AMERIS BANCORP ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL YEAR 2023 FINANCIAL RESULTS

Highlights of the Company's results for the full year 2023 include the following:

- Net income of \$269.1 million, or \$3.89 per diluted share
- Adjusted net income⁽¹⁾ of \$276.3 million, or \$4.00 per diluted share
- Growth in tangible book value⁽¹⁾ of \$3.72 per share, or 12.4%, to \$33.64 at December 31, 2023
- Increase in the allowance for credit losses to 1.52% of loans, from 1.04% at December 31, 2022, due to forecasted economic conditions, particularly related to commercial real estate price levels
- Nonperforming portfolio assets, excluding government-guaranteed loans, as a percentage of total assets improved to 0.33% at December 31, 2023, compared with 0.34% at December 31, 2022
- Adjusted efficiency ratio⁽¹⁾ of 52.58%
- Organic growth in loans of \$414.1 million, or 2.1%
- Growth in total deposits of \$1.25 billion, or 6.4%
- Growth in TCE ratio⁽¹⁾ of 97bps, or 11.2%, to 9.64% at December 31, 2023

Significant items from the Company's results for the fourth quarter of 2023 include the following:

- Net income of \$65.9 million, or \$0.96 per diluted share
- Adjusted net income⁽¹⁾ of \$73.6 million, or \$1.07 per diluted share
- Stable net interest margin of 3.54%
- Adjusted efficiency ratio⁽¹⁾ of 52.87%
- Growth in TCE ratio⁽¹⁾ of 53bps to 9.64% at December 31, 2023, compared with 9.11% last quarter

ATLANTA, Jan. 25, 2024 /PRNewswire/ -- Ameris Bancorp (Nasdaq: ABCB) (the "Company") today reported net income of \$65.9 million, or \$0.96 per diluted share, for the quarter ended December 31, 2023, compared with \$82.2 million, or \$1.18 per diluted share, for the quarter ended December 31, 2022. The Company reported adjusted net income⁽¹⁾ of \$73.6 million, or \$1.07 per diluted share, for the quarter ended December 31, 2023, compared with \$81.1 million, or \$1.17 per diluted share, for the same period in 2022. Adjusted net income excludes after-tax merger and conversion charges, FDIC special assessment, natural disaster expenses, servicing right valuation adjustments, gain on bank owned life insurance ("BOLI") proceeds, gain on sale of mortgage servicing rights ("MSR") and gain/loss on sale of bank premises.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company reported net income of \$269.1 million, or \$3.89 per diluted share, compared with \$346.5 million, or \$4.99 per diluted share, for 2022. The Company reported adjusted net income⁽¹⁾ of \$276.3 million, or \$4.00 per diluted share, for the year ended December 31, 2023, compared with \$329.4 million, or \$4.75 per diluted share, for 2022. Adjusted net income for the year excludes the same items listed above for the fourth quarter.

Commenting on the Company's results, Palmer Proctor, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, said, "The solid fourth quarter financial results were a successful way to end 2023 and have us well positioned for 2024. For the quarter and the full year, we continued to grow tangible book value and strengthened our balance sheet through strong deposit growth, controlled loan growth, sound asset quality, increased reserves for credit losses and robust capital growth. We continue to operate with discipline to execute our strategies and to produce strong financial results. Looking forward, we are focused on maintaining disciplined growth and top of peer group financial results in our strong Southeastern markets."

Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin

Net interest income on a tax-equivalent basis for 2023 increased to \$838.8 million, compared with \$804.9 million for 2022. The Company's net interest margin was 3.61% for 2023, compared with 3.76% for 2022. The Company recorded accretion income of \$910,000 for 2023, compared with accretion expense of \$285,000 for 2022. The increase in net interest income is primarily attributable to deployment of excess liquidity in the loan and securities portfolios during the year.

Net interest income on a tax-equivalent basis (TE) was \$207.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2023, a decrease of \$1.7 million, or 0.8%, from last quarter and \$18.0 million, or 8.0%, compared with the fourth quarter of 2022. The Company's net interest margin was stable at 3.54% for both the third and fourth quarters of 2023, while down from 4.03% reported for the fourth quarter of 2022.

Yields on earning assets increased seven basis points during the quarter to 5.69%, compared with 5.62% in the third quarter of 2023, and increased 78 basis points from 4.91% in the fourth quarter of 2022. Yields on loans increased to 5.83% during the fourth quarter of 2023, compared with 5.81% for the third quarter of 2023 and 5.07% for the fourth quarter of 2022.

Loan production in the banking division during the fourth quarter of 2023 was \$417.4 million, with weighted average yields of 10.35%, compared with \$621.0 million and 9.49%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2023 and \$612.9 million and 7.92%, respectively, in the fourth quarter of 2022. Loan production in the lines of business (including retail mortgage, warehouse lending, SBA and premium finance) amounted to an additional \$3.3 billion during the fourth quarter of 2023, with weighted average yields of 7.38%, compared with \$4.2 billion and 7.28%, respectively, during the third quarter of 2023 and \$3.6 billion and 6.06%, respectively, during the fourth quarter of 2022.

The Company's total cost of funds was 2.32% in the fourth quarter of 2023, an increase of eight basis points compared with the third quarter of 2023. Deposit costs increased 16 basis points during the fourth quarter of 2023 to 2.16%, compared with 2.00% in the third quarter of 2023. Costs of interest-bearing deposits increased during the quarter from 2.97% in the third quarter of 2023 to 3.17% in the fourth quarter of 2023, reflecting deposit beta catch-up in the current hold phase of the interest rate cycle.

Noninterest Income

Noninterest income decreased \$6.9 million, or 11.0%, in the fourth quarter of 2023 to \$56.2 million, compared with \$63.2 million for the third quarter of 2023, primarily as a result of decreased mortgage banking activity, which declined by \$4.8 million, or 13.3%, to \$31.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2023, compared with \$36.3 million for the third quarter of 2023. Gain on sale spreads decreased to 1.93% in the fourth quarter of 2023 from 2.15% for the third quarter of 2023. Total production in the retail mortgage division decreased to \$891.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2023, compared with \$1.18 billion for the third quarter of 2023. The retail mortgage open pipeline was \$400.1 million at the end of the fourth quarter of 2023, compared with \$623.9 million at September 30, 2023.

For the full year 2023, noninterest income decreased \$41.6 million, or 14.6%, to \$242.8 million, compared with \$284.4 million for 2022, primarily as a result of decreased mortgage banking activity, which declined by \$45.0 million, or 24.3%, to \$139.9 million in 2023, compared with \$184.9 million in 2022. Production in the retail mortgage division decreased to \$4.3 billion in 2023, compared with \$5.5 billion in 2022, while gain on sale spreads narrowed to 2.07% in 2023 from 2.27% in 2022.

Noninterest Expense

Noninterest expense increased \$7.6 million, or 5.3%, to \$149.0 million during the fourth quarter of 2023, compared with \$141.4 million for the third quarter of 2023. During the fourth quarter of 2023, the Company recorded \$11.6 million related to the FDIC special assessment and a \$1.9 million gain on sale of bank premises. Excluding those charges, adjusted expenses⁽¹⁾ decreased approximately \$2.1 million, or 1.5%, to \$139.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2023, from \$141.4 million in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease in adjusted expenses⁽¹⁾ resulted from a \$4.5 million decline in mortgage expenses related to reduced production, offset by a \$3.3 million increase in the banking division, the majority of which was related to increased legal and professional fees, data processing expenses and a decrease in the gain on sale of OREO properties. Management continues to deliver high performing operating efficiency, with an adjusted efficiency ratio⁽¹⁾ of 52.87% in the fourth quarter of 2023, compared with 52.02% in the third quarter of 2023.

For the full year 2023, noninterest expense increased \$17.6 million, or 3.1%, to \$578.3 million, compared with \$560.7 million in 2022. Excluding adjustment items of \$9.7 million in 2023 and \$1.3 million in 2022, adjusted expenses increased \$9.3 million, or 1.7% to \$586.6 million in 2023, from \$559.3 million in 2022. This increase is primarily attributable to a reduction in deferred loan origination costs, partially offset by a reduction in variable expenses related to mortgage production.

Income Tax Expense

The Company's effective tax rate for 2023 was 24.6%, compared with 23.5% in 2022. The Company's effective tax rate for the fourth quarter of 2023 was 27.1%, compared with 23.7% in the third quarter of 2023. The increased rate for the fourth quarter of 2023 was primarily a result of a return to provision adjustment when the Company filed its 2022 income tax returns in the fourth quarter of 2023.

Balance Sheet Trends

with \$1.50 billion at December 31, 2022. Loans, net of unearned income, increased \$414.1 million, or 2.1%, to \$20.27 billion at December 31, 2023, compared with \$19.86 billion at December 31, 2022. Loans held for sale decreased \$110.7 million from \$392.1 million at December 31, 2022 to \$281.3 million at December 31, 2023 due to a decline in mortgage activity resulting from the rising rate environment.

At December 31, 2023, total deposits amounted to \$20.71 billion, or 97.0% of total funding, compared with \$19.46 billion and 90.7%, respectively, at December 31, 2022. During the fourth quarter of 2023, deposits grew \$118.2 million with NOW and money market accounts increasing \$513.9 million and retail CD accounts increasing \$48.5 million, with such increases being offset in part by a \$98.0 million decrease in noninterest-bearing accounts and a \$324.2 million decrease in brokered CDs. Due to the increased interest rate environment, the Company continued to see the shift of customer deposits from noninterest bearing accounts into interest bearing accounts, such that at December 31, 2023, noninterest-bearing deposit accounts were \$6.49 billion, or 31.3% of total deposits, compared with \$7.93 billion, or 40.7% of total deposits, at December 31, 2022.

During the fourth quarter of 2023, utilizing existing liquidity the Company reduced borrowings with the FHLB by \$700.0 million.

Shareholders' equity at December 31, 2023 totaled \$3.43 billion, an increase of \$229.3 million, or 7.2%, from December 31, 2022. The increase in shareholders' equity was primarily the result of earnings of \$269.1 million during 2023, partially offset by dividends declared and share repurchases. Tangible book value per share (1) increased \$1.26 per share, or 15.4% annualized, during the fourth quarter to \$33.64 at December 31, 2023. The Company recorded an improvement of \$0.36 per share of tangible book value (1) this quarter from other comprehensive income related to the decrease in net unrealized losses on the securities portfolio. For the year-to-date period, tangible book value per share (1) increased \$3.72, or 12.4%, to \$33.64 at December 31, 2023, compared with \$29.92 at December 31, 2022. Tangible common equity as a percentage of tangible assets was 9.64% at December 31, 2023, compared with \$6.67% at the end of 2022.

Credit Quality

Credit quality remains strong in the Company. During the fourth quarter of 2023, the Company recorded a provision for credit losses of \$23.0 million, compared with a provision of \$24.5 million in the third quarter of 2023. Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets increased 11 basis points to 0.69% during the quarter. Approximately \$90.2 million, or 51.7%, of the nonperforming assets at December 31, 2023 were GNMA-guaranteed mortgage loans, which have minimal loss exposure. Excluding these government-guaranteed loans, nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets were only 0.33% at December 31, 2023, compared with 0.27% at September 30, 2023. The net charge-off ratio was 26 basis points for the fourth quarter of 2023, compared with 23 basis points in the third quarter of 2023.

Conference Call

The Company will host a teleconference at 9:00 a.m. Eastern time on Friday, January 26, 2024, to discuss the Company's results and answer appropriate questions. The conference call can be accessed by dialing 1-877-317-6789. The conference call access code is Ameris Bancorp. A replay of the call will be available one hour after the end of the conference call until February 2, 2024. To listen to the replay, dial 1-877-344-7529. The conference replay access code is 3003910. The financial information discussed will also be available on the Investor Relations page of the Ameris Bank website at <u>ir.amerisbank.com</u>.

 $^{(1)}$ Considered non-GAAP financial measure - See reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures in tables 9A - 9D

About Ameris Bancorp

Ameris Bancorp is the parent of Ameris Bank, a state-chartered bank headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. Ameris operates 164 financial centers across the Southeast and also serves consumer and business customers nationwide through select lending channels. Ameris manages \$25.20 billion in assets as of December 31, 2023, and provides a full range of traditional banking and lending products, treasury and cash management, insurance premium financing, and mortgage and refinancing services. Learn more about Ameris at www.amerisbank.com.

This news release contains certain performance measures determined by methods other than in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The Company's management uses these non-GAAP financial measures in its analysis of the Company's performance. These measures are useful when evaluating the underlying performance and efficiency of the Company's operations and balance sheet. The Company's management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide a greater understanding of ongoing operations, enhance comparability of results with prior periods and demonstrate the effects of significant gains and charges in the current period. The Company's management believes that investors may use these non-GAAP financial measures to evaluate the Company's financial performance without the impact of unusual items that may obscure trends in the Company's underlying performance. These disclosures should not be viewed as a substitute for financial measures determined in accordance with GAAP, nor are they necessarily comparable to non-GAAP financial measures that may be presented by other companies.

This news release contains forward-looking statements, as defined by federal securities laws, including, among other forward-looking statements, certain plans, expectations and goals. Words such as "may," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "will," "should," "plan," "estimate," "predict," "continue" and "potential" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology, as well as similar expressions, are meant to identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this news release are based on current expectations and are provided to assist in the understanding of potential future performance. Such forward-looking statements involve numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any such statements, including, without limitation, the following: general competitive, economic, unemployment, political and market conditions and fluctuations, including real estate market conditions, and the effects of such conditions and fluctuations on the creditworthiness of borrowers, collateral values, asset recovery values and the value of investment securities; movements in interest rates and their impacts on net interest margin; expectations on credit quality and performance; legislative and regulatory changes; changes in U.S. government monetary and fiscal policy; competitive pressures on product pricing and services; the cost savings and any revenue synergies expected to result from acquisition transactions, which may not be fully realized within the expected timeframes if at all; the success and timing of other business strategies; our outlook and long-term goals for future growth; and natural disasters, geopolitical events, acts of war or terrorism or other hostilities, public health crises and other catastrophic events beyond our control. For a discussion of some of the other risks and other factors that may cause such forward-looking statements to differ materially from actual results, please refer

Financial Highlights														Table 1
				Thi	ree N	lonths En	ded				Т	welve Mo	nths	Ended
		Dec		Sep		Jun		Mar		Dec		Dec		Dec
(dollars in thousands except per share data)		2023		2023		2023	2023			2022	2023		7	2022
EARNINGS														
Net income	\$	65,934	\$	80,115	\$	62,635	\$	60,421	\$	82,221		269,105		346,540
Adjusted net income	\$	73,568	\$	80,115	\$	62,635	\$	59,935	\$	81,086	\$	276,253	\$	329,415
COMMON SHARE DATA														
Earnings per share available to common shareholders														
Basic	\$	0.96	\$	1.16	\$	0.91	\$	0.87	\$	1.19	\$	3.90	\$	5.01
Diluted	\$	0.96	\$	1.16	\$	0.91	\$	0.87	\$	1.18	\$	3.89	\$	4.99
Adjusted diluted EPS ⁽¹⁾	\$	1.07	\$	1.16	\$	0.91	\$	0.86	\$	1.17	\$	4.00	\$	4.75
Cash dividends per share	\$	0.15	\$	0.15	\$	0.15	\$	0.15	\$	0.15	\$	0.60	\$	0.60
Book value per share (period end)	\$	49.62	\$	48.41	\$	47.51	\$	46.89	\$	46.09	\$	49.62	\$	46.09
Tangible book value per share (period end)(1)	\$	33.64	\$	32.38	\$	31.42	\$	30.79	\$	29.92	\$	33.64	\$	29.92
Weighted average number of shares											·			
Basic	68,	824,004	68,	879,352	68,	989,549	69,	171,562	69,	138,431	68,	977,453	69,	193,591
Diluted	69,	014,793	68,	994,247	69,	034,763	69,	322,664	69,	395,224	69,	104,158	69,	419,721
Period end number of shares	69,	053,341	69,	138,461	69,	139,783	69,	373,863	69,	369,050	69,	053,341	69,	369,050
Market data														
High intraday price	\$	53.84	\$	45.34	\$	37.18	\$	50.54	\$	54.24	\$	53.84	\$	55.62
Low intraday price	\$	34.26	\$	33.21	\$	28.33	\$	34.28	\$	44.61	\$	28.33	\$	38.22
Period end closing price	\$	53.05	\$	38.39	\$	34.21	\$	36.58	\$	47.14	\$	53.05	\$	47.14
Average daily volume		390,190		361,167		475,198		452,242		340,890		419,347		400,670
PERFORMANCE RATIOS														
Return on average assets		1.03 %		1.25 %		0.98 %		0.98 %		1.34 %		1.06 %		1.47 %

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Adjusted return on average tangible common equity(1)	12.81 %	14.35 %	11.53 %	11.41 %	15.78 %	12.55 %	16.92 %
Earning asset yield (TE)	5.69 %	5.62 %	5.52 %	5.25 %	4.91 %	5.52 %	4.19 %
Total cost of funds	2.32 %	2.24 %	2.05 %	1.59 %	0.94 %	2.05 %	0.46 %
Net interest margin (TE)	3.54 %	3.54 %	3.60 %	3.76 %	4.03 %	3.61 %	3.76 %
Efficiency ratio	56.80 %	52.21 %	53.60 %	52.08 %	49.57 %	53.65 %	51.65 %
Adjusted efficiency ratio (TE) ⁽¹⁾	52.87 %	52.02 %	53.41 %	51.99 %	49.61 %	52.58 %	52.48 %
CAPITAL ADEQUACY (period end)							
Shareholders' equity to assets	13.60 %	13.02 %	12.73 %	12.47 %	12.76 %	13.60 %	12.76 %
Tangible common equity to tangible $assets^{(1)}$	9.64 %	9.11 %	8.80 %	8.55 %	8.67 %	9.64 %	8.67 %
OTHER DATA (period end)							
Full time equivalent employees							
Banking Division	2,060	2,049	2,069	2,093	2,079	2,060	2,079
Retail Mortgage Division	595	601	613	630	633	595	633
Warehouse Lending Division	7	8	8	8	8	7	8
SBA Division	28	33	35	39	39	28	39
Premium Finance Division	75	78	76	78	76	75	76
Total Ameris Bancorp FTE headcount	2,765	2,769	2,801	2,848	2,835	2,765	2,835
Branch locations	164	164	164	164	164	164	164
Deposits per branch location	\$ 126,271	\$ 125,551	\$ 124,653	\$ 121,326	\$ 118,675	\$ 126,271	\$ 118,675

⁽¹⁾ Considered non-GAAP financial measure - See reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures in tables 9A - 9D

Income Statement														Table 2
					ee I	Months Er	ıdec	ł			_ 1	welve Mo	nth	
		Dec		Sep		Jun		Mar		Dec		Dec		Dec
(dollars in thousands except per share data)		2023		2023		2023		2023		2022		2023		2022
Interest income														
Interest and fees on loans	\$	303,487	\$	304,699	\$	292,012	\$	271,964	\$		\$	1,172,162	\$	834,969
Interest on taxable securities		14,033		14,754		15,915		14,300		13,029		59,002		34,656
Interest on nontaxable securities		326		331		339		339		358		1,335		1,176
Interest on deposits in other banks		14,368		10,769		13,686		9,113		9,984		47,936		23,008
Interest on federal funds sold						_				8				77
Total interest income		332,214		330,553		321,952		295,716		273,642		1,280,435		893,886
Interest expense														
Interest on deposits		111,749		102,999		88,087		53,182		33.071		356,017		56.105
Interest on other borrowings		14,364		19,803		24,325		30,882		16,434		89,374		36,755
Total interest expense		126,113		122,802		112,412		84,064		49,505		445,391		92,860
Net interest income		206,101		207,751		209,540		211,652		224,137		835,044		801,026
Provision for loan losses		30,401		30,095		43,643		49,376		24,648		153,515		52,610
Provision for unfunded commitments		(7,438)		(5,634)		1,873		346		8,246		(10,853)		19,226
Provision for other credit losses		(11)		(2)		_		7		(4)		(6)		(139)
Provision for credit losses		22,952		24,459		45,516		49,729		32,890		142,656		71,697
Net interest income after provision for credit losses		183,149	_	183,292		164,024		161,923		191,247		692,388		729,329
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Noninterest income														
Service charges on deposit accounts		12,252		12,092		11,295		10,936		11,125		46,575		44,499
Mortgage banking activity		31,461		36,290		40,742		31,392		22,855		139,885		184,904
Other service charges, commissions and fees		1,234		1,221		975		971		968		4,401		3,875
Gain (loss) on securities		(288)		(16)		(6)		6		3		(304)		203
Other noninterest income		11,589		13,594		14,343		12,745		13,397		52,271		50,943
Total noninterest income	-	56,248		63,181		67,349	_	56,050		48,348		242,828		284,424
Noninterest expense														
Salaries and employee benefits		75,966		81,898		81,336		80,910		75,196		320,110		319,719
Occupancy and equipment		13,197		12,745		12,522		12,986		12,905		51,450		51,361
Data processing and communications expenses		14,028		12,973		13,451		13,034		12,486		53,486		49,228
Credit resolution-related expenses(1)		157		(1,360)		848		435		372		80		29
Advertising and marketing		2,974		2,723		2,627		3,532		3,818		11,856		12,481
Amortization of intangible assets		4,425		4,425		4,688		4,706		4,709		18,244		19,744
Merger and conversion charges		_		_		_		_		235		_		1,212
Other noninterest expenses		38,264		28,042		32,931		23,818		25,340		123,055		106,881
Total noninterest expense		149,011		141,446		148,403		139,421		135,061		578,281		560,655
Income before income tax expense		90,386		105,027		82,970		78,552		104,534		356,935		453,098
Income tax expense		24,452		24,912		20,335		18,131		22,313		87,830		106,558
Net income	\$	65,934	\$	80,115	\$	62,635	\$	60,421	\$	82,221	\$	269,105	\$	346,540
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Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.96	\$	1.16	\$	0.91	\$	0.87	\$	1.18	\$	3.89	\$	4.99

⁽¹⁾ Includes expenses associated with problem loans and OREO, as well as OREO losses and writedowns.

Period End Balance Sheet					Table 3
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec
(dollars in thousands)	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022

Assets					
Cash and due from banks	\$ 230,470	\$ 241,137	\$ 284,552	\$ 266,400	\$ 284,567
Federal funds sold and interest-bearing deposits in banks	936,834	1,304,636	1,034,578	1,754,453	833,565
Debt securities available-for-sale, at fair value	1,402,944	1,424,081	1,460,356	1,496,836	1,500,060
Debt securities held-to-maturity, at amortized cost	141,512	141,859	142,513	134,175	134,864
Other investments	71,794	104,957	109,656	146,715	110,992
Loans held for sale	281,332	381,466	391,472	395,096	392,078
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Loans, net of unearned income	20,269,303	20,201,079	20,471,759	19,997,871	19,855,253
Allowance for credit losses	(307,100)	(290,104)	(272,071)	(242,658)	(205,677)
Loans, net	19,962,203	19,910,975	20,199,688	19,755,213	19,649,576
Loans, net	19,902,203	19,910,975	20,199,000	19,733,213	19,049,570
Other real estate owned	6.199	3.397	6.170	1.502	843
Premises and equipment, net	216,435	217,564	218,662	218,878	220.283
Goodwill					.,
	1,015,646	1,015,646	1,015,646	1,015,646	1,015,646
Other intangible assets, net	87,949	92,375	96,800	101,488	106,194
Cash value of bank owned life insurance	395,778	393,769	391,483	389,201	388,405
Other assets	454,603	465,968	449,042	412,781	416,213
Total assets	\$ 25,203,699	\$ 25,697,830	\$ 25,800,618	\$ 26,088,384	\$ 25,053,286
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Liabilities					
Deposits					
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 6,491,639	\$ 6,589,610	\$ 6,706,897	\$ 7,297,893	\$ 7,929,579
Interest-bearing	14,216,870	14,000,735	13,736,228	12,599,562	11,533,159
Total deposits	20,708,509	20,590,345	20,443,125	19,897,455	19,462,738
Other borrowings	509,586	1,209,553	1,536,989	2,401,327	1,875,736
Subordinated deferrable interest debentures	130,315	129,817	129,319	128,820	128,322
Other liabilities	428,542	421,046	406,555	407,587	389,090
Total liabilities	21,776,952	22,350,761	22,515,988	22,835,189	21,855,886
lotal liabilities	21,770,932	22,330,761	22,515,966	22,033,109	21,033,000
Shareholders' Equity					
Preferred stock					
	72.516	72.514	72.515	72.404	72.264
Common stock	72,516	72,514	72,515	72,484	72,264
Capital stock	1,945,385	1,942,852	1,939,865	1,937,664	1,935,211
Retained earnings	1,539,957	1,484,424	1,414,742	1,362,512	1,311,258
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax		(60,818)	(50,618)	(35,581)	(46,507)
Treasury stock	(95,172)	(91,903)	(91,874)	(83,884)	(74,826)
Total shareholders' equity	3,426,747	3,347,069	3,284,630	3,253,195	3,197,400
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 25,203,699	\$ 25,697,830	\$ 25,800,618	\$ 26,088,384	\$ 25,053,286
Other Data					
Earning assets	\$ 23,103,719	\$ 23,558,078	\$ 23,610,334	\$ 23,925,146	\$ 22,826,812
Intangible assets	1,103,595	1,108,021	1,112,446	1,117,134	1,121,840
Interest-bearing liabilities	14,856,771	15,340,105	15,402,536	15,129,709	13,537,217
Average assets	25,341,990	25,525,913	25,631,846	25,115,927	24,354,979
Average common shareholders' equity	3,383,554	3,324,960	3,293,049	3,250,289	3,168,320
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Assets

Asset Quality Information							Table 4
		Th	ree Months E	nded		Twelve Mo	onths Ended
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec	Dec	Dec
(dollars in thousands)	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022
Allowance for Credit Losses							
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 339,180	\$ 326,783	\$ 295,497	\$ 258,163	\$ 229,135	\$ 258,163	\$ 200,981
Adoption of ASU 2022-02	_	_	_	(1,711)	_	(1,711)	_
Provision for loan losses	30,401	30,095	43,643	49,376	24,648	153,515	52,610
Provision for unfunded commitments	(7,438)	(5,634)	1,873	346	8,246	(10,853)	19,226
Provision for other credit losses	(11)	(2)	_	7	(4)	(6)	(139)
Provision for credit losses	22,952	24,459	45,516	49,729	32,890	142,656	71,697
Charge-offs	20,104	19,488	20,670	14,956	8,371	75,218	33,075
Recoveries	6,699	7,426	6,440	4,272	4,509	24,837	18,560
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	13,405	12,062	14,230	10,684	3,862	50,381	14,515
Ending balance	\$ 348,727	\$ 339,180	\$ 326,783	\$ 295,497	\$ 258,163	\$ 348,727	\$ 258,163
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 307,100	\$ 290,104	\$ 272,071	\$ 242,658	\$ 205,677	\$ 307,100	\$ 205,677
Allowance for unfunded commitments	41,558	48,996	54,630	52,757	52,411	41,558	52,411
Allowance for other credit losses	69	80	82	82	75	69	75
Total allowance for credit losses	\$ 348,727	\$ 339,180	\$ 326,783	\$ 295,497	\$ 258,163	\$ 348,727	\$ 258,163
Net Charge-off Information Charge-offs							
Commercial, financial and agricultural	\$ 15,840	\$ 16,519	\$ 13,316	\$ 12,233	\$ 5,108	\$ 57,908	\$ 18,635
Consumer	2,785	948	2,052	1,140	1,136	6,925	4,926
Indirect automobile	20	36	65	34	86	155	265
Premium Finance	1,347	1,951	1,848	1,421	1,812	6,567	5,452
Real estate - construction and development	_	_	_	_	27	_	27
Real estate - commercial and farmland	84	_	3,320	_	196	3,404	3,574
Real estate - residential	28	34	69	128	6	259	196
Total charge-offs	20,104	19,488	20,670	14,956	8,371	75,218	33,075
Recoveries	. =						
Commercial, financial and agricultural	4,701	4,745	3,545	2,043	2,072	15,034	9,954
Consumer	130	203	194	297	217	824	882
Indirect automobile Premium Finance	177	158	225	216 1,382	229	776	1,045
Premium rinance	1,100	1,639	1,680	1,382	1,682	5,801	5,065

Real estate - construction and development Real estate - commercial and farmland	303 90	3 ⁷⁴	472 61	100	223 48	949 566	892 225
Real estate - residential	198	236	263	190	38	887	497
Total recoveries	6,699	7,426	6,440	4,272	4,509	24,837	18,560
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	\$ 13,405	\$ 12,062	\$ 14,230	\$ 10,684	\$ 3,862	\$ 50,381	\$ 14,515
Non-Performing Assets							
Nonaccrual portfolio Ioans	\$ 60,961	\$ 53,806	\$ 57,025	\$ 68,028	\$ 65,221	\$ 60,961	\$ 65,221
Other real estate owned	6,199	3,397	6,170	1,502	843	6,199	843
Repossessed assets	17	22	9	25	28	17	28
Accruing loans delinquent 90 days or more	16,988	11,891	13,424	15,792	17,865	16,988	17,865
Non-performing portfolio assets	\$ 84,165	\$ 69,116	\$ 76,628	\$ 85,347	\$ 83,957	\$ 84,165	\$ 83,957
Serviced GNMA-guaranteed mortgage nonaccrual loans	90,156	80,752	69,655	74,999	69,587	90,156	69,587
Total non-performing assets	\$ 174,321	\$ 149,868	\$ 146,283	\$ 160,346	\$ 153,544	\$ 174,321	\$ 153,544
Asset Quality Ratios							
Non-performing portfolio assets as a percent of total assets	0.33 %	0.27 %	0.30 %	0.33 %	0.34 %	0.33 %	0.34 %
Total non-performing assets as a percent of total assets	0.69 %	0.58 %	0.57 %	0.61 %	0.61 %	0.69 %	0.61 %
Net charge-offs as a percent of average loans (annualized)	0.26 %	0.23 %	0.28 %	0.22 %	0.08 %	0.25 %	0.08 %

Loan Information					Table 5
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec
(dollars in thousands)	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
Loans by Type					
Commercial, financial and agricultural	\$ 2,688,929	\$ 2,632,836	\$ 2,718,831	\$ 2,722,180	\$ 2,679,403
Consumer	241,552	259,797	307,486	349,775	384,037
Indirect automobile	34,257	47,108	63,231	83,466	108,648
Mortgage warehouse	818,728	852,823	1,147,413	958,418	1,038,924
Municipal	492,668	497,093	510,410	505,515	509,151
Premium Finance	946,562	1,007,334	988,731	947,257	1,023,479
Real estate - construction and development	2,129,187	2,236,686	2,217,744	2,144,605	2,086,438
Real estate - commercial and farmland	8,059,754	7,865,389	7,815,779	7,721,732	7,604,868
Real estate - residential	4,857,666	4,802,013	4,702,134	4,564,923	4,420,305
Total loans	\$ 20,269,303	\$ 20,201,079	\$ 20,471,759	\$ 19,997,871	\$ 19,855,253
Loans by Risk Grade					
Grades 1 through 5 - Pass	\$ 19,846,731	\$ 19,812,895	\$ 20,114,816	\$ 19,654,232	\$ 19,513,726
Grade 6 - Other assets especially mentioned	203,725	187,449	171,035	116,345	104,614
Grade 7 - Substandard	218,847	200,735	185,908	227,294	236,913
Grade 8 - Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_
Grade 9 - Loss	_	_	_	_	_
Total loans	\$ 20,269,303	\$ 20,201,079	\$ 20,471,759	\$ 19,997,871	\$ 19,855,253

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Average Balances							Table 6
		Thr	ee Months En			Twelve Mo	nths Ended
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec	Dec	Dec
(dollars in thousands)	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022
Earning Assets							
Federal funds sold	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 924	\$ —	\$ 10,836
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	936,733	864,028	998,609	859,614	1,009,935	914,818	1,993,672
Debt securities - taxable	1,503,889	1,548,647	1,582,076	1,586,404	1,451,861	1,555,009	1,065,511
Debt securities - nontaxable	40,227	40,896	42,580	43,052	44,320	41,679	39,779
Other investments	87,678	101,517	117,020	131,044	83,730	109,175	58,170
Loans held for sale	405,080	464,452	577,606	490,295	371,952	484,070	718,599
Loans	20,252,773	20,371,689	20,164,938	19,820,749	19,212,560	20,154,321	17,521,461
Total Earning Assets	\$ 23,226,380	\$ 23,391,229	\$ 23,482,829	\$ 22,931,158	\$ 22,175,282	\$ 23,259,072	\$ 21,408,028
Deposits							
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ 6,572,190	\$ 6,655,191	\$ 6,729,789	\$ 7,136,373	\$ 8,138,887	\$ 6,771,464	\$ 8,005,201
NOW accounts	3,760,992	3,661,701	3,949,850	4,145,991	3,621,454	3,878,034	3,675,586
MMDA	5,994,361	5,527,731	5,002,590	4,994,195	5,161,047	5,382,865	5,128,497
Savings accounts	817,075	915,678	1,009,749	1,005,614	1,010,966	936,454	1,005,752
Retail CDs	2,281,357	2,200,413	2,024,014	1,612,325	1,450,037	2,031,828	1,604,978
Brokered CDs	1,122,684	1,441,854	1,393,206	125,133		1,024,606	
Total Deposits	20,548,659	20,402,568	20,109,198	19,019,631	19,382,391	20,025,251	19,420,014
Non-Deposit Funding							
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase		_	_	_	1	_	1,477
FHLB advances	538,096	943,855	1,408,855	1,968,811	918,228	1,210,242	279,409
Other borrowings	311,091	312,572	316,626	361,445	377,056	325,260	393,393
Subordinated deferrable interest debentures	130,054	129,554	129,056	128,557	128,060	129,310	127,316
Total Non-Deposit Funding	979,241	1,385,981	1,854,537	2,458,813	1,423,345	1,664,812	801,595
Total Funding	\$ 21,527,900	\$ 21,788,549	\$ 21,963,735	\$ 21,478,444	\$ 20,805,736	\$ 21,690,063	\$ 20,221,609

Interest Income and Interest Expense (TE)							Table 7
		Thre	ee Months Ei	nded		Twelve Mo	nths Ended
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec	Dec	Dec
(dollars in thousands)	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022
Interest Income							
Federal funds sold	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 8	3 \$ —	\$ 77

Interest-bearing deposits in banks Debt securities - taxable Debt securities - nontaxable (TE) Loans held for sale Loans (TE) Total Earning Assets	\$ 14,368 14,033 413 6,846 297,501 333,161	\$ 10,769 14,754 418 7,460 298,102 331,503	\$ 13,686 15,915 430 8,398 284,471 322,900	\$ 9,113 14,300 429 7,007 265,802 296,651	\$ 9,984 13,029 454 5,519 245,603 274,597	47,936 59,002 1,690 29,711 1,145,876 1,284,215	\$ 23,008 34,656 1,489 29,699 808,826 897,755
Interest Expense							
Interest-Bearing Deposits							
NOW accounts	\$ 19,293	\$ 17,255	\$ 18,003	\$ 15,033	\$ 8,564	\$ 69,584	\$ 14,367
MMDA	54,002	45,683	35,224	27,809	20,683	162,718	33,143
Savings accounts	974	1,791	2,296	1,288	654	6,349	1,287
Retail CDs	22,257	19,013	14,751	7,629	3,170	63,650	7,308
Brokered CDs	15,223	19,257	17,813	1,423	_	53,716	_
Total Interest-Bearing Deposits	111,749	102,999	88,087	53,182	33,071	356,017	56,105
Non-Deposit Funding							
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	_	_	_	_	_	_	4
FHLB advances	7,089	12,543	17,222	22,448	8,801	59,302	9,710
Other borrowings	3,798	3,821	3,902	5,349	4,953	16,870	19,209
Subordinated deferrable interest debentures	3,477	 3,439	3,201	3,085	2,680	13,202	7,832
Total Non-Deposit Funding	14,364	 19,803	24,325	30,882	16,434	89,374	36,755
Total Interest-Bearing Funding	\$ 126,113	\$ 122,802	\$ 112,412	\$ 84,064	\$ 49,505	\$ 445,391	\$ 92,860
Net Interest Income (TE)	\$ 207,048	\$ 208,701	\$ 210,488	\$ 212,587	\$ 225,092	\$ 838,824	\$ 804,895

Yields ⁽¹⁾		Throo	Months E	ndod		Twelve Mon	Table 8
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec	Dec Dec	Dec
	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022
Earning Assets							
Federal funds sold	— %	— %	- %	- %	3.43 %	— %	0.71 %
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	6.09 %	4.94 %	5.50 %	4.30 %	3.92 %	5.24 %	1.15 %
Debt securities - taxable	3.70 %	3.78 %	4.03 %	3.66 %	3.56 %	3.79 %	3.25 %
Debt securities - nontaxable (TE)	4.07 %	4.06 %	4.05 %	4.04 %	4.06 %	4.05 %	3.74 %
Loans held for sale	6.71 %	6.37 %	5.83 %	5.80 %	5.89 %	6.14 %	4.13 %
Loans (TE)	5.83 %	5.81 %	5.66 %	5.44 %	5.07 %	5.69 %	4.62 %
Total Earning Assets	5.69 %	5.62 %	5.52 %	5.25 %	4.91 %	5.52 %	4.19 %
Interest-Bearing Deposits							
NOW accounts	2.04 %	1.87 %	1.83 %	1.47 %	0.94 %	1.79 %	0.39 %
MMDA	3.57 %	3.28 %	2.82 %	2.26 %	1.59 %	3.02 %	0.65 %
Savings accounts	0.47 %	0.78 %	0.91 %	0.52 %	0.26 %	0.68 %	0.13 %
Retail CDs	3.87 %	3.43 %	2.92 %	1.92 %	0.87 %	3.13 %	0.46 %
Brokered CDs	5.38 %	5.30 %	5.13 %	4.61 %	- %	5.24 %	- %
Total Interest-Bearing Deposits	3.17 %	2.97 %	2.64 %	1.82 %	1.17 %	2.69 %	0.49 %
Non-Deposit Funding							
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	- %	- %	- %	- %	- %	- %	0.27 %
FHLB advances	5.23 %	5.27 %	4.90 %	4.62 %	3.80 %	4.90 %	3.48 %
Other borrowings	4.84 %	4.85 %	4.94 %	6.00 %	5.21 %	5.19 %	4.88 %
Subordinated deferrable interest debentures	10.61 %	10.53 %	9.95 %	9.73 %	8.30 %	10.21 %	6.15 %
Total Non-Deposit Funding	5.82 %	5.67 %	5.26 %	5.09 %	4.58 %	5.37 %	4.59 %
Total Interest-Bearing Liabilities	3.35 %	3.22 %	2.96 %	2.38 %	1.55 %	2.99 %	0.76 %
Net Interest Spread	2.34 %	2.40 %	2.56 %	2.87 %	3.36 %	2.53 %	3.43 %
Net Interest Margin ⁽²⁾	3.54 %	3.54 %	3.60 %	3.76 %	4.03 %	3.61 %	3.76 %
Total Cost of Funds (3)	2.32 %	2.24 %	2.05 %	1.59 %	0.94 %	2.05 %	0.46 %

- (1) Interest and average rates are calculated on a tax-equivalent basis using an effective tax rate of 21%.
 (2) Rate calculated based on average earning assets.
 (3) Rate calculated based on total average funding including noninterest-bearing deposits.

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Non-GAAP Reconciliations

Adjusted Net Income

		Three Months Ended												
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec	Dec								
(dollars in thousands except per share data)	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022	2023	2							
Net income available to common shareholders	\$ 65,934	\$ 80,115	\$ 62,635	\$ 60,421	\$ 82,221	\$ 269,105								
Adjustment items:														
Merger and conversion charges	_	_	_	_	235	_								
Gain on sale of MSR	_	_	_	_	(1,672)	_								
Servicing right impairment (recovery)	_	_	_	_	_	_								
Gain on BOLI proceeds	_	_	_	(486)	_	(486)								
FDIC special assessment	11,566	_	_	_	_	11,566								
Natural disaster expenses	_	_	_	_	_	_								
(Gain) loss on bank premises	(1,903)	_	_	_	_	(1,903)								
Tax effect of adjustment items (Note 1)	(2,029)	_	_	_	302	(2,029)								
After tax adjustment items	7,634			(486)	(1,135)	7,148								
Adjusted net income	\$ 73,568	\$ 80,115	\$ 62,635	\$ 59,935	\$ 81,086	\$ 276,253								
Weighted average number of shares - diluted	69 014 793	68 994 247	69 034 763	69 322 664	69 395 224	69 104 158								

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Average assets	\$ 25,341,990	\$ 25,525,913	\$ 25,631,846	\$ 25,115,927	\$ 24,354,979	\$ 25,404,873	\$
Return on average assets	1.03 %	1.25 %	0.98 %	0.98 %	1.34 %	1.06 %	
Adjusted return on average assets	1.15 %	1.25 %	0.98 %	0.97 %	1.32 %	1.09 %	
Average common equity	\$ 3,383,554	\$ 3,324,960	\$ 3,293,049	\$ 3,250,289	\$ 3,168,320	\$ 3,313,361	\$
Average tangible common equity	\$ 2,277,810	\$ 2,214,775	\$ 2,178,323	\$ 2,130,856	\$ 2,039,094	\$ 2,200,883	\$
Return on average common equity	7.73 %	9.56 %	7.63 %	7.54 %	10.30 %	8.12 %	
Adjusted return on average tangible common equity	12.81 %	14.35 %	11.53 %	11.41 %	15.78 %	12.55 %	

Note 1: Tax effect is calculated utilizing a 21% rate for taxable adjustments. Gain on BOLI proceeds is non-taxable and no tax effect is included. A portion of the merger and convers for the twelve months ended December 2022 are nondeductible for tax purposes.

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Non-GAAP Reconciliations (continued)

Adjusted Efficiency Ratio (TE)

	Three Months Ended												
	Dec	Sep	Jun	Mar	Dec								
(dollars in thousands)	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022								
Adjusted Noninterest Expense													
Total noninterest expense	\$ 149,011	\$ 141,446	\$ 148.403	\$ 139,421	\$ 135,063								
Adjustment items:													
Merger and conversion charges	_	_	_	_	(235								
FDIC special assessment	(11,566)	_	_	_	-								
Natural disaster expenses	_	_	_	_	_								
Gain (loss) on bank premises	1,903	_	_	_	_								
Adjusted noninterest expense	\$ 139,348	\$ 141,446	\$ 148.403	\$ 139,421	\$ 134,826								
Total Revenue													
Net interest income	\$ 206,101	\$ 207,751	\$ 209,540	\$ 211,652	\$ 224,137								
Noninterest income	56,248	63,181	67,349	56,050	48,348								
Total revenue	\$ 262,349	\$ 270,932	\$ 276,889	\$ 267,702	\$ 272,48!								
Adjusted Total Revenue													
Net interest income (TE)	\$ 207,048	\$ 208,701	\$ 210,488	\$ 212,587	\$ 225,092								
Noninterest income	56,248	63,181	67,349	56,050	48,348								
Total revenue (TE)	263,296	271,882	277,837	268,637	273,440								
Adjustment items:													
(Gain) loss on securities	288	16	6	(6)	(3								
Gain on sale of MSR	_	_	_	_	(1,672								
Gain on BOLI proceeds	_	_	_	(486)	_								
Servicing right impairment (recovery)		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_								
Adjusted total revenue (TE)	\$ 263,584	\$ 271,898	\$ 277,843	\$ 268,145	\$ 271,765								
Efficiency ratio	56.80 %	52.21 %	53.60 %	52.08 %	49.57								
Adjusted efficiency ratio (TE)	52.87 %	52.02 %	53.41 %	51.99 %	49.61								

Tangible Book Value Per Share

	Three Months Ended													
		Dec		Sep		Jun		Mar		Dec				
(dollars in thousands except per share data)		2023		2023		2023		2023		2022				
Total shareholders' equity	\$	3,426,747	\$	3,347,069	\$	3,284,630	\$	3,253,195	\$	3,197,400				
Less:														
Goodwill		1,015,646		1,015,646		1,015,646		1,015,646		1,015,646				
Other intangibles, net		87,949		92,375		96,800		101,488		106,194				
Total tangible shareholders' equity	\$	2,323,152	\$	2,239,048	\$	2,172,184	\$	2,136,061	\$	2,075,560				
Period end number of shares		69,053,341		69,138,461		69,139,783		69,373,863		69,369,050				
Book value per share (period end)		\$ 49.62		\$ 48.41		\$ 47.51		\$ 46.89		\$ 46.09				
Tangible book value per share (period end)		\$ 33.64		\$ 32.38		\$ 31.42		\$ 30.79		\$ 29.92				

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Non-GAAP Reconciliations (continued)

Tangible Common Equity to Tangible Assets Table 9D **Three Months Ended** Twelve Months Ended Dec Sep Jun Mar Dec Dec Dec 2023 2023 2023 2023 2022 2023 2022 (dollars in thousands except per share data) Total shareholders' equity \$ 3,426,747 \$ 3.347.069 \$ 3.284.630 \$ 3.253.195 \$ 3,197,400 \$ 3,426,747 \$ 3,197,400 Less: 1,015,646 1,015,646 1,015,646 Goodwill 1.015.646 1.015.646 1.015.646 1.015.646 87,949 106,194 Other intangibles, net 92.375 96.800 101.488 106.194 87,949 Total tangible shareholders' equity \$ 2.323.152 \$ 2.239.048 \$ 2.172.184 \$ 2.136.061 \$ 2.075.560 \$ 2.323.152 \$ 2.075.560 Total assets \$ 25,203,699 \$ 25,697,830 \$ 25,800,618 \$ 26,088,384 \$ 25,053,286 \$ 25,203,699 \$ 25,053,286 Less: Goodwill 1,015,646 1,015,646 1,015,646 1,015,646 1,015,646 1,015,646 1,015,646 Other intangibles, net 87,949 92,375 96,800 101,488 106,194 87,949 106,194 \$ 24,100,104 24,589,809 \$ 24,688,172 24,971,250 \$ 23,931,446 \$ 24,100,104 \$ 23,931,446 Total tangible assets 13.60 % 13.02 % 12.73 % 12.47 % 12.76 % 13.60 % 12.76 % Equity to Assets Tangible Common Equity to Tangible Assets 9.11 % 9.64 % 8.80 % 8.55 % 8.67 % 9.64 % 8.67 %

Segment Reporting Table 10 Three Months Ended Twelve Months Ended Dec Sep Jun Dec Dec Dec (dollars in thousands) 2023 2023 2023 2023 2022 2023 2022 **Banking Division** Net interest income \$ 166,114 \$ 167,595 \$ 171,441 \$ 175,328 \$ 185,909 \$ 680,478 \$ 646,283 21,194 20,833 40,831 47,140 35,946 129,998 61,898 Provision for credit losses Noninterest income 23,898 23,448 91,550 24,069 26,245 24,652 98.864 Noninterest expense Salaries and employee benefits 55,687 56,226 55,196 56,442 52,296 223,551 196,823 Occupancy and equipment expenses 11,865 11,437 11,175 11,606 11,482 46,083 45,081 Data processing and telecommunications expenses 12,540 11,786 11,898 11,797 11,085 48,021 43,957 Other noninterest expenses 33,089 20,274 27,643 19,023 21,811 100,029 85,953 Total noninterest expense 113,181 99,723 105,912 98,868 96,674 417,684 371,814 Income before income tax expense 55,808 73,284 49,350 53,218 76,737 231,660 304,121 Income tax expense 17,206 18,283 13,312 12,848 16,545 61,649 75,367 38,602 55,001 36,038 40,370 60,192 \$ 170,011 \$ 228,754 Net income **Retail Mortgage Division** 22,805 Net interest income 24,053 \$ 21,417 \$ 20,027 \$ 19,837 \$ 88.302 \$ 79.194 \$ Provision for credit losses 2.399 (2.778)9.535 1.005 3.278 2.853 12.351 Noninterest income 39.808 31.058 24,011 30,588 35,691 137.145 182,039 Noninterest expense 107,810 Salaries and employee benefits 16,996 21.231 21,930 20,160 19.164 80,317 Occupancy and equipment expenses 1.210 1.182 1.224 1.283 1.242 4.899 5.579 Data processing and telecommunications expenses 1,318 1,052 1,397 1,069 1,203 4,836 4,580 Other noninterest expenses 12,153 11,859 11,747 48,224 11.634 11,126 47.393 32,735 137,445 Total noninterest expense 31,158 35,618 36,410 34,259 166,193 Income before income tax expense 22,478 21,537 13,973 13,891 78,467 82,689 20.479 Income tax expense 4,720 4,301 4,523 2,934 2,916 16,478 17,364 17.758 16,178 17,014 11,039 10,975 61,989 65,325 Net income **Warehouse Lending Division** Net interest income 5,965 \$ 6,008 \$ 6,166 \$ 5,700 \$ 6,601 \$ 23,839 \$ 26,727 Provision for credit losses (68) (589)411 (194)117 (440)(1,074)Noninterest income 929 662 1,404 480 579 3,475 4,537 Noninterest expense 2,794 1,973 Salaries and employee benefits 296 924 772 802 427 Occupancy and equipment expenses 3 1 1 1 5 Data processing and telecommunications expenses 51 30 44 46 49 171 187 Other noninterest expenses 229 219 223 202 191 873 830 Total noninterest expense 579 1.174 1,039 1,051 668 3.843 2.994 6 383 29,344 Income before income tax expense 6,085 6,120 5.323 6.395 23.911 Income tax expense 1.340 1.278 1.285 1.118 1.342 5.021 6,162 5,053 18,890 Net income 5,043 \$ 4,807 4.835 \$ 4,205 23,182

Segment Reporting (continued)														Table 10
	Three Months Ended									Twelve Months Ended				
(dollars in thousands)		Dec		Sep		Jun 2023		Mar		Dec	Dec			Dec
		2023	_	2023				2023		2022	2023		2022	
SBA Division														
Net interest income	\$	2,168	\$	1,962	\$,	\$	1,957	\$	2,491	\$		\$	14,724
Provision for credit losses		794		1,677		424		(104)		265		2,791		(349)
Noninterest income		653		579		1,476		605		302		3,313		6,265
Noninterest expense														
Salaries and employee benefits		1,014		1,209		1,316		1,309		1,306		4,848		5,305
Occupancy and equipment expenses		36		36		40		37		98		149		360
Data processing and telecommunications expenses		19		32		46		37		30		134		116
Other noninterest expenses		(189)		157		333		422		368		723		1,387
Total noninterest expense		880		1,434		1,735		1,805		1,802		5,854		7,168
Income before income tax expense		1,147		(570)		1,648		861		726		3,086		14,170
Income tax expense		241		(120)		346		181		153		648		2,976
Net income	\$	906	\$	(450)	\$	1,302	\$	680	\$	573	\$	2,438	\$	11,194
Premium Finance Division														
Net interest income	\$	7.801	\$	9.381	\$	8.185	\$	8.640	\$	9.299	\$	34,007	\$	34.098
Provision for credit losses	Ψ	27	Ψ	139	Ψ	572	Ψ	34	Ψ	(660)	Ψ	772	Ψ	(1,129)
Noninterest income		9		4		9		9		8		31		33
Noninterest expense		•		·		,				·				55
Salaries and employee benefits		1.973		2.308		2.122		2.197		2,003		8,600		7.808
Occupancy and equipment expenses		83		89		83		59		82		314		337
Data processing and telecommunications expenses		100		73		66		85		119		324		388
Other noninterest expenses		1.057		1.027		1.036		1.097		978		4.217		3.953
Total noninterest expense	_	3,213	_	3,497		3,307	_	3,438	_	3,182	_	13,455	_	12,486
Income before income tax expense		4,570	_	5,749		4,315		5,177	_	6,785		19,811		22,774
Income tax expense		945		1.170		869		1,050		1.357		4,034		4,689
Net income	\$	3,625	\$	4,579	\$	3,446	\$	4,127	\$	5,428	\$	15,777	\$	18,085
Total Consolidated														
Net interest income	¢	206,101	¢	207,751	¢	209,540	¢	211,652	¢	224,137	¢	835,044	¢	801,026
Provision for credit losses	φ	22.952	ф	24.459	Þ	45.516	φ	49.729	φ	32.890	ф	142.656	ф	71.697
Noninterest income		56,248		63,181		67,349		56,050		48,348		242,828		284,424
Noninterest income Noninterest expense		30,240		05,161		07,349		50,050		40,340		242,020		204,424
Noninterest expense														

Salaries and employee benefits Occupancy and equipment expenses	75,966 13,197	81,898 12,745	81,336 12,522	80,910 12,986	75,196 12,905	320,110 51,450	319,719 51,361
Data processing and telecommunications expenses	14,028	12,973	13,451	13,034	12,486	53,486	49,228
Other noninterest expenses	45,820	33,830	41,094	32,491	34,474	153,235	140,347
Total noninterest expense	149,011	141,446	148,403	139,421	135,061	578,281	560,655
Income before income tax expense	90,386	105,027	82,970	78,552	104,534	356,935	453,098
Income tax expense	24,452	24,912	20,335	18,131	22,313	87,830	106,558
Net income	\$ 65,934	\$ 80,115	\$ 62,635	\$ 60,421	\$ 82,221	\$ 269,105	\$ 346,540

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