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# **GUNMA BANK NEWS**

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# Announcement regarding of establishment of target for reduction of shares for policy purposes

The Gunma Bank, Ltd. ("the Bank") has hereby set the following reduction target and timeframe for its shares for policy purposes in order to further accelerate the reduction of its shares for policy purposes for the purpose of sound development of the capital markets, further improvement of its capital efficiency, and strengthening of its financial position.

# 1. Reduction target

Reduction of listed shares for policy purposes with a book value of 20 billion yen (approx. 50% of the book value of shares for policy purposes at the end of March 2022)

#### 2. Timeframe

Five years from the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023 (the current fiscal year) to the fiscal year ending March 31, 2027

## 3. Policy for dialogue

The Bank will pursue dialogue with all counterparties that hold listed shares for policy purposes, and will continue to engage in dialogue with them to gain their understanding of its policies, taking into consideration the environment surrounding the counterparty and the counterparty's capital policy.

The Bank will make a comprehensive judgment as to whether to continue holding its shares for policy purposes from the standpoint of economic rationality, relevance to the local economy and the Bank's capital policy, and will strive to reduce its shares for policy purposes.

In making the sale, consideration will be given to the impact on the market and other factors. The capital that will be generated by the sale will be allocated to investments for growth, including new businesses, with an awareness of capital efficiency, with the aim of increasing corporate value over the medium-to-long term.

Progress will be reported regularly to the Board of Directors and publicly announced through IR activities.

# 4. Changes in book value of shares for policy purposes

