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### **Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis Offers Funding to Help Lenders Relieve Threat of Foreclosure**

Indianapolis, IN— Milton, J. Miller, President & CEO of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis (FHLBI), has announced a new \$100 million lending initiative, HomeRetain, to help FHLBI financial institution members assist families facing foreclosure.

HomeRetain is a part of the FHLBI's Community Investment Program, a source of wholesale funds for member institutions involved in housing or community economic development activities that benefit low- and moderate-income families or neighborhoods.

The FHLBI's Board of Directors approved HomeRetain, which will offer \$100 million split between the states of Indiana and Michigan, that may be used to modify or refinance mortgages for primary residences in any state in which a member does business.

Through HomeRetain, FHLBI will make available funding to its member financial institutions at the FHLBI's cost of funds, plus a small administrative markup. The financial institutions can then use those funds to help homeowners at risk of foreclosure to refinance their homes or modify their mortgages on more favorable terms.

"The increase in home foreclosures and mortgage delinquencies is having a significant effect on many households and neighborhoods," said Milton Miller, President and CEO of the FHLBI. "Everyone loses when there's a foreclosure – the homeowner, the lender, the community. We anticipate that HomeRetain can help resolve some of these situations without foreclosure."

FHLBI member institutions, while typically not engaged in the type of lending precipitating some of the foreclosure crisis in other parts of the country, represent a safe harbor for homeowners in need of stable, fixed rate home mortgages.

Mortgages financed with HomeRetain funds can be made to homeowners earning 115 percent or less of an area's median income. Homeowners may not take any "cash out" of the modification or refinancing, and they must complete an approved homeowner counseling program. Additional guidelines can be found on the FHLBI website at [www.fhlbi.com](http://www.fhlbi.com) by clicking on HomeRetain under "*of particular interest.*"

HomeRetain funds/advances are not grants and are available to members on a secured basis only; they are subject to the FHLBI's normal underwriting and collateral policies. Individual member institutions may borrow up to \$15 million in HomeRetain funds.

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