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| | CURRENT REPORT | |
| Pursuant to Sect | tion 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange | e Act of 1934 |
| Date of | Report (Date of earliest event Reported): July 19, 201 | 8 |
| (| ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) | |
| Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 001-36452 (Commission File Number) | 26-0734029 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number) |
| | 00 Woodcrest Place, Birmingham, Alabama 35209 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) | |
| (F | (205) 949-0302 Registrant's telephone number, including area code) | |
| (Form | Not Applicable ner name or former address, if changed since last report | t) |
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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 19, 2018, ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("ServisFirst"), issued a press release announcing its operating results for the quarter ended June 30, 2018. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

The information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) **Exhibits.** The following exhibits are included with this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 19, 2018

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc.

Date: July 19, 2018 By: /s/ Thomas A. Broughton, II

By: /s/ Thomas A. Broughton, III
Thomas A. Broughton, III
Chief Executive Officer



ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. Announces Results for Second Quarter of 2018

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 19, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ:SFBS), today announced earnings and operating results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2018.

SECOND QUARTER 2018 HIGHLIGHTS:

- Net income of \$33.5 million for the second quarter of 2018 compared to \$24.2 million in the second quarter of 2017, a 39% increase
- Diluted EPS of \$0.62 for the second quarter of 2018 compared to \$0.45 for the second quarter of 2017, a 38% increase
- Loans increased 14% for the quarter on an annualized basis

Tom Broughton, President and CEO, said, "We saw good activity in loan demand in the second quarter and our pipeline remains strong." Bud Foshee, CFO, stated, "Our pretax income is up over 26% for YTD 2018 over 2017, reflective of our continued growth and improved profitability."

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (UNAUDITED)

(in Thousands except share and per share amounts)

| | | | | | % Change | | | % Change |
|---|----|--------------|----|-----------------|------------------------------|----|--------------|------------------------------|
| | | | | | From Period | | | From Period |
| | | | | | Ending March | | | Ending June |
| | D. | eriod Ending | D | Period Ending | 31, 2018 to Period Ending | D. | eriod Ending | 30, 2017 to Period Ending |
| | | une 30, 2018 | | farch 31, 2018 | June 30, 2018 | | une 30, 2017 | June 30, 2018 |
| QUARTERLY OPERATING RESULTS | | une 30, 2018 | | 1a1Cli 51, 2016 | Julie 30, 2018 | | une 30, 2017 | Julie 30, 2018 |
| | | 22.540 | ø | 22 (02 | 20/ | ø | 24.164 | 200/ |
| Net Income | \$ | 33,540 | \$ | 32,603 | 3% | | 24,164 | 39% |
| Net Income Available to Common Stockholders | \$ | 33,509 | \$ | 32,603 | 3% | | 24,133 | 39% |
| Diluted Earnings Per Share | \$ | 0.62 | \$ | 0.60 | 3% | \$ | 0.45 | 38% |
| Return on Average Assets | | 1.91% | | 1.91% | | | 1.55% | |
| Return on Average Common Stockholders' Equity | | 20.89% | | 21.40% | | | 17.36% | |
| Average Diluted Shares Outstanding | | 54,196,023 | | 54,183,400 | | | 54,100,604 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| YEAR-TO-DATE OPERATING RESULTS | _ | | | | | | | |
| Net Income | \$ | 66,143 | | | | \$ | 46,683 | 42% |
| Net Income Available to Common Stockholders | \$ | 66,112 | | | | \$ | 46,652 | 42% |
| Diluted Earnings Per Share | \$ | 1.22 | | | | \$ | 0.86 | 42% |
| Return on Average Assets | | 1.91% | | | | | 1.50% | |
| Return on Average Common Stockholders' Equity | | 21.13% | | | | | 17.23% | |
| Average Diluted Shares Outstanding | | 54,189,746 | | | | | 54,117,072 | |
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| BALANCE SHEET | | | | | | | | |
| Total Assets | \$ | 7,084,562 | \$ | 7,011,735 | 1% | \$ | 6,329,599 | 12% |
| Loans | | 6,129,649 | | 5,928,327 | 3% | | 5,343,688 | 15% |
| Non-interest-bearing Demand Deposits | | 1,481,447 | | 1,407,592 | 5% | | 1,373,353 | 8% |
| Total Deposits | | 6,085,682 | | 5,977,387 | 2% | | 5,394,810 | 13% |
| Stockholders' Equity | | 655,114 | | 629,297 | 4% | | 567,086 | 16% |
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DETAILED FINANCIALS

ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. reported net income and net income available to common stockholders of \$33.5 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2018, compared to net income of \$24.2 million and net income available to common stockholders of \$24.1 million for the same quarter in 2017. Basic and diluted earnings per common share were \$0.63 and \$0.62, respectively, for the second quarter of 2018, compared to \$0.46 and \$0.45, respectively, for the second quarter of 2017.

Return on average assets was 1.91% and return on average common stockholders' equity was 20.89% for the second quarter of 2018,

compared to 1.55% and 17.36%, respectively, for the second quarter of 2017.

Net interest income was \$64.5 million for the second quarter of 2018, compared to \$62.4 million for the first quarter of 2018 and \$55.6 million for the second quarter of 2017. The net interest margin in the second quarter of 2018 was 3.82%, a one basis point increase from the first quarter of 2018 and five basis point increase from the second quarter of 2017. The increase in net interest income on a linked quarter basis is attributable to a \$104.8 million increase in average loans outstanding, an \$80.0 million increase in average non-interest-bearing deposits and a \$25.4 million increase in average stockholders' equity, all resulting in a positive mix change in our balance sheet. The average yield on loans increased 13 basis points to 4.93% on a linked quarter basis, while the average rate paid on deposits increased by 17 basis points to 1.03% on a linked quarter basis.

Average loans for the second quarter of 2018 were \$5.99 billion, an increase of \$104.8 million, or 2%, over average loans of \$5.88 billion for the first quarter of 2018, and an increase of \$754.7 million, or 14%, over average loans of \$5.23 billion for the second quarter of 2017.

Average total deposits for the second quarter of 2018 were \$6.04 billion, an increase of \$91.8 million, or 2%, over average total deposits of \$5.95 billion for the first quarter of 2018, and an increase of \$766.0 million, or 15%, over average total deposits of \$5.27 billion for the second quarter of 2017.

Non-performing assets to total assets were 0.28% for the second quarter of 2018, an increase of six basis points compared to 0.22% for the first quarter of 2018 and an increase of five basis points compared to 0.23% for the second quarter of 2017. Net credit charge-offs to average loans were 0.13%, a three basis point increase compared to 0.10% for the first quarter of 2018 and a 12 basis point decrease compared to 0.25% for the second quarter of 2017. We recorded a \$4.1 million provision for loan losses in the second quarter of 2018 compared to \$4.1 million in the first quarter of 2018 and \$4.4 million in the second quarter of 2017. The allowance for loan loss as a percentage of total loans was 1.05% at June 30, 2018 compared to 1.05% at March 31, 2018 and 1.03% at June 30, 2017. In management's opinion, the allowance is adequate and was determined by consistent application of ServisFirst Bank's methodology for calculating its allowance for loan losses.

Non-interest income increased \$654,000 during the second quarter of 2018, or 14%, compared to the second quarter of 2017. Deposit service charges increased \$271,000 in the second quarter of 2018, or 20%, compared to the second quarter of 2017. The number of transaction deposit accounts increased approximately 9% from June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018, and the amount of overdraft fees increased \$120,000, or 34%, from the second quarter of 2017 to the second quarter of 2018. Credit card revenue increased \$567,000, or 48%, to \$1.8 million during the second quarter of 2018, compared to \$1.2 million during the second quarter of 2017, driven by increased numbers of accounts and increased purchases per account. Mortgage banking revenue decreased by \$275,000 in the second quarter of 2018, or 26%, compared to the second quarter of 2017. The number of loans originated during the second quarter of 2018 decreased approximately 10% from the same quarter in 2017. Also, a larger percentage of loans originated during the second quarter of 2018 were placed into the Bank's portfolio instead of being sold into the secondary market.

Non-interest expense for the second quarter of 2018 increased \$2.1 million, or 10%, to \$24.0 million from \$21.9 million in the second quarter of 2017, and increased \$498,000, or 2%, on a linked quarter basis. Salary and benefit expense for the second quarter of 2018 increased \$1.1 million, or 9%, to \$13.1 million from \$12.0 million in the second quarter of 2017, and decreased \$198,000, or 2%, on a linked quarter basis. The number of FTE employees increased from 428 at June 30, 2017 to 447 at June 30, 2018. Equipment and occupancy expense decreased \$152,000, or 7%, to \$2.1 million in the second quarter of 2018, from \$2.3 million in the second quarter of 2017. Ownership costs of our new headquarters building in Birmingham for the second quarter of 2018 were approximately \$85,000 less than rental payments and amortization of leasehold improvements during the second quarter of 2017. Other operating expense for the second quarter of 2018 increased \$922,000, or 16%, to \$6.6 million from \$5.6 million in the second quarter of 2017.

Income tax expense decreased \$1.7 million, or 17%, to \$8.3 million in the second quarter of 2018, compared to \$10.0 million in the second quarter of 2017. Lower corporate income tax rates resulting from the passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act in December 2017 has resulted in lower effective tax rates. We also recognized a reduction in provision for income taxes resulting from excess tax benefits from the exercise and vesting of stock options and restricted stock during the second quarter of 2018 and 2017 of \$457,000 and \$1.4 million, respectively. Our effective tax rate for the second quarter of 2018 and 2017 was 19.9% and 29.2%, respectively.

GAAP Reconciliation and Management Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This press release contains certain non-GAAP financial measures, including tangible common stockholders' equity, total tangible assets, tangible book value per share and tangible common equity to total tangible assets, each of which excludes goodwill and core deposit intangibles associated with our acquisition of Metro Bancshares, Inc. in January 2015. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to management and investors that is supplementary to our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows computed in accordance with GAAP; however, we acknowledge that these non-GAAP financial measures have a number of limitations. As such, you should not view these disclosures as a substitute for results determined in accordance with GAAP, and they are not necessarily comparable to non-GAAP financial measures that other companies, including those in our industry, use. The following reconciliation table provides a more detailed analysis of the non-GAAP financial measures as of and for the comparative periods presented in this press release. Dollars are in thousands, except share and per share data.

| | A | at June 30, 2018 | A | t March 31, 2018 | At | December 31, 2017 | At | September 30, 2017 | A | At June 30, 2017 |
|--|----|---------------------|----|---------------------|----|----------------------|----|--------------------|----|---------------------|
| Book value per share - GAAP | \$ | 12.33 | \$ | 11.84 | \$ | 11.47 | \$ | 11.14 | \$ | 10.72 |
| Total common stockholders' equity - GAAP | | 655,114 | | 629,297 | | 607,604 | | 590,213 | | 567,086 |
| Adjustments: | | | | | | | | | | |

| Adjusted for goodwill and core deposit intangible | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| asset | 14,584 | 14,652 | | 14,719 | 14,787 | 14,855 |
| Tangible common stockholders' equity - non-GAAP | \$ 640,530 | \$ 614,645 | \$ | 592,885 | \$ 575,426 | \$ 552,231 |
| Tangible book value per share - non-GAAP | \$ 12.05 | \$ 11.56 | \$ | 11.19 | \$ 10.86 | \$ 10.44 |
| Stockholders' equity to total assets - GAAP | 9.25% | 8.98% |) | 8.58% | 8.79% | 8.96% |
| Total assets - GAAP Adjustments: Adjusted for goodwill and core deposit intangible | \$ 7,084,562 | \$ 7,011,735 | \$ | 7,082,384 | \$ 6,712,103 | \$ 6,329,599 |
| asset | 14,584 | 14,652 | | 14,719 | 14,787 | 14,855 |
| Total tangible assets - non-GAAP | \$ 7,069,978 | \$ 6,997,083 | \$ | 7,067,665 | \$ 6,697,316 | \$ 6,314,744 |
| Tangible common equity to total tangible assets - non-GAAP | 9.06% | 8.78% |) | 8.39% | 8.59% | 8.75% |

About ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc.

ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. is a bank holding company based in Birmingham, Alabama. Through its subsidiary ServisFirst Bank, ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. provides business and personal financial services from locations in Birmingham, Huntsville, Montgomery, Mobile and Dothan, Alabama, Pensacola and Tampa Bay, Florida, Atlanta, Georgia, Charleston, South Carolina and Nashville, Tennessee.

ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. files periodic reports with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Copies of its filings may be obtained through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or at www.servisfirstbancshares.com.

Statements in this press release that are not historical facts, including, but not limited to, statements concerning future operations, results or performance, are hereby identified as "forward-looking statements" for the purpose of the safe harbor provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933. The words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "project," "plan," "intend," "will," "would," "might" and similar expressions often signify forward-looking statements. Such statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. cautions that such forward-looking statements, wherever they occur in this press release or in other statements attributable to ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc., are necessarily estimates reflecting the judgment of ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc.'s senior management and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements should, therefore, be considered in light of various factors that could affect the accuracy of such forward-looking statements, including: general economic conditions, especially in the credit markets and in the Southeast; the performance of the capital markets; changes in interest rates, yield curves and interest rate spread relationships; changes in accounting and tax principles, policies or guidelines; changes in legislation or regulatory requirements; changes in our loan portfolio and the deposit base; possible changes in laws and regulations and governmental monetary and fiscal policies, including, but not limited to, economic stimulus initiatives; the cost and other effects of legal and administrative cases and similar contingencies; possible changes in the creditworthiness of customers and the possible impairment of the collectability of loans and the value of collateral; the effect of natural disasters, such as hurricanes and tornadoes, in our geographic markets; and increased competition from both banks and non-bank financial institutions. The foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive. For discussion of these and other risks that may cause actual results to differ from expectations, please refer to "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-looking Statements" and "Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and our other SEC filings. If one or more of the factors affecting our forward-looking information and statements proves incorrect, then our actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, forwardlooking information and statements contained herein. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements that are made from time to time.

More information about ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. may be obtained over the Internet at www.servisfirstbancshares.com or by calling (205) 949-0302.

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SELECTED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands except share and per share data)

| • • • • | 2nd Quarter 2018 | | 1st Quarter 2018 | | 4th Quarter 2017 | | 3rd Quarter 2017 | | 2nd Quarter 2017 | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interest income | \$ | 78,396 | \$ | 74,009 | \$ | 72,060 | \$ | 67,641 | \$ | 63,538 |
| Interest expense | | 13,874 | | 11,573 | | 10,652 | | 9,245 | | 7,971 |
| Net interest income | | 64,522 | | 62,436 | | 61,408 | | 58,396 | | 55,567 |
| Provision for loan losses | | 4,121 | | 4,139 | | 9,055 | | 4,803 | | 4,381 |

| Net interest income after provision for loan losses | 60,401 | | 58,297 | | 52,353 | | 53,593 | | 51,186 |
|--|-----------------|----|------------|---------|------------|--------|------------|----|------------|
| Non-interest income | 5,459 | | 4,869 | | 4,905 | | 4,790 | | 4,805 |
| Non-interest expense | 24,010 | | 23,512 | | 21,255 | _ | 21,497 | | 21,875 |
| Income before income tax | 41,850 | | 39,654 | | 36,003 | | 36,886 | | 34,116 |
| Provision for income tax | 8,310 | | 7,051 | | 14,853 | | 11,627 | | 9,952 |
| Net income | 33,540 | | 32,603 | | 21,150 | | 25,259 | | 24,164 |
| Preferred stock dividends | 31 | | - | | 31 | | - | | 31 |
| Net income available to common stockholders | \$ 33,509 | \$ | 32,603 | \$ | 21,119 | \$ | 25,259 | \$ | 24,133 |
| Earnings per share - basic | \$ 0.63 | \$ | 0.61 | \$ | 0.40 | \$ | 0.48 | \$ | 0.46 |
| Earnings per share - diluted | \$ 0.62 | \$ | 0.60 | \$ | 0.39 | \$ | 0.47 | \$ | 0.45 |
| Average diluted shares outstanding | 54,196,023 | | 54,183,400 | | 54,161,788 | | 54,099,672 | | 54,100,604 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DATA | | | | | | | | | |
| Total assets | \$ 7,084,562 | \$ | 7,011,735 | \$ | 7,082,384 | \$ | 6,712,103 | \$ | 6,329,599 |
| Loans | 6,129,649 | | 5,928,327 | | 5,851,261 | | 5,628,765 | | 5,343,688 |
| Debt securities | 583,799 | | 560,885 | | 538,330 | | 522,724 | | 518,065 |
| Non-interest-bearing demand deposits | 1,481,447 | | 1,407,592 | | 1,440,326 | | 1,405,965 | | 1,373,353 |
| Total deposits | 6,085,682 | | 5,977,387 | | 6,091,674 | | 5,796,901 | | 5,394,810 |
| Borrowings | 64,648 | | 64,739 | | 64,832 | | 54,975 | | 55,075 |
| Stockholders' equity | \$ 655,114 | \$ | 629,297 | \$ | 607,604 | \$ | 590,213 | \$ | 567,086 |
| Shares outstanding | 53,150,733 | | 53,147,169 | | 52,992,586 | | 52,970,310 | | 52,909,362 |
| Book value per share | \$ 12.33 | \$ | 11.84 | \$ | 11.47 | \$ | 11.14 | \$ | 10.72 |
| Tangible book value per share (1) | \$ 12.05 | \$ | 11.56 | \$ | 11.19 | \$ | 10.86 | \$ | 10.44 |
| SELECTED FINANCIAL RATIOS | | | | | | | | | |
| Net interest margin | 3.82% |) | 3.81% | ó | 3.66% | D | 3.77% |) | 3.77% |
| Return on average assets | 1.91% |) | 1.91% | ó | 1.20% |) | 1.55% |) | 1.55% |
| Return on average common stockholders' equity | 20.89% |) | 21.40% | ó | 13.97% | D | 17.28% | | 17.36% |
| Efficiency ratio | 34.31% |) | 34.93 % | ó | 32.05% | | 34.02% |) | 36.23% |
| Non-interest expense to average earning assets | 1.42% |) | 1.43 % | ó | 1.26% | ,) | 1.38% |) | 1.47% |
| CAPITAL RATIOS (2) | | | | | | | | | |
| Common equity tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets | 10.08% |) | 9.88% | <u></u> | 9.51% | ,) | 9.60% | , | 9.72% |
| Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets | 10.08 % | | 9.88% | - | 9.52% | | 9.61% | | 9.73% |
| Total capital to risk-weighted assets | 12.10% | | 11.91% | | 11.52% | | 11.51% | | 11.67% |
| Tier 1 capital to average assets | 9.21% | | 8.95% | | 8.51% | | 8.91% | | 8.88% |
| Tangible common equity to total tangible assets (1) | 9.06% | | 8.78% | | 8.39% | | 8.59% | | 8.75% |
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⁽¹⁾ See "GAAP Reconciliation and Management Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for a discussion of these Non-GAAP financial measures.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands)

| | Jun | e 30, 2018 | June 30, 2017 | % Change |
|---|-----|------------|---------------|----------|
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Cash and due from banks | \$ | 68,344 | \$ 71,181 | (4)% |
| Interest-bearing balances due from depository institutions | | 81,742 | 134,694 | (39)% |
| Federal funds sold | | 15,585 | 49,443 | (68)% |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | 165,671 | 255,318 | (35)% |
| Available for sale debt securities, at fair value | | 583,549 | 438,808 | 33 % |
| Held to maturity debt securities (fair value of \$250 and \$80,532 at | | | | |
| June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively) | | 250 | 79,257 | (100)% |
| Restricted equity securities | | 993 | 1,037 | (4)% |
| Mortgage loans held for sale | | 4,605 | 5,673 | (19)% |

⁽²⁾ Regulatory capital ratios for most recent period are preliminary.

| Loans | 6,129,649 | 5,343,688 | 15 % |
|---|-----------------|--------------|-------|
| Less allowance for loan losses | (64,239) | (55,059) | 17 % |
| Loans, net | 6,065,410 | 5,288,629 | 15 % |
| Premises and equipment, net | 58,299 | 51,797 | 13 % |
| Goodwill and other identifiable intangible assets | 14,584 | 14,855 | (2)% |
| Other assets | 191,200 | 194,225 | (2)% |
| Total assets | \$ 7,084,562 | \$ 6,329,599 | 12 % |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | |
| Deposits: | | | |
| Non-interest-bearing | \$ 1,481,447 | \$ 1,373,353 | 8 % |
| Interest-bearing | 4,604,235 | 4,021,457 | 14 % |
| Total deposits | 6,085,682 | 5,394,810 | 13 % |
| Federal funds purchased | 262,659 | 300,226 | (13)% |
| Other borrowings | 64,648 | 55,075 | 17 % |
| Other liabilities | 16,459 | 12,402 | 33 % |
| Total liabilities | 6,429,448 | 5,762,513 | 12 % |
| Stockholders' equity: | | | |
| Preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share; 1,000,000 authorized and undesignated at | | | |
| June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017 | - | - | - % |
| Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 53,150,733 shares | | | |
| issued and outstanding at June 30, 2018, and 52,909,362 shares issued and outstanding | | | |
| at June 30, 2017 | 53 | 53 | - % |
| Additional paid-in capital | 217,765 | 217,271 | - % |
| Retained earnings | 443,972 | 348,517 | 27 % |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | (7,178) | | N/M |
| Noncontrolling interest | 502 | 502 | - % |
| Total stockholders' equity | 655,114 | 567,086 | 16 % |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 7,084,562 | \$ 6,329,599 | 12 % |
| | | | |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands except per share data)

| | Т | Three Months Ended June 30, 2018 2017 | | | | | Ended June 30, 2017 | |
|---|----|---------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------|----|------------------------|--|
| Interest income: | | 2010 | 201 | | 2018 | | 2017 | |
| Interest and fees on loans | \$ | 73,620 | \$ | 59,912 \$ | 143,294 | \$ | 115,468 | |
| Taxable securities | Ψ | 3,127 | Ψ | 2,274 | 5,872 | Ψ | 4,361 | |
| Nontaxable securities | | 623 | | 752 | 1,279 | | 1,517 | |
| Federal funds sold | | 694 | | 287 | 1,245 | | 806 | |
| Other interest and dividends | | 332 | | 313 | 715 | | 903 | |
| Total interest income | - | 78,396 | | 63,538 | 152,405 | | 123,055 | |
| Interest expense: | - | | | | , , , , , | | | |
| Deposits | | 11,714 | | 6,321 | 21,335 | | 12,303 | |
| Borrowed funds | | 2,160 | | 1,650 | 4,112 | | 3,133 | |
| | | 13,874 | | 7,971 | 25,447 | | 15,436 | |
| Total interest expense | | , | | . , | , | | , | |
| Net interest income | | 64,522 | | 55,567 | 126,958 | | 107,619 | |
| Provision for loan losses | | 4,121 | | 4,381 | 8,260 | | 9,367 | |
| Net interest income after provision for loan losses | | 60,401 | | 51,186 | 118,698 | | 98,252 | |
| Non-interest income: | | | | | | | | |
| Service charges on deposit accounts | | 1,653 | | 1,382 | 3,238 | | 2,736 | |
| Mortgage banking | | 789 | | 1,064 | 1,307 | | 1,963 | |
| Credit card income | | 1,756 | | 1,189 | 3,334 | | 2,368 | |
| Securities gains | | - | | _ | 4 | | - | |
| Increase in cash surrender value life insurance | | 786 | | 785 | 1,563 | | 1,509 | |
| Other operating income | | 475 | | 385 | 882 | | 775 | |

| Total non-interest income | 5,459 | 4,805 | 10,328 | 9,351 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Non-interest expense: | | | | |
| Salaries and employee benefits | 13,098 | 12,031 | 26,394 | 23,744 |
| Equipment and occupancy expense | 2,113 | 2,265 | 4,067 | 4,505 |
| Professional services | 924 | 808 | 1,729 | 1,579 |
| FDIC and other regulatory assessments | 1,159 | 1,081 | 2,292 | 2,078 |
| Other real estate owned expense | 160 | 56 | 476 | 132 |
| Other operating expense | 6,556 | 5,634 | 12,564 | 11,104 |
| Total non-interest expense | 24,010 | 21,875 | 47,522 | 43,142 |
| Income before income tax | 41,850 | 34,116 | 81,504 | 64,461 |
| Provision for income tax | 8,310 | 9,952 | 15,361 | 17,778 |
| Net income | 33,540 | 24,164 | 66,143 | 46,683 |
| Dividends on preferred stock | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 |
| Net income available to common stockholders | \$ 33,509 | \$ 24,133 | \$ 66,112 | \$ 46,652 |
| Basic earnings per common share | \$ 0.63 | \$ 0.46 | \$ 1.24 | \$ 0.88 |
| Diluted earnings per common share | \$ 0.62 | \$ 0.45 | \$ 1.22 | \$ 0.86 |

LOANS BY TYPE (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands)

| | 2nd | Quarter 2018 | 1st Quarter 2018 | 4t | th Quarter 2017 | 3rd | Quarter 2017 | 2nd (| Quarter 2017 |
|--|-----|--------------|------------------|----|-----------------|-----|--------------|-------|--------------|
| Commercial, financial and agricultural | \$ | 2,345,879 | \$ 2,329,904 | \$ | 2,279,366 | \$ | 2,223,910 | \$ | 2,123,498 |
| Real estate - construction | | 522,788 | 506,050 | | 580,874 | | 467,838 | | 395,398 |
| Real estate - mortgage: | | | | | | | | | |
| Owner-occupied commercial | | 1,383,882 | 1,349,679 | | 1,328,666 | | 1,323,383 | | 1,272,659 |
| 1-4 family mortgage | | 584,133 | 581,498 | | 603,063 | | 593,180 | | 565,121 |
| Other mortgage | | 1,225,906 | 1,099,482 | | 997,079 | | 962,690 | | 931,788 |
| Subtotal: Real estate - mortgage | | 3,193,921 | 3,030,659 | | 2,928,808 | | 2,879,253 | | 2,769,568 |
| Consumer | | 67,061 | 61,714 | | 62,213 | | 57,764 | | 55,224 |
| Total loans | \$ | 6,129,649 | \$ 5,928,327 | \$ | 5,851,261 | \$ | 5,628,765 | \$ | 5,343,688 |

SUMMARY OF LOAN LOSS EXPERIENCE (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands)

| | 2nd Quarter 2018 | | 1st | Quarter 2018 | 4th | Quarter 2017 | 3rd | Quarter 2017 | 2nd | Quarter 2017 |
|--|------------------|--------|-----|--------------|-----|--------------|-----|--------------|-----|--------------|
| Allowance for loan losses: | | _ | | _ | | | | _ | | |
| Beginning balance | \$ | 62,050 | \$ | 59,406 | \$ | 58,459 | \$ | 55,059 | \$ | 53,892 |
| Loans charged off: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Commercial, financial and agricultural | | 1,732 | | 1,088 | | 7,064 | | 924 | | 3,067 |
| Real estate - construction | | - | | - | | - | | 16 | | 40 |
| Real estate - mortgage | | 440 | | 381 | | 1,134 | | 550 | | 106 |
| Consumer | | 47 | | 88 | | 137 | | 65 | | 33 |
| Total charge offs | | 2,219 | | 1,557 | | 8,335 | | 1,555 | | 3,246 |
| Recoveries: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Commercial, financial and agricultural | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 173 | | 4 | | 64 | | 67 | | 16 |
| Real estate - construction | | 97 | | 7 | | 126 | | 12 | | 14 |
| Real estate - mortgage | | 2 | | 42 | | 26 | | 59 | | 2 |
| Consumer | | 15 | | 9 | | 11 | | 14 | | - |
| Total recoveries | | 287 | | 62 | | 227 | | 152 | | 32 |
| Net charge-offs | | 1,932 | | 1,495 | | 8,108 | | 1,403 | | 3,214 |
| Provision for loan losses | | 4,121 | | 4,139 | | 9,055 | | 4,803 | | 4,381 |
| Ending balance | \$ | 64,239 | \$ | 62,050 | \$ | 59,406 | \$ | 58,459 | \$ | 55,059 |

| Allowance for loan losses to total loans | | 1.05 % | 6 | | 1.05 % | o | | 1.02 % | | 1.04 % | | 1.03 % |) |
|---|---------|-------------|-----|-----|-------------|----|-----|--------------|-----|--------------|-----|-------------|---|
| Allowance for loan losses to total average | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| loans | | 1.07 % | 6 | | 1.05 % | o | | 1.04 % | | 1.07 % | | 1.05 % |) |
| Net charge-offs to total average loans | | 0.13 % | 6 | | 0.10 % | 6 | | 0.56 % | | 0.10 % | | 0.25 % |) |
| Provision for loan losses to total average | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| loans | | 0.28 % | 6 | | 0.29 % | 6 | | 0.63 % | | 0.35 % | | 0.34 % |) |
| Nonperforming assets: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nonaccrual loans | \$ | 8,022 | | \$ | 9,271 | | \$ | 10,765 | \$ | 12,356 | \$ | 9,963 | |
| Loans 90+ days past due and accruing | | 6,081 | | | 678 | | | 60 | | 2,506 | | 1,016 | |
| Other real estate owned and | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| repossessed assets | | 5,937 | | | 5,748 | | | 6,701 | | 3,888 | | 3,891 | |
| Total | \$ | 20,040 | | \$ | 15,697 | | \$ | 17,526 | \$ | 18,750 | \$ | 14,870 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | _ |
| Nonperforming loans to total loans | | 0.23 % | 6 | | 0.17 % | 6 | | 0.19 % | | 0.26 % | | 0.21 % |) |
| Nonperforming assets to total assets | | 0.28 % | 6 | | 0.22 % | o | | 0.25 % | | 0.28 % | | 0.23 % |) |
| Nonperforming assets to earning assets | | 0.29 % | 6 | | 0.23 % | 6 | | 0.25 % | | 0.29 % | | 0.24 % |) |
| Reserve for loan losses to nonaccrual loans | | 800.79 % | 6 | | 669.29 % | 6 | | 551.84 % | | 473.12 % | | 552.63 % |) |
| Restructured accruing loans | \$ | 15,572 | | \$ | 15,838 | | \$ | 16,919 | \$ | 12,700 | \$ | 12,716 | |
| Restructured accruing loans to total loans | | 0.25 % | 6 | | 0.27 % | 6 | | 0.29 % | | 0.23 % | | 0.24 % |) |
| TROUBLED DEBT RESTRUCTURINGS (TI | ORs) (I | UNAUDITE | (D) |) | | | | | | | | | |
| (In thousands) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2nd | Quarter 201 | 8 | 1st | Quarter 201 | 18 | 4th | Quarter 2017 | 3rc | Quarter 2017 | 2nd | Quarter 201 | 7 |
| Beginning balance: | \$ | 18,792 | | \$ | 20,572 | | \$ | 16,354 | \$ | 16,370 | \$ | 7,269 | _ |
| Additions | | - | | | - | | | 4,233 | | - | | 12,716 | |
| Removal from TDR | | - | | | - | | | - | | - | | (535) | |
| Net (paydowns) / advances | | (267) | | | (1,080) | | | (15) | | (16) | | (1,380) | |
| Charge-offs | | (1,268) | | | (700) | | | - | | · _ | | (1,700) | |
| | \$ | 17,257 | | \$ | 18,792 | | \$ | 20,572 | \$ | 16,354 | \$ | 16,370 | _ |
| | | • | _ | _ | | _ | | | | | | | _ |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands except per share data)

| | 2nd Quarter 2018 | | 1st Quarter 2018 | | 4th Quarter 2017 | | 3rd Quarter 2017 | | 2nd Quarter 2017 | |
|---|---------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| Interest income: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interest and fees on loans | \$ | 73,620 | \$ | 69,674 | \$ | 67,357 | \$ | 63,857 | \$ | 59,912 |
| Taxable securities | | 3,127 | | 2,745 | | 2,468 | | 2,288 | | 2,274 |
| Nontaxable securities | | 623 | | 656 | | 702 | | 729 | | 752 |
| Federal funds sold | | 694 | | 551 | | 508 | | 379 | | 287 |
| Other interest and dividends | | 332 | | 383 | | 1,025 | | 388 | | 313 |
| Total interest income | | 78,396 | | 74,009 | | 72,060 | | 67,641 | | 63,538 |
| Deposits | | 11,714 | | 9,621 | | 8,954 | | 7,574 | | 6,321 |
| Borrowed funds | | 2,160 | | 1,952 | | 1,698 | | 1,671 | | 1,650 |
| Total interest expense | | 13,874 | | 11,573 | | 10,652 | | 9,245 | | 7,971 |
| Net interest income | | (4.500 | | (2.42) | | <i>(</i> 1, 400) | | 50.206 | | 55.565 |
| | | 64,522 | | 62,436 | | 61,408 | | 58,396 | | 55,567 |
| Provision for loan losses | | 4,121 | | 4,139 | | 9,055 | - | 4,803 | | 4,381 |
| Net interest income after provision for loan losses | | 60,401 | | 58,297 | | 52,353 | | 53,593 | | 51,186 |
| Service charges on deposit accounts | | 1,653 | | 1,585 | | 1,499 | | 1,467 | | 1,382 |
| Mortgage banking | | 789 | | 518 | | 894 | | 978 | | 1,064 |
| Credit card income | | 1,756 | | 1,578 | | 1,298 | | 1,149 | | 1,189 |
| Securities gains | | - | | 4 | | - | | - | | - |
| Increase in cash surrender value life insurance | | 786 | | 777 | | 797 | | 825 | | 785 |

| Other operating income | 475 | 407 | 417 | 371 | 385 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total non-interest income | 5,459 | 4,869 | 4,905 | 4,790 | 4,805 |
| Salaries and employee benefits | 13,098 | 13,296 | 11,432 | 12,428 | 12,031 |
| Equipment and occupancy expense | 2,113 | 1,954 | 1,566 | 1,947 | 2,265 |
| Professional services | 924 | 805 | 833 | 805 | 808 |
| FDIC and other regulatory assessments | 1,159 | 1,133 | 1,030 | 810 | 1,081 |
| Other real estate owned expense | 160 | 316 | 160 | 31 | 56 |
| Other operating expense | 6,556 | 6,008 | 6,234 | 5,476 | 5,634 |
| Total non-interest expense | 24,010 | 23,512 | 21,255 | 21,497 | 21,875 |
| Income before income tax | 41,850 | 39,654 | 36,003 | 36,886 | 34,116 |
| Provision for income tax | 8,310 | 7,051 | 14,853 | 11,627 | 9,952 |
| Net income | 33,540 | 32,603 | 21,150 | 25,259 | 24,164 |
| Dividends on preferred stock | 31 | - | 31 | - | 31 |
| Net income available to common stockholders | \$ 33,509 | \$ 32,603 | \$ 21,119 | \$ 25,259 | \$ 24,133 |
| Basic earnings per common share | \$ 0.63 | \$ 0.61 | \$ 0.40 | \$ 0.48 | \$ 0.46 |
| Diluted earnings per common share | \$ 0.62 | \$ 0.60 | \$ 0.39 | \$ 0.47 | \$ 0.45 |

AVERAGE BALANCE SHEETS AND NET INTEREST ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) ON A FULLY TAXABLE-EQUIVALENT BASIS (Dollars in thousands)

| | 2nd Quarter | uarter 2018 1st Quarter 2 | | | 4th Quarter | 2017 | 3rd Quarter | 2017 | 2nd Quarter 2017 | |
|------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------|------------------|---------|
| | | Yield | Yield | | | Yield | | Yield | | |
| | Average | / | Average | / | Average | / | Average | / | Average | Yield / |
| | Balance | Rate | Balance | Rate | Balance | Rate | Balance | Rate | Balance | Rate |
| Assets: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interest-earning assets: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Loans, net of unearned | | | | | | | | | | |
| income (1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Taxable | \$ 5,958,377 | 4.94% | \$ 5,847,443 | 4.81% \$ | | | | | \$ 5,192,812 | |
| Tax-exempt (2) | 30,246 | 3.94 | 36,357 | 4.06 | 36,992 | 4.95 | 33,357 | 5.17 | 41,143 | 4.92 |
| Total loans, net of | | | | | | | | | | |
| unearned income | 5,988,623 | 4.93 | 5,883,800 | 4.80 | 5,717,219 | 4.68 | 5,440,466 | 4.66 | 5,233,955 | 4.60 |
| Mortgage loans held for | | | | | | | | | | |
| sale | 3,770 | 4.26 | 3,698 | 4.50 | 6,199 | 3.52 | 4,862 | 3.51 | 5,958 | 3.90 |
| Debt securities: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Taxable | 475,777 | 2.63 | 435,747 | | 406,488 | | 385,431 | | 389,505 | 2.34 |
| Tax-exempt (2) | 112,145 | 2.60 | 120,270 | 2.56 | 128,201 | 3.27 | 131,478 | 3.34 | 133,590 | 3.38 |
| Total securities (3) | 587,922 | | 556,017 | 2.53 | 534,689 | 2.63 | 516,909 | | 523,095 | 2.60 |
| Federal funds sold | 141,915 | 1.96 | 131,472 | 1.70 | 143,905 | 1.40 | 111,175 | 1.35 | 98,598 | 1.17 |
| Restricted equity securities | 1,022 | 1.57 | 1,030 | 1.57 | 1,030 | 1.93 | 1,030 | 3.47 | 1,030 | 10.51 |
| Interest-bearing balances | | | | | | | | | | |
| with banks | 73,714 | 1.80 | 96,012 | 1.60 | 310,289 | 1.31 | 118,510 | 1.27 | 109,909 | 1.04 |
| Total interest-earning | | | | | | | | | | |
| assets | \$ 6,796,966 | 4.64% | \$ 6,672,029 | 4.51% \$ | 6,713,331 | 4.29% \$ | 6,192,952 | 4.37% | \$ 5,972,545 | 4.30% |
| Non-interest-earning assets: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash and due from banks | 68,190 | | 68,309 | | 68,444 | | 65,457 | | 68,894 | |
| Net premises and | 50.060 | | 50 500 | | 55.220 | | 5 4 505 | | 40.012 | |
| equipment | 59,262 | | 59,709 | | 57,320 | | 54,727 | | 49,813 | |
| Allowance for loan losses, | | | | | | | | | | |
| accrued | | | | | | | | | | |
| interest and other assets | 129,585 | | 140,558 | . <u> </u> | 149,636 | _ | 151,786 | | 143,286 | |
| Total assets | \$ 7,054,003 | • | \$ 6,940,605 | \$ = | 6,988,731 | \$ | 6,464,922 | | \$ 6,234,538 | |

Interest-bearing liabilities:

Interest-bearing deposits:

| Checking | \$ 827,540 | 0.56% \$ 899,311 | 0.52% \$ 899,334 | 0.46% \$ 800,437 | 0.42% \$ 779,916 | 0.39% |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Savings | 54,842 | 0.34 53,269 | 0.31 49,697 | 0.31 48,313 | 0.30 48,150 | 0.30 |
| Money market | 3,089,595 | 1.10 3,027,176 | 0.90 3,065,298 | 0.80 2,774,061 | 0.74 2,567,817 | 0.64 |
| Time deposits | 596,450 | 1.36 576,857 | 1.21 576,010 | 1.16 546,020 | 1.10 537,220 | 1.06 |
| Total interest-bearing | | · | | | | |
| deposits | 4,568,427 | 1.03 4,556,613 | 0.86 4,590,339 | 0.77 4,168,831 | 0.72 3,933,103 | 0.64 |
| Federal funds purchased | 295,309 | 1.87 297,051 | 1.60 271,248 | 1.37 282,806 | 1.34 336,344 | 1.11 |
| Other borrowings | 64,699 | 4.84 64,805 | 4.89 60,829 | 4.98 55,034 | 5.17 55,130 | 5.22 |
| Total interest-bearing | | | | | | |
| liabilities | \$ 4,928,435 | 1.13% \$ 4,918,469 | 0.95% \$ 4,922,416 | 0.86% \$ 4,506,671 | 0.81% \$ 4,324,577 | 0.74% |
| Non-interest-bearing liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Non-interest-bearing | | | | | | |
| demand | 1,469,194 | 1,389,217 | 1,444,338 | 1,363,207 | 1,338,514 | |
| Other liabilities | 13,079 | 15,007 | 22,029 | 15,070 | 13,739 | |
| Stockholders' equity | 650,641 | 621,004 | 599,754 | 578,626 | 556,521 | |
| Unrealized gains on | | | | | | |
| securities and | | | | | | |
| derivatives | (7,346) | (3,092) | 194 | 1,348 | 1,187 | |
| Total liabilities and | | | | | | |
| stockholders' equity | \$ 7,054,003 | \$ 6,940,605 | \$ 6,988,731 | \$ 6,464,922 | \$ 6,234,538 | |
| Net interest spread | | 3.51% | 3.56% | 3.43% | 3.56% | 3.56% |
| Net interest margin | | 3.82% | 3.81% | 3.66% | 3.77% | 3.77% |

⁽¹⁾ Average loans include loans on which the accrual of interest has been discontinued.

Interest income and yields are presented on a fully taxable equivalent basis using a tax rate of 21% for the quarters in 2018 and 35% for the (2) quarters in 2017.

⁽³⁾ Unrealized (losses) gains on available-for-sale debt securities are excluded from the yield calculation.