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Lakeland Financial Reports Record Quarterly Performance Net Income Increases 18% and Dividend Increases 16%

Warsaw, Indiana (April 25, 2019) – Lakeland Financial Corporation (Nasdaq Global Select/LKFN), parent company of Lake City Bank, today reported record quarterly net income of \$21.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019, an increase of 18% versus \$18.3 million for the first quarter of 2018. Diluted earnings per share also increased 18% to \$0.84 for the first quarter of 2019, versus \$0.71 for the first quarter of 2018, also representing a record quarter for the company and its shareholders. On a linked quarter basis, net income increased \$319,000, or 1% from the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2018, which had net income of \$21.4 million and \$0.83 diluted earnings per share.

David M. Findlay, President & CEO commented, "Our record results reflect our continued strong revenue growth, a healthy asset quality environment and stable economic trends in our Lake City Bank footprint. The opening of our 50th office in downtown Indianapolis this quarter highlights our continued organic growth strategy."

Highlights for the quarter are noted below.

1st Quarter 2019 versus 1st Quarter 2018 highlights:

- Return on average equity of 16.6%, up from 15.8%
- Return on average assets of 1.80%, up from 1.58%
- Organic average loan growth of \$126 million, or 3%
- Core deposit growth of \$129 million, or 3%
- Net interest income increase of \$2.0 million, or 5%
- Net interest margin increase of 9 basis points to 3.45%
- Noninterest income increase of \$1.6 million, or 17%
- Revenue growth of \$3.6 million, or 8%
- Nonperforming assets to total assets of 0.14% versus 0.24% a year ago
- Total equity and tangible common equity¹ increase of \$70 million, or 15%

1st Quarter 2019 versus 4th Quarter 2018 highlights:

- Return on average assets of 1.80%, up from 1.75%
- Return on average equity of 16.6% compared to 16.8%
- Organic loan growth of \$24 million or 1%
- Core deposit growth of \$128 million, or 3%
- Net interest income decrease of \$1.4 million, or 3%

¹ Non-GAAP financial measure – see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

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- Net interest margin decrease of 7 basis points to 3.45%
- Noninterest income increase of \$1.4 million, or 14%
- Nonperforming assets to total assets of 0.14% versus 0.16%
- Total equity and tangible common equity increase of \$22 million, or 4%

As announced on April 9, 2019, the board of directors approved a cash dividend for the first quarter of \$0.30 per share, payable on May 6, 2019, to shareholders of record as of April 25, 2019. The 2019 dividend rate per share approved in April represents a 16% increase over the accumulated quarterly dividends paid in 2018.

Return on average total equity for the first quarter of 2019 was 16.59%, compared to 15.82% in the first quarter of 2018 and 16.76% in the linked fourth quarter of 2018. Return on average assets for the first quarter of 2018 was 1.80%, compared to 1.58% in the first quarter of 2018 and 1.75% in the linked fourth quarter of 2018. The company's total capital as a percent of risk-weighted assets was 14.38% at March 31, 2019, compared to 13.41% at March 31, 2018 and 14.20% at December 31, 2018. The company's tangible common equity to tangible assets ratio was 11.04% at March 31, 2019, compared to 9.94% at March 31, 2018 and 10.63% at December 31, 2018.

Findlay added, "The strength of our balance sheet is demonstrated by our strong capital position. We are pleased to continue our history of double digit dividend increases for our shareholders. The dividend increase is the outcome of consistent long-term growth in earnings and its positive impact to our capital base. Over the last five years, we have increased our dividend by 21% annually on a compound annual growth basis."

Average total loans for the first quarter of 2019 were \$3.92 billion, an increase of \$126.1 million, or 3%, versus \$3.79 billion for the first quarter 2018. On a linked quarter basis, total average loans grew \$12.5 million from \$3.91 billion at December 31, 2018. Total loans outstanding grew \$93.3 million, or 2%, from \$3.85 billion as of March 31, 2018 to \$3.94 billion as of March 31, 2019.

Average total deposits were \$4.09 billion for the first quarters of 2019 and 2018. Total deposits grew \$47.9 million, or 1%, from \$4.10 billion as of March 31, 2018 to \$4.15 billion as of March 31, 2019. In addition, total core deposits, which exclude brokered deposits, increased \$128.8 million, or 3%, from \$3.88 billion at March 31, 2018 to \$4.01 billion at March 31, 2019 due to growth in commercial deposits of \$238.1 million or 25%, offset by decreases in public fund deposits of \$80.0 million or 6%, and decreases in retail deposits of \$29.3 million, or 2%.

Findlay noted, "We are pleased with the growth momentum reflected in the increase in commercial deposits. We are particularly pleased that the total number of commercial noninterest bearing checking accounts have increased by 11% over a two-year period. This increase in accounts has been accompanied by a 23% increase in balances over the same timeframe."

The company's net interest margin increased nine basis points to 3.45% for the first quarter of 2019 compared to 3.36% for the first quarter of 2018. The higher margin in the first quarter of 2019 was due to higher yields on loans, partially offset by a higher cost of funds, driven by the Federal Reserve Bank increasing the target Federal Funds Rate in March, June, September and December of 2018.

Non-GAAP financial measure – see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures"

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Linked quarter net interest margin declined by seven basis points due to an increase of five basis points in earning asset yields and an offsetting increase in cost of funds of twelve basis points. The net interest margin was 3.52% for the linked fourth quarter of 2018, and was positively impacted by four basis points due to the payoff of a nonaccrual loan and other nonaccrual loan adjustments. Thus, the net interest margin run rate for the fourth quarter excluding those adjustments was 3.48%. As a result, net interest margin in the first quarter declined by three basis points when compared to the fourth quarter core run rate net interest margin.

Earning asset yields were negatively impacted by a decline in investment security yields during the first quarter 2019 due to the combined effect of the flattening yield curve and the corresponding increase in the fair value of the investment securities portfolio, as well as the impact of the adoption of the FASB accounting standard update, which amended the amortization period for certain purchased callable debt securities held at a premium. The decline in investment security portfolio yields reduced net interest margin by two basis points during the quarter. In addition, loan yields were elevated by four basis points in the fourth quarter of 2018 as previously noted. On a linked fourth quarter basis, cost of funds increased by twelve basis points versus a thirteen basis point increase in the prior third linked quarter of 2018.

"With the widening expectation that the Federal Reserve may be in a holding pattern with respect to future rates changes, we have taken steps to maintain our net interest margin. Deposit rates have remained generally unchanged during the quarter in our markets and we believe that our net interest margin will be stable moving into the second quarter," commented Findlay.

The company recorded a provision for loan losses of \$1.2 million in the first quarter of 2019, compared to \$3.3 million in the first quarter of 2018 and \$300,000 in the linked fourth quarter of 2018. The lower provision in the first quarter of 2019 was primarily due to lower net charge offs compared to the first quarter of 2018. Net charge offs in the first quarter of 2019 were \$91,000 versus net charge offs of \$4.8 million in the first quarter of 2018 and net charge offs of \$189,000 during the linked fourth quarter of 2018. Annualized net charge offs to average loans were 0.01% for the first quarter of 2019 versus 0.51% for the first quarter of 2018. Annualized net charge offs to average loans were 0.02% for the linked fourth quarter of 2018.

Nonperforming assets decreased \$4.2 million, or 37%, to \$7.0 million as of March 31, 2019 versus \$11.2 million as of March 31, 2018 due to a decrease in nonaccrual loans. On a linked quarter basis, nonperforming assets were \$604,000 or 8% lower than the \$7.6 million reported as of December 31, 2018. The ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets at March 31, 2019 decreased to 0.14% from 0.24% at March 31, 2018 and 0.16% at December 31, 2018. Loan loss reserve to total loans increased to 1.26% as of March 31, 2019 as compared with 1.19% as of March 31, 2018 and up from 1.24% as of December 31, 2018.

The company's noninterest income increased \$1.6 million, or 17%, to \$11.5 million for the first quarter of 2019, compared to \$9.9 million for the first quarter of 2018. Noninterest income was positively impacted by an 18% increase over the prior year first quarter in recurring fee income for service charges on deposit accounts, primarily due to growth in treasury management fees from business accounts. In addition, loan and service fees increased 10% and wealth advisory fees increased by 8% compared to the first quarter 2018 due to continued growth of client relationships. Noninterest income increased by \$1.4 million or 14% on a linked quarter basis to \$11.5 million due to increases in bank owned life insurance income, swap fees generated from commercial lending transactions and improvement in mortgage banking income.

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The company's noninterest expense increased \$1.3 million, or 6%, to \$22.5 million in the first quarter of 2019, compared to \$21.2 million in the first quarter of 2018 and decreased by \$79,000 on a linked quarter basis. Salaries and employee benefits increased on a year over year basis primarily due to higher employee health insurance expense, staffing increases in revenue producing areas and normal merit increases.

Findlay commented, "Continued investment in our people and our technology-driven financial services solutions for clients is a critical part of our long term success. The Lake City Bank team is our defining difference, but we must remain committed to delivering innovative technology solutions as well. We continue to invest heavily in technology to ensure that we can deliver innovative, technology-driven solutions to our customers."

The company's efficiency ratio was 45.2% for the first quarter of 2019, compared to 46.0% for the first quarter of 2018 and 45.4% for the linked fourth quarter of 2018.

Lakeland Financial Corporation is a \$4.9 billion bank holding company headquartered in Warsaw, Indiana. Lake City Bank, its single bank subsidiary, is the fourth largest bank headquartered in the state and the largest bank 100% invested in Indiana. Lake City Bank operates 50 offices in Northern and Central Indiana, delivering technology-driven and client-centric financial services solutions to individuals and businesses.

Information regarding Lakeland Financial Corporation may be accessed on the home page of its subsidiary, Lake City Bank, at lakecitybank.com. The company's common stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under "LKFN." In addition to the results presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, this earnings release contains certain non-GAAP financial measures. The company believes that providing non-GAAP financial measures provides investors with information useful to understanding the company's financial performance. Additionally, these non-GAAP measures are used by management for planning and forecasting purposes, including measures based on "tangible common equity" which is "total equity" excluding intangible assets, net of deferred tax, and "tangible assets" which is "total assets" excluding intangible assets, net of deferred tax. A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to the most comparable GAAP equivalents is included in the attached financial tables where the non-GAAP measures are presented.

This document contains, and future oral and written statements of the company and its management may contain, forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to the financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business of the company. Forward-looking statements, which may be based upon beliefs, expectations and assumptions of the company's management and on information currently available to management, are generally identifiable by the use of words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "continue," "plan," "intend," "estimate," "may," "will," "would," "could," "should" or other similar expressions. The company's ability to predict results or the actual effect of future plans or strategies is inherently uncertain and, accordingly, the reader is cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements made by the company. Additionally, all statements in this document, including forward-looking statements, speak only as of the date they are made, and the company undertakes no obligation to update any statement in light of new information or future events. Numerous factors could cause the company's actual results to differ from those reflected in forward-looking statements, including trade policy and those identified in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K.



LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION FIRST QUARTER 2019 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	_		Thre	e Months Ended		
Jnaudited – Dollars in thousands, except per share data) ND OF PERIOD BALANCES	,	Mar. 31, 2019		Dec. 31, 2018		Mar. 31, 2018
Assets	\$	4,891,885	-	\$ 4,875,254	\$	
Deposits	Ÿ	4,147,437	,	4,044,065	Y	4,099,488
Brokered Deposits		140,078		164,888		220,906
Core Deposits (3)		4,007,359		3,879,177		3,878,582
Loans		3,939,010		3,914,745		3,845,668
Allowance for Loan Losses		49,562				45,627
				48,453 521,704		473,333
Total Equity		543,267				
Goodwill net of deferred tax assets		3,779		3,779		3,796
Tangible Common Equity (1)		539,488		517,925		469,537
VERAGE BALANCES						
Total Assets	\$	4,881,572		\$ 4,837,604	\$	
Earning Assets		4,550,950		4,523,304		4,421,461
nvestments - available for sale		587,026		573,073		546,042
_oans		3,918,024		3,905,511		3,791,922
Total Deposits		4,090,330		4,163,118		4,094,917
nterest Bearing Deposits		3,205,204		3,256,930		3,253,309
nterest Bearing Liabilities		3,426,250		3,390,159		3,367,104
Total Equity		529,989		505,570		469,998
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Net Interest Income	\$	38,209	5	39,590	\$	36,223
Net Interest income Net Interest Income-Fully Tax Equivalent	Ţ	38,708	,	40,089	ڔ	36,632
Provision for Loan Losses		1,200		300		3,300
Ioninterest Income		11,525		10,105		9,879
Ioninterest Expense		22,473		22,552		21,202
et Income		21,682		21,363		18,336
R SHARE DATA						
asic Net Income Per Common Share	\$	0.85		\$ 0.84	\$	
iluted Net Income Per Common Share		0.84		0.83		0.71
ash Dividends Declared Per Common Share		0.26		0.26		0.22
ividend Payout		30.95	%	31.33 %		30.99
ook Value Per Common Share (equity per share issued)		21.21		20.62		18.71
angible Book Value Per Common Share (1)		21.06		20.47		18.56
larket Value – High		48.99		47.41		51.76
Market Value – Low		39.78		37.79		45.01
asic Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding		25,491,093		25,301,732		25,257,414
Diluted Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	•	25,665,287		25,746,490		25,696,864
EY RATIOS						
leturn on Average Assets		1.80	%	1.75 %		1.58
eturn on Average Total Equity		16.59		16.76		15.82
verage Equity to Average Assets		10.86		10.45		9.99
let Interest Margin		3.45		3.52		3.36
fficiency (Noninterest Expense / Net Interest Income plus Noninterest Income)		45.19		45.38		45.99
ier 1 Leverage (2)		11.59		11.44		10.77
ier 1 Risk-Based Capital (2)		13.22		13.05		12.30
formon Equity Tier 1 (CET1) (2)		12.52		12.35		11.57
otal Capital (2)		14.38		14.20		13.41
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angible Capital (1) (2)		11.04		10.63		9.94
SET QUALITY						
oans Past Due 30 - 89 Days	\$	9,694	Ş		\$	
oans Past Due 90 Days or More		481		0		26
on-accrual Loans		6,093		7,260		11,002
onperforming Loans (includes nonperforming TDR's)		6,574		7,260		11,028
ther Real Estate Owned		316		316		10
ther Nonperforming Assets		83		0		114
otal Nonperforming Assets		6,973		7,576		11,152
erforming Troubled Debt Restructurings		6,196		8,016		4,085
onperforming Troubled Debt Restructurings (included in nonperforming loans)		3,812		4,384		7,945
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· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		10,008		12,400		12,030
npaired Loans		24,501		26,661		15,824
on-Impaired Watch List Loans		179,636		159,938		166,205
otal Impaired and Watch List Loans		204,137		186,599		182,029
ross Charge Offs		284		424		4,977
ecoveries		193		235		183
et Charge Offs/(Recoveries)		91		189		4,794
et Charge Offs/(Recoveries) to Average Loans		0.01	%	0.02 %		0.51
oan Loss Reserve to Loans		1.26		1.24 %		1.19
pan Loss Reserve to Nonperforming Loans		753.91		667.40 %		413.75
pan Loss Reserve to Nonperforming Loans and Performing TDR's		388.11		317.17 %		301.92
onperforming Loans to Loans		0.17		0.19 %		
, ,						0.29
Inperforming Assets to Assets		0.14		0.16 %		0.24
		5.18	%	4.77 %		4.73
otal Impaired and Watch List Loans to Total Loans		3.10				
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otal Impaired and Watch List Loans to Total Loans <u>THER DATA</u> ull Time Equivalent Employees		556		553		539

⁽¹⁾ Non-GAAP financial measure - see "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures"

⁽²⁾ Capital ratios for March 31, 2019 are preliminary until the Call Report is filed.

⁽³⁾ Core deposits equals deposits less brokered deposits



CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share data)

	March 201	-	Dec	cember 31 2018
	(Unaud	lited)		
ASSETS				
Cash and due from banks		3,081	\$	192,290
Short-term investments		5,672		24,632
Total cash and cash equivalents	18	8,753		216,922
Securities available for sale (carried at fair value)	59	5,553		585,549
Real estate mortgage loans held for sale		3,047		2,293
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$49,562 and \$48,453	3,88	9,448		3,866,292
Land, premises and equipment, net	5	8,760		58,09
Bank owned life insurance	8	2,253		77,10
Federal Reserve and Federal Home Loan Bank stock	1	3,772		13,77
Accrued interest receivable	1	7,387		15,51
Goodwill		4,970		4,970
Other assets	3	7,942		34,735
Total assets	\$ 4,89	1,885	\$	4,875,254
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
LIABILITIES				
Noninterest bearing deposits		1,832	\$	946,83
Interest bearing deposits		5,605		3,097,22
Total deposits	4,14	7,437		4,044,065
Borrowings				
Federal funds purchased	12	2,000		
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		0		75,55
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		0		170,00
Subordinated debentures		0,928		30,92
Total borrowings	15	2,928		276,48
Accrued interest payable		1,794		10,40
Other liabilities		6,459		22,59
Total liabilities	4,34	8,618		4,353,55
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Common stock: 90,000,000 shares authorized, no par value				
25,614,665 shares issued and 25,442,827 outstanding as of March 31, 2019				
25,301,732 shares issued and 25,128,773 outstanding as of December 31, 2018	11	1,571		112,38
Retained earnings	43	2,953		419,17
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		2,487		(6,19
Treasury stock, at cost (2019 - 171,838 shares, 2018 - 172,959 shares)		3,833)		(3,75
Total stockholders' equity	54	3,178		521,61
Noncontrolling interest		89		8
Total equity		3,267		521,70
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 4,89	1,885	\$	4,875,25



	ited - in thousands, except share and per share data) Three Months Ended March 31,						
	2019						
NET INTEREST INCOME							
nterest and fees on loans							
Taxable	\$ 48,866	\$	41,794				
Tax exempt	251		217				
nterest and dividends on securities							
Taxable	2,497		2,434				
Tax exempt	1,642		1,331				
Other interest income	238		292				
Total interest income	53,494		46,068				
nterest on deposits	13,883		9,367				
nterest on borrowings	-,		-,				
Short-term	950		111				
Long-term	452		367				
Total interest expense	15,285		9,845				
NET INTEREST INCOME	38,209		36,223				

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	INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE	26,061	21,600
	Income tax expense	4,379	

NET INCOME	\$ 21,682	\$ 18,336
BASIC WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES	 25,491,093	25,257,414
BASIC EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.73
DILUTED WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES	25,665,287	25,696,864
DILUTED EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.71



LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION LOAN DETAIL FIRST QUARTER 2019 (unaudited, in thousands)

	March 201	•		December 2018	•		March 31, 2018			
Commercial and industrial loans:										
Working capital lines of credit loans	\$ 726,895	18.4	%	\$ 690,620	17.6	%	\$ 778,779	20.2	%	
Non-working capital loans	700,447	17.8		714,759	18.3		706,228	18.4		
Total commercial and industrial loans	1,427,342	36.2		1,405,379	35.9	_	1,485,007	38.6	-	
Commercial real estate and multi-family residential loans:										
Construction and land development loans	293,818	7.5		266,805	6.8		237,887	6.2		
Owner occupied loans	557,296	14.1		586,325	15.0		543,192	14.1		
Nonowner occupied loans	537,569	13.7		520,901	13.3		507,041	13.2		
Multifamily loans	240,939	6.1		195,604	5.0		193,956	5.0		
Total commercial real estate and multi-family residential loans	1,629,622	41.4	_	1,569,635	40.1	_	1,482,076	38.5	-	
Agri-business and agricultural loans:										
Loans secured by farmland	139,645	3.6		177,503	4.6		145,363	3.8		
Loans for agricultural production	162,662	4.1	_	193,010	4.9	_	171,607	4.5	_	
Total agri-business and agricultural loans	302,307	7.7	370,513		9.5		316,970	8.3	-	
Other commercial loans	112,021	2.8		95,657	2.4		116,657	3.0		
Total commercial loans	3,471,292	88.1		3,441,184	87.9	_	3,400,710	88.4	-	
Consumer 1-4 family mortgage loans:										
Closed end first mortgage loans	188,777	4.8		185,822	4.7		180,542	4.7		
Open end and junior lien loans	182,791	4.7		187,030	4.8		179,065	4.7		
Residential construction and land development loans	13,142	0.3	_	16,226	0.4	_	13,342	0.3	_	
Total consumer 1-4 family mortgage loans	384,710	9.8		389,078	9.9		372,949	9.7		
Other consumer loans	84,650	2.1		86,064	2.2	_	73,277	1.9	_	
Total consumer loans	469,360	11.9		475,142	12.1		446,226	11.6	_	
Subtotal	3,940,652	100.0	%	3,916,326	100.0 9		3,846,936	100.0	%	
Less: Allowance for loan losses	(49,562)			(48,453)			(45,627)			
Net deferred loan fees	(1,642)			(1,581)			(1,268)			
Loans, net	\$ 3,889,448			\$ 3,866,292		=	\$ 3,800,041			

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION DEPOSITS AND BORROWINGS FIRST QUARTER 2019 (unaudited, in thousands)

	March 31,	December 31,	March 31,
	2019	2018	2018
Non-interest bearing demand deposits	\$ 931,832	\$ 946,838	\$ 858,950
Savings and transaction accounts:			
Savings deposits	246,936	247,903	272,472
Interest bearing demand deposits	1,562,089	1,429,570	1,491,220
Time deposits:			
Deposits of \$100,000 or more	1,131,326	1,146,221	1,216,802
Other time deposits	275,254	273,533	260,044
Total deposits	\$ 4,147,437	\$ 4,044,065	\$ 4,099,488
FHLB advances and other borrowings	152,928	276,483	125,644
Total funding sources	\$ 4,300,365	\$ 4,320,548	\$ 4,225,132



LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION AVERAGE BALANCE SHEET AND NET INTEREST ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

				onths Ended 31, 2019		Three Months Ended December 31, 2018						Three Months Ended March 31, 2018				
	_	Average	- 1	nterest	Yield (1)/	_	Average		nterest	Yield (1)/		Average	- 1	nterest	Yield (1)/	
(fully tax equivalent basis, dollars in thousands)		Balance		ncome	Rate		Balance		Income	Rate		Balance		ncome	Rate	
Earning Assets																
Loans:																
Taxable (2)(3)	\$	3,893,035	\$	48,866	5.09 %	\$	3,884,500	\$	49,091	5.01 %	\$	3,767,300	\$	41,794	4.50 %	
Tax exempt (1)		24,989		314	5.10		21,011		234	4.42		24,622		272	4.48	
Investments: (1)		587.026		4.575	3.16		573.073		4.000	3.24		546.042		4.440	3.06	
Available for sale Short-term investments				4,575 26	3.16 2.25		3,350		4,682 15	3.24 1.78		4,579		4,119 9	0.80	
		4,696 41,204			2.25		41,370		207	1.78					1.45	
Interest bearing deposits	_		_	212		_		_			_	78,918	_	283		
Total earning assets	\$	4,550,950	\$	53,993	4.81 %	\$	4,523,304	\$	54,229	4.76 %	\$	4,421,461	\$	46,477	4.26 %	
Less: Allowance for loan losses		(48,768)					(49,045)					(47,189)				
Nonearning Assets		164.030					150 001					127 720				
Cash and due from banks		164,820 58,599					156,681 57,516					137,738 56,192				
Premises and equipment Other nonearning assets		155,971					149,148					138,524				
Total assets	_	4,881,572				Ś	4,837,604				_	4,706,726				
Total assets	<u> </u>	4,881,572				Ş	4,837,604				ş	4,706,726				
Interest Bearing Liabilities																
Savings deposits	Ś	247.309	Ś	71	0.12 %	Ś	250,755	Ś	76	0.12 %	Ś	268,091	Ś	89	0.13 %	
Interest bearing checking accounts	*	1,496,893	*	5,954	1.61	,	1,476,013	Ψ.	5,498	1.48	Ý	1,491,820	~	3,575	0.97	
Time deposits:		_,,		-,			_,,,		-,			_, ,		-,		
In denominations under \$100,000		276,006		1,232	1.81		272,192		1,168	1.70		255,209		848	1.35	
In denominations over \$100,000		1,184,996		6,626	2.27		1,257,970		6,683	2.11		1,238,189		4,855	1.59	
Miscellaneous short-term borrowings		190,118		950	2.03		102,301		282	1.09		82,862		111	0.54	
Long-term borrowings and																
subordinated debentures		30,928		452	5.93		30,928		431	5.53		30,933		367	4.81	
Total interest bearing liabilities	\$	3,426,250	\$	15,285	1.81 %	\$	3,390,159	\$	14,138	1.65 %	\$	3,367,104	\$	9,845	1.19 %	
Noninterest Bearing Liabilities																
Demand deposits		885,126					906,188					841,608				
Other liabilities		40,207					35,687					28,016				
Stockholders' Equity	_	529,989					505,570					469,998				
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	4,881,572				\$	4,837,604				\$	4,706,726				
Interest Margin Recap																
Interest Margin Recap Interest income/average earning assets				53,993	4.81				54,229	4.76				46,477	4.26	
Interest income/average earning assets				15,285	1.36				14,138	1.24				9,845	0.90	
Net interest income and margin			ć	38,708	3.45 %			\$	40,091	3.52 %			Ś	36,632	3.36 %	
Net interest income and margin			÷	30,708	3.45 %			Ş	40,091	5.52 %			Ş	30,032	5.30 %	

⁽¹⁾ Tax exempt income was converted to a fully taxable equivalent basis at a 21 percent tax rate. The tax equivalent rate for tax exempt loans and tax exempt securities acquired after January 1, 1983 included the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 ("TEFRA") adjustment applicable to nondeductible interest expenses. Taxable equivalent basis adjustments were \$499,000, \$501,000 and \$409,000 in the three-month periods ended March 31, 2019, December 31, 2018 and March 31, 2018, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Loan fees, which are immaterial in relation to total taxable loan interest income for 2019 and 2018, are included as taxable loan interest income.

⁽³⁾ Nonaccrual loans are included in the average balance of taxable loans.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Tangible common equity, tangible assets, tangible book value per share and the tangible common equity to tangible assets ratio are non-GAAP financial measures calculated using GAAP amounts. Tangible common equity is calculated by excluding the balance of goodwill and other intangible assets from the calculation of stockholders' equity, net of deferred tax. Tangible assets are calculated by excluding the balance of goodwill and other intangible assets from the calculation of total assets, net of deferred tax. Tangible book value per share is calculated by dividing tangible common equity by the number of shares outstanding. Because not all companies use the same calculation of tangible common equity and tangible assets, this presentation may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures calculated by other companies. However, management considers these measures of the company's value including only earning assets as meaningful to an understanding of the company's financial information.

A reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures is provided below (dollars in thousands, except per share data).

	Three Months Ended									
	Mar. 31, 2019				:. 31,)18			ar. 31, 2018	=	
Total Equity	\$ 5	43,267		\$	521,704		\$	473,333	-	
Less: Goodwill		(4,970)			(4,970)			(4,970)		
Plus: Deferred tax assets related to goodwill	1,191			1,191				1,174		
Tangible Common Equity	539,488 517,925					25 469,53				
Assets	\$ 4,891,885			\$ 4,875,254			\$ 4	4,726,948		
Less: Goodwill		(4,970)			(4,970)		(4,970)			
Plus: Deferred tax assets related to goodwill		1,191			1,191			1,174		
Tangible Assets	4,8	888,106		4,871,475			4,723,15		-	
Ending common shares issued	25,614,665			25,301,732			2!	5,291,582		
Tangible Book Value Per Common Share	\$	21.06		\$	20.47		\$	18.56		
Tangible Common Equity/Tangible Assets		11.04	%		10.63	%		9.94	%	

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