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Nanaimo, BC, July 3, 2025 – Coastal Community Credit Union and Integris Credit Union move forward with next stage in proposed merger.

Integris Credit Union and Coastal Community Credit Union have achieved a significant milestone, following the earlier announcement of an MOU to explore a merger. After thorough due diligence, both Boards have determined that merging the two credit unions is in the best interest of members, employees, and the communities they serve. Consequently, an application is being submitted to the BC Financial Services Authority (BCFSA) for preliminary consent.

Should the BCFSA provide regulatory consent to continue to proceed, the next step would be sharing the Member Guide which will cover important details such as vote eligibility, vote entitlement, and when members can expect results. The guide is anticipated to be released late summer/early fall. Information on the merger is currently available on both Integris and Coastal Community's websites – a microsite is in development, expected to release this summer, to consolidate information into one easy-to-find location for members.

It is important for our members to know that as a merged credit union, we remain committed to serving you. The differences in our regions showcase individual strengths and opportunities to learn from one another and provide us with the ability to diversify our markets while building a combined credit union that is stronger together. This is an exciting opportunity, and we look forward to what comes next.

"The comprehensive and detailed work we have done together is a testament to our shared commitment to better serve our members, employees, and communities. We believe that by combining our strengths, we can create a stronger, more resilient credit union that will continue to thrive and grow," Alexandra Goseltine, Chair of Integris' Board of Directors.

"This merger represents a unique opportunity to bring together the best of both credit unions – and I believe both Integris and Coastal Community members will be better off because of this merger. We are excited about the possibilities that lie ahead and are confident that this union will enhance our ability to serve our members and communities. Together, we will build on our shared values and work towards a brighter future," added Dominique Roelants, Chair of Coastal Community's Board of Directors. Together, we will build a stronger, more resilient credit union dedicated to serving our members and communities with excellence. Thank you for your support and trust as we move forward with the merger.

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About Coastal Community

For over 75 years, we've been passionate about helping Islanders improve their financial health and protect what's important. This vision is why we have grown to be the largest financial services organization based on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. To help you improve your financial health, we offer a range of personal, business, and commercial banking and insurance* services, as well as wealth management through Aviso Wealth**. Our Island communities are our homes, so we make decisions based on our knowledge of the local market, strengthening local economies. And we never stop looking for ways to improve the way we do business. For more information about Coastal Community, visit www.cccu.ca.

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Financial Planning, and Group Benefits to over 27,000 members in the north central BC region. As a

living wage employer, Integris continues to be a leader and community enriching organization.

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