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## PRESS RELEASE

## **BANCA MPS:**

## EXTRAORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING APPROVES OF 2.5 BILLION SHARE CAPITAL INCREASE

Siena, September 15,2022 – The Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.p.A. (the "Bank" or "BMPS"), held today under the chairmanship of Patrizia Grieco, resolved to approve:

- ✓ the reduction of the share capital for losses pursuant to Article 2446 of the Italian Civil Code, to cover the aforementioned overall loss, reduced by the profit for the period and the utilisation of available reserves, as a result of which the share capital amounted to Euro 4,954,119,492.44;
- ✓ the reverse stock split of the ordinary shares at a ratio of 1 new ordinary share for every no.
  100 existing ordinary shares;
- ✓ the increase of the share capital against payment up to an overall maximum amount of Euro 2,500,000,000.00 to be carried out, in divisible form, through the issue ordinary shares with regular dividend entitlement to be offered to the Company's Shareholders, pursuant to Article 2441 of the Italian Civil Code;
- ✓ the consequent amendments to Articles 1, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 23, 25, 26 and 32 of the By Laws.

The aforementioned resolutions were approved with a percentage of votes exceeding 98% of the capital present at the shareholders' meeting.

With reference to the relevant authorizations in the context of the share capital increase, it should be noted that:

- (i) on September 2, 2022, the European Central Bank authorized the share capital increase and the related amendments to the Articles of ByLaws; and
- (ii) on August 2, 2022, DG COMP announced the end of its authorization procedure which includes also the approval of the extension granted to the MEF regarding its permanence in the share capital of the Bank. For further information, please refer to the full text of the press release available on the official website of the European Commission.

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Pursuant to Article 154-bis, paragraph 2 of the Consolidated Finance Act, the Financial Reporting Officer, Nicola Massimo Clarelli, declares that the accounting information contained in this press release correspond to the underlying documentary evidence, books and accounting records.



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