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The Annual Meeting Of Shareholders Will Be Held At:

The Bethesda Marriott Hotel

5151 Pooks Hill Road

Bethesda, Maryland 20814-2432

on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. EDT

To The Shareholders of Eagle Bancorp, Inc.:

Proxy Statement

The Board of Directors of Eagle Bancorp, Inc. is soliciting your proxy for use at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at 10:00 A.M. EDT on Thursday, May 17, 2018, and at any adjournment or postponement of the meeting. This proxy statement and proxy card are being sent to shareholders of the Company on or about April 3, 2018, to shareholders of record as of March 21, 2018, the record date for the meeting. A copy of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, which includes our audited financial statements, also accompanies this proxy statement.

In this proxy statement, we refer to (a) Eagle Bancorp, Inc. as the Company, Eagle, we or us, (b) the Board of Directors as the Board or Board of Directors and (c) EagleBank, our wholly owned subsidiary, as EagleBank or the Bank.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on May 17, 2018. A copy of this proxy statement, our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, and our Report to Shareholders is available online at http://viewproxy.com/eaglebankcorp/2018.

This year, we are using the Notice and Access method of providing proxy materials to you via the Internet instead of mailing printed copies. We believe that this process will provide you with a convenient and quick way to access the proxy materials, including this proxy statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. Also accessible, is our Report to Shareholders and an authorization for a proxy to vote your shares. This allows us to conserve natural resources, and reduce the costs of printing and distributing the proxy materials.

Most shareholders will not receive paper copies of the proxy materials unless they request them. Instead, the Important Notice Regarding Availability of Proxy Materials, which we refer to as the Notice and Access card, has been mailed to our shareholders to provide instructions regarding how to access and review all of the proxy materials on the Internet. The Notice and Access card also tells you how to submit your proxy vote via the Internet or telephone. If you would like to receive a paper or email copy of our proxy materials, you should follow the instructions for requesting such materials printed on the Notice and Access card.

Notice of Meeting:

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Eagle Bancorp, Inc. (the Company) will be held for the following purposes:

1. To elect nine directors to serve until the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified;

2. To ratify the appointment of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm to audit the consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2018;

3. To vote on a non-binding, advisory resolution approving the compensation of our named executive officers; and

4. To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the meeting.

Shareholders of record as of the close of business on March 21, 2018 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the meeting.

YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT. Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, we urge you to vote and submit your proxy in order to ensure the presence of a quorum.

Registered shareholders may vote:

By Internet: go to www.AALvote.com/EGBN;

By toll-free telephone: call 1 (866) 804-9616; or

 By mail: mark, sign, date and promptly mail the enclosed proxy card in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

If your shares are <u>not registered</u> in your name, please see the voting instructions provided by your recordholder (typically your broker) on how to vote your shares. You will need additional documentation from your recordholder in order to vote in person at the meeting.

	By Order of the Board of Directors,	
	Jane E. Cornett, Corporate Secretary	
oril 3, 2018		

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