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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR VILLAGE BANK DEBIT MASTERCARD**

Dear [REDACTED],

Card Number Ending: [REDACTED]

We have received a security bulletin from MasterCard regarding a potential security breach.

You are receiving this notification because you initiated a debit card transaction with the impacted merchant some time before or during the affected time period. Your Village Bank Debit MasterCard may have been involved.

The Village Bank's computer and debit card networks were not breached at any time and your confidential information on our systems remain safe.

**NATURE OF THE SECURITY BREACH OR UNAUTHORIZED USE OR ACCESS**

**Event Description:** Suspect data compromise of a merchant's payment card environment

**Electronic Data possibly compromised:** Account Number, CVC2, Expiration Date

**Start Date:** July 1, 2019

**End Date:** July 31, 2019

**Protecting your account against fraudulent activity is a top priority for us!**

A high level review of debit card activity against your account has not found any unusual or unauthorized transactions as a result of this suspected breach. All debit card transactions are run through our sophisticated real-time fraud detection system for monitoring.

At this time we do not have any evidence that your personal information was used for fraudulent purposes but if you would like to completely eliminate the risk of fraud we recommend that you contact us to close your card and we will reissue you a new one.

*If you wish to order a new debit card or have any questions please contact us at (617) 969-4300 or visit your local branch.*

Sincerely,

*Kathy Guerrier*

*Debit Card Administrator*

*320 Needham Street, Suite 200*

*Newton, MA 02464*

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Date: 12/24/2019

Attorney General Maura Healy  
Office of the Attorney General  
One Ashburton Place  
Boston, MA 02108

Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation  
10 Park Plaza Suite 5170  
Boston, MA 02116

Dear Attorney General & Director:

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 93H, we are writing to notify you of a breach of security/an unauthorized access or use of personal information involving Massachusetts residents.

#### **NATURE OF THE SECURITY BREACH OR UNAUTHORIZED USE OR ACCESS**

**MasterCard Notification Received:** 12/23/19

**Event Description:** Suspected data compromise of a merchant's payment card environment

**Source of Compromise:** System Breach

**Affected Time Period:** July 1, 2019 through July 31, 2019

**Electronic Data possibly compromised:** Account Number, CVC2, Expiration Date

#### **NUMBER OF MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENTS AFFECTED**

**Total:** 7

All affected residents were promptly notified via a written notice that was delivered by the US Postal Service.

#### **STEPS YOU HAVE TAKEN OR PLAN TO TAKE RELATING TO THE INCIDENT**

All impacted cards have been flagged as "compromised" which escalates the review of transactions by our fraud detection system. Transactions associated with these flagged cards have a greater chance of being sent through our online real-time monitoring to risk-score the transactions before they are approved.

The notifications sent to all affected residents recommends that they contact us to reissue them a new card. We will only close and reissue a card without hearing from them if the suspected card has experienced fraud or attempted fraud.

At this time we do not have any evidence that the personal information was used for fraudulent purposes and have not reported the incident to law enforcement.

#### **OTHER NOTIFICATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please contact me if you have any questions or if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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