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Dear Valued Member,

Recent news in the banking sector may have led to some concerns about the financial health of banks and Credit Unions. I want to reassure you concerning the financial stability of Vermont Federal Credit Union and how our institution differs from those in recent headlines.

Credit Unions have a very different risk profile from the failed banks that are in financial industry news. The banks that failed were heavily concentrated in a single industry. One of the banks primarily supported tech start-ups in California and the other failed bank, domiciled in New York, was heavily focused on Crypto Currency.

Some of the key elements of Vermont Federal Credit Union's financial stability include:

- Vermont Federal Credit Union supports local consumers and their businesses. We have been serving members since 1953. We are owned by our members. Protecting your money is a priority for us.
- Vermont Federal Credit Union is federally insured by the NCUA, up to \$250,000 per individual depositor. A brochure describing coverage can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.
- The NCUA provides a share insurance calculator that can be used to estimate the level of coverage on your accounts. The share insurance calculator can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.
- We have a disciplined approach to managing the finances of the credit union and are financially strong with equity of over 9%. We have over 50,000 depositors. Liquidity and risk positions are closely monitored. We are prepared to weather tough economic times.
- We are audited annually by Crowe, LLP and examined every 18 months by the NCUA. Please find a copy of our audited financial statements <a href="here">here</a>.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, we encourage you to email our CFO, Harry Jacobson, at <a href="mailto:hjacobson@vermontfederal.org">hjacobson@vermontfederal.org</a>.

Thank you for your trust in Vermont Federal Credit Union and thank you for being a member.

Sincerely,

JEAN GIARD
President/CEO