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VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP ANNOUNCES THIRD QUARTER 2023 RESULTS

NEW YORK, NY – October 26, 2023 -- Valley National Bancorp (NASDAQ:VLY), the holding company for Valley National Bank, today reported net income for the third quarter 2023 of \$141.3 million, or \$0.27 per diluted common share, as compared to the second quarter 2023 net income of \$139.1 million, or \$0.27 per diluted common share, and net income of \$178.1 million, or \$0.34 per diluted common share, for the third quarter 2022. Excluding all non-core income and charges, our adjusted net income (a non-GAAP measure) was \$136.4 million, or \$0.26 per diluted common share, for the third quarter 2023, \$147.1 million, or \$0.28 per diluted common share, for the second quarter 2023, and \$181.5 million, or \$0.35 per diluted common share, for the third quarter 2022. See further details below, including a reconciliation of our non-GAAP adjusted net income, in the "Consolidated Financial Highlights" tables.

Key financial highlights for the third quarter 2023:

- Loan Portfolio: Loan growth in most categories slowed as expected during third quarter 2023 largely due to the impact of higher market interest rates. Total loans increased \$220.3 million, or 1.8 percent on an annualized basis, to \$50.1 billion at September 30, 2023 from June 30, 2023 mainly as a result of select new loan originations in the commercial real estate loan portfolio. Annualized loan growth for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 totaled 9.0 percent. See the "Loans" section below for more details.
- Allowance and Provision for Credit Losses for Loans: The allowance for credit losses for loans totaled \$462.3 million and \$458.7 million at September 30, 2023 and June 30, 2023, respectively, representing 0.92 percent of total loans at each respective date. For the third quarter 2023, the provision for credit losses for loans totaled \$9.1 million as compared to \$6.3 million and \$1.8 million for the second quarter 2023 and third quarter 2022, respectively.
- Credit Quality: Net loan charge-offs totaled \$5.5 million for the third quarter 2023 as compared to \$8.6 million for the second quarter 2023 and net recoveries of loan charge-offs of \$5.6 million for the third quarter 2022. Total accruing past due loans increased \$17.8 million to \$79.5 million, or 0.16 percent of total loans, at September 30, 2023 as compared to \$61.8 million, or 0.12 percent of total loans, at June 30, 2023. Non-accrual loans represented 0.52 percent and 0.51 percent of total loans at September 30, 2023 and June 30, 2023, respectively. See the "Credit Quality" section below for more details.
- **Deposits:** Total deposits increased \$265.5 million to \$49.9 billion at September 30, 2023 as compared to \$49.6 billion at June 30, 2023 largely due to increases in direct customer interest bearing deposits, partially offset by a net decrease of \$338.5 million in indirect customer deposits driven by maturity of certain indirect CDs. See the "Deposits" section below for more details.

- Net Interest Income and Margin: Net interest income on a tax equivalent basis of \$413.7 million for the third quarter 2023 decreased \$7.6 million compared to the second quarter 2023 and decreased \$41.7 million as compared to the third quarter 2022. Our net interest margin on a tax equivalent basis decreased by 3 basis points to 2.91 percent in the third quarter 2023 as compared to 2.94 percent for the second quarter 2023. The decline in both net interest income and margin as compared to the linked second quarter reflects the impact of rising market interest rates on interest bearing deposits, net of a 23 basis point increase in the yield of average interest earnings assets for the third quarter 2023. See the "Net Interest Income and Margin" section below for more details.
- Non-Interest Income: Non-interest income decreased \$1.4 million to \$58.7 million for the third quarter 2023 as compared to the second quarter 2023 mainly due to a \$9.8 million decrease in capital market fees, largely offset by an increase of \$6.5 million in net gains on sales of assets (mostly related to the sale of non-branch offices located in Wayne, New Jersey) and higher card fee income. The decrease in capital market fees was largely driven by the lower volume of interest rate swap transactions executed for new commercial loan customers during the third quarter 2023.
- **Non-Interest Expense:** Non-interest expense decreased \$15.8 million to \$267.1 million for the third quarter 2023 as compared to the second quarter 2023 largely due to \$11.2 million of severance expense (non-core charges) recorded within salary and employee benefits expense in the second quarter 2023 and third quarter declines in both professional and legal fees and our FDIC insurance assessment. Technology, furniture and equipment expense increased \$4.8 million for the third quarter 2023 largely due to higher data processing costs.
- Efficiency Ratio: Our efficiency ratio was 56.72 percent for the third quarter 2023 as compared to 55.59 percent and 49.76 percent for the second quarter 2023 and third quarter 2022, respectively. See the "Consolidated Financial Highlights" tables below for additional information regarding our non-GAAP measures.
- **Performance Ratios:** Annualized return on average assets (ROA), shareholders' equity (ROE) and tangible ROE were 0.92 percent, 8.56 percent and 12.39 percent for the third quarter 2023, respectively. Annualized ROA, ROE, and tangible ROE, adjusted for non-core income and charges, were 0.89 percent, 8.26 percent and 11.95 percent for the third quarter 2023, respectively. See the "Consolidated Financial Highlights" tables below for additional information regarding our non-GAAP measures.

Ira Robbins, CEO commented, "I am extremely proud of the strength, stability, and resiliency reflected in our balance sheet during the third quarter. Our asset quality remains exceptional, and slower loan growth during the quarter contributed to improved capital ratios. Higher customer deposit balances enabled an incremental reduction in indirect CDs, while we paid off short-term borrowings to normalize our overnight cash position which was elevated in the second quarter."

Mr. Robbins continued, "In early October we completed our transformational core conversion. This was an incredible accomplishment for our organization against a challenging backdrop. We now have the appropriate technology infrastructure to support sustainable growth and better efficiency going forward. In my tenure we have built our robust service capabilities and have a significant opportunity to leverage these new technologies."

Net Interest Income and Margin

Net interest income on a tax equivalent basis totaling \$413.7 million for the third quarter 2023 decreased \$7.6 million and \$41.7 million as compared to the second quarter 2023 and third quarter 2022, respectively. The decrease as compared to the second quarter 2023 was mainly due to increased interest rates on most interest bearing deposit products, partially offset by higher loan yields and a reduction in average short-term borrowings. As a result of the higher cost of deposits, total interest expense increased \$32.9 million to \$400.6 million for the third quarter 2023 as compared to the second quarter 2023. Interest income on a tax equivalent basis increased \$25.3 million to \$814.3 million in the third quarter 2023 as compared to the second quarter 2023. The increase was mostly due to higher yields on both new originations and adjustable rate loans in our portfolio and a \$561.5 million increase in average loan balances driven by organic new loan volumes over the last six months and a continuation of slower loan prepayments in the third quarter 2023.

Net interest margin on a tax equivalent basis of 2.91 percent for the third quarter 2023 decreased by 3 basis points and 69 basis points from 2.94 percent and 3.60 percent, respectively, for the second quarter 2023 and third quarter 2022. The decrease as compared to the second quarter 2023 was largely driven by higher interest rates on interest bearing deposits, partially offset by a 23 basis point increase in the yield on average interest earning assets. The yield on average loans increased by 25 basis points to 6.03 percent for the third quarter 2023 as compared to the second quarter 2023 largely due to higher interest rates on new originations and adjustable rate loans. Our cost of total average deposits was 2.94 percent for the third quarter 2023 as compared to 2.45 percent and 0.59 percent for the second quarter 2023 and the third quarter 2022, respectively. The overall cost of average interest bearing liabilities also increased 33 basis points to 3.92 percent for the third quarter 2023 as compared to the second quarter 2023 primarily driven by the continued rise in the market interest rates on deposits.

Loans, Deposits and Other Borrowings

Loans. Loans increased \$220.3 million to approximately \$50.1 billion at September 30, 2023 from June 30, 2023 mainly due to slower, but continued organic loan growth in the commercial real estate loan category and low levels of prepayment activity during the third quarter 2023. Total commercial real estate (including construction) increased \$265.5 million, or 3.4 percent on an annualized basis during the third quarter 2023. Home equity loans also increased \$13.4 million or 10.0 percent on an annualized basis during the third quarter 2023 due to higher utilization of lines of credit. Automobile loans decreased by \$46.9 million, or 11.5 percent on an annualized basis during the third quarter 2023 largely due to continued low demand for vehicle financing because of the high interest rate environment. During the third quarter 2023, we sold \$80.8 million of residential mortgage loans originated for sale as compared to \$44.5 million in the second quarter 2023.

Deposits. Total deposits increased \$265.5 million to \$49.9 billion at September 30, 2023 from June 30, 2023 mainly due to increases of \$833.5 million in savings, NOW and money market deposits and \$194.8 million in time deposits, partially offset by a \$762.8 million decrease in non-interest bearing deposits. The increase in savings, NOW and money market deposits was driven by increases in digital and national specialized deposits, as well as some shift in customer balances from non-interest bearing deposits during the third quarter 2023. The increase in time deposits was largely due to successful

retail deposit campaigns, partially offset by the maturity of indirect time deposits. Non-interest bearing balances continued to be challenged by the high level of market interest rates which has caused some customers to pursue attractive investment alternatives, including our interest bearing products, or use cash in place of financing. Non-interest bearing deposits; savings, NOW and money market deposits; and time deposits represented approximately 24 percent, 46 percent and 30 percent of total deposits as of September 30, 2023, respectively, as compared to 25 percent, 45 percent and 30 percent of total deposits as of June 30, 2023, respectively.

Other Borrowings. Short-term borrowings decreased \$1.0 billion to \$89.8 million at September 30, 2023 as compared to June 30, 2023 mainly due to maturities and repayment of FHLB advances and a decrease in our excess overnight cash positions as part of our liquidity management strategies during the third quarter 2023. Long-term borrowings totaled \$2.3 billion at September 30, 2023 as compared to \$2.4 billion at June 30, 2023. The decrease was largely due to the maturity and repayment of \$125.0 million of 5.125 percent subordinated notes issued in September 2013 and due on September 27, 2023, which had already been fully disallowed from a regulatory capital perspective.

Credit Quality

Non-Performing Assets (NPAs). Total NPAs, consisting of non-accrual loans, other real estate owned (OREO) and other repossessed assets, increased \$4.2 million to \$260.3 million at September 30, 2023 as compared to June 30, 2023 mostly driven by an increase in non-accrual loans. Non-accrual commercial and industrial loans increased \$3.2 million to \$87.7 million at September 30, 2023 mainly due to one new non-performing loan relationship totaling \$4.2 million at September 30, 2023. Non-accrual loans represented 0.52 percent of total loans at September 30, 2023 compared to 0.51 percent at June 30, 2023.

Accruing Past Due Loans. Total accruing past due loans (i.e., loans past due 30 days or more and still accruing interest) increased \$17.8 million to \$79.5 million, or 0.16 percent of total loans, at September 30, 2023 as compared to \$61.8 million, or 0.12 percent of total loans at June 30, 2023.

Loans 30 to 59 days past due increased \$13.6 million to \$47.4 million at September 30, 2023 as compared to June 30, 2023 mainly due to increases in commercial and (secured) consumer loans within this early stage delinquency category.

Loans 60 to 89 days past due increased \$6.8 million to \$19.8 million at September 30, 2023 as compared to June 30, 2023 largely due to higher residential mortgage delinquencies and a \$2.3 million commercial real estate loan that migrated from the 30-59 days past due category reported at June 30, 2023.

Loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing interest decreased \$2.6 million to \$12.4 million at September 30, 2023 as compared to June 30, 2023. All loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing interest are well-secured and in the process of collection.

Allowance for Credit Losses for Loans and Unfunded Commitments. The following table summarizes the allocation of the allowance for credit losses to loan categories and the allocation as a percentage of each loan category at September 30, 2023, June 30, 2023 and September 30, 2022:

	September	30, 20	23	June 30), 2023	}	September	30, 20	022
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				(\$ in tho	usands)			
Loan Category:									
Commercial and industrial loans	\$ 133,988	1	1.44 %	\$ 128,245		1.38 %	\$ 154,051		1.77 %
Commercial real estate loans:									
Commercial real estate	191,562	(0.68	194,177		0.70	217,124		0.89
Construction	53,485	1	1.40	 45,518		1.19	50,656		1.42
Total commercial real estate loans	245,047	(0.77	239,695		0.76	267,780		0.95
Residential mortgage loans	44,621	(0.80	44,153		0.79	36,157		0.70
Consumer loans:									
Home equity	3,689	(0.67	4,020		0.75	4,083		0.87
Auto and other consumer	 14,830	(0.52	 20,319		0.70	 13,673		0.49
Total consumer loans	18,519	(0.55	24,339		0.71	17,756		0.55
Allowance for loan losses	442,175	(0.88	436,432		0.88	475,744		1.05
Allowance for unfunded credit commitments	20,170			22,244			22,664		
Total allowance for credit losses for loans	\$ 462,345			\$ 458,676			\$ 498,408		
Allowance for credit losses for loans as a % total loans		(0.92 %			0.92 %			1.10 %

Our loan portfolio, totaling \$50.1 billion at September 30, 2023, had net loan charge-offs totaling \$5.5 million for the third quarter 2023 as compared to \$8.6 million for the second quarter 2023 and net recoveries of loan charge-offs of \$5.6 million for the third quarter 2022. Gross charge-offs totaled \$8.9 million for the third quarter 2023 and included a \$4.0 million partial charge-off of one commercial and industrial loan relationship.

The allowance for credit losses for loans, comprised of our allowance for loan losses and unfunded credit commitments, as a percentage of total loans was 0.92 percent at both September 30, 2023 and June 30, 2023, and 1.10 percent at September 30, 2022. During the third quarter 2023, the provision for credit losses for loans totaled \$9.1 million as compared to \$6.3 million and \$1.8 million for the second quarter 2023 and third quarter 2022, respectively. The provision for credit losses for the third quarter 2023 reflects, among other factors, higher quantitative reserves related to classified loans within the commercial portfolios and specific reserves associated with collateral dependent loans, partially offset by a negative (credit) provision for unfunded credit commitments driven by a decline in these obligations at September 30, 2023. Our economic forecast related reserves at September 30, 2023 remained relatively unchanged from June 30, 2023.

Capital Adequacy

Valley's total risk-based capital, common equity Tier 1 capital, Tier 1 capital and Tier 1 leverage capital ratios were 11.68 percent, 9.21 percent, 9.64 percent and 8.08 percent, respectively, at September 30, 2023.

Investor Conference Call

Valley will host a conference call with investors and the financial community at 11:00 AM Eastern Daylight Savings Time, today to discuss the third quarter 2023 earnings and related matters. Interested parties should preregister using this link: https://register.vevent.com to receive the dial-in number and a personal PIN, which are required to access the conference call. The teleconference will also be webcast live: https://edge.media-server.com and archived on Valley's website through Monday, November 27, 2023.

About Valley

As the principal subsidiary of Valley National Bancorp, Valley National Bank is a regional bank with \$61 billion in assets. Valley is committed to giving people and businesses the power to succeed. Valley operates many convenient branch locations and commercial banking offices across New Jersey, New York, Florida, Alabama, California, and Illinois, and is committed to providing the most convenient service, the latest innovations and an experienced and knowledgeable team dedicated to meeting customer needs. Helping communities grow and prosper is the heart of Valley's corporate citizenship philosophy. To learn more about Valley, go to www.valley.com or call our Customer Care Center at 800-522-4100.

Forward Looking Statements

The foregoing contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are not historical facts and include expressions about management's confidence and strategies and management's expectations about our business, new and existing programs and products, acquisitions, relationships, opportunities, taxation, technology, market conditions and economic expectations. These statements may be identified by such forward-looking terminology as "intend," "should," "expect," "believe," "view," "opportunity," "allow," "continues," "reflects," "would," "could," "typically," "usually," "anticipate," "may," "estimate," "outlook," "project," or similar statements or variations of such terms. Such forward-looking statements involve certain risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from such forward-looking statements. Factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- the impact of Federal Reserve actions affecting the level of market interest rates and increases in business failures, specifically among our clients, as well as on our business, our employees and our ability to provide services to our customers;
- the impact of a potential U.S. Government shutdown on economic activity in the markets in which we operate and, in general, on levels of end market demand in the economy;

- the impact of possible future bank failures on the business environment in which we operate and resulting market volatility and reduced confidence in depository institutions, including impact on stock price, customer deposit withdrawals from Valley National Bank, or business disruptions or liquidity issues that have or may affect our customers;
- the impact of unfavorable macroeconomic conditions or downturns, instability or volatility in financial markets, unanticipated loan delinquencies, loss of collateral, decreased service revenues, and other potential negative effects on our business caused by and factors outside of our control, such as geopolitical instabilities or events (including the recent conflict in Israel and Gaza); natural and other disasters (including severe weather events) and health emergencies, acts of terrorism or other external events;
- risks associated with our acquisition of Bank Leumi Le-Israel Corporation (Bank Leumi USA), including (i) the inability to realize expected cost savings and synergies from the acquisition in the amounts or timeframe anticipated and (ii) greater than expected costs or difficulties relating to integration matters;
- the loss of or decrease in lower-cost funding sources within our deposit base;
- the need to supplement debt or equity capital to maintain or exceed internal capital thresholds;
- the inability to attract new customer deposits to keep pace with loan growth strategies;
- a material change in our allowance for credit losses under CECL due to forecasted economic conditions and/or unexpected credit deterioration in our loan and investment portfolios;
- greater than expected technology related costs due to, among other factors, prolonged or failed implementations, additional project staffing and obsolescence caused by continuous and rapid market innovations;
- cyber-attacks, ransomware attacks, computer viruses or other malware that may breach the security of our websites or other systems to obtain unauthorized access to confidential information, destroy data, disable or degrade service, or sabotage our systems;
- damage verdicts or settlements or restrictions related to existing or potential class action litigation or individual litigation arising from claims of violations of laws or regulations, contractual claims, breach of fiduciary responsibility, negligence, fraud, environmental laws, patent or trademark infringement, employment related claims, and other matters;
- changes to laws and regulations, including changes affecting oversight of the financial services industry; changes in the enforcement and interpretation of such laws and regulations; and changes in accounting and reporting standards;
- higher or lower than expected income tax expense or tax rates, including increases or decreases resulting from changes in uncertain tax position liabilities, tax laws, regulations and case law;
- results of examinations by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB), the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) and other regulatory authorities, including the possibility that any such regulatory authority may, among other things, require us to increase our allowance for credit losses, write-down assets, reimburse customers, change the way we do business, or limit or eliminate certain other banking activities;
- our inability or determination not to pay dividends at current levels, or at all, because of inadequate earnings, regulatory restrictions or limitations, changes in our capital requirements or a decision to increase capital by retaining more earnings;

- a prolonged downturn in the economy, as well as an unexpected decline in commercial real estate values collateralizing a significant portion of our loan portfolio; and
- unexpected significant declines in the loan portfolio due to the lack of economic expansion, increased competition, large prepayments, changes in regulatory lending guidance or other factors.

A detailed discussion of factors that could affect our results is included in our SEC filings, including the "Risk Factors" section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 and in Item 1A of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2023.

We undertake no duty to update any forward-looking statement to conform the statement to actual results or changes in our expectations. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements.

-Tables to Follow-

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

		T	hree			Nine Mon	Ionths Ended			
	Se	ptember 30,		June 30,	S	eptember 30,		Septem	ber	30,
(\$ in thousands, except for share data and stock price)		2023		2023		2022		2023		2022
FINANCIAL DATA:										
Net interest income - FTE (1)	\$	413,657	\$	421,275	\$	455,308	\$	1,272,390	\$ 1	,193,235
Net interest income	\$	412,418	\$	419,765	\$	453,992	\$	1,268,203	\$ 1	,189,821
Non-interest income		58,664		60,075		56,194		173,038		153,997
Total revenue		471,082		479,840		510,186		1,441,241	1	,343,818
Non-interest expense		267,133		282,971		261,639		822,270		758,709
Pre-provision net revenue		203,949		196,869		248,547		618,971		585,109
Provision for credit losses		9,117		6,050		2,023		29,604		49,578
Income tax expense		53,486		51,759		68,405		162,410		144,271
Net income		141,346		139,060		178,119		426,957		391,260
Dividends on preferred stock		4,127		4,030		3,172		12,031		9,516
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	137,219	\$	135,030	\$	174,947	\$	414,926	\$	381,744
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:										
Basic	5	507,650,668	5	507,690,043		506,342,200	50	7,580,197	478	3,383,342
Diluted	5	509,256,599	5	508,643,025	:	508,690,997	50	9,204,051	480),625,357
Per common share data:										
Basic earnings	\$	0.27	\$	0.27	\$	0.35	\$	0.82	\$	0.80
Diluted earnings		0.27		0.27		0.34		0.81		0.79
Cash dividends declared		0.11		0.11		0.11		0.33		0.33
Closing stock price - high		10.30		9.38		12.95		12.59		15.02
Closing stock price - low		7.63		6.59		10.14		6.59		10.14
FINANCIAL RATIOS:										
Net interest margin		2.90 %		2.93 %		3.59 %		2.99 %		3.40 %
Net interest margin - FTE (1)		2.91		2.94		3.60		3.00		3.41
Annualized return on average assets		0.92		0.90		1.30		0.93		1.03
Annualized return on avg. shareholders' equity		8.56		8.50		11.39		8.72		8.89
NON-GAAP FINANCIAL DATA AND RATIOS: (3)										
Basic earnings per share, as adjusted	\$	0.26	\$	0.28	\$	0.35	\$	0.84	\$	0.96
Diluted earnings per share, as adjusted		0.26		0.28		0.35		0.84		0.95
Annualized return on average assets, as adjusted		0.89 %		0.95 %		1.32 %		0.96 %		1.23 %
Annualized return on average shareholders' equity, as adjusted		8.26		8.99		11.60		8.94		10.62
Annualized return on avg. tangible shareholders' equity		12.39 %		12.37 %		17.21 %		12.71 %		13.20 %
Annualized return on average tangible shareholders' equity, as adjusted		11.95		13.09		17.54		13.04		15.77
Efficiency ratio		56.72		55.59		49.76		55.34		51.03
AVERAGE BALANCE SHEET ITEMS:										
Assets	\$	61,391,688	\$	61,877,464	\$	54,858,306		61,050,973		0,588,010
Interest earning assets		56,802,565		57,351,808		50,531,242		56,510,997		6,605,417
Loans		50,019,414		49,457,937		44,341,894		49,120,153		0,529,794
Interest bearing liabilities		40,829,078		40,925,791		31,228,739		39,802,966		9,042,253
Deposits		49,848,446		47,464,469		44,770,368	4	48,165,152		1,176,472
Shareholders' equity		6,605,786		6,546,452		6,256,767		6,531,424		5,869,736

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BALANCE SHEET ITEMS:	S	eptember 30,	June 30,	March 31,	Ι	December 31,	S	eptember 30,
(In thousands)		2023	2023	 2023	_	2022		2022
Assets	\$	61,183,352	\$ 61,703,693	\$ 64,309,573	\$	57,462,749	\$	55,927,501
Total loans		50,097,519	49,877,248	48,659,966		46,917,200		45,185,764
Deposits		49,885,314	49,619,815	47,590,916		47,636,914		45,308,843
Shareholders' equity		6,627,299	6,575,184	6,511,581		6,400,802		6,273,829
LOANS:								
(In thousands)								
Commercial and industrial	\$	9,274,630	\$ 9,287,309	\$ 9,043,946	\$	8,804,830	\$	8,701,377
Commercial real estate:								
Commercial real estate		28,041,050	27,793,072	27,051,111		25,732,033		24,493,445
Construction		3,833,269	3,815,761	 3,725,967	_	3,700,835		3,571,818
Total commercial real estate		31,874,319	31,608,833	30,777,078		29,432,868		28,065,263
Residential mortgage		5,562,665	5,560,356	5,486,280		5,364,550		5,177,128
Consumer:								
Home equity		548,918	535,493	516,592		503,884		467,135
Automobile		1,585,987	1,632,875	1,717,141		1,746,225		1,711,086
Other consumer		1,251,000	1,252,382	 1,118,929	_	1,064,843		1,063,775
Total consumer loans		3,385,905	3,420,750	3,352,662		3,314,952		3,241,996
Total loans	\$	50,097,519	\$ 3 49,877,248	\$ 48,659,966	\$	46,917,200	\$	45,185,764
CAPITAL RATIOS:								
Book value per common share	\$	12.64	\$ 12.54	\$ 12.41	\$	12.23	\$	11.98
Tangible book value per common share (3)		8.63	8.51	8.36		8.15		7.87
Tangible common equity to tangible assets (3)		7.40 %	7.24 %	6.82 %		7.45 %		7.40 %
Tier 1 leverage capital		8.08	7.86	7.96		8.23		8.31
Common equity tier 1 capital		9.21	9.03	9.02		9.01		9.09
Tier 1 risk-based capital		9.64	9.47	9.46		9.46		9.56
Total risk-based capital		11.68	11.52	11.58		11.63		11.84

	Three Months Ended						Nine Months Ended				
ALLOWANCE FOR CREDIT LOSSES:	Sep	otember 30,		June 30,	Sep	tember 30,		Septem	ıbe	r 30,	
(\$ in thousands)		2023		2023		2022		2023		2022	
Allowance for credit losses for loans											
Beginning balance	\$	458,676	\$	460,969	\$	490,963	\$	483,255	\$	375,702	
Impact of the adoption of ASU No. 2022-02				_		_		(1,368)			
Allowance for purchased credit deteriorated (PCD) loans, net (2)		_								70,319	
Beginning balance, adjusted		458,676		460,969		490,963		481,887		446,021	
Loans charged-off:											
Commercial and industrial		(7,487)		(3,865)		(5,033)		(37,399)		(11,144)	
Commercial real estate		(255)		(2,065)		(4,000)		(2,320)		(4,173)	
Construction				(4,208)				(9,906)			
Residential mortgage		(20)		(149)				(169)		(27)	
Total consumer		(1,156)		(1,040)		(962)		(3,024)		(2,513)	
Total loans charged-off		(8,918)		(11,327)		(9,995)		(52,818)		(17,857)	
Charged-off loans recovered:											
Commercial and industrial		3,043		2,173		13,236		6,615		16,012	
Commercial real estate		5		4		1,729		33		2,060	
Residential mortgage		30		135		163		186		694	
Total consumer		362		390		477		1,513		2,431	
Total loans recovered		3,440		2,702		15,605		8,347		21,197	
Total net (charge-offs) recoveries		(5,478)		(8,625)		5,610		(44,471)		3,340	
Provision for credit losses for loans		9,147		6,332		1,835		24,929		49,047	
Ending balance	\$	462,345	\$	458,676	\$	498,408	\$	462,345	\$	498,408	
Components of allowance for credit losses for loans:		·							_		
Allowance for loan losses	\$	442,175	\$	436,432	\$	475,744	\$	442,175	\$	475,744	
Allowance for unfunded credit commitments		20,170		22,244		22,664		20,170		22,664	
Allowance for credit losses for loans	\$	462,345	\$	458,676	\$	498,408	\$	462,345	\$	498,408	
Components of provision for credit losses for loans:		·							_		
Provision for credit losses for loans	\$	11,221	\$	8,159	\$	1,315	\$	29,359	\$	42,883	
(Credit) provision for unfunded credit commitments		(2,074)		(1,827)		520		(4,430)		6,164	
Total provision for credit losses for loans	\$	9,147	\$	6,332	\$	1,835	\$	24,929	\$	49,047	
Annualized ratio of total net charge-offs (recoveries) to total average loans		0.04 %		0.07 %		(0.05)%		0.12 %		(0.01)%	
Allowance for credit losses for loans as a % of total loans		0.92 %		0.92 %		1.10 %		0.92		1.10	

					As Of				
ASSET QUALITY:	Se	ptember 30,	June 30,	N	March 31,	De	cember 31,	Sej	otember 30,
(\$ in thousands)		2023	2023		2023		2022		2022
Accruing past due loans:									
30 to 59 days past due:									
Commercial and industrial	\$	10,687	\$ 6,229	\$	20,716	\$	11,664	\$	19,526
Commercial real estate		8,053	3,612		13,580		6,638		6,196
Residential mortgage		13,159	15,565		12,599		16,146		13,045
Total consumer		15,509	8,431		7,845		9,087		6,196
Total 30 to 59 days past due		47,408	33,837		54,740		43,535		44,963
60 to 89 days past due:									
Commercial and industrial		5,720	7,468		24,118		12,705		2,188
Commercial real estate		2,620	_		_		3,167		383
Construction		_	_		_		_		12,969
Residential mortgage		9,710	1,348		2,133		3,315		5,947
Total consumer		1,720	4,126		1,519		1,579		1,174
Total 60 to 89 days past due		19,770	12,942		27,770		20,766		22,661
90 or more days past due:									
Commercial and industrial		6,629	6,599		8,927		18,392		15,072
Commercial real estate		_	2,242		_		2,292		15,082
Construction		3,990	3,990		6,450		3,990		
Residential mortgage		1,348	1,165		1,668		1,866		550
Total consumer		391	1,006		747		47		421
Total 90 or more days past due		12,358	15,002		17,792		26,587		31,125
Total accruing past due loans	\$	79,536	\$ 61,781	\$	100,302	\$	90,888	\$	98,749
Non-accrual loans:									
Commercial and industrial	\$	87,655	\$ 84,449	\$	78,606	\$	98,881	\$	135,187
Commercial real estate		83,338	82,712		67,938		68,316		67,319
Construction		62,788	63,043		68,649		74,230		61,098
Residential mortgage		21,614	20,819		23,483		25,160		26,564
Total consumer		3,545	3,068		3,318		3,174		3,227
Total non-accrual loans		258,940	254,091		241,994		269,761		293,395
Other real estate owned (OREO)		71	824		1,189		286		286
Other repossessed assets		1,314	1,230		1,752		1,937		1,122
Total non-performing assets	\$	260,325	\$ 256,145	\$	244,935	\$	271,984	\$	294,803
Total non-accrual loans as a % of loans		0.52 %	0.51 %		0.50 %		0.57 %		0.65 %
Total accruing past due and non-accrual loans as a % of loans		0.68	0.63		0.70		0.77		0.87
Allowance for losses on loans as a % of non-accrual loans		170.76	171.76		180.54		170.02		162.15

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

NOTES TO SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

- (1) Net interest income and net interest margin are presented on a tax equivalent basis using a 21 percent federal tax rate. Valley believes that this presentation provides comparability of net interest income and net interest margin arising from both taxable and tax-exempt sources and is consistent with industry practice and SEC rules.
- (2) Represents the allowance for acquired PCD loans, net of PCD loan charge-offs totaling \$62.4 million in the second quarter 2022.
- Non-GAAP Reconciliations. This press release contains certain supplemental financial information, described in the Notes below, which has been determined by methods other than U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") that management uses in its analysis of Valley's performance. The Company believes that the non-GAAP financial measures provide useful supplemental information to both management and investors in understanding Valley's underlying operational performance, business and performance trends, and may facilitate comparisons of our current and prior performance with the performance of others in the financial services industry. Management utilizes these measures for internal planning, forecasting and analysis purposes. Management believes that Valley's presentation and discussion of this supplemental information, together with the accompanying reconciliations to the GAAP financial measures, also allows investors to view performance in a manner similar to management. These non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for or superior to financial measures calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP. These non-GAAP financial measures may also be calculated differently from similar measures disclosed by other companies.

Non-GAAP Reconciliations to GAAP Financial Measures

		Т	hree	Months End	Nine Months Ended				
	Sej	September 30,		June 30,	Se	ptember 30,	Septer	nber (30,
(\$ in thousands, except for share data)		2023		2023	2022		2023		2022
Adjusted net income available to common shareholders (non-GAAP):									
Net income, as reported (GAAP)	\$	141,346	\$	139,060	\$	178,119	\$ 426,957	\$	391,260
Add: Losses (gains) on available for sale and held to maturity securities transactions (net of tax) ^(a)		318		6		(24)	341		(74)
Add: Restructuring charge (net of tax) ^(b)		(484)		8,015		_	7,531		_
Add: Provision for credit losses for available for sale securities (c)		_		_		_	5,000		_
Add: Non-PCD provision for credit losses (net of tax) ^(d)		_		_		_	_		29,282
Add: Merger related expenses (net of tax) ^(e)		_		_		3,360	2,962		47,103
Add: Net gains on sales of office buildings (net of tax) ^(f)		(4,817)		_		_	(4,817)		_
Net income, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	136,363	\$	147,081	\$	181,455	\$ 437,974	\$	467,571
Dividends on preferred stock		4,127		4,030		3,172	12,031		9,516
Net income available to common shareholders, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	132,236	\$	143,051	\$	178,283	\$ 425,943	\$	458,055

- (a) Included in gains (losses) on securities transactions, net.
- (b) Represents severance expense related to workforce reductions within salary and employee benefits expense.
- (c) Included in provision for credit losses for available for sale and held to maturity securities (tax disallowed).
- (d) Represents provision for credit losses for non-PCD assets and unfunded credit commitments acquired during the period.
- (e) Included primarily within salary and employee benefits expense.
- (f) Included in net gains (losses) on sale of assets within non-interest income.

Adjusted per common share data (non-GAAP):

Net income available to common shareholders, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	132,236	\$	143,051	\$ 178,283	\$	425,943	\$	458,055
Average number of shares outstanding	5	07,650,668	- 5	507,690,043	506,342,200	_:	507,580,197	4	178,383,342
Basic earnings, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	0.26	\$	0.28	\$ 0.35	\$	0.84	\$	0.96
Average number of diluted shares outstanding	5	09,256,599	4	508,643,025	508,690,997	:	509,204,051	4	180,625,357
Diluted earnings, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	0.26	\$	0.28	\$ 0.35	\$	0.84	\$	0.95
Adjusted annualized return on average tangible shareholders' equity (non-GAAP):									
Net income, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	136,363	\$	147,081	\$ 181,455	\$	437,974	\$	467,571
Average shareholders' equity	\$	6,605,786	\$	6,546,452	\$ 6,256,767		6,531,424		5,869,736
Less: Average goodwill and other intangible assets		2,042,486		2,051,591	2,117,818		2,051,727		1,917,217
Average tangible shareholders' equity	\$	4,563,300	\$	4,494,861	\$ 4,138,949	\$	4,479,697	\$	3,952,519
Annualized return on average tangible shareholders' equity, as adjusted (non-GAAP)		11.95 %		13.09 %	17.54 %		13.04 %		15.77 %
Adjusted annualized return on average assets (non-GAAP):									
Net income, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	136,363	\$	147,081	\$ 181,455	\$	437,974	\$	467,571
Average assets	\$	61,391,688	\$	61,877,464	\$ 54,858,306	\$	61,050,973	\$	50,588,010
Annualized return on average assets, as adjusted (non-GAAP)		0.89 %		0.95 %	1.32 %		0.96 %		1.23 %

		TI	hree	e Months Ende	ed			Nine Mon	ths	Ended
	S	eptember 30,		June 30,	S	eptember 30,		Septem	ber	30,
(\$ in thousands, except for share data)		2023		2023		2022		2023		2022
Adjusted annualized return on average shareholders' equity (non-GAAP):										
Net income, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	136,363	\$	147,081	\$	181,455	\$	437,974	\$	467,571
Average shareholders' equity	\$	6,605,786	\$	6,546,452	\$	6,256,767	\$	6,531,424	\$	5,869,736
Annualized return on average shareholders' equity, as adjusted (non-GAAP)		8.26 %		8.99 %		11.60 %		8.94 %		10.62 %
Annualized return on average tangible shareholders' equity (non-GAAP):										
Net income, as reported (GAAP)	\$	141,346	\$	139,060	\$	178,119	\$	426,957	\$	391,260
Average shareholders' equity	\$	6,605,786	\$	6,546,452	\$	6,256,767		6,531,424		5,869,736
Less: Average goodwill and other intangible assets		2,042,486		2,051,591		2,117,818		2,051,727		1,917,217
Average tangible shareholders' equity	\$	4,563,300	\$	4,494,861	\$	4,138,949	\$	4,479,697	\$	3,952,519
Annualized return on average tangible shareholders' equity (non-GAAP)		12.39 %		12.37 %		17.21 %		12.71 %		13.20 %
Efficiency ratio (non-GAAP):										
Non-interest expense, as reported (GAAP)	\$	267,133	\$	282,971	\$	261,639	\$	822,270	\$	758,709
Less: Restructuring charge (pre-tax)		(675)		11,182		_		10,507		_
Less: Merger-related expenses (pre-tax)		_		_		4,707		4,133		63,831
Less: Amortization of tax credit investments (pre-tax)		4,191	_	5,018	_	3,105	_	13,462	_	9,194
Non-interest expense, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	263,617	\$	266,771	\$	253,827	\$	794,168	\$	685,684
Net interest income, as reported (GAAP)		412,418		419,765		453,992		1,268,203		1,189,821
Non-interest income, as reported (GAAP)		58,664		60,075		56,194		173,038		153,997
Add: Losses (gains) on available for sale and held to maturity securities transactions, net (pre-tax)		443		9		(33)		476		(102)
Less: Net gains on sales of office buildings (pre-tax)		(6,721)	_				_	(6,721)	_	_
Non-interest income, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	52,386	\$	60,084	\$	56,161	\$	166,793	\$	153,895
Gross operating income, as adjusted (non-GAAP)	\$	464,804	\$	479,849	\$	510,153	\$	1,434,996	\$	1,343,716
Efficiency ratio (non-GAAP)		56.72 %		55.59 %		49.76 %		55.34 %		51.03 %
						As of				
	S	eptember 30,		June 30,		March 31,	D	ecember 31,	Se	eptember 30,
(\$ in thousands, except for share data)		2023		2023		2023		2022	_	2022
Tangible book value per common share (non-GAAP):										
Common shares outstanding		507,660,742	_ 5	07,619,430		507,762,358	_ 5	06,374,478	5	06,351,502
Shareholders' equity (GAAP)	\$	6,627,299	\$	6,575,184	\$	6,511,581	\$	6,400,802	\$	6,273,829
Less: Preferred stock		209,691		209,691		209,691		209,691		209,691
Less: Goodwill and other intangible assets		2,038,202		2,046,882		2,056,107		2,066,392		2,079,731
Tangible common shareholders' equity (non-GAAP)	\$	4,379,406	\$	4,318,611	\$	4,245,783	\$	4,124,719	\$	3,984,407
Tangible book value per common share (non-GAAP)	\$	8.63	\$	8.51	\$	8.36	\$	8.15	\$	7.87
Tangible common equity to tangible assets (non-GAAP):										
Tangible common shareholders' equity (non-GAAP)	\$	4,379,406	\$	4,318,611	\$	4,245,783	\$	4,124,719	\$	3,984,407
Total assets (GAAP)	\$	61,183,352	\$	61,703,693	\$	64,309,573	\$	57,462,749	\$	55,927,501
Less: Goodwill and other intangible assets		2,038,202	_	2,046,882		2,056,107	_	2,066,392	_	2,079,731
Tangible assets (non-GAAP)	\$	59,145,150	\$	59,656,811	\$	62,253,466	\$	55,396,357	\$	53,847,770
Tangible common equity to tangible assets (non-GAAP)		7.40 %		7.24 %		6.82 %		7.45 %		7.40 %

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (in thousands, except for share data)

		September 30, 2023		ecember 31, 2022
		(Unaudited)		
Assets	¢.	444.057	¢.	444 225
Cash and due from banks	\$	444,857	\$	444,325
Interest bearing deposits with banks		698,966		503,622
Investment securities:		(2.101		40 =24
Equity securities		63,191		48,731
Trading debt securities		3,441		13,438
Available for sale debt securities		1,186,524		1,261,397
Held to maturity debt securities (net of allowance for credit losses of \$1,321 at September 30, 2023 and \$1,646 at December 31, 2022)		3,797,388		3,827,338
Total investment securities		5,050,544		5,150,904
Loans held for sale, at fair value		33,834		18,118
Loans		50,097,519		46,917,200
Less: Allowance for loan losses		(442,175)		(458,655)
Net loans		49,655,344		46,458,545
Premises and equipment, net		387,981		358,556
Lease right of use assets		352,104		306,352
Bank owned life insurance		719,691		717,177
Accrued interest receivable		237,786		196,606
Goodwill		1,868,936		1,868,936
Other intangible assets, net		169,266		197,456
Other assets		1,564,043		1,242,152
Total Assets	\$	61,183,352	\$	57,462,749
Liabilities				
Deposits:				
Non-interest bearing	\$	11,671,504	\$	14,463,645
Interest bearing:				
Savings, NOW and money market		23,110,840		23,616,812
Time		15,102,970		9,556,457
Total deposits		49,885,314		47,636,914
Short-term borrowings		89,802		138,729
Long-term borrowings		2,318,294		1,543,058
Junior subordinated debentures issued to capital trusts		57,021		56,760
Lease liabilities		413,021		358,884
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		1,792,601		1,327,602
Total Liabilities		54,556,053		51,061,947
Shareholders' Equity		- 1,000,000		22,002,00
Preferred stock, no par value; 50,000,000 authorized shares:				
Series A (4,600,000 shares issued at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022)		111,590		111,590
Series B (4,000,000 shares issued at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022)		98,101		98,101
Common stock (no par value, authorized 650,000,000 shares; issued 507,896,910 shares at September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022)		178,187		178,185
Surplus		4,982,748		4,980,231
Retained earnings				
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		1,460,284		1,218,445
Treasury stock, at cost (236,168 common shares at September 30, 2023 and 1,522,432		(201,892)		(164,002)
common shares at December 31, 2022)		(1,719)		(21,748)
Total Shareholders' Equity		6,627,299		6,400,802
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$	61,183,352	\$	57,462,749

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited) (in thousands, except for share data)

	Th	ree Months E	nded			
	September 30,	June 30,	September 30,	Septen	nber 30,	
	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Interest Income						
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 753,638	\$ 715,172	\$ 496,520	\$ 2,124,036	\$ 1,229,462	
Interest and dividends on investment securities:						
Taxable	32,383	31,919	28,264	96,591	74,416	
Tax-exempt	4,585	5,575	5,210	15,485	12,739	
Dividends	5,299	7,517	2,738	18,001	7,490	
Interest on federal funds sold and other short-term investments	17,113	27,276	3,996	66,594	6,026	
Total interest income	813,018	787,459	536,728	2,320,707	1,330,133	
Interest Expense						
Interest on deposits:						
Savings, NOW and money market	201,916	164,842	50,674	517,524	77,423	
Time	164,336	125,764	15,174	370,398	21,274	
Interest on short-term borrowings	5,189	50,208	5,160	89,345	10,049	
Interest on long-term borrowings and junior subordinated		-				
debentures	29,159	26,880	11,728	75,237	31,566	
Total interest expense	400,600	367,694	82,736	1,052,504	140,312	
Net Interest Income	412,418	419,765	453,992	1,268,203	1,189,821	
(Credit) provision for credit losses for available for sale and held to maturity securities	(30)	(282)	188	4,675	531	
Provision for credit losses for loans	9,147	6,332	1,835	24,929	49,047	
Net Interest Income After Provision for Credit	403,301	413,715	451,969	1,238,599	1,140,243	
Non-Interest Income						
Wealth management and trust fees	11,417	11,176	9,281	32,180	23,989	
Insurance commissions	2,336	3,139	3,750	7,895	9,072	
Capital markets	7,141	16,967	13,171	35,000	42,242	
Service charges on deposit accounts	10,952	10,542	10,338	31,970	26,617	
(Losses) gains on securities transactions, net	(398)	217	323	197	(1,058)	
Fees from loan servicing	2,681	2,702	3,138	8,054	8,636	
Gains on sales of loans, net	2,023	1,240	922	3,752	5,510	
Gains (losses) on sales of assets, net	6,653	161	(106)	6,938	(372)	
Bank owned life insurance	2,709	2,443	1,681	7,736	5,840	
Other	13,150	11,488	13,696	39,316	33,521	
Total non-interest income	58,664	60,075	56,194	173,038	153,997	
Non-Interest Expense						
Salary and employee benefits expense	137,292	149,594	134,572	431,872	397,103	
Net occupancy expense	24,675	25,949	26,486	73,880	70,906	
Technology, furniture and equipment expense	37,320	32,476	39,365	106,304	115,245	
FDIC insurance assessment	7,946	10,426	6,500	27,527	16,009	
Amortization of other intangible assets	9,741	9,812	11,088	30,072	26,925	
Professional and legal fees	17,109	21,406	17,840	55,329	62,998	
Amortization of tax credit investments	4,191	5,018	3,105	13,462	9,194	
Other	28,859	28,290	22,683	83,824	60,329	
Total non-interest expense	267,133	282,971	261,639	822,270	758,709	
Income Before Income Taxes	194,832	190,819	246,524	589,367	535,531	
Income tax expense	53,486	51,759	68,405	162,410	144,271	
Net Income	141,346	139,060	178,119	426,957	391,260	
Dividends on preferred stock	4,127	4,030	3,172	12,031	9,516	
Net Income Available to Common Shareholders	\$ 137,219	\$ 135,030	\$ 174,947	\$ 414,926	\$ 381,744	
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Quarterly Analysis of Average Assets, Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity and Net Interest Income on a Tax Equivalent Basis

				Three N	Ionths End	ed			
	Septen	nber 30, 202	:3	Jun	e 30, 2023		Septem	ber 30, 202	2
	Average		Avg.	Average		Avg.	Average		Avg.
(\$ in thousands)	Balance	Interest	Rate	Balance	Interest	Rate	Balance	Interest	Rate
Assets									
Interest earning assets:									
Loans (1)(2)	\$ 50,019,414	\$753,662	6.03 %	\$ 49,457,937	\$715,195	5.78 %	\$ 44,341,894	\$496,545	4.48 %
Taxable investments (3)	4,915,778	37,682	3.07	5,065,812	39,436	3.11	4,815,181	31,002	2.58
Tax-exempt investments (1)(3)	620,439	5,800	3.74	629,342	7,062	4.49	635,795	6,501	4.09
Interest bearing deposits with banks	1,246,934	17,113	5.49	2,198,717	27,276	4.96	738,372	3,996	2.16
Total interest earning assets	56,802,565	814,257	5.73	57,351,808	788,969	5.50	50,531,242	538,044	4.26
Other assets	4,589,123			4,525,656			4,327,064		
Total assets	\$61,391,688			\$ 61,877,464			\$ 54,858,306		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity									
Interest bearing liabilities: Savings, NOW and money market deposits	\$ 23,016,737	\$201,916	3 51 %	\$ 22,512,128	\$164,843	2.93 %	\$ 23,541,694	\$ 50,674	0.86 %
Time deposits	14,880,311	164,336	4.42	12,195,479	125,764	4.12	5,192,896	15,174	1.17
Short-term borrowings	436,518	5,189	4.75	3,878,457	50,207	5.18	1,016,240	5,160	2.03
Long-term borrowings (4)	2,495,512	*	4.67	2,339,727	26,880	4.60		*	3.17
Total interest bearing liabilities	40,829,078	29,159 400,600	3.92			3.59	1,477,909	11,728 82,736	1.06
C		400,000	3.92	40,925,791	367,694	3.39	31,228,739	82,730	1.00
Non-interest bearing deposits Other liabilities	11,951,398			12,756,862			16,035,778		
	2,005,426			1,648,359			1,337,022		
Shareholders' equity Total liabilities and	6,605,786			6,546,452			6,256,767		
shareholders' equity	\$ 61,391,688			\$ 61,877,464			\$ 54,858,306		
Net interest income/interest rate spread ⁽⁵⁾		\$413,657	1.81 %		\$421,275	1.91 %		\$455,308	3.20 %
Tax equivalent adjustment		(1,239)			(1,510)			(1,316)	
Net interest income, as reported		\$412,418			\$419,765			\$453,992	
Net interest margin ⁽⁶⁾			2.90			2.93			3.59
Tax equivalent effect			0.01			0.01			0.01
Net interest margin on a fully tax equivalent basis ⁽⁶⁾			2.91 %			2.94 %			3.60 %

⁽¹⁾ Interest income is presented on a tax equivalent basis using a 21 percent federal tax rate.

SHAREHOLDERS RELATIONS

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⁽²⁾ Loans are stated net of unearned income and include non-accrual loans.

⁽³⁾ The yield for securities that are classified as available for sale is based on the average historical amortized cost.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes junior subordinated debentures issued to capital trusts which are presented separately on the consolidated statements of condition.

⁽⁵⁾ Interest rate spread represents the difference between the average yield on interest earning assets and the average cost of interest bearing liabilities and is presented on a fully tax equivalent basis.

⁽⁶⁾ Net interest income as a percentage of total average interest earning assets.