century's common stock at the date of grant (which was \$22.00 per share as of January 29, 1999). Options may be either incentive stock options ("ISOs") or non-qualified stock options ("NQSOs"). Subject to any specific Plan rules that may apply to particular option types, the Committee may grant premium options, performance-based options, options issued in tandem with SARs, reload options, and various combinations of the above. The terms of all options, as well as vesting schedules, are determined by the Committee. However, the maximum term of options granted under the Plan is ten years from the date of grant, and no options may become exercisable earlier than six months following the date of grant. The exercise price for an outstanding option (or the grant price for an SAR) may not be changed after the date of grant. The exercise price for options is payable either by payment in cash or by tendering previously acquired shares (valued at the fair market value at the time of exercise). The Committee may also permit certain forms of "cashless exercise". If a participant's employment is terminated for cause, all outstanding options are forfeited. In the case of termination due to death, disability or retirement, options generally remain exercisable until the original expiration date or until five years after termination, whichever occurs first. If employment is terminated for reasons other than death, disability, retirement or cause, unvested options terminate, and vested options remain exercisable until three months after the termination. Further, ISOs are subject to additional exercise limitations. Options are not transferable (except upon death).

SARs are granted either by themselves ("freestanding") or in connection with stock options ("tandem SARs"). Upon exercise of an SAR, the holder is entitled to receive an amount based on the appreciation in the Company's common stock over the grant price. The grant price of SARs is to equal the fair market value of the stock on the date of grant (in the case of freestanding SARs) and a grant price equal to the related option price in the case of tandem SARs. Tandem SARs may be awarded in

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connection with new options and in connection with options previously granted, and may be conditioned upon compliance with limitations (such as time or amount) imposed by the Committee. SARs are nontransferable and if employment terminates are subject to rules similar to those that apply to options. In the Committee's discretion, payments upon SAR exercise may be made in cash or in stock.

Restricted stock or restricted stock units may be granted on such conditions as the Committee determines. Such grants may require, for example, the completion of a specified period of employment to avoid forfeiture, or impose restrictions based on the achievement of specific performance goals. Restricted stock and restricted stock units generally may not be sold or transferred until the termination of the relevant restriction. Prior to termination of restrictions, restricted stock carries voting rights and participates in cash dividends. Upon termination of employment due to the death or disability restricted stock vests as of the date of employment termination. If employment terminates for other reasons, restricted stock is forfeited (although the Committee may allow accelerated vesting in the case of retirement).

The Committee has discretion to allow participants to defer receipt of cash or stock due to them on exercise of an option or SAR, or upon lapse or waiver of restrictions affecting restricted stock or restricted stock units.

CHANGE IN CONTROL. If there is a change in control of the Company all options and SARs will become immediately exercisable, any period of restriction for restricted stock or restricted stock units will end and such awards will become fully vested, and the Committee will have authority to make any modifications to awards the Committee deems appropriate. TAX WITHHOLDING. Participants have the right to satisfy tax withholding requirements arising from exercise of options or SARs, from the lapse of restrictions on restricted stock or restricted stock units, or from other taxable events under the Plan, by having the Company withhold shares that otherwise would be deliverable.

SUCCESSORS. All obligations of the Company with respect to awards will be binding on any successor to the Company, whether such succession results from merger, purchase, or other direct or indirect acquisition of all or substantially all of the Company's business or assets.

AMENDMENTS. The Plan permits the Board of Directors to amend, alter or terminate the Plan in whole or in part at any time, and generally does not require shareholder approval in connection with any such action. However, as discussed under Proposal 6, shareholder approval is required in connection with changes affecting the maximum number of awards that may be granted as performance-based compensation exempt from Section 162(m) deduction limitations. Amendments, suspensions or terminations of the Plan will not affect any award previously granted without the written consent of affected participant.

CERTAIN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS.

The tax consequences of the Plan are complex, and the following discussion deals only with general tax principles applicable to the Plan under federal law.

ISOs are options which under certain circumstances and subject to certain tax restrictions have special tax benefits for employees under the Code. NQSOs are options which do not receive such special tax treatment. When the Committee grants an ISO and when the holder exercises an ISO and acquires common stock, the holder realizes no income and the Company can claim no deduction. (However, the difference between the fair market value of the shares upon exercise and the exercise price is an item of tax preference subject to the possible application of the alternative minimum tax.) If the holder disposes of the stock before two years from grant or one year from exercise of the ISO (a disqualifying disposition), any gain will be deemed compensation and taxed as ordinary income to the

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extent of the lesser of (i) the spread between the option price and the fair market value of the stock at exercise (the spread) or (ii) the difference between the sale price and the exercise price. If a disqualifying disposition occurs, the Company can claim a deduction equal to the amount treated as compensation. If the one- and two-year holding periods are satisfied, any gain realized when the shares are sold will be treated as capital gain, and the Company will receive no corresponding tax deduction.

When the Compensation Committee grants an NQSO, the holder realizes no income and the Company can claim no deduction. On exercise of an NQSO, the holder realizes ordinary income to the extent of the spread and the Company can claim a deduction for the same amount.

When the Compensation Committee grants an SAR, the holder realizes no income and the Company can claim no deduction. The cash or the fair market value of stock received on an SAR exercise is taxed to the holder at ordinary income rates. The Company can claim a deduction in the same amount at such time.

Grants of restricted stock are generally not taxable to recipients at the time of grant and the Company generally claims no deduction at that time. The Company will receive a deduction and the holder will recognize taxable income equal to the fair market value of the stock at the time the restrictions lapse, unless the holder elects, within thirty days of notification of the award, to recognize the income on the award date, in accordance with Section 83 of the Code. If the holder makes an election under Section 83, the Company receives a corresponding deduction. Any dividends received on restricted stock prior to the date the recipient recognizes income on that stock will be taxable compensation income when received and the Company will be entitled to a corresponding deduction.

The grant of restricted stock units does not result in taxable income to the recipient. When the award is paid or distributed, the full value paid or $% \left({\left[{{{\rm{T}}_{\rm{T}}} \right]_{\rm{T}}} \right)$

distributed will be treated as ordinary income, and the Company will receive a corresponding tax deduction.

FUTURE AWARDS

The amount and nature of awards that will be issued under the Plan for 1999 and subsequent years are not presently determinable. Certain information concerning 1998 awards under the Plan is presented under the captions "STOCK OPTION/SAR GRANTS IN LAST FISCAL YEAR", "LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN--AWARDS IN LAST FISCAL YEAR" and "REPORT OF THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE--Stock Option Plan," on pages 14, 15 and 23.

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PROPOSAL 6: APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PERFORMANCE-BASED COMPENSATION PROVISIONS OF THE STOCK OPTION PLAN

The purpose of this proposal is to secure shareholder approval that is necessary to qualify certain awards under the Stock Option Plan of 1994 for exemption from Section 162(m) of the Code. Section 162(m) precludes a publicly held corporation from claiming deductions for compensation in excess of \$1,000,000 paid to its chief executive officer or to any of its four other most highly compensated executive officers. Compensation is exempt from this limitation if it satisfies requirements for "qualified performance-based compensation." Options and SARs granted under the Plan generally qualify for the performance-based exemption because, among other things, those awards have exercise prices at least equal to the fair market value of the Company's common stock at the date of grant, the Plan has been approved by shareholders, and the Plan limits the number of options or SARs that may be granted to any one individual.

However, other types of Plan awards are subject to additional requirements. The Plan therefore permits the Compensation Committee to grant awards that are intended to provide performance-based compensation satisfying Section 162(m) exemption requirements. Such awards (typically in the form of restricted stock or restricted stock units) involve requirements that compensation resulting from the award be paid pursuant to preestablished objective performance formulas or standards. The Plan describes the business criteria on which such awards may be based and leaves the Committee with discretion to establish targets or numerical goals based on these criteria. When such discretion exists, the performance-based exemption is available only if a plan's "material terms" are approved by shareholders at least once every five years. Accordingly, Pacific Century is seeking such shareholder approval. If shareholder approval is not granted, the Committee will no longer have the ability to grant Plan awards (other than options and SARs) that qualify for the performance-based exemption from Section 162(m).

PLAN PROVISIONS CONCERNING PERFORMANCE-BASED COMPENSATION

The following is a brief summary of Plan provisions concerning performance-based compensation awards.

The Plan provides that in granting any award, the Committee is to determine whether the award is intended to provide performance-based compensation (meaning compensation under an award granted to provide remuneration solely on account of the attainment of one or more preestablished objective performance goals under circumstances that satisfy exemption requirements of Section 162(m)). All plan participants are eligible to receive awards that may provide for performance-based compensation. The persons eligible for selection by the Committee to participate in the Plan include all full-time, nonunion employees of the Company or its subsidiaries, including employees who are directors but excluding directors who are not employees. The maximum dollar amount that may be paid in settlement of any award providing for performance-based compensation is the fair market value of 20% of the total authorized pool of shares. That maximum may be changed, provided the change is approved by shareholders in a manner that satisfies applicable requirements under Section 162(m). As explained under Proposal 5, the total authorized pool is presently 5,750,000 shares, and if Proposal 5 is approved, will be increased to 9,650,000 shares.

Any award intended to provide performance-based compensation (other than the award of an option and any related tandem SAR) must include requirements that the award be payable only on account of attaining one or more preestablished performance goals. The award agreement must specify the performance goals, and state in terms of an objective formula or standard the method for computing the amount payable if the goal is attained. Before payment of any such award, the Committee must certify that the performance goals and any other material terms of the award have been satisfied. Performance goals applicable to each award intended to provide performance-based compensation are to be determined in such manner that any compensation paid pursuant to a preestablished objective

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performance formula or standard precludes discretion and generally allows a third party with knowledge of relevant performance results to calculate the amount to be paid to the participant. However, reservation of a right to reduce or eliminate the compensation upon attainment of the performance goal will not be considered impermissible discretion.

The performance goals applicable to each award intended to provide performance-based compensation shall be based on one or more of the following performance measures--earnings per share (actual or targeted growth), economic value added, net income after capital cost, net income (before or after taxes), various return measures (either absolute or relative to peers) including: return on average assets, return on average equity, risk-adjusted return on capital, efficiency ratio, full time equivalency control, stock price (actual or targeted growth), total shareholder return (absolute or relative to an index), and non-interest income to net interest income ratio. These criteria were established in an amendment to the Plan adopted by the Board in January 1999 in order to conform such criteria to those contained in the Long-Term Plan discussed under Proposal 8. Prior to that amendment, the specified business criteria included control of net overhead expenses, control of non-performing loans, adequacy of loan loss reserves, control of non-interest expenses, control of interest margins, increase in the Company's common stock price, increase in earnings per share, growth in net income per employee, return on equity, increase in bank deposit loans, return on average equity, return on assets, increase in capitalization levels, increase in non-interest income and growth in earnings. Apart from that amendment, and increases to the available pool of Plan shares described under Proposal 5, the provisions of the Plan pertaining to performance-based compensation have not been modified since shareholders approved the Plan in 1994.

OTHER PLAN PROVISIONS

For a summary of other provisions of the Plan, please refer to Proposal 5.

APPROVAL OF CERTAIN MATERIAL TERMS

For purposes of Section 162(m) the "material terms" of the Plan include: (a) the individuals eligible to receive compensation under the Plan; (b) a description of the business criteria on which the performance goal is based; and (c) either the maximum amount of compensation to be paid if the performance goal is attained or the formula used to calculate the amount of compensation to be paid if the goal is attained. In that context, the "material terms" of the Plan being submitted for shareholder approval are as follows: (a) the eligible class of individuals is all full-time, nonunion employees of the Company or its subsidiaries (including employees who are directors, but excluding directors who are not employees) as selected for participation in the Plan by the Compensation Committee; (b) the business criteria upon which performance goals may be based are earnings per share (actual or targeted growth), economic value added, net income after capital cost, net income (before or after taxes), various return measures (either absolute or relative to peers) including: return on average assets, return on average equity, risk-adjusted return on capital, efficiency ratio, full time equivalency control, stock price (actual or targeted growth), total shareholder return (absolute or relative to an index), and non-interest income to net interest income ratio; and (c) the maximum dollar amount that may be paid in settlement of any award that provides performance-based compensation is the fair market value (determined on the date the award is exercised or

settled) of 20% of the total authorized pool of shares under the Plan.

FUTURE AWARDS

The amounts that may be received by the Company's named executive officers or other Plan participants pursuant to awards intended as performance-based compensation are not presently determinable.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THIS PROPOSAL.

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PROPOSAL 7: APPROVAL OF CERTAIN MATERIAL TERMS OF THE ONE-YEAR INCENTIVE PLAN

On January 22, 1999, the Compensation Committee adopted the Pacific Century Financial Corporation One-Year Incentive Plan ("One-Year Plan") and, on February 26, 1999, the Board of Directors approved and ratified the One-Year Plan.

In order to qualify certain awards under the One-Year Plan as performance-based compensation exempt from the \$1 million compensation limitation under Section 162(m), the Company is seeking shareholder approval of certain material terms of the One-Year Plan discussed under "Approval of Certain Material Terms". A summary of the principal provisions of the One-Year Plan is set forth below. Reference should be made to the full text of the One-Year Plan for a complete description of its terms and conditions. A complete copy of that Plan can be obtained from the Corporate Secretary's Office at the address listed on page 42 This new One-Year Plan will replace the Company's One-Year Plan that was in effect for 1998 and previous years and which is described on page 21.

SUMMARY OF THE ONE-YEAR PLAN

The One-Year Plan provides for contingent awards to eligible employees that are contingent upon the financial performance of the Company and the individual performances of eligible employees. The objectives of the One-Year Plan are to optimize profitability and growth of the Company and its subsidiaries, to provide an incentive for excellence in individual performance, and to promote teamwork among employees. The One-Year Plan is effective as of January 1, 1999, and operates for a ten year term ending January 1, 2009.

The One-Year Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee. The Committee has the authority to: designate eligible employees to whom awards may be granted under the One-Year Plan; determine the amount and terms and conditions of the awards; interpret the terms of the Plan and any award or award agreement; establish regulations governing the administration of the Plan; amend the terms and conditions of any award or award agreement to the extent such terms and conditions are with the Committee's discretion under the Plan; and amend, modify, or terminate the Plan as provided under the terms of the Plan. All determinations made by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the One-Year Plan are final and binding upon all persons, including the Company and employees who participate in the Plan.

All officers and employees of the Company or its subsidiaries who are determined by the Committee to be of exceptional importance and with the ability to make substantial contributions to the success, growth, and profit of the Company and its subsidiaries are eligible employees under the One-Year Plan. The Committee may, from time to time and at its sole discretion, designate the eligible employees who will receive contingent awards under the One-Year Plan.

A contingent award granted to an eligible employee for a fiscal year will be an award which is contingent on the achievement of designated performance goals for the fiscal year and will be an amount or range of amounts (expressed in dollars or as percentages of salary for the fiscal year). In the case of a contingent award to an executive officer which is intended to qualify for the performance-based exemption under Section 162(m), the contingent award is to be determined by the end of the first quarter of the fiscal year and is to include a limitation expressed as a given percentage of an incentive pool for the fiscal year. Prior to the end of the first quarter of the fiscal year, the Committee will determine the incentive pool as an amount equal to a designated percentage of the Company's net income for the fiscal year. For this purpose, net income is defined as the Company's consolidated net income before taxes for the fiscal year, as reported in the annual report to shareholders or as otherwise reported to shareholders, and as adjusted by the Committee in its sole discretion for expenses associated with the One-Year Plan, any extraordinary or unusual gain or loss transaction, securities gains or losses, and dividends on preferred shares. The total of contingent awards for a fiscal year to named

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executive officers which are intended to qualify for the Section 162(m) performance-based exemption will not exceed the incentive pool for the fiscal year, and the Committee may, but need not, grant such contingent awards up to the full amount of the incentive pool.

After the completion of a fiscal year, each participant's performance during the fiscal year will be assessed by the participant's manager for the achievement of the performance goals upon which the participant's contingent award were based, and the manager will make a recommendation of a final award amount to the Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Executive Officer will also assess the participant's performance and make a recommendation of a final award amount to the Committee. However, the determination of the final award remains within the sole discretion of the Committee and, notwithstanding any of the recommendations, the Committee may determine a lesser or greater final award amount taking into account the participant's overall contribution to the Company and its subsidiaries, the performance of the Company and its subsidiaries, and such other criteria as the Committee may determine. In the case of a contingent award to an executive officer which is intended to qualify for the performance-based exemption under Section 162(m), the contingent award established for that fiscal year will be subject to downward adjustment but will not be subject to upward adjustment above the amount determined by the incentive pool percentage for that year that is specified in the contingent award. In addition, all contingent awards are subject to an overriding limitation, which provides that the maximum aggregate payout for contingent awards granted in any one fiscal year to any one participant is \$2,000,000. Subject to the foregoing limitations, the Committee may modify or revoke the participant's contingent award at any time prior to the determination of a final award.

In the event of a change in control of the Company during a fiscal year, the fiscal year will be treated as ending on the date of the change of control for purposes of determining a final award, and the final award for a participant will be calculated as an amount equal to two times the participant's contingent award for the fiscal year based on the participant's annualized salary for the fiscal year, which amount will be then prorated for the fiscal year in proportion to the number of full months completed within the fiscal year.

The Company's Board of Directors or the Committee may amend or terminate the One-Year Plan at any time without shareholder approval. However, in the case of any amendment or termination which adversely affects a final award made to a participant, such amendment or termination may not be made without the participant's consent.

APPROVAL OF CERTAIN MATERIAL TERMS

In order for a grant of a contingent award under the One-Year Plan to qualify for the performance-based exemption under Code Section 162(m), certain "material terms" of the Plan must be approved by shareholders according to the tax rules governing the performance-based exemption, which material terms are: (a) the individuals eligible to receive compensation under the Plan; (b) a description of the business criteria on which the performance goal is based; and (c) the maximum amount of compensation to be paid if the performance goal is attained. In that context, the "material terms" of the One-Year Plan which are being submitted for the approval of shareholders are as follows: (a) the eligible class of individuals is all officers and employees of the Company or its subsidiaries who are determined by the Committee to be of exceptional importance and with the ability to make substantial contributions to the success, growth, and profit of the Company and its subsidiaries; (b) the business criteria upon which performance goals are based is the Company's net income; and (c) the maximum dollar amount of compensation payable with respect to contingent awards granted in any one fiscal year to any one participant is \$2,000,000.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THIS PROPOSAL.

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1999 AWARDS

The Compensation Committee has established 1999 contingent awards under the new One-Year Plan for a total of 152 participants, including all named executive officers. All 1999 contingent awards for the named executive officers are intended by the Committee to qualify for the performance-based exemption, and have been granted subject to approval of this proposal by the Company's shareholders. Awards to other participants are not conditioned upon approval of this proposal.

Each 1999 contingent award to a named executive officer is expressed as a range of percentages of such officer's 1999 salary. That element of the contingent award does not preclude the Committee from making a final award outside the range. However, each such contingent award also provides that the final award will be limited to a specified percentage of the 1999 incentive pool. The Committee has determined that this incentive pool will consist of two percent of the Company's 1999 net income before tax. The 1999 limit on each named executive officer's final award is the following percentage (the "incentive pool percentage") of the 1999 incentive pool: Mr. Johnson, 11%; Mr. Dahl, 8%; Ms. Carryer, 5%; Mr. Kuioka, 5%; and Mr. Houle 4%.

The 1999 incentive pool percentages cannot be exceeded when final awards are determined without loss of the performance-based exemption under Section 162(m). Accordingly, the Committee's emphasis in setting 1999 incentive pool percentages was on the fact that they will constitute an upper limit on final awards. The incentive pool percentages were thus set in 1999 (and will likely be set in subsequent years) so as to give the Committee flexibility in establishing each final award that is intended to qualify for the performance-based exemption. Incentive pool percentages for 1999 are not "targets", and final awards to the named executive officers for 1999 may be less than the maximums permitted by such percentages.

The amounts payable for 1999 under this plan are not presently determinable. However, if the plan had been in effect for the year ended December 31, 1998, and if the final awards to the named executive officers were established solely by applying the foregoing percentages to the Company's 1998 net earnings before tax, without any downward adjustments by the Committee of the resulting amounts, the following payments would have been made:

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NAME AND POSITION	1998 MAXIMUM DOLLAR VALUE
Lawrence M. Johnson, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	\$ 359,949
Richard J. Dahl, President and Chief Operating Officer	\$ 261,780
Alton T. Kuioka, Vice Chair and Chief Lending Officer	\$ 163,613
Mary P. Carryer, Vice Chair	\$ 163,613
David H. Houle, Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer	\$ 130,890

Notwithstanding the foregoing calculations, the Committee believes that if this plan had been in effect during 1998, none of the final awards to named executive officers would have equaled the amounts set forth above, and that after exercise of the Committee's adjustment discretion, the final awards to named executive officers would have been substantially identical to the bonus amounts set forth in the Summary Compensation Table.

PROPOSAL 8: APPROVAL OF CERTAIN MATERIAL TERMS OF THE LONG-TERM INCENTIVE COMPENSATION PLAN

On January 22, 1999, the Compensation Committee adopted the Pacific Century Financial Corporation Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan ("Long-Term Plan") and, on February 26, 1999, the Board of Directors approved and ratified the Long-Term Plan.

In order to qualify certain awards under the Long-Term Plan as performance-based compensation exempt from the \$1 million compensation limitation under Code Section 162(m), the Company is seeking shareholder approval of certain material terms of the Long-Term Plan discussed under "Approval of Certain Material Terms". A summary of the principal provisions of the Long-Term Plan is set forth below. Reference should be made to the full text of the Long-Term Plan for a complete description of its terms and conditions. A complete copy of the Long-Term Plan can be obtained from the Corporate Secretary's office at the address listed on page 42.

For awards made in 1999 and later years, the Long-Term Plan will replace the Growth Plan utilized since 1994, which is described on page 22.

SUMMARY OF THE LONG-TERM PLAN

The Long-Term Plan provides for contingent cash awards to eligible employees that are contingent upon the financial performance of the Company and the individual performance of eligible employees. The objectives of the Long-Term Plan are to optimize profitability and growth of the Company and its subsidiaries over a multi-year period, to provide an incentive for excellence in individual performance, and to promote teamwork among employees. The Long-Term Plan is effective as of January 1, 1999, and operates for a ten year term ending January 1, 2009.

The Long-Term Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee. The Committee has the authority to: designate eligible employees to whom awards may be granted under the Long-Term Plan; determine the amount and terms and conditions of the awards; interpret the terms of the Plan and any award or award agreement; establish regulations governing the administration of the Plan; amend the terms and conditions of any award or award agreement to the extent such terms and conditions are within the Committee's discretion under the Plan; and amend, modify, or terminate the Plan as provided under the terms of the Plan. All determinations made by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Long-Term Plan are final and binding upon all persons, including the Company and employees who participate in the Plan.

All officers and employees of the Company or its subsidiaries who are determined by the Committee to be of exceptional importance and with the ability to make substantial contributions to the success, growth, and profit of the Company and its subsidiaries are eligible employees under the Long-Term Plan. The Committee may, from time to time and at its sole discretion, designate the eligible employees who will receive contingent awards under the Long-Term Plan.

A contingent award granted to an eligible employee for a performance period will be an award which is contingent upon the achievement of designated performance goals for the performance period and will be expressed as a dollar amount or a percentage of average annual base salary for the performance period. A performance period will be a multi-year period as may be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion. The performance goals upon which contingent awards are conditioned will be based upon one or more of the following performance measures: earnings per share (actual or targeted growth); economic value added; net income after capital cost; net income (before or after taxes); various return measures (either absolute or relative to peers), including return on average assets, return on average equity, risk-adjusted return on capital, efficiency ratio, full time equivalency control, stock price (either actual or targeted growth), total shareholder return (absolute or relative to an index), and non-interest income to net interest income ratio. Prior to the end of the first quarter of the first fiscal year of the applicable performance period, the Committee will select among the performance measures and establish specific performance goals relative to such performance measures for contingent awards made for the performance period. In the case that external changes or unanticipated business conditions materially affect the fairness of the goals as determined by the Committee, the Committee may approve appropriate adjustments to performance goals as they apply to contingent awards. Also, in the case of a change in corporate capitalization or a corporate transaction or an unusual or nonrecurring event, the Committee may make adjustments to contingent awards as may be appropriate and equitable to prevent the dilution or enlargement or rights. However, in the case of awards to named executive officers intended to qualify for the performance-based exemption under Section 162(m), any adjustments to performance goals or contingent awards must, to the extent required by Section 162(m), be made before the end of the first quarter of the first year of the performance period.

After the completion of a performance period, each participant's performance during the performance period will be assessed and the Committee in its sole discretion will make a determination of a final award amount. As compared to the participant's contingent award, the Committee may determine a lesser or greater final award amount. However, in determining the final award to a participant which is intended to qualify for the performance-based exemption under Section 162(m), the participant's contingent award will be subject to downward adjustment but will not be subject to upward adjustment. The maximum aggregate payout for contingent awards granted in any one fiscal year to any one participant is \$2,000,000. Subject to the foregoing limitations, the Committee may modify or revoke the participant's contingent award at any time prior to the determination of a final award.

In the event of a change in control of the Company during a performance period, the performance period will be treated as ending on the date of the change of control for purposes of determining a final award, and the final award for a participant will be calculated as an amount equal to two times the participant's contingent award for the performance period based on the participant's average annual base salary for the shortened performance period, which amount will be then prorated for the performance period in proportion to the number of full months completed within the performance period.

The Company's Board of Directors or the Committee may prior to a change in control amend or terminate the Long-Term Plan at any time without shareholder approval. However, in the case of any amendment or termination which adversely affects a final award made to a participant, such amendment or termination may not be made without the participant's consent.

APPROVAL OF CERTAIN MATERIAL TERMS

In order for a grant of a contingent award under the Long-Term Plan to qualify for the performance-based exemption under Section 162(m), certain "material terms" of the Plan must be approved by shareholders according to the tax rules governing the performance-based exemption, which material terms are: (a) the individuals eligible to receive compensation under the Plan; (b) a description of the business criteria on which the performance goal is based; and (c) the maximum amount of compensation to be paid if the performance goal is attained. In that context, the "material terms" of the Long-Term Plan which are being submitted for the approval of shareholders are as follows: (a) the eligible class of individuals is all officers and employees of the Company or its subsidiaries who are determined by the Committee to be of exceptional importance and with the ability to make substantial contributions to the success, growth, and profit of the Company and its subsidiaries; (b) the business criteria upon which performance goals may be based are earnings per share (actual or targeted growth); economic value added; net income after capital cost; net income (before or after taxes); various return measures (either absolute or relative to peers), including return on average assets, return on average equity, risk-adjusted return on capital, efficiency ratio, full time equivalency control, stock price (either actual or targeted growth), total shareholder return (absolute or relative to an index), and non-interest

income to net interest income ratio; and (c) the maximum dollar amount of compensation payable with respect to contingent awards granted in any one fiscal

year to any one participant is \$2,000,000.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THIS PROPOSAL.

1999 AWARDS

In January 1999, the Committee made the first awards under the Long-Term Plan. Awards were made to a total of 36 participants. Each such award to a named executive officer was intended by the Committee to qualify for the performance-based exemption and was granted subject to approval of this proposal by the Company's shareholders. Awards to other participants were not conditioned upon approval of this proposal.

The contingent awards are for a three-year performance period ended December 31, 2001. The contingent award to each named executive officer is equal to a percentage of that officer's average annual base salary over the three-year period. The Committee selected as performance measures for 1999 awards earnings growth rate and return on average equity during the performance period. The Committee established a matrix that sets forth multipliers to be applied to the contingent awards based on Pacific Century's performance with respect to the two factors chosen. No awards will be paid if return on average equity for the three years covered by the plan is 10% or less or if the earnings growth rate is 10% or less. If the return on average equity over that period is about 13% and the earnings growth rate over that period is about 20%, then one times the contingent awards would be payable (the "target" in the table below). The maximum cash award payable for the three-year period is two times the contingent award. The maximum payout would occur if return on average equity were 16% or more, and the earnings growth rate were 30% or more.

The following table sets forth certain information concerning payments that may result from the 1999 awards. Target amounts are not presently determinable; the amounts set forth below are based on an assumed adjustment of 5% per annum of 1999 base salaries and do not reflect the Committee's authority to reduce awards intended to qualify for the performance-based exemption, or in the case of other awards to adjust final awards either upwards or downwards.

NEW PLAN BENEFITS LONG-TERM PLAN--1999 AWARDS

NAME	TARGET PAYOUT AS A % OF FY 99-2001 AVERAGE PAY	PERFORMANCE PERIOD	THRESHOLD (\$ OR #)	TARGET (\$ OR #)	MAXIMUM (\$ OR #)
Lawrence M. Johnson	50%	3 years ending 12-31-2001	386	385,875	771,750
Richard J. Dahl	45%	3 years ending 12-31-2001	248	248,063	496,125
Mary P. Carryer	40%	3 years ending 12-31-2001	137	136,500	273,000
Alton T. Kuioka	40%	3 years ending 12-31-2001	137	135,500	273,000
David A. Houle	35%	3 years ending 12-31-2001	94	93,713	187,425
Executive Group Non-Executive Officer	20% - 50%	3 years ending 12-31-2001	1,030	1,029,849	2,059,698
Employee Group	15% - 35%	3 years ending 12-31-2001	1,210	1,209,743	2,419,486

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PROPOSAL 9: ELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The Board of Directors, on recommendation of the Audit Committee, recommends the reelection of Ernst & Young LLP as Pacific Century's Independent Auditor for 1999 and thereafter until its successor is elected. Ernst & Young LLP has been Pacific Century's Independent Auditor since its incorporation in 1971 and also serves as Independent Auditor for the Bank. Representatives of Ernst & Young LLP are expected to attend the Annual Meeting and have indicated that they will have no statement to make but will be available to respond to questions.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THIS PROPOSAL.

OTHER MATTERS

Pacific Century knows of no other matter to come before the meeting. However, if any other matter properly comes before the meeting, the persons named in the enclosed proxy will vote in accordance with their judgment upon any such matters.

Section 1.12 of Pacific Century's By-Laws provides that for business to be properly brought before the meeting by a shareholder, the shareholder must give written notice thereof to the Corporate Secretary of Pacific Century no later than 80 days nor earlier than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting. Such notice must set forth as to each matter the shareholder proposes to bring before such meeting certain information specified in Pacific Century's By-Laws. Any such notice must be delivered to or received by the Corporate Secretary, Pacific Century Financial Corporation, 130 Merchant Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.

SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS FOR 1999 MEETING

Proposals of shareholders to be presented at and included in Pacific Century's Proxy Statement and proxy for the 2000 Annual Meeting of Shareholders must be received by Pacific Century (at 130 Merchant Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813) on or before November 9, 1999.

By Order of the Board of Directors

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CORI C. WESTON VICE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY

Honolulu, Hawaii March 8, 1999

A COPY OF PACIFIC CENTURY'S ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K, INCLUDING THE RELATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SCHEDULES FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, IS AVAILABLE WITHOUT CHARGE TO ANY SHAREHOLDER WHO REQUESTS A COPY IN WRITING. THE FORM 10-K CONSISTS PRIMARILY OF INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS OR IN THIS PROXY STATEMENT. REQUESTS FOR COPIES SHOULD BE MAILED TO CORI C. WESTON, VICE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY, PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION, 130 MERCHANT STREET, HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813. INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPANY MAY ALSO BE FOUND ON-LINE AT: (WWW.BOH.COM).

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SUBMIT YOUR PROXY BY MAIL Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we've provided or return it to Pacific Century Financial Corporation, c/o ADP, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS: PACCEN KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORD PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION 130 MERCHANT STREET, HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813 PROXY FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS -- APRIL 23, 1999 THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED BY MANAGEMENT BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Shareholders of record of Pacific Century common stock at the close of business February 23, 1999 are entitled to attend the meeting and vote on business brought before it.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. However, in the event that you are unable to attend the meeting, your shares may still be voted if you complete, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card in the enclosed postage-paid return envelope. You may also vote by telephone or electronically via the Internet. The accompanying proxy statement provides certain background information that will be helpful in deciding how to cast your vote on business transacted at the meeting.

by Order of the Board Directors

CORI C. WESTON Vice President and Secretary Pacific Century Financial Corporation

_____ DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION ONLY THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED. PACIFIC CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS VOTING FOR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS: VOTE ON PROPOSALS FOR WITHHOLD FOR ALL 1. To elect the following Class I Directors for ALL ALL EXCEPT terms expiring in 2002, (01) Peter D. Baldwin, (02) Richard J. Dahl,(03) Donald M. Takaki, (04) J. Richard Fredericks / / To withhold authority to vote, mark "For All Except" and write the nominee's number on the line below. _____ 2. To elect the following Class III Director for term expiring in 2001 - (05) Martin A. Stein. / / / / 1 1 3. To approve an Amendment to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to reduce the percentage of shares required to remove a director for cause. // // 11 4. To approve an Amendment to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to permit ten percent of the shareholders to call a special meeting. //// 11 5. To approve an Amendment to the Pacific Century Financial Corporation Stock Option Plan of 1994 (the "Option Plan") to increase the number of shares of common stock available for grant under the Option Plan. // // 1 1 6. To approve certain performance-based compensation provisions of the Option Plan for purposes of Section 11 11 162(m). 7. To approve certain material terms of the One-Year Incentive Plan for purposes of Section 162(m). //// 11 8. To approve certain material terms of the Long-Term //// / / Incentive Plan for purposes of Section 162(m). //// 9. To elect Ernst & Young LLP as Independent Auditor. 11

10. To transact any other business that may be properly brought before the meeting.

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints David A. Heenan, Herbert M. Richards, Jr., Mary G. F. Bitterman, Stuart T. K. Ho, and Fred E. Trotter, and each of them, the proxy of the undersigned, with full powers of substitution, to vote all common stock of Pacific Century Financial Corporation, which the undersigned may be entitled to vote at the annual meeting of shareholders of the corporation to be held on April 23, 1999, or any adjournment thereof.

This proxy will be voted as directed. If no direction is indicated, it will be voted as recommended by the Board of Directors. If no choice is specified for proposal numbers 1 & 2, the proxy will be voted for the election of all nominees. Said proxies are authorized to vote in their discretion with respect to other matters which may come before the meeting.

Please date, sign exactly as your name appears on the form and mail the proxy promptly. When signing as an attorney, executor, administrator, trustee or guardian, please give your full title. If shares are held jointly, both owners must sign.

Signature (Joint Owners) Date