

Southern States Bancshares, Inc. Announces Third Quarter 2022 Financial Results

October 24, 2022

Third Quarter 2022 Highlights

- Linked-quarter loan growth was 26.3% annualized
- Net income of \$6.7 million, or \$0.75 per diluted share
- Core net income⁽¹⁾ of \$6.8 million, or \$0.77 per diluted share⁽¹⁾
- Net interest margin ("NIM") of 4.15%, up 31 basis points from the prior quarter
- NIM of 4.17% on a fully-taxable equivalent basis⁽¹⁾
- Return on average assets ("ROAA") of 1.35%; return on average stockholders' equity ("ROAE") of 15.42%; and return on average tangible common equity ("ROATCE")⁽¹⁾ of 17.24%
- Core ROAA⁽¹⁾ of 1.37%; and core ROATCE⁽¹⁾ of 17.51%
- Efficiency ratio of 48.94%, an improvement from 54.19% for the prior quarter

(1) See "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below for reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures to their most closely comparable GAAP financial measures.

ANNISTON, Ala., Oct. 24, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Southern States Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSBK) ("Southern States" or the "Company"), the holding company for Southern States Bank, an Alabama state-chartered commercial bank (the "Bank"), today reported net income of \$6.7 million, or \$0.75 diluted earnings per share, for the third quarter of 2022. This compares to net income of \$5.2 million, or \$0.59 diluted earnings per share, for the second quarter of 2022, and net income of \$4.9 million, or \$0.58 diluted earnings per share, for the third quarter of 2021. The Company reported core net income of \$6.8 million, or \$0.77 diluted core earnings per share, for the third quarter of 2022. This compares to core net income of \$5.3 million, or \$0.59 diluted core earnings per share, for the second quarter of 2022, and core net income of \$4.0 million, or \$0.48 diluted core earnings per share, for the third quarter of 2021 (see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures").

Stephen Whatley, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Southern States, said, "Our team's ongoing diligent business development efforts fueled robust annualized third quarter loan growth of 26.3%, extending the momentum we've generated throughout the past year. Our net interest income increased 18.8% from the second quarter and was up 42.5% from a year earlier on a combination of robust loan growth and increasing yields on interest-earning assets, which drove our expanded NIM."

"As always, we are focused on disciplined, prudent expansion that minimizes risk and maintains our stellar credit quality. Our bank is dedicated to superior customer service and sound underwriting, key pillars of strength that we believe position the franchise for continued growth and improved profitability. This gives us confidence in our ability to deliver long-term value for our shareholders."

Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin

Net interest income for the third quarter of 2022 was \$19.4 million, an increase of 18.8% from \$16.4 million for the second quarter of 2022. The increase was primarily attributable to rising interest rates, coupled with an increase in interest-bearing assets and partially offset by an increase in expense on interest-bearing liabilities.

Relative to the third quarter of 2021, net interest income increased \$5.8 million, or 42.5%. The increase was substantially the result of an increase in interest-earning assets.

Net interest margin for the third quarter of 2022 was 4.15%, up from 3.84% for the second quarter of 2022. The increase was primarily the result of a 65 basis point increase in the yield on interest-earning assets, partially offset by a 46 basis point increase in the cost of interest-bearing liabilities.

Relative to the third quarter of 2021, net interest margin increased from 3.77%. The increase was primarily due to an increase in the yield on interest-earning assets that more than offset an increase in the cost of interest-bearing liabilities.

Noninterest Income

Noninterest income for the third quarter of 2022 was \$1.3 million, a decrease of 4.6% from \$1.4 million for the second quarter of 2022. The decrease was substantially the result of a \$101,000 increase in the net loss on securities.

Relative to the third quarter of 2021, noninterest income decreased 46.6% from \$2.5 million. The third quarter 2021 included a bank owned life insurance ("BOLI") death benefit claim of \$742,000 and a net gain on securities. The third quarter 2022 results included reductions in mortgage income and a net loss on securities.

Noninterest Expense

Noninterest expense for the third quarter of 2022 was \$10.2 million, up from \$9.7 million for the second quarter of 2022. The increase was substantially attributable to a \$336,000 increase in fraud losses, of which a portion has since been recovered, and an increase in salaries and benefits as a result of additional incentive accruals based on operating results. The efficiency ratio for the third quarter improved to 48.94% from 54.19% in the second quarter.

Relative to the third quarter of 2021, noninterest expense increased 11.5% from \$9.2 million. The increase was primarily attributable to higher salaries and incentive expense as production personnel were added in the Georgia market. Also contributing to the increase were fraud losses, of which a portion has since been recovered. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in occupancy expense as a result of accelerated depreciation during the third quarter of 2021 on a formerly leased Birmingham branch location and a reduction in SBA expense from the third quarter of 2021.

Loan Portfolio

Total loans outstanding, before allowance for loan losses, were \$1.5 billion at September 30, 2022, up \$94.8 million from June 30, 2022 and up \$379.5 million from September 30, 2021. The linked-quarter increase in loans was primarily attributable to increases in construction/development and commercial real estate loans in the Auburn, Alabama and Georgia markets.

Deposits

Total deposits were \$1.8 billion at September 30, 2022, compared with \$1.6 billion at June 30, 2022 and \$1.3 billion at September 30, 2021. The \$122.1 million net increase in total deposits in the third quarter was due to an increase of \$135.1 million in interest-bearing account balances that more than offset a slight decrease in noninterest-bearing deposits.

Asset Quality

Nonperforming loans totaled \$4.0 million, or 0.26% of gross loans, at September 30, 2022, compared with \$3.6 million, or 0.25% of gross loans, at June 30, 2022, and \$3.3 million, or 0.29% of gross loans, at September 30, 2021. The \$400,000 net increase in nonperforming loans in the third quarter was primarily attributable to one commercial real estate loan and one commercial and industrial loan that were placed on nonaccrual and partially offset by one commercial and industrial loan that was sold. The \$642,000 increase in nonperforming loans from September 30, 2021 was primarily attributable to three commercial real estate loans, one residential loan and one commercial and industrial loan that were placed on nonaccrual. These increases were partially offset by one residential loan being moved back to accruing status and multiple loans associated with one borrower being paid off.

The Company recorded a provision for loan losses of \$1.7 million for the third quarter of 2022, compared to \$1.3 million for the second quarter of 2022. The provision was due to robust loan growth as well as changes in our qualitative economic factors.

Net charge-offs for the third quarter of 2022 were \$47,000, or 0.01% of average loans on an annualized basis, compared to net recoveries of \$11,000, or 0.00% of average loans on an annualized basis, for the second quarter of 2022, and net recoveries of \$8,000, or 0.00% of average loans on an annualized basis, for the third quarter of 2021.

The Company's allowance for loan losses was 1.21% of total loans and 466.41% of nonperforming loans at September 30, 2022, compared with 1.18% of total loans and 473.44% of nonperforming loans at June 30, 2022.

Capital

As of September 30, 2022, total stockholders' equity was \$170.3 million, compared with \$167.9 million at June 30, 2022. The increase of \$2.4 million was primarily due to strong earnings growth that more than offset an increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss resulting from changes in the value of the available for sale securities portfolio due to rapid increases in interest rates.

About Southern States Bancshares, Inc.

Headquartered in Anniston, Alabama, Southern States Bancshares, Inc. is a bank holding company that operates primarily through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Southern States Bank. The Bank is a full service community banking institution, which offers an array of deposit, loan and other banking-related products and services to businesses and individuals in its communities. The Bank operates 13 branches in Alabama and Georgia and two loan production offices in Atlanta.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, which reflect our current expectations and beliefs with respect to, among other things, future events and our financial performance. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, and are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, management's beliefs and certain assumptions made by management, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and beyond our control. This may be especially true given the inflationary environment, the COVID-19 pandemic and governmental responses. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable as of the dates made, we cannot give any assurance that such expectations will prove correct and actual results may prove to be materially different from the results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021 and in other SEC filings under the sections entitled "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors".

Accordingly, we caution you that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, assumptions and uncertainties that are difficult to predict.

These statements are often, but not always, made through the use of words or phrases such as "may," "can," "should," "could," "to be," "predict," "potential," "believe," "will likely result," "expect," "continue," "will," "likely," "anticipate," "seek," "estimate," "intend," "plan," "target," "project," "would" and "outlook," or the negative version of those words or other similar words or phrases of a future or forward-looking nature. Forward-looking statements appear in a number of places in this press release and may include statements about business strategy and prospects for growth, operations, ability to pay dividends, competition, regulation and general economic conditions.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

(In thousands, except share amounts)

	September 30, 2022 June 30, 2022 (Unaudited) (Unaudited)		•	Dec	ember 31, 2021 (Audited)	September 30, 2021 (Unaudited)			
<u>Assets</u>									
Cash and due from banks	\$ 17,394	\$	22,167	\$	6,397	\$	19,000		
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	165,637		95,156		203,537		114,800		
Federal funds sold	 63,031		73,024		74,022		44,022		
Total cash and cash equivalents	246,062		190,347		283,956		177,822		
Securities available for sale, at fair value	150,718		151,749		132,172		113,317		
Securities held to maturity, at amortized cost	19,657		19,662		19,672		19,678		
Other equity securities, at fair value	5,694		6,958		9,232		9,227		
Restricted equity securities, at cost	2,791		2,825		2,600		2,600		
Loans held for sale	1,643		2,709		2,400		2,097		
Loans, net of unearned income	1,524,990		1,430,205		1,250,300		1,145,447		
Less allowance for loan losses	 18,423		16,807		14,844		14,097		
Loans, net	1,506,567		1,413,398		1,235,456		1,131,350		
Premises and equipment, net	28,585		28,467		27,044		25,916		
Accrued interest receivable	5,699		4,839		4,170		3,933		
Bank owned life insurance	29,677		29,509		22,201		22,081		
Annuities	15,564		15,540		12,888		12,968		
Foreclosed assets	2,930		2,930		2,930		10,146		
Goodwill	16,862		16,862		16,862		16,862		
Core deposit intangible	1,302		1,368		1,500		1,566		
Other assets	 18,974	_	15,332		9,509		9,499		
Total assets	\$ 2,052,725	\$	1,902,495	\$	1,782,592	\$	1,559,062		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity									
Liabilities:									
Deposits:									
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 499,613	\$	512,598	\$	541,546	\$	380,111		
Interest-bearing	1,267,479		1,132,348		1,014,905		956,211		
Total deposits	1,767,092		1,644,946		1,556,451		1,336,322		
Other borrowings	19,978		_		12,498		12,498		
FHLB advances	26,000		25,000		25,950		26,900		
Subordinated notes	47,042		47,013		_		_		
Accrued interest payable	359		88		132		125		
Other liabilities	21,929		17,501		10,363		8,996		
Total liabilities	 1,882,400		1,734,548	-	1,605,394	· -	1,384,841		

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

(In thousands, except share amounts)

	September 30, 2022 (Unaudited)	June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2021 (Audited)	September 30, 2021 (Unaudited)
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock	43,529	43,458	45,064	45,064
Capital surplus	75,835	75,597	80,640	80,547
Retained earnings	63,956	58,039	49,858	46,611
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(12,403)	(8,439)	2,113	2,600
Unvested restricted stock	(592)	(708)	(477)	(601)
Total stockholders' equity	170,325	167,947	177,198	174,221
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,052,725	\$ 1,902,495	\$ 1,782,592	\$ 1,559,062
Shares issued and outstanding	8,705,920	8,691,620	9,012,857	9,012,857

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the Three Months Ended						ı	For the Nine Months Ended			
	Sep	tember 30, 2022		June 30, 2022	Sep	tember 30, 2021	September 30, 2022		Sep	tember 30, 2021	
Interest income:											
Loans, including fees	\$	20,052	\$	16,265	\$	13,923	\$	51,083	\$	40,429	
Taxable securities		1,010		788		402		2,417		1,134	
Nontaxable securities		323		309		266		931		729	
Other interest and dividends		1,135		390		143		1,713		315	
Total interest income		22,520		17,752		14,734		56,144		42,607	
Interest expense:											
Deposits		2,489		889		1,034		4,251		3,355	
Other borrowings		596		498		60		1,439		435	
Total interest expense		3,085		1,387		1,094		5,690		3,790	
Net interest income		19,435		16,365		13,640		50,454		38,817	
Provision for loan losses		1,663		1,304		750		3,667		2,250	
Net interest income after provision for loan											
losses		17,772		15,061		12,890		46,787		36,567	
Noninterest income:											
Service charges on deposit accounts		508		480		403		1,433		1,101	
Swap fees		11		21		101		48		938	
SBA/USDA fees		95		93		130		575		3,434	
Mortgage origination fees		218		213		393		717		1,196	
Net gain (loss) on securities		(143)		(42)		189		(546)		(17)	
Other operating income		650		639		1,293		1,847		2,399	
Total noninterest income		1,339		1,404		2,509		4,074		9,051	
Noninterest expenses:											
Salaries and employee benefits		6,152		5,982		5,517		17,859		16,104	
Equipment and occupancy expenses		764		719		908		2,188		2,697	
Data processing fees		599		570		524		1,733		1,565	
Regulatory assessments		235		262		248		760		689	
Other operating expenses		2,487		2,119		1,988		6,638		5,768	
Total noninterest expenses		10,237		9,652		9,185		29,178		26,823	

Income before income taxes	8,874	6,813	6,214	21,683	18,795
Income tax expense	 2,174	 1,590	 1,293	 5,204	 4,287
Net income	\$ 6,700	\$ 5,223	\$ 4,921	\$ 16,479	\$ 14,508
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.59	\$ 1.87	\$ 1.84
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.58	\$ 1.84	\$ 1.82

The following table provides an analysis of the allowance for loan losses as of the dates indicated.

	Three Months Ended							Nine Months Ended				
	Se	eptember 30, 2022		June 30, 2022	S	eptember 30, 2021	S	eptember 30, 2022	S	eptember 30, 2021		
					(Dolla	ars in thousand	s)					
Average loans, net of unearned income	\$	1,480,735	\$	1,359,320	\$	1,122,741	\$	1,373,564	\$	1,093,684		
Loans, net of unearned income	\$	1,524,990	\$	1,430,205	\$	1,145,447	\$	1,524,990	\$	1,145,447		
Allowance for loan losses at beginning of the period	\$	16,807	\$	15,492	\$	13,339	\$	14,844	\$	11,859		
Charge-offs:												
Construction and development		_		_		_		66		_		
Residential		_		7		_		7		44		
Commercial		_		_		_		_		_		
Commercial and industrial	269			_		_		269		_		
Consumer and other	1			1				8		2		
Total charge-offs		270		8		_		350		46		
Recoveries:												
Construction and development		_		_		_		_		_		
Residential		11		18		7		46		12		
Commercial		_		_		_		_		_		
Commercial and industrial		204		_		1		204		14		
Consumer and other		8		1	_			12		8		
Total recoveries		223		19		8		262		34		
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	\$	47	\$	(11)	\$	(8)	\$	88	\$	12		
Provision for loan losses	\$	1,663	\$	1,304	\$	750	\$	3,667	\$	2,250		
Balance at end of period	Ψ \$	18,423	\$	16,807	\$	14,097	\$	18,423	\$	14,097		
Ratio of allowance to end of period loans	Ψ	1.21%	Ψ	1.18%	Ψ	1.23%	Ψ	1.21%	Ψ	1.23%		
Ratio of net charge-offs (recoveries) to average loans	6	0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.01%		0.00%		

The following table sets forth the allocation of the Company's nonperforming assets among different asset categories as of the dates indicated. Nonperforming assets consist of nonperforming loans plus OREO and repossessed property. Nonperforming loans include nonaccrual loans and loans past due 90 days or more.

	September 30, 2022		June 30, 2022		December 31, 2021		Sep	otember 30, 2021
			· ' <u></u>	(Dollars in	-			
Nonaccrual loans	\$	3,950	\$	3,550	\$	1,478	\$	3,308
Past due loans 90 days or more and still accruing interest			<u></u>			494		
Total nonperforming loans		3,950		3,550		1,972		3,308
OREO		2,930		2,930		2,930		10,146
Total nonperforming assets	\$	6,880	\$	6,480	\$	4,902	\$	13,454
Troubled debt restructured loans – nonaccrual(1)		1,011		676		940		1,041
Troubled debt restructured loans - accruing		1,307		1,323		1,072		1,085
Total troubled debt restructured loans	\$	2,318	\$	1,999	\$	2,012	\$	2,126

Allowance for loan losses	\$ 18,423	\$ 16,807	\$ 14,844	\$ 14,097
Gross loans outstanding at the end of period	\$ 1,530,129	\$ 1,435,089	\$ 1,254,117	\$ 1,149,340
Allowance for loan losses to gross loans	1.20%	1.17%	1.18%	1.23%
Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans	466.41%	473.44%	752.74%	426.15%
Nonperforming loans to gross loans	0.26%	0.25%	0.16%	0.29%
Nonperforming assets to gross loans and OREO	0.45%	0.45%	0.39%	1.16%
Nonaccrual loans by category:				
Real estate mortgages:				
Construction & Development	\$ 70	\$ 73	\$ 346	\$ 1,972
Residential Mortgages	550	563	167	339
Commercial Real Estate Mortgages	2,888	2,135	674	690
Commercial & Industrial	434	768	285	300
Consumer and other	 8	 11	 6	 7
	\$ 3,950	\$ 3,550	\$ 1,478	\$ 3,308

⁽¹⁾ Troubled debt restructured loans are excluded from nonperforming loans unless they otherwise meet the definition of nonaccrual loans or are more than 90 days past due.

The following tables show the average outstanding balance of each principal category of our assets, liabilities and stockholders' equity, together with the average yields on our assets and average costs of our liabilities for the periods indicated. Yields and costs are calculated by dividing the annualized income or expense by the average daily balances of the corresponding assets or liabilities for the same period.

	Three Months Ended											
	Septe	mbe	er 30, 202	2	Jui	ne 3	30, 2022		Septe	mbe	er 30, 202	1
	Average			Yield/	Average			Yield/	Average			Yield/
	Balance		nterest	Rate	Balance		nterest	Rate	Balance	_1	nterest	Rate
					(Dollai	rs ir	thousand	ds)				
Assets:												
Interest-earning assets:												
Gross loans, net of unearned		_				_				_		
income(1)	\$1,480,735	\$	20,052	5.37%	\$1,359,320	\$	16,265	4.80%	\$1,122,741	\$	13,923	4.92%
Taxable securities	128,932		1,010	3.11%	121,677		788	2.60%	76,612		402	2.08%
Nontaxable securities	56,738		323	2.26%	56,850		309	2.18%	48,162		266	2.20%
Other interest-earnings assets	192,699		1,135	2.34%	172,175		390	0.91%	189,131	_	143	0.30%
Total interest-earning assets	\$1,859,104	\$	22,520	4.81%	\$1,710,022	\$	17,752	4.16%	\$1,436,646	\$	14,734	4.07%
Allowance for loan losses	(17,250)				(15,815)				(13,645)			
Noninterest-earning assets	124,702	,			127,230				125,870			
Total Assets	\$1,966,556	:			\$1,821,437				\$1,548,871			
Liabilities and Stockholders'												
Equity:												
Interest-bearing liabilities:												
Interest-bearing transaction												
accounts	114,517		26	0.09%	114,743		27	0.09%	98,203		24	0.10%
Savings and money market												
accounts	811,349		1,644	0.80%	735,845		625	0.34%	565,861		665	0.47%
Time deposits	281,931		819	1.15%	208,774		237	0.46%	290,460		345	0.47%
FHLB advances	27,380		102	1.47%	25,000		21	0.33%	31,520		34	0.43%
Other borrowings	47,659		494	4.12%	47,066		477	4.07%	6,652	_	26	1.57%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$1,282,836	\$	3,085	0.95%	\$1,131,428	\$	1,387	0.49%	\$ 992,696	\$	1,094	0.44%
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Noninterest-bearing liabilities:	Ф 404 04 7				Ф 500 7 00				A 004 007			
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ 491,917				\$ 502,728				\$ 384,207			
Other liabilities	19,401	,			17,243				9,663			
Total noninterest-bearing liabilitie					\$ 519,971				\$ 393,870			
Stockholders' Equity	172,402	,			170,038				162,305			
Total Liabilities and												
Stockholders' Equity	\$1,966,556	:			\$1,821,437	:			\$1,548,871			
Net interest income		\$	19,435			\$	16,365			\$	13,640	
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Net interest spread(2)	3.86%	3.67%	3.63%
Net interest margin(3)	4.15%	3.84%	3.77%
Net interest margin - FTE(4)(5)	4.17%	3.86%	3.79%

- (1) Includes nonaccrual loans.
- (2) Net interest spread is the difference between interest rates earned on interest earning assets and interest rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities.
- (3) Net interest margin is a ratio of net interest income to average interest earning assets for the same period.
- (4) Net interest margin FTE is a ratio of fully-taxable equivalent net interest income to average interest earning assets for the same period. It assumes a 24.0% tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2021 and a 23.5% tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2022.
- (5) Refer to "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures".

	Nine Months Ended										
	Septe	embe	er 30, 202	2		Septe	mbe	nber 30, 2021			
	Average			Yield/		Average			Yield/		
	Balance		nterest	Rate	_	Balance	_lı	nterest	Rate		
			(Dollars in	tho	ousands)					
Assets:											
Interest-earning assets:											
Gross loans, net of unearned income(1)	\$1,373,564	\$	51,083	4.97%	\$	1,093,684	\$	40,429	4.94%		
Taxable securities	119,224		2,417	2.71%		74,244		1,134	2.04%		
Nontaxable securities	56,157		931	2.22%		42,191		729	2.31%		
Other interest-earnings assets	202,837		1,713	1.13%		148,349		315	0.28%		
Total interest-earning assets	\$1,751,782	\$	56,144	4.29%	\$	1,358,468	\$	42,607	4.19%		
Allowance for loan losses	(16,044)					(12,890)					
Noninterest-earning assets	123,255	_				124,539					
Total Assets	\$1,858,993	_			\$	1,470,117					
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Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity											
Interest-bearing liabilities:											
Interest-bearing transaction accounts	113,427		78	0.09%		94,696		66	0.09%		
Savings and money market accounts	741,397		2,862	0.52%		503,064		2,056	0.55%		
Time deposits	242,869		1,311	0.72%		310,758		1,233	0.53%		
FHLB advances	26,115		144	0.74%		32,215		120	0.50%		
Other borrowings	42,604		1,295	4.06%		10,625		315	3.96%		
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$1,166,412	\$	5,690	0.65%	\$		\$	3,790	0.53%		
Noninterest-bearing liabilities:											
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ 502,951				\$	358,556					
Other liabilities	16,420					9,207					
Total noninterest-bearing liabilities	\$ 519,371	•			\$	367,763					
Stockholders' Equity	173,210				,	150,996					
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$1,858,993	-			\$	1,470,117					
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Net interest income		\$	50,454				\$	38,817			
Net interest spread(2)				3.64%					3.66%		
Net interest margin(3)				3.85%					3.82%		
Net interest margin - FTE(4)(5)				3.87%					3.84%		

- (1) Includes nonaccrual loans.
- (2) Net interest spread is the difference between interest rates earned on interest earning assets and interest rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities.
- (3) Net interest margin is a ratio of net interest income to average interest earning assets for the same period.
- (4) Net interest margin FTE is a ratio of fully-taxable equivalent net interest income to average interest earning assets for the same period. It assumes a 24.0% tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2021 and a 23.5% tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2022.
- (5) Refer to "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures".

Per Share Information	Th	ree Months End	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30,	June 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	
	2022	2022	2021	2022	2021	

Net income	\$ 6,700	\$ 5,223	\$ 4,921	\$ 16,479	\$ 14,508
Earnings per share - basic	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.59	\$ 1.87	\$ 1.84
Earnings per share - diluted	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.58	\$ 1.84	\$ 1.82
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,693,745	8,740,295	8,354,860	8,797,720	7,861,780
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	8,871,116	8,894,577	8,467,460	8,952,600	7,980,159
Shares issued and outstanding	8,705,920	8,691,620	9,012,857	8,705,920	9,012,857
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 170,325	\$ 167,947	\$ 174,221	\$ 170,325	\$ 174,221
Book value per share	\$ 19.56	\$ 19.32	\$ 19.33	\$ 19.56	\$ 19.33

Performance Ratios	Th	ree Months Ende	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2022	June 30, 2022	September 30, 2021	September 30, 2022	September 30, 2021	
Net interest margin	4.15%	3.84%	3.77%	3.85%	3.82%	
Net interest spread	3.86%	3.67%	3.63%	3.64%	3.66%	
Efficiency ratio	48.94%	54.19%	57.55%	52.98%	56.02%	
Return on average assets	1.35%	1.15%	1.26%	1.19%	1.32%	
Return on average stockholders' equity	15.42%	12.32%	12.03%	12.72%	12.85%	

Core and PPP Loans	Se	ptember 30, 2022	June 30, 2022	December 31, 2021	September 30, 2021								
		(Dollars in thousands)											
Core loans	\$	1,530,129 \$	1,435,089	\$ 1,244,914	\$ 1,129,075								
PPP loans		_	_	9,203	20,265								
Unearned income		(5,139)	(4,884)	(3,817)	(3,893)								
Loans, net of unearned income		1,524,990	1,430,205	1,250,300	1,145,447								
Allowance for loan losses		(18,423)	(16,807)	(14,844)	(14,097)								
Loans, net	\$	1,506,567 \$	1,413,398	\$ 1,235,456	\$ 1,131,350								

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to reporting GAAP results, the Company reports non-GAAP financial measures in this earnings release and other disclosures. Our management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures and the information they provide are useful to investors since these measures permit investors to view our performance using the same tools that our management uses to evaluate our performance. While we believe that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful in evaluating our performance, this information should be considered as supplemental in nature and not as a substitute for or superior to the related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, these non-GAAP financial measures may differ from similar measures presented by other companies.

The following table provides a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable financial measure presented in accordance with GAAP.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

	Three Months Ended							Nine Months Ended					
	September 30, 2022		,	June 30, September 30, 2022 2021			Sep	otember 30, 2022	Se	ptember 30, 2021			
		(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)											
Net income	\$	6,700	\$	5,223	\$	4,921	\$	16,479	\$	14,508			
Add: Net OREO gains		_		_		_				(8)			
Less: Gain on sale of USDA loan		_		_		_		_		2,806			
Less: BOLI death benefits		_		_		742		_		742			
Less: Gain (loss) on securities		(143)		(42)		189		(546)		(17)			
Less: Tax effect		37		11		(52)		142		(730)			
Core net income	\$	6,806	\$	5,254	\$	4,042	\$	16,883	\$	11,699			

Average assets	\$	1,966,556	\$	1,821,437	\$	1,548,871	\$	1,858,993	\$ 1,470,117
Core return on average assets		1.37%		1.16%		1.04%		1.21%	1.06%
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Net income	\$	6,700	\$	5,223	\$	4,921	\$	16,479	\$ 14,508
Add: Net OREO gains		_		_		_			(8)
Add: Provision		1,663		1,304		750		3,667	2,250
Less: Gain on sale of USDA loan		_		_		_		_	2,806
Less: BOLI death benefits		_		_		742		_	742
Less: Gain (loss) on securities		(143)		(42)		189		(546)	(17)
Add: Income taxes		2,174		1,590	_	1,293		5,204	 4,287
Pretax pre-provision core net income	\$	10,680	\$	8,159	\$	6,033	\$	25,896	\$ 17,506
Average assets	\$	1,966,556	\$	1,821,437	\$	1,548,871	\$	1,858,993	\$ 1,470,117
Pretax pre-provision core return on average									
assets		2.15%	_	1.80%	_	1.55%	_	1.86%	1.59%
Net interest income	\$	19,435	\$	16,365	\$	13,640	\$	50,454	\$ 38,817
Add: Fully-taxable equivalent adjustments(1)		86		83	_	72		251	 203
Net interest income - FTE	\$	19,521	\$	16,448	\$	13,712	\$	50,705	\$ 39,020
Net interest margin		4.15%		3.84%		3.77%		3.85%	3.82%
Effect of fully-taxable equivalent adjustments(1)		0.02%		0.02%		0.02%		0.02%	 0.02%
Net interest margin - FTE		4.17%		3.86%		3.79%		3.87%	3.84%
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Total stockholders' equity	\$	170,325	\$	167,947	\$	174,221	\$	170,325	\$ 174,221
Less: Intangible assets		18,164		18,230		18,428		18,164	18,428
Tangible common equity	\$	152,161	\$	149,717	\$	155,793	\$	152,161	\$ 155,793
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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

	Three Months Ended							Nine Months Ended				
	September 30, 2022		June 30, 2022		September 30, 2021		September 30, 2022		September 30, 2021			
		(1		(Dollars in thousands, except share and p			d pei	r share amounts	s)			
Core net income	\$	6,806	\$	5,254	\$	4,042	\$	16,883	\$	11,699		
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		8,871,116		8,894,577	_	8,467,460		8,952,600		7,980,159		
Diluted core earnings per share	\$	0.77	\$	0.59	\$	0.48	\$	1.89	\$	1.47		
Common shares outstanding at year or period end		8,705,920		8,691,620		9,012,857		8,705,920		9,012,857		
Tangible book value per share	\$	17.48	\$	17.23	\$	17.29	\$	17.48	\$	17.29		
Total assets at end of period	\$	2,052,725	\$	1,902,495	\$	1,559,062	\$	2,052,725	\$	1,559,062		
Less: Intangible assets		18,164		18,230		18,428		18,164		18,428		
Adjusted assets at end of period	\$	2,034,561	\$	1,884,265	\$	1,540,634	\$	2,034,561	\$	1,540,634		
Tangible common equity to tangible assets	_	7.48%		7.95%		10.11%	_	7.48%	_	10.11%		
Total average shareholders equity	\$	172,402		170.038	\$	162,305	\$	173,210	\$	150,996		
Less: Average intangible assets	•	18,203		18,270	•	18,470	•	18,270	*	18,535		
Average tangible common equity	\$	154,199	\$	151,768	\$	143,835	\$	154,940	\$	132,461		
Net income to common shareholders	\$	6,700	\$	5,223	\$	4,921	\$	16,479	\$	14,508		
Return on average tangible common equity		17.24%		13.80%		13.57%		14.22%		14.64%		
Average tangible common equity	\$	154,199	\$	151,768	\$	143,835	\$	154,940	\$	132,461		
Core net income	\$	6,806	\$	5,254	\$	4,042	\$	16,883	\$	11,699		
Core return on average tangible common equity	_	17.51%	_	13.89%	_	11.15%	_	14.57%	_	11.81%		
Net interest income	\$	19,435	\$	16,365		13,640		50,454		38,817		

Add: Noninterest income	1,339	1,404	2,509	4,074		9,051
Less: Gain on sale of USDA loan		_	_	_		2,806
Less: BOLI death benefits	_	_	742	_		742
Less: Gain (loss) on securities	(143)	(42)	189	 (546)		(17)
Operating revenue	\$ 20,917	\$ 17,811	\$ 15,218	\$ 55,074	\$	44,337
Expenses:						
Total noninterest expense	\$ 10,237	\$ 9,652	\$ 9,185	\$ 29,178	\$	26,823
Less: Net OREO gains	_		_	 _		(8)
Adjusted noninterest expenses	\$ 10,237	\$ 9,652	\$ 9,185	\$ 29,178	\$	26,831
Core efficiency ratio	 48.94%	54.19%	60.36%	52.98%	=	60.52%

⁽¹⁾ Assumes a 24.0% tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2021 and a 23.5% tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2022.