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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2024

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-41255

Ponce Financial Group, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

2244 Westchester Avenue

Bronx, NY

(Address of principal executive offices)

87-1893965

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

10462

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (718) 931-9000

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	PDLB	The NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

As of August 7, 2024, the registrant had 23,811,732 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, outstanding.

Auditor Firm Id: 686

Auditor Name: Forvis Mazars, LLP

Auditor Location: New York, New York, USA

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PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements.

Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

**Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition (Unaudited)
June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023
(Dollars in thousands, except share data)**

	June 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(unaudited)	
ASSETS		
Cash and due from banks:		
Cash	\$ 23,128	\$ 28,930
Interest-bearing deposits	80,038	110,260
Total cash and cash equivalents	103,166	139,190
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value (Note 3)	113,125	119,902
Held-to-maturity securities, net of allowance for credit losses of \$218 at June 30, 2024 and \$398 at December 31, 2023; at amortized cost (fair value 2024 \$425,645; 2023 \$450,042) (Note 3)	442,113	461,748
Placements with banks	249	249
Mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value (Note 4)	37,764	9,980
Loans receivable, net of allowance for credit losses of \$24,061 at June 30, 2024 and \$26,154 at December 31, 2023 (Note 5)	2,022,173	1,895,886
Accrued interest receivable	17,441	18,010
Premises and equipment, net	16,976	16,053
Right of use assets (Note 6)	30,349	31,272
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York (FHLB NY) stock, at cost	23,972	19,377
Deferred tax assets	13,172	14,332
Other assets	21,507	24,723
Total assets	\$ 2,842,007	\$ 2,750,722
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Deposits (Note 7)	\$ 1,606,097	\$ 1,507,620
Operating lease liabilities	31,861	32,684
Accrued interest payable	6,820	11,965
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	10,838	10,778
Borrowings (Note 8)	680,421	684,421
Other liabilities	8,313	11,859
Total liabilities	2,344,350	2,259,327
Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)		
Stockholders' Equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 225,000 shares issued and outstanding as of June 30, 2024 and as of December 31, 2023.	225,000	225,000
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized; 24,886,711 shares issued and 23,811,732 shares outstanding as of June 30, 2024 and 24,886,711 shares issued and 23,785,520 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2023	249	249
Treasury stock, at cost; 1,074,979 shares as of June 30, 2024 and 1,101,191 shares as of December 31, 2023	(9,519)	(9,747)
Additional paid-in-capital	207,934	207,106
Retained earnings	102,951	97,420
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (Note 14)	(16,557)	(15,649)
Unearned compensation — ESOP; 1,368,860 shares as of June 30, 2024 and 1,435,732 shares as of December 31, 2023	(12,401)	(12,984)
Total stockholders' equity	497,657	491,395
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,842,007	\$ 2,750,722

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)
Three Months and Six Months Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023
(Dollars in thousands, except share data)

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		For the Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Interest and dividend income:				
Interest on loans receivable	\$ 31,281	\$ 23,015	\$ 61,945	\$ 42,715
Interest on deposits due from banks	1,542	1,817	4,453	2,014
Interest and dividend on securities and FHLB NY stock	5,969	6,223	12,060	12,682
Total interest and dividend income	38,792	31,055	78,458	57,411
Interest expense:				
Interest on certificates of deposit ⁽¹⁾	6,358	3,881	12,738	7,106
Interest on other deposits ⁽¹⁾	7,389	4,413	13,929	7,225
Interest on borrowings	7,141	6,479	15,064	11,553
Total interest expense	20,888	14,773	41,731	25,884
Net interest income	17,904	16,282	36,727	31,527
(Benefit) provision for credit losses (Note 3) (Note 5)	(374)	987	(554)	813
Net interest income after (benefit) provision for credit losses	18,278	15,295	37,281	30,714
Non-interest income:				
Service charges and fees	492	481	965	972
Brokerage commissions	9	35	17	50
Late and prepayment charges	426	372	785	1,101
Income on sale of mortgage loans	274	82	576	181
Other	1,057	522	1,622	1,007
Total non-interest income	2,258	1,492	3,965	3,311
Non-interest expense:				
Compensation and benefits	7,724	7,425	15,568	14,871
Occupancy and equipment	3,564	3,724	7,231	7,294
Data processing expenses	1,013	1,208	2,140	2,400
Direct loan expenses	633	345	1,365	757
(Benefit) provision for contingencies	(493)	517	(329)	1,502
Insurance and surety bond premiums	263	248	516	513
Office supplies, telephone and postage	233	489	482	888
Professional fees	1,369	1,904	3,092	3,359
Grain recoveries (Note 5)	(65)	(346)	(118)	(1,260)
Marketing and promotional expenses	145	303	245	431
Directors' fees and regulatory assessment	176	160	355	315
Other operating expenses	1,585	1,112	2,550	2,380
Total non-interest expense	16,147	17,089	33,097	33,450
Income (loss) before income taxes	4,389	(302)	8,149	575
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	1,197	(215)	2,543	331
Net income (loss)	\$ 3,192	\$ (87)	\$ 5,606	\$ 244
Dividends on preferred shares	75	—	75	—
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ 3,117	\$ (87)	\$ 5,531	\$ 244
Earnings per common share (Note 10):				
Basic	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.01
Diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.01
Weighted average common shares outstanding (Note 10):				
Basic	22,409,803	23,208,168	22,381,647	23,250,357
Diluted	22,419,309	23,208,168	22,393,018	23,275,201

(1) For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, \$1.5 million and \$2.9 million, respectively, of interest expense were reclassified from Interest on other deposits to Interest on certificates of deposits.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries**Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Unaudited)**
Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023
(In thousands)

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Six Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Net income (loss)	\$ 3,192	\$ (87)	\$ 5,606	\$ 244
Net change in unrealized gain (losses) on securities:				
Unrealized gain (losses)	42	(1,284)	(1,154)	280
Income (tax) benefit effect	(9)	316	246	(17)
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	33	(968)	(908)	263
Total comprehensive income (loss)	3,225	(1,055)	4,698	507
Less: Dividends on preferred shares	75	—	75	—
Total comprehensive income (loss) available to common stockholders	<u>\$ 3,150</u>	<u>\$ (1,055)</u>	<u>\$ 4,623</u>	<u>\$ 507</u>

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Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (Unaudited)
Six Months Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023
(Dollars in thousands, except share data)

	Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Treasury	Additional	Retained	Accumulated	Unallocated	Total
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Stock, At Cost	Paid-in Capital	Earnings	Other Comprehensive Loss	Common Stock of ESOP	
Balance, December 31, 2023	225,000	\$ 225,000	23,785,520	\$ 249	\$ (9,747)	\$ 207,106	\$ 97,420	\$ (15,649)	\$ (12,984)	\$ 491,395
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,414	—	—	2,414
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(941)	—	(941)
Release of restricted stock units	—	—	4,977	—	45	(45)	—	—	—	—
ESOP shares committed to be released (33,436 shares)	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	291	297
Share-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	517	—	—	—	517
Balance, March 31, 2024	<u>225,000</u>	<u>\$ 225,000</u>	<u>23,790,497</u>	<u>\$ 249</u>	<u>\$ (9,702)</u>	<u>\$ 207,584</u>	<u>\$ 99,834</u>	<u>\$ (16,590)</u>	<u>\$ (12,693)</u>	<u>\$ 493,682</u>
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,192	—	—	3,192
Preferred Stock Dividend	—	—	—	—	—	—	(75)	—	—	(75)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	33	—	33
Release of restricted stock units	—	—	21,235	—	183	(183)	—	—	—	—
ESOP shares committed to be released (33,436 shares)	—	—	—	—	—	14	—	—	292	306
Share-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	519	—	—	—	519
Balance, June 30, 2024	<u>225,000</u>	<u>\$ 225,000</u>	<u>23,811,732</u>	<u>\$ 249</u>	<u>\$ (9,519)</u>	<u>\$ 207,934</u>	<u>\$ 102,951</u>	<u>\$ (16,557)</u>	<u>\$ (12,401)</u>	<u>\$ 497,657</u>

	Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Treasury	Additional	Retained	Accumulated	Unallocated	Total
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Stock, At Cost	Paid-in Capital	Earnings	Other Comprehensive Loss	Common Stock of ESOP	
Balance, December 31, 2022	225,000	\$ 225,000	24,859,353	\$ 249	\$ (2)	\$ 206,508	\$ 92,955	\$ (17,860)	\$ (14,150)	492,700
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	331	—	—	331
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,231	—	1,231
Impact of CECL adoption, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,113	—	—	1,113
Release of restricted stock units	—	—	4,147	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ESOP shares committed to be released (33,436 shares)	—	—	—	—	—	(29)	—	—	291	262
Share-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	404	—	—	—	404
Balance, March 31, 2023	<u>225,000</u>	<u>\$ 225,000</u>	<u>24,863,500</u>	<u>\$ 249</u>	<u>\$ (2)</u>	<u>\$ 206,883</u>	<u>\$ 94,399</u>	<u>\$ (16,629)</u>	<u>\$ (13,859)</u>	<u>\$ 496,041</u>
Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	(87)	—	—	(87)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(968)	—	(968)
Repurchases of common stock	—	—	(615,948)	—	(5,200)	—	—	—	—	(5,200)
Release of restricted stock units	—	—	21,235	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ESOP shares committed to be released (33,436 shares)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	292	292
Share-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	404	—	—	—	404
Balance, June 30, 2023	<u>225,000</u>	<u>\$ 225,000</u>	<u>24,268,787</u>	<u>\$ 249</u>	<u>\$ (5,202)</u>	<u>\$ 207,287</u>	<u>\$ 94,312</u>	<u>\$ (17,597)</u>	<u>\$ (13,567)</u>	<u>\$ 490,482</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)
Six Months Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023
(In thousands)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30,	
	2024	2023
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 5,606	\$ 244
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:		
Amortization of premiums/discounts on securities, net	(73)	(57)
(Gain) loss on sale of loans	(576)	13
(Benefit) provision for credit losses	(555)	813
Depreciation and amortization	2,260	2,278
ESOP compensation expense	626	554
Share-based compensation expense	1,036	808
Deferred income taxes	1,406	196
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Increase in mortgage loans held for sale, fair value	(4,651)	(8,091)
Decrease (increase) in accrued interest receivable	569	(1,005)
Decrease (increase) in other assets	3,216	(1,919)
(Decrease) increase in accrued interest payable	(5,145)	3,314
Decrease in operating lease liabilities	(1,249)	(1,190)
Increase in advance payments by borrowers	60	2,678
(Decrease) increase in other liabilities	(3,622)	1,649
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(1,092)	285
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Net (purchase) and redemption of FHLBNY stock	(4,580)	5,455
Proceeds from maturities, calls and principal repayments on securities	25,511	33,848
Placements with banks	—	498
Proceeds from sales of loans	—	1,862
Net increase in loans	(142,513)	(201,319)
Purchase of loans	(5,956)	—
Purchases of premises and equipment	(1,846)	(326)
Net cash used in investing activities	(129,384)	(159,982)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Net increase in deposits	98,477	189,601
Repurchase of treasury stock	—	(5,200)
Net (repayments) proceeds from borrowings	(4,000)	164,725
Dividends paid on preferred stock	(25)	—
Net cash provided by financing activities	94,452	349,126
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(36,024)	189,429
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	139,190	54,360
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 103,166	\$ 243,789
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Cash paid for interest on deposits and borrowings	\$ 46,876	\$ 22,570
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 305	\$ 414
Supplemental Disclosures of Noncash Investing Activities:		
Transferred from loans receivable to mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value	\$ 22,557	\$ 4,100

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note 1. Nature of Business

Basis of Presentation and Consolidation:

Ponce Financial Group, Inc. (hereafter referred to as “we,” “our,” “us,” “Ponce Financial Group, Inc.,” or the “Company”) is the holding company of Ponce Bank (“Ponce Bank” or the “Bank”), a federally chartered stock savings association. The Company’s Consolidated Financial Statements presented herein have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”).

The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company, its wholly-owned subsidiary Ponce Bank (the “Bank”) and the Bank’s wholly-owned subsidiary, Ponce De Leon Mortgage Corp., which is a mortgage banking entity. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

For further information, refer to the audited Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes included in the Company’ Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 filed with the SEC on March 19, 2024 (the “2023 Form 10-K”).

Reclassification of Prior Periods Presentation: Certain prior periods amounts have been reclassified for consistency with the current period presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on the reporting results of operations and did not affect previously reported amounts in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Refer to Deposits (Note 7) for the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 for details on the reclassification.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted:

In November 2023, FASB issued ASU 2023-07, “*Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures.*” The amendments in this ASU require improved reportable segment information on an annual and interim basis, primarily through enhanced disclosures about significant segment expenses. This update will be effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. Early adoption is permitted. The Company does not expect this standard to have an impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09, “*Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures (Topic 740).*” The amendment to this update addresses investor requests for more transparency about income tax information through improvements to income tax disclosures primarily related to the rate reconciliation and income taxes paid information. This update also includes certain other amendments to improve the effectiveness of income tax disclosures. The amendments in this update are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. Early adoption is permitted for annual financial statements that have not yet been issued or made available for issuance.

Note 2. Preferred Stock

Preferred Stock

On June 7, 2022, the Company closed a private placement (the “Private Placement”) of 225,000 shares of the Company’s Senior Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, par value \$0.01 (the “Preferred Stock”) for an aggregate purchase price equal to \$225.0 million in cash, to the United States Department of the Treasury (the “Treasury”) pursuant to the Emergency Capital Investment Program (“ECIP”). The holders of the Preferred Stock will be entitled to a dividend payable in cash quarterly at an annual rate dependent on certain factors as reported by the Company to Treasury in a quarterly supplemental report. The initial dividend rate is zero percent for the first two years after issuance, and thereafter the floor dividend rate is 0.50% and the ceiling dividend rate is 2.00%, based on achievement of certain qualified lending targets. After 10 years of issuance, the perpetual dividend rate in effect, will be determined based on said floor and ceiling.

The Company began paying dividends on its Preferred Stock during the quarter ended June 30, 2024, as required by the terms thereof. The Bank exceeded the dividend rate reduction threshold for qualified lending targets designated by the U.S. Treasury Department pursuant to the ECIP. The Bank’s “qualified lending” as measured pursuant to ECIP totaled \$1.162 billion from June 8, 2023 through March 31, 2024. This reduces the dividend obligation on the Preferred Stock to 0.50% for the quarterly dividends payable through June 15, 2025.

The ECIP investment by the Treasury is part of a program to invest over \$8.7 billion into Community Development Financial Institution (“CDFI”) or Minority Depository Institution (“MDI”), of which Ponce Bank is both. The ECIP is intended to incentivize CDFIs and

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MDIs to provide loans, grants, and forbearance to small businesses, minority-owned businesses, and consumers in low-income and underserved communities that may have been disproportionately impacted by the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the Preferred Stock will be entitled to a liquidation preference, subject to certain limitations, in the amount of the sum of \$1,000 per share plus declared and unpaid dividends (without accumulation of undeclared dividends) on each share.

Note 3. Securities

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and fair value of securities at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 are summarized as follows:

	June 30, 2024			Fair Value
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	
(in thousands)				
Available-for-Sale Securities:				
U.S. Government Bonds	\$ 2,992	\$ —	\$ (196)	\$ 2,796
Corporate Bonds	25,773	—	(1,859)	23,914
Mortgage-Backed Securities:				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations ⁽¹⁾	36,886	—	(6,280)	30,606
FHLMC Certificates	9,611	—	(1,523)	8,088
FNMA Certificates	58,797	—	(11,174)	47,623
GNMA Certificates	99	—	(1)	98
Total available-for-sale securities	<u>\$ 134,158</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (21,033)</u>	<u>\$ 113,125</u>
Held-to-Maturity Securities:				
U.S. Agency Bonds	\$ 25,000	\$ —	\$ (253)	\$ 24,747
Corporate Bonds	82,500	—	(2,230)	80,270
Mortgage-Backed Securities:				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations ⁽¹⁾	200,684	—	(8,533)	192,151
FHLMC Certificates	3,664	—	(274)	3,390
FNMA Certificates	112,925	—	(5,565)	107,360
SBA Certificates	17,558	169	—	17,727
Allowance for Credit Losses	(218)	—	—	—
Total held-to-maturity securities	<u>\$ 442,113</u>	<u>\$ 169</u>	<u>\$ (16,855)</u>	<u>\$ 425,645</u>

(1) Comprised of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (“FHLMC”), Federal National Mortgage Association (“FNMA”) and Ginnie Mae (“GNMA”) issued securities.

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Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

	December 31, 2023			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
	(in thousands)			
Available-for-Sale Securities:				
U.S. Government Bonds	\$ 2,990	\$ —	\$ (206)	\$ 2,784
Corporate Bonds	25,790	—	(2,122)	23,668
Mortgage-Backed Securities:				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations ⁽¹⁾	39,375	—	(6,227)	33,148
FHLMC Certificates	10,163	—	(1,482)	8,681
FNMA Certificates	61,359	—	(9,842)	51,517
GNMA Certificates	104	—	—	104
Total available-for-sale securities	<u>\$ 139,781</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (19,879)</u>	<u>\$ 119,902</u>
Held-to-Maturity Securities:				
U.S. Agency Bonds	\$ 25,000	\$ —	\$ (181)	\$ 24,819
Corporate Bonds	82,500	—	(2,691)	79,809
Mortgage-Backed Securities:				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations ⁽¹⁾	212,093	104	(5,170)	207,027
FHLMC Certificates	3,897	—	(244)	3,653
FNMA Certificates	118,944	—	(4,088)	114,856
SBA Certificates	19,712	166	—	19,878
Allowance for Credit Losses	(398)	—	—	—
Total held-to-maturity securities	<u>\$ 461,748</u>	<u>\$ 270</u>	<u>\$ (12,374)</u>	<u>\$ 450,042</u>

(1) Comprised of FHLMC, FNMA and GNMA issued securities.

The Company's securities portfolio had 40 available-for-sale securities and 33 held-to-maturity securities at both June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. There were no available-for-sale and held-to-maturity securities sold during the six months ended June 30, 2024 and for the year ended December 31, 2023. One held-to-maturity security in the amount of \$10.0 million matured and/or was called during the year ended December 31, 2023. There were no securities that matured and/or were called during the six months ended June 30, 2024. The Company did not purchase any available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities during the six months ended June 30, 2024 and during the year ended December 31, 2023.

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The following table presents the Company's gross unrealized losses and fair values of its securities, aggregated by the length of time the individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

	June 30, 2024					
	Securities With Gross Unrealized Losses					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total Fair Value	Total Unrealized Losses
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses		
(in thousands)						
Available-for-Sale Securities:						
U.S. Government Bonds	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,796	\$ (196)	\$ 2,796	\$ (196)
Corporate Bonds	—	—	23,914	(1,859)	23,914	(1,859)
Mortgage-Backed Securities:						
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	—	—	30,606	(6,280)	30,606	(6,280)
FHLMC Certificates	—	—	8,088	(1,523)	8,088	(1,523)
FNMA Certificates	—	—	47,623	(11,174)	47,623	(11,174)
GNMA Certificates	—	—	98	(1)	98	(1)
Total available-for-sale securities	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 113,125</u>	<u>\$ (21,033)</u>	<u>\$ 113,125</u>	<u>\$ (21,033)</u>
Held-to-Maturity Securities:						
U.S. Agency Bonds	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 24,747	\$ (253)	\$ 24,747	\$ (253)
Corporate Bonds	3,235	(265)	77,035	(1,965)	80,270	(2,230)
Mortgage-Backed Securities:						
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	11,696	(52)	180,455	(8,481)	192,151	(8,533)
FHLMC Certificates	—	—	3,390	(274)	3,390	(274)
FNMA Certificates	—	—	107,360	(5,565)	107,360	(5,565)
Total held-to-maturity securities	<u>\$ 14,931</u>	<u>\$ (317)</u>	<u>\$ 392,987</u>	<u>\$ (16,538)</u>	<u>\$ 407,918</u>	<u>\$ (16,855)</u>

	December 31, 2023					
	Securities With Gross Unrealized Losses					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total Fair Value	Total Unrealized Losses
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses		
(in thousands)						
Available-for-Sale Securities:						
U.S. Government Bonds	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,784	\$ (206)	\$ 2,784	\$ (206)
Corporate Bonds	—	—	23,668	(2,122)	23,668	(2,122)
Mortgage-Backed Securities:						
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	—	—	33,148	(6,227)	33,148	(6,227)
FHLMC Certificates	—	—	8,681	(1,482)	8,681	(1,482)
FNMA Certificates	—	—	51,517	(9,842)	51,517	(9,842)
GNMA Certificates	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total available-for-sale securities	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 119,798</u>	<u>\$ (19,879)</u>	<u>\$ 119,798</u>	<u>\$ (19,879)</u>
Held-to-Maturity Securities:						
U.S. Agency Bonds	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 24,819	\$ (181)	\$ 24,819	\$ (181)
Corporate Bonds	3,288	(212)	76,521	(2,479)	79,809	(2,691)
Mortgage-Backed Securities:						
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	81,875	(725)	112,339	(4,445)	194,214	(5,170)
FHLMC Certificates	—	—	3,653	(244)	3,653	(244)
FNMA Certificates	—	—	114,856	(4,088)	114,856	(4,088)
Total held-to-maturity securities	<u>\$ 85,163</u>	<u>\$ (937)</u>	<u>\$ 332,188</u>	<u>\$ (11,437)</u>	<u>\$ 417,351</u>	<u>\$ (12,374)</u>

At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company had 40 available-for-sale securities, for both periods, and 30 and 31 held-to-maturity securities at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, with gross unrealized loss positions. Management reviewed the financial condition of the entities underlying the securities at both June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. The unrealized losses related to the Company debt securities were issued by U.S. government-sponsored entities and agencies and corporate bonds. The

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Company does not believe that the debt securities that were in an unrealized loss position as of June 30, 2024 represents a credit loss impairment. The gross unrealized loss positions related to mortgage-backed securities and other obligations issued by the U.S. government agencies or U.S. government-sponsored enterprises carry the explicit and/or implicit guarantee of the U.S. government and have a long history of zero credit loss. Total gross unrealized losses were primarily attributable to changes in interest rates relative to when the investment securities were purchased and not due to the credit quality of the investment securities.

Management reviewed the collectability of the corporate bonds taking into consideration of such factors as the financial condition of the issuers, reported regulatory capital ratios of the issuers, credit ratings, including ratings in effect as of the reporting date. Management believes the unrealized losses on the corporate bonds are primarily attributable to changes in the interest rates and not changes in the credit quality of the issuers of the corporate bonds.

The following is a summary of maturities of securities at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. Amounts are shown by contractual maturity. Because borrowers for mortgage-backed securities have the right to prepay obligations with or without prepayment penalties, at any time, these securities are included as a total within the table.

	June 30, 2024	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
(in thousands)		
Available-for-Sale Securities:		
U.S. Government Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	—	—
More than one year through five years	2,992	2,796
More than five years through ten years	—	—
	<u>2,992</u>	<u>2,796</u>
Corporate Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,960
More than three months through one year	—	—
More than one year through five years	1,000	598
More than five years through ten years	20,773	19,356
	<u>25,773</u>	<u>23,914</u>
Mortgage-Backed Securities	105,393	86,415
Total available-for-sale securities	<u>\$ 134,158</u>	<u>\$ 113,125</u>
Held-to-Maturity Securities:		
U.S. Agency Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	—	—
More than one year through five years	25,000	24,747
More than five years through ten years	—	—
	<u>25,000</u>	<u>24,747</u>
Corporate Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	35,000	34,529
More than one year through five years	40,000	39,081
More than five years through ten years	7,500	6,660
	<u>82,500</u>	<u>80,270</u>
Mortgage-Backed Securities	334,831	320,628
Allowance for Credit Losses	(218)	—
Total held-to-maturity securities	<u>\$ 442,113</u>	<u>\$ 425,645</u>

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	December 31, 2023	
	Amortized	Fair
	Cost	Value
(in thousands)		
Available-for-Sale Securities:		
U.S. Government Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	—	—
More than one year through five years	2,990	2,784
More than five years through ten years	—	—
	<u>2,990</u>	<u>2,784</u>
Corporate Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	4,000	3,863
More than one year through five years	1,000	536
More than five years through ten years	20,790	19,269
	<u>25,790</u>	<u>23,668</u>
Mortgage-Backed Securities	111,001	93,450
Total available-for-sale securities	<u>\$ 139,781</u>	<u>\$ 119,902</u>
Held-to-Maturity Securities:		
U.S. Agency Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	—	—
More than one year through five years	25,000	24,819
More than five years through ten years	—	—
	<u>25,000</u>	<u>24,819</u>
Corporate Bonds:		
Amounts maturing:		
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	25,000	24,650
More than one year through five years	50,000	48,265
More than five years through ten years	7,500	6,894
	<u>82,500</u>	<u>79,809</u>
Mortgage-Backed Securities	354,646	345,414
Allowance for Credit Losses	(398)	—
Total held-to-maturity securities	<u>\$ 461,748</u>	<u>\$ 450,042</u>

At June 30, 2024, 20 available-for-sale securities with a fair value totaling \$63.9 million and 11 held-to-maturity securities with an amortized cost totaling \$132.9 million were pledged at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York ("FRBNY") as collateral for borrowing activities. At December 31, 2023, 26 available-for-sale securities with a fair value totaling \$93.3 million and 17 held-to-maturity securities with an amortized cost totaling \$193.3 million were pledged at the FRBNY as collateral for borrowing activities.

The following table presents the activity in the allowance for credit losses for held-to-maturity securities:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2024	For the Year Ended December 31, 2023
	(in thousands)	
Allowance for credit losses on securities at beginning of period	\$ 398	\$ —
Impact on CECL adoption	—	662
Benefit for credit losses	(180)	(264)
Allowance for credit losses on securities at end of period	<u>\$ 218</u>	<u>\$ 398</u>

At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the entire allowance for credit losses on securities was allocated to corporate bonds.

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Note 4. Mortgage Loans Held for Sale

The following table provides the fair value and contractual principal balance outstanding of loans held for sale accounted for under the fair value options:

	June 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(in thousands)	
Mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value	\$ 37,764	\$ 9,980
Mortgage loans held for sale, contractual principal outstanding	37,654	9,864
Fair value less unpaid principal balance	<u>\$ 110</u>	<u>\$ 116</u>

At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Bank had 23 loans and 19 loans in the amount of \$37.8 million and \$10.0 million, respectively, that were classified as held for sale and accounted for under the fair value option accounting guidance for financial assets and financial liabilities.

At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, there were \$4.4 million, for both periods, in loans held for sale that were greater than 90 days past due and non-accrual with a substandard risk rating.

As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, total nonaccrual loans held for sale were \$4.4 million for both periods.

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Loans receivable at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 are summarized as follows:

	June 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(in thousands)	
Mortgage loans:		
1-4 Family residential		
Investor-Owned	\$ 337,292	\$ 343,689
Owner-Occupied	147,485	152,311
Multifamily residential	545,323	550,559
Nonresidential properties	337,583	342,343
Construction and land	641,879	503,925
Total mortgage loans	<u>2,009,562</u>	<u>1,892,827</u>
Nonmortgage loans:		
Business loans	30,222	19,779
Consumer loans ⁽¹⁾	5,305	8,966
Total non-mortgage loans	<u>35,527</u>	<u>28,745</u>
Total loans, gross	2,045,089	1,921,572
Net deferred loan origination costs	1,145	468
Allowance for Credit Losses	(24,061)	(26,154)
Loans receivable, net	<u>\$ 2,022,173</u>	<u>\$ 1,895,886</u>

(1) As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, consumer loans include \$4.3 million and \$8.0 million, respectively, of microloans originated by the Bank pursuant to its arrangement with Grain.

The Company's lending activities are conducted principally in metropolitan New York City. The Company primarily grants loans secured by real estate to individuals and businesses pursuant to an established credit policy applicable to each type of lending activity in which it engages. Although collateral provides assurance as a secondary source of repayment, the Company ordinarily requires the primary source of repayment to be based on the borrowers' ability to generate continuing cash flows. The Company also evaluates the collateral and creditworthiness of each customer. The credit policy provides that depending on the borrowers' creditworthiness and type of collateral, credit may be extended up to predetermined percentages of the market value of the collateral or on an unsecured basis. Real estate is the primary form of collateral. Other important forms of collateral are time deposits and marketable securities.

For disclosures related to the allowance for credit losses and credit quality, the Company does not have any disaggregated classes of loans below the segment level.

Credit-Quality Indicators: Internally assigned risk ratings are used as credit-quality indicators, which are reviewed by management on a quarterly basis.

The objectives of the Company's risk-rating system are to provide the Board of Directors and senior management with an objective assessment of the overall quality of the loan portfolio, to promptly and accurately identify loans with well-defined credit weaknesses so that timely action can be taken to minimize credit loss, to identify relevant trends affecting the collectability of the loan portfolio, to isolate potential problem areas and to provide essential information for determining the adequacy of the allowance for credit losses.

Below are the definitions of the internally assigned risk ratings:

- **Strong Pass** – Loans to a new or existing borrower collateralized at least 90 percent by an unimpaired deposit account at the Company.
- **Good Pass** – Loans to a new or existing borrower in a well-established enterprise in excellent financial condition with strong liquidity and a history of consistently high level of earnings, cash flow and debt service capacity.
- **Satisfactory Pass** – Loans to a new or existing borrower of average strength with acceptable financial condition, satisfactory record of earnings and sufficient historical and projected cash flow to service the debt.
- **Performance Pass** – Existing loans that evidence strong payment history but document less than average strength, financial condition, record of earnings, or projected cash flows with which to service the debt.
- **Special Mention** – Loans in this category are currently protected but show one or more potential weaknesses and risks which may inadequately protect collectability or borrower's ability to meet repayment terms at some future date if the weakness or weaknesses are not monitored or remediated.

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- **Substandard** – Loans that are inadequately protected by the repayment capacity of the borrower or the current sound net worth of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans in this category have well defined weaknesses and risks that jeopardize the repayment. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that some loss may be sustained if the deficiencies are not remediated.
- **Doubtful** – Loans that have all the weaknesses of loans classified as “Substandard” with the added characteristics that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of current existing facts, conditions, and values, highly questionable and improbable.

Loans within the top four categories above are considered pass rated, as commonly defined. Risk ratings are assigned as necessary to differentiate risk within the portfolio. Risk ratings are reviewed on an ongoing basis and revised to reflect changes in the borrowers’ financial condition and outlook, debt service coverage capability, repayment performance, collateral value and coverage as well as other considerations.

The following tables present credit risk ratings by loan segment as of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

	June 30, 2024						
	Mortgage Loans				Nonmortgage Loans		Total Loans
	1-4 Family	Multifamily	Nonresidential	Construction and Land	Business	Consumer	
	(in thousands)						
Risk Rating:							
Pass	\$ 475,570	\$ 539,570	\$ 334,287	\$ 637,072	\$ 29,722	\$ 5,305	\$ 2,021,526
Special mention	1,843	—	2,428	—	250	—	4,521
Substandard	7,364	5,753	868	4,807	250	—	19,042
Total	\$ 484,777	\$ 545,323	\$ 337,583	\$ 641,879	\$ 30,222	\$ 5,305	\$ 2,045,089

	December 31, 2023						
	Mortgage Loans				Nonmortgage Loans		Total Loans
	1-4 Family	Multifamily	Nonresidential	Construction and Land	Business	Consumer	
	(in thousands)						
Risk Rating:							
Pass	\$ 485,747	\$ 546,471	\$ 339,726	\$ 497,266	\$ 19,759	\$ 8,966	\$ 1,897,935
Special mention	2,150	1,109	2,527	—	—	—	5,786
Substandard	8,103	2,979	90	6,659	20	—	17,851
Total	\$ 496,000	\$ 550,559	\$ 342,343	\$ 503,925	\$ 19,779	\$ 8,966	\$ 1,921,572

An aging analysis of loans, as of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, is as follows:

	June 30, 2024						
	Current	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total	Nonaccrual Loans	90 Days or More Accruing
		(in thousands)					
Mortgage loans:							
1-4 Family residential							
Investor-Owned	\$ 336,856	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 436	\$ 337,292	\$ 436	\$ —
Owner-Occupied	145,614	—	—	1,871	147,485	1,871	—
Multifamily residential	539,569	—	—	5,754	545,323	5,754	—
Nonresidential properties	334,327	2,428	—	828	337,583	828	—
Construction and land	637,072	—	—	4,807	641,879	4,807	—
Nonmortgage loans:							
Business	29,628	169	29	396	30,222	396	—
Consumer	4,740	287	278	—	5,305	—	—
Total	\$ 2,027,806	\$ 2,884	\$ 307	\$ 14,092	\$ 2,045,089	\$ 14,092	\$ —

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	Current	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total	Nonaccrual Loans	90 Days or More Accruing
	(in thousands)						
Mortgage loans:							
1-4 Family residential							
Investor-Owned	\$ 342,896	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 793	\$ 343,689	\$ 793	\$ —
Owner-Occupied	150,181	—	—	2,130	152,311	2,130	—
Multifamily residential	546,471	1,109	—	2,979	550,559	2,979	—
Nonresidential properties	342,343	—	—	—	342,343	—	—
Construction and land	497,266	—	—	6,659	503,925	6,659	—
Nonmortgage loans:							
Business	19,240	366	8	165	19,779	165	—
Consumer	7,423	536	1,007	—	8,966	—	—
Total	\$ 1,905,820	\$ 2,011	\$ 1,015	\$ 12,726	\$ 1,921,572	\$ 12,726	\$ —

The following schedules detail the composition of the allowance for credit losses on loans and the related recorded investment in loans as of and for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, and as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2024							
	Mortgage Loans					Nonmortgage Loans		Total
	1-4 Family Investor Owned	1-4 Family Owner Occupied	Multifamily	Nonresidential	Construction and Land	Business	Consumer	For the Period
	(in thousands)							
Allowance for Credit Losses:								
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 4,415	\$ 2,012	\$ 4,365	\$ 3,176	\$ 4,807	\$ 531	\$ 6,848	\$ 26,154
Provision (benefit) charged to expense	(227)	(66)	(180)	(879)	1,989	500	(1,512)	(375)
Charge-offs	—	—	—	—	—	(52)	(2,049)	(2,101)
Recoveries	—	—	—	—	—	8	375	383
Balance, end of period	\$ 4,188	\$ 1,946	\$ 4,185	\$ 2,297	\$ 6,796	\$ 987	\$ 3,662	\$ 24,061
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ —	\$ 81	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 396	\$ —	\$ 477
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	4,188	1,865	4,185	2,297	6,796	591	3,662	23,584
Total	\$ 4,188	\$ 1,946	\$ 4,185	\$ 2,297	\$ 6,796	\$ 987	\$ 3,662	\$ 24,061
Loans:								
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 436	\$ 1,870	\$ 5,754	\$ 828	\$ 4,807	\$ 396	\$ —	\$ 14,091
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	336,856	145,615	539,569	336,755	637,072	29,826	5,305	2,030,99
Total	\$ 337,292	\$ 147,485	\$ 545,323	\$ 337,583	\$ 641,879	\$ 30,222	\$ 5,305	\$ 2,045,08

	For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2024							
	Mortgage Loans					Nonmortgage Loans		Total
	1-4 Family Investor Owned	1-4 Family Owner Occupied	Multifamily	Nonresidential	Construction and Land	Business	Consumer	For the Period
	(in thousands)							
Allowance for loan losses:								
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 4,257	\$ 1,963	\$ 4,214	\$ 2,236	\$ 6,403	\$ 561	\$ 5,030	\$ 24,664
Provision (benefit) charged to expense	(69)	(17)	(29)	61	393	418	(877)	(120)
Losses charged-off	—	—	—	—	—	—	(747)	(747)
Recoveries	—	—	—	—	—	8	256	264
Balance, end of period	\$ 4,188	\$ 1,946	\$ 4,185	\$ 2,297	\$ 6,796	\$ 987	\$ 3,662	\$ 24,061

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	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2023							Total
	Mortgage Loans				Nonmortgage Loans		Total	
	1-4 Family Investor Owned	1-4 Family Owner Occupied	Multifamily	Nonresidenti al	Constructio n and Land	Business		
	(in thousands)							
Allowance for loan losses:								
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 3,863	\$ 1,723	\$ 8,021	\$ 2,724	\$ 2,683	\$ 120	\$ 15,458	\$ 34,592
Provision (benefit) charged to expense	147	283	679	(64)	1,417	94	(1,943)	613
Impact of CECL adoption	766	146	(3,962)	578	(911)	236	57	(3,090)
Charge-offs	—	—	—	—	—	—	(4,500)	(4,500)
Recoveries	—	—	—	—	—	—	558	558
Balance, end of period	<u>\$ 4,776</u>	<u>\$ 2,152</u>	<u>\$ 4,738</u>	<u>\$ 3,238</u>	<u>\$ 3,189</u>	<u>\$ 450</u>	<u>\$ 9,630</u>	<u>\$ 28,173</u>
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ —	\$ 73	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 73
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	4,776	2,079	4,738	3,238	3,189	450	9,630	28,100
Total	<u>\$ 4,776</u>	<u>\$ 2,152</u>	<u>\$ 4,738</u>	<u>\$ 3,238</u>	<u>\$ 3,189</u>	<u>\$ 450</u>	<u>\$ 9,630</u>	<u>\$ 28,173</u>
Loans:								
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 296	\$ 2,692	\$ 1,435	\$ —	\$ 7,621	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 12,044
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	351,458	151,424	548,598	317,416	308,222	21,041	11,958	1,710,117
Total	<u>\$ 351,754</u>	<u>\$ 154,116</u>	<u>\$ 550,033</u>	<u>\$ 317,416</u>	<u>\$ 315,843</u>	<u>\$ 21,041</u>	<u>\$ 11,958</u>	<u>\$ 1,722,161</u>
	For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2023							
	Mortgage Loans				Nonmortgage Loans		Total	
	1-4 Family Investor Owned	1-4 Family Owner Occupied	Multifamily	Nonresidenti al	Constructio n and Land	Business	Consumer	Total
	(in thousands)							
Allowance for loan losses:								
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 4,764	\$ 2,051	\$ 4,514	\$ 3,318	\$ 2,522	\$ 357	\$ 11,449	\$ 28,975
Provision (benefit) charged to expense	12	101	224	(80)	667	93	(83)	934
Losses charged-off	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,931)	(1,931)
Recoveries	—	—	—	—	—	—	195	195
Balance, end of period	<u>\$ 4,776</u>	<u>\$ 2,152</u>	<u>\$ 4,738</u>	<u>\$ 3,238</u>	<u>\$ 3,189</u>	<u>\$ 450</u>	<u>\$ 9,630</u>	<u>\$ 28,173</u>

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	For the Year Ended December 31, 2023					Nonmortgage Loans		Total
	Mortgage Loans			Nonresidential (in thousands)	Construction and Land	Business	Consumer	
	1-4 Family Investor Owned	1-4 Family Owner Occupied	Multifamily					
Allowance for loan losses:								
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 3,863	\$ 1,723	\$ 8,021	\$ 2,724	\$ 2,683	\$ 120	\$ 15,458	\$ 34,592
Provision (benefit) charged to expense	(214)	143	306	(126)	3,035	235	(2,142)	1,237
Impact of CECL adoption	766	146	(3,962)	578	(911)	236	57	(3,090)
Charge-offs	—	—	—	—	—	(63)	(7,227)	(7,290)
Recoveries	—	—	—	—	—	3	702	705
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 4,415</u>	<u>\$ 2,012</u>	<u>\$ 4,365</u>	<u>\$ 3,176</u>	<u>\$ 4,807</u>	<u>\$ 531</u>	<u>\$ 6,848</u>	<u>\$ 26,154</u>
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ —	\$ 72	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 161	\$ —	\$ 233
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	4,415	1,940	4,365	3,176	4,807	370	6,848	25,921
Total	<u>\$ 4,415</u>	<u>\$ 2,012</u>	<u>\$ 4,365</u>	<u>\$ 3,176</u>	<u>\$ 4,807</u>	<u>\$ 531</u>	<u>\$ 6,848</u>	<u>\$ 26,154</u>
Loans:								
Ending balance: individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 793	\$ 2,130	\$ 2,979	\$ —	\$ 6,659	\$ 165	\$ —	\$ 12,726
Ending balance: collectively evaluated for impairment	342,896	150,181	547,580	342,343	497,266	19,614	8,966	1,908,846
Total	<u>\$ 343,689</u>	<u>\$ 152,311</u>	<u>\$ 550,559</u>	<u>\$ 342,343</u>	<u>\$ 503,925</u>	<u>\$ 19,779</u>	<u>\$ 8,966</u>	<u>\$ 1,921,572</u>

Loans are considered impaired when current information and events indicate all amounts due may not be collectable according to the contractual terms of the related loan agreements. Impaired loans are identified by applying normal loan review procedures in accordance with the allowance for credit losses methodology. Management periodically assesses loans to determine whether impairment exists. Any loan that is, or will potentially be, no longer performing in accordance with the terms of the original loan contract is evaluated to determine impairment.

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The following information relates to impaired loans as of and for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 and as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023:

<u>As of and For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance</u>	<u>Recorded Investment With No Allowance</u>	<u>Recorded Investment With Allowance</u>	<u>Total Recorded Investment (in thousands)</u>	<u>Related Allowance</u>	<u>Average Recorded Investment</u>	<u>Interest Income Recognized on a Cash Basis</u>
Mortgage loans:							
1-4 Family residential	\$ 2,286	\$ 1,858	\$ 448	\$ 2,306	\$ 81	\$ 2,501	\$ 15
Multifamily residential	5,703	5,754	—	5,754	—	4,277	60
Nonresidential properties	824	828	—	828	—	423	7
Construction and land	4,807	4,807	—	4,807	—	5,881	1,059
Nonmortgage loans:							
Business	396	—	396	396	396	277	5
Consumer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$ 14,016	\$ 13,247	\$ 844	\$ 14,091	\$ 477	\$ 13,359	\$ 1,146
<u>As of and For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance</u>	<u>Recorded Investment With No Allowance</u>	<u>Recorded Investment With Allowance</u>	<u>Total Recorded Investment (in thousands)</u>	<u>Related Allowance</u>	<u>Average Recorded Investment</u>	<u>Interest Income Recognized on a Cash Basis</u>
Mortgage loans:							
1-4 Family residential	\$ 2,990	\$ 2,533	\$ 455	\$ 2,988	\$ 73	\$ 7,794	\$ 43
Multifamily residential	1,435	1,435	—	1,435	—	958	—
Nonresidential properties	—	—	—	—	—	531	—
Construction and land	7,567	7,621	—	7,621	—	9,031	—
Nonmortgage loans:							
Business	—	—	—	—	—	20	—
Consumer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$ 11,992	\$ 11,589	\$ 455	\$ 12,044	\$ 73	\$ 18,334	\$ 43
<u>As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2023</u>	<u>Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance</u>	<u>Recorded Investment With No Allowance</u>	<u>Recorded Investment With Allowance</u>	<u>Total Recorded Investment (in thousands)</u>	<u>Related Allowance</u>	<u>Average Recorded Investment</u>	<u>Interest Income Recognized on a Cash Basis</u>
Mortgage loans:							
1-4 Family residential	\$ 2,906	\$ 2,475	\$ 448	\$ 2,923	\$ 72	\$ 4,812	\$ 82
Multifamily residential	2,966	2,979	—	2,979	—	1,463	151
Nonresidential properties	—	—	—	—	—	198	—
Construction and land	6,650	6,659	—	6,659	—	8,211	—
Nonmortgage loans:							
Business	165	—	165	165	161	104	—
Consumer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$ 12,687	\$ 12,113	\$ 613	\$ 12,726	\$ 233	\$ 14,788	\$ 233

The Company adopted Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2022-02 on January 1, 2023. Since adoption, the Company has not modified any loans with borrowers experiencing financial difficulty. These modifications may include a reduction in interest rate, an extension in term, principal forgiveness and/or other than insignificant payment delay. At June 30, 2024, and December 31, 2023, there were no loans with modifications to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty.

Prior to the adoption of ASU 2022-02 on January 1, 2023, the Company classified certain loans as troubled debt restructuring (“TDR”) loans when credit terms to a borrower in financial difficulty were modified, in accordance with ASC 310-40. With the adoption of ASU

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2022-02 as of January 1, 2023, the Company has ceased to recognize or measure for new TDRs but those existing at December 31, 2022 will remain until settled.

At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, there were 19 and 21 troubled debt restructured loans totaling \$5.4 million and \$5.9 million of which \$4.7 million and \$5.2 million are on accrual status, respectively. There were no commitments to lend additional funds to borrowers whose loans have been modified in a troubled debt restructuring.

Write-off and write-down of Microloans

In 2020, the Company entered into a business arrangement with the FinTech startup company Grain. Grain's product is a mobile application geared to the underbanked, minorities and new generations entering the financial services market. In employing this mobile application, the Bank uses non-traditional underwriting methodologies to provide revolving credit to borrowers who otherwise may gravitate to using alternative non-bank lenders. Under the terms of its former agreement with Grain, the Bank was the lender for Grain-originated microloans with credit lines currently up to \$1,500 and, where applicable, the depository for related security deposits. Grain originated and serviced these microloans and is responsible for maintaining compliance with the Bank's origination and servicing standards, as well as applicable regulatory and legal requirements. If a microloan was found to be fraudulent, became 90 days delinquent upon 90 days of origination or defaulted due to a failure of Grain to properly service the microloan, the Bank's applicable standards for origination or servicing were deemed to have not been complied with and the microloan was put back to Grain, who then became responsible for the microloan and any related losses. The microloans put back to Grain were accounted for as an "other asset," specifically referred to herein as the "Grain Receivable."

On November 1, 2023, Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Grain signed a Perpetual Software License Agreement in order for the Bank to assume the servicing of the remaining Grain loans. In order to facilitate the transfer of the servicing responsibilities to the Bank, Grain granted the Bank a perpetual right and license to use the Grain software, including the source code to service the remaining loans.

At June 30, 2024, the Bank had 10,098 Grain microloans outstanding with an aggregate balance totaling \$4.3 million and which were performing, in management's opinion, comparably to similar portfolios, offset by an \$3.6 million allowance for credit losses, resulting in \$0.7 million in Grain microloans. Since the beginning of the Bank's agreement with Grain and through June 30, 2024, 45,322 microloans amounting to \$24.0 million have been deemed to be fraudulent and put back to Grain. The Company has written-down a total of \$15.3 million, net of recoveries, of the Grain Receivable and received \$6.8 million in cash from Grain and through the application of security deposits connected to fraudulent loan accounts. The Bank also opted to use the \$1.8 million grant it received from the U.S. Treasury Department's Rapid Response Program to defray the Grain Receivable. The application of those amounts resulted in no net receivable. Additionally, the Company wrote-off its equity investment in Grain of \$1.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2022. As of June 30, 2024, the Company's total exposure to Grain was \$0.7 million of the remaining microloans, net of allowance for credit losses, excluding \$1.6 million of security deposits by Grain borrowers. The \$0.1 million of recoveries for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and the \$1.3 million recoveries for the six months ended June 30, 2023 related to Grain is included in non-interest expense in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Grain Technology, Inc. ("Grain") Total Exposure as of June 30, 2024
(in thousands)

Receivable from Grain	
Microloans originated - put back to Grain (inception-to-June 30, 2024)	\$ 23,986
Write-downs, net of recoveries (inception-to-date as of June 30, 2024)	(15,341)
Cash receipts from Grain (inception-to-June 30, 2024)	(6,819)
Grant/reserve (inception-to-June 30, 2024)	(1,826)
Net receivable as of June 30, 2024	\$ —
Microloan receivables from Grain borrowers	
Grain originated loans receivable as of June 30, 2024	\$ 4,277
Allowance for credit losses as of June 30, 2024 ⁽¹⁾	(3,623)
Microloans, net of allowance for credit losses as of June 30, 2024	\$ 654
Investments	
Investment in Grain	\$ 1,000
Investment in Grain write-off	(1,000)
Investment in Grain as of June 30, 2024	\$ —
Total exposure to Grain as of June 30, 2024 ⁽²⁾	\$ 654

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(1) Excludes \$1.6 million of security deposits by Grain originated borrowers reported in deposits in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Financial Conditions.

(2) Total remaining exposure to Grain borrowers. These loans are now serviced by the Bank.

Off-Balance Sheet Credit Losses

Also included within the scope of the CECL standard are off-balance sheet loan commitments, which includes the unfunded portion of committed lines of credit and construction loans.

The Company estimates expected credit losses over the contractual period in which the company is exposed to credit risk through a contractual obligation to extend credit, unless that obligation is unconditionally cancellable by the Company. The allowance for credit losses on off-balance sheet exposures is adjusted as a provision for credit loss expense. The Company uses similar assumptions and risk factors that are developed for collectively evaluated financing receivables. This estimate includes consideration of the likelihood that funding will occur and an estimate of expected credit losses on commitments to be funded over its estimated life.

At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the allowance for off-balance sheet credit losses was \$3.3 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, which is included in the "Other liabilities" on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition. During the three months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Company had \$0.5 million in benefit for credit losses and \$0.5 million in provision for credit losses, respectively, and \$0.3 million in benefit for credit losses and \$1.5 million in provision for credit losses for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, for off-balance-sheet items, which are included in "(Benefit) provision for contingencies" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The following table presents the activity in the allowance for off-balance-sheet credit losses:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2024	For the Year Ended December 31, 2023
	(in thousands)	
Allowance for credit losses on unfunded commitment at beginning of period	\$ 3,613	\$ 354
Impact on CECL adoption	—	948
(Benefit) provision for credit losses	(329)	2,311
Allowance for credit losses on unfunded commitment at end of period	<u>\$ 3,284</u>	<u>\$ 3,613</u>

Note 6. Leases

The Company has 17 operating leases for branches (including headquarters) and office spaces and six operating leases for equipment. Our leases have remaining lease terms ranging from less than one year to approximately 14.5 years, none of which has a renewal option reasonably certain of exercise, which has been reflected in the Company's calculation of lease term.

Certain leases have escalation clauses for operating expenses and real estate taxes. The Company's non-cancelable operating lease agreements expire through 2038.

Supplemental balance sheet information related to leases was as follows:

	June 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Operating lease ROU assets	\$ 30,349	\$ 31,272
Operating lease liabilities	31,861	32,684
Weighted-average remaining lease term-operating leases	12.2 years	12.6 years
Weighted average discount rate-operating leases	4.9%	4.9%

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The components of lease expense and cash flow information related to leases were as follows:

		For the Three Months Ended		For the Six Months Ended	
		June 30,		June 30,	
		2024	2023	2024	2023
(Dollars in thousands)					
Lease Cost					
Operating lease cost	Occupancy and equipment	\$ 1,021	\$ 1,079	\$ 2,047	\$ 2,094
Operating lease cost	Other operating expenses	19	6	22	10
Short-term lease cost	Other operating expenses	5	4	10	10
Variable lease cost	Occupancy and equipment	36	31	76	62
Total lease cost		<u>\$ 1,081</u>	<u>\$ 1,120</u>	<u>\$ 2,155</u>	<u>\$ 2,176</u>

The Company's minimum annual rental payments under the terms of the leases are as follows at June 30, 2024:

Years ended December 31:	Minimum Rental (in thousands)
Remainder of 2024	\$ 1,956
2025	3,864
2026	3,716
2027	3,561
2028	3,594
Thereafter	25,474
Total Minimum payments required	<u>42,165</u>
Less: implied interest	10,304
Present value of lease liabilities	<u>\$ 31,861</u>

Note 7. Deposits

Deposits at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 are summarized as follows:

	June 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
(in thousands)		
Demand ⁽¹⁾	\$ 178,125	\$ 185,151
Interest-bearing deposits:		
NOW/IOLA accounts ⁽¹⁾	81,178	77,909
Money market accounts	502,255	432,735
Reciprocal deposits	109,945	96,860
Savings accounts	109,694	114,139
Total NOW, money market, reciprocal and savings	<u>803,072</u>	<u>721,643</u>
Certificates of deposit of \$250K or more	156,224	132,153
Brokered certificates of deposits ⁽²⁾	94,614	98,729
Listing service deposits ⁽²⁾	9,361	14,433
Certificates of deposit less than \$250K	364,701	355,511
Total certificates of deposit	<u>624,900</u>	<u>600,826</u>
Total interest-bearing deposits	<u>1,427,972</u>	<u>1,322,469</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$ 1,606,097</u>	<u>\$ 1,507,620</u>

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- (1) As of December 31, 2023, \$58.2 million were reclassified from demand to NOW/IOLA accounts.
- (2) As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, there were \$1.5 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, in individual listing service deposits amounting to \$250,000 or more. All brokered certificates of deposit individually amounted to less than \$250,000.

At June 30, 2024 scheduled maturities of certificates of deposit were as follows:

	(in thousands)	
2024	\$	324,564
2025		201,905
2026		46,918
2027		46,968
2028		3,212
Thereafter		1,333
	\$	<u>624,900</u>

Overdrawn deposit accounts that have been reclassified to loans amounted to \$0.1 million as of both June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023.

Note 8. Borrowings

The Bank had outstanding term advances from the FHLBNY and the FRBNY at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 as indicated below.

FHLBNY Advances: As a member of the FHLBNY, the Bank has the ability to borrow from the FHLBNY based on a certain percentage of the value of the Bank's qualified collateral, as defined in the FHLBNY Statement of Credit Policy, at the time of the borrowing. In accordance with an agreement with the FHLBNY, the qualified collateral must be free and clear of liens, pledges and encumbrances.

The Bank had \$480.4 million and \$380.4 million of outstanding term advances from the FHLBNY at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. The Bank had no overnight line of credit advance from the FHLBNY at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023.

FRBNY Advances: The Bank also has additional borrowing capacity under a secured line with the FRBNY secured by 36.7% of our total securities portfolio with amortized cost of \$211.3 million at June 30, 2024. The Bank had \$200.0 million and \$304.0 million of outstanding term advances from the FRBNY at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

Borrowed funds at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 consist of the following and are summarized by maturity and call date below:

	June 30, 2024			December 31, 2023		
	Scheduled Maturity	Redeemable at Call Date	Weighted Average Rate	Scheduled Maturity	Redeemable at Call Date	Weighted Average Rate
(Dollars in thousands)						
Term advances ending:						
2024	\$ 109,321	\$ 109,321	4.69%	\$ 363,321	\$ 363,321	4.55%
2025	250,000	250,000	4.69	50,000	50,000	4.41
2026	50,000	50,000	4.83	—	—	—
2027	212,000	212,000	3.44	212,000	212,000	3.44
2028	9,100	9,100	3.84	9,100	9,100	3.84
Thereafter	50,000	50,000	3.35	50,000	50,000	3.35
	<u>\$ 680,421</u>	<u>\$ 680,421</u>	4.20%	<u>\$ 684,421</u>	<u>\$ 684,421</u>	4.10%

Interest expense on term advances totaled \$7.1 million and \$6.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 and \$15.1 million and \$10.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Note 9. Derivatives and Hedging

During 2023, the Company entered into two derivative financial instruments contracts to enhance its ability to manage interest rate risk that exist as part of its ongoing operations. The Company manages these risks as part of its asset and liability management process. The Company utilized derivative financial instruments to accommodate the business needs and to hedge the exposure that this creates for

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the Company. All derivatives are recognized as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and are measured at fair value. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

Interest Rate Swaps

The Bank is a party to two interest rate swap transactions designated as fair value hedges. One interest rate swap is for a period of two years effective October 12, 2023 and terminates on November 1, 2025 with a notional amount of \$150.0 million. The Bank will pay a fixed rate of interest of 4.885% and receive the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") rate. The other interest rate swap is for a period of three years effective October 12, 2023 and terminates on November 1, 2026 with a notional amount of \$100.0 million. The Bank will pay a fixed rate of interest of 4.62% and receive the SOFR rate.

The tables present the notional amount and fair value of derivatives designated as hedging instruments, as well as their location on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition.

	Notional	Fair Value	
		Loans Receivable	Other Liabilities
		(in thousands)	
As of June 30, 2024			
Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments			
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ 250,000	\$ 790	\$ 790
Total Derivatives	\$ 250,000	\$ 790	\$ 790

	Notional	Fair Value	
		Loans Receivable	Other Liabilities
		(in thousands)	
As of December 31, 2023			
Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments			
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ 250,000	\$ 4,435	\$ 4,435
Total Derivatives	\$ 250,000	\$ 4,435	\$ 4,435

Note 10. Earnings Per Share

The following table presents a reconciliation of the number of shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per common share:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		For the Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	(Dollars in thousands except share data)			
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ 3,117	\$ (87)	\$ 5,531	\$ 244
Common shares outstanding for basic EPS:				
Weighted average common shares outstanding	23,811,732	24,743,843	23,800,294	24,802,654
Less: Weighted average unallocated Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) shares	1,401,929	1,535,675	1,418,647	1,552,297
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	<u>22,409,803</u>	<u>23,208,168</u>	<u>22,381,647</u>	<u>23,250,357</u>
Basic earnings per common share	<u>\$ 0.14</u>	<u>\$ (0.00)</u>	<u>\$ 0.25</u>	<u>\$ 0.01</u>
Potential dilutive common shares:				
Add: Dilutive effect of restricted stock awards and stock options	9,506	—	11,371	24,844
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	<u>22,419,309</u>	<u>23,208,168</u>	<u>22,393,018</u>	<u>23,275,201</u>
Diluted earnings per common share	<u>\$ 0.14</u>	<u>\$ (0.00)</u>	<u>\$ 0.25</u>	<u>\$ 0.01</u>

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)**Note 11. Commitments, Contingencies and Credit Risk**

Financial Instruments With Off-Balance-Sheet Risk: In the normal course of business, financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk may be used to meet the financing needs of customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and letters of credit. These instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk and interest rate risk in excess of the amounts recognized on the Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition. The contractual amounts of these instruments reflect the extent of involvement in particular classes of financial instruments.

The contractual amounts of commitments to extend credit represent the amounts of potential accounting loss should the contract be fully drawn upon, the customer default, and the value of any existing collateral become worthless. The same credit policies are used in making commitments and contractual obligations as for on-balance-sheet instruments. Financial instruments whose contractual amounts represent credit risk at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 are as follows:

	June 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(in thousands)	
Commitments to grant mortgage loans	\$ 467,799	\$ 529,768
Unfunded commitments under lines of credit	54,398	61,739
	<u>\$ 522,197</u>	<u>\$ 591,507</u>

Commitments to Grant Mortgage Loans: Commitments to grant mortgage loans are agreements to lend to a customer as long as all terms and conditions are met as established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses, and may require payment of a fee by the borrower. Since some of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Each customer's creditworthiness is evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation of the counterparty. Collateral held varies, but may include accounts receivable, inventory, property and equipment, residential real estate and income-producing commercial properties. Material losses are not anticipated as a result of these transactions.

Commitments to Sell Loans at Lock-in Rates: In order to assure itself of a marketplace to sell its loans, The Bank has agreements with investors who will commit to purchase loans at locked-in rates. The Bank has off-balance sheet market risk to the extent that the Bank does not obtain matching commitments from these investors to purchase the loans. This will expose the Bank to the lower of cost or market valuation environment.

Repurchases, Indemnifications and Premium Recaptures: Loans sold by the Bank under investor programs are subject to repurchase or indemnification if they fail to meet the origination criteria of those programs. In addition, loans sold to investors are also subject to repurchase or indemnifications if the loan is two or three months delinquent during a set period which usually varies from six months to a year after the loan is sold. There are no open repurchase or indemnification requests for loans sold as a correspondent lender or where the Company acted as a broker in the transaction as of June 30, 2024.

Unfunded Commitments Under Lines of Credit: Unfunded commitments under commercial lines of credit, revolving credit lines and overdraft protection agreements are commitments for possible future extension of credit to existing customers. These lines of credit are uncollateralized and usually contain a specified maturity date and, ultimately, may not be drawn upon to the total extent to which the Company is committed.

Unfunded Commitments with Oaktree: In December of 2021, the Bank committed to invest \$5.0 million in Oaktree SBIC Fund, L.P. ("Oaktree"). As of June 30, 2024, the total unfunded commitment was \$2.2 million.

Unfunded Commitments with Silvergate: In April of 2022, the Company committed to invest \$5.2 million in EJV Silvergate Ventures Fund LP ("Silvergate"). As of June 30, 2024, the total unfunded commitment was \$1.9 million.

Letters of Credit: Letters of credit are conditional commitments issued to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. These guarantees are primarily issued to support public and private borrowing arrangements. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan facilities to customers. Letters of credit are largely cash secured.

Concentration by Geographic Location: Loans, commitments to extend credit and letters of credit have been granted to customers who are located primarily in the New York City metropolitan area. Generally, such loans most often are secured by residential properties. The loans are expected to be repaid from the borrowers' cash flows.

Legal Matters: The Company is involved in various legal proceedings which have arisen in the normal course of business. Management believes that resolution of these matters will not have a material effect on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

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Note 12. Fair Value

The following fair value hierarchy is used based on the lowest level of input significant to the fair value measurement. There are three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair values:

Level 1 – Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date.

Level 2 – Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3 – Significant unobservable inputs that reflect a company's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

The Company used the following methods and significant assumptions to estimate fair value:

Cash and Cash Equivalents, Placements with Banks, Accrued Interest Receivable, Advance Payments by Borrowers for Taxes and Insurance, and Accrued Interest Payable: The carrying amount is a reasonable estimate of fair value. These assets and liabilities are not recorded at fair value on a recurring basis.

Available-for-Sale Securities: These financial instruments are recorded at fair value in the consolidated financial statements on a recurring basis. Where quoted prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. If quoted prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by using pricing models (e.g., matrix pricing) or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics and are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy. Examples of such instruments include government agency bonds and mortgage-backed securities. Level 3 securities are securities for which significant unobservable inputs are utilized. There were no changes in valuation techniques used to measure similar assets during the period.

FHLBNY Stock: The carrying value of FHLBNY stock approximates fair value since the Bank can redeem such stock with FHLBNY at cost. As a member of the FHLBNY, the Company is required to purchase this stock, which is carried at cost and classified as restricted equity securities.

Loans Receivable: For variable rate loans, which reprice frequently and have no significant change in credit risk, carrying values are a reasonable estimate of fair values, adjusted for credit losses inherent in the portfolios. The fair value of fixed rate loans is estimated by discounting the future cash flows using estimated market rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining maturities, adjusted for credit losses inherent in the portfolios. Impaired loans are valued using a present value discounted cash flow method, or the fair value of the collateral. Loans are not recorded at fair value on a recurring basis.

Loans Held for Sale: Loans held for sale, at fair value, consists of loans originated for sale by the Bank and accounted for under the fair value option. These assets are valued using stated investor pricing for substantially equivalent loans as Level 2. In determining fair value, such measurements are derived based on observable market data, including whole-loan transaction pricing and similar market transactions adjusted for portfolio composition, servicing value and market conditions. Loans held for sale by the Bank are carried at the lower of cost or fair value as determined by investor bid prices.

Under the fair value option, management has elected, on an instrument-by-instrument basis, fair value for substantially all forms of mortgage loans originated for sale on a recurring basis. The fair value carrying amount of mortgages held for sale measured under the fair value option was \$37.8 million and the aggregate unpaid principal amounted to \$37.7 million.

Other Real Estate Owned: Other real estate owned represents real estate acquired through foreclosure, and is recorded at fair value less estimated disposal costs on a nonrecurring basis. Fair value is based upon independent market prices, appraised values of the collateral or management's estimation of the value of the collateral. When the fair value of the collateral is based on an observable market price or a current appraised value, the asset is classified as Level 2. When an appraised value is not available or management determines the fair value of the collateral is further impaired below the appraised value and there is no observable market price, the asset is classified as Level 3.

Deposits: The fair values of demand deposits, savings, NOW and money market accounts equal their carrying amounts, which represent the amounts payable on demand at the reporting date. Fair values for fixed-term, fixed-rate certificates of deposit are estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies market interest rates on certificates of deposit to a schedule of aggregated expected monthly maturities on such deposits. Deposits are not recorded at fair value on a recurring basis.

FHLBNY Advances: The fair value of the advances is estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies current market-based FHLBNY interest rates for advances of similar maturity to a schedule of maturities of such advances. These borrowings are not recorded at fair value on a recurring basis.

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Derivatives: The Company works directly with a third-party vendor to provide periodic valuations for its interest-rate risk-management agreements to determine fair value of its interest rate swaps executed for interest-rate risk management. The vendor utilizes standard valuation methodologies applicable to interest rate derivatives based on readily observable market data and are therefore considered Level 2 valuations.

Off-Balance-Sheet Instruments: Fair values for off-balance-sheet instruments (lending commitments and standby letters of credit) are based on fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and the counterparties' credit standing. Off-balance-sheet instruments are not recorded at fair value on a recurring basis.

The following tables detail the assets that are carried at fair value and measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, and indicate the level within the fair value hierarchy utilized to determine the fair value:

Description	Total	June 30, 2024		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
(in thousands)				
Available-for-Sale Securities, at fair value:				
U.S. Government Bonds	\$ 2,796	\$ 2,796	\$ —	\$ —
Corporate bonds	23,914	—	23,914	—
Mortgage-Backed Securities:				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	30,606	—	30,606	—
FHLMC Certificates	8,088	—	8,088	—
FNMA Certificates	47,623	—	47,623	—
GNMA Certificates	98	—	98	—
Mortgage Loans Held for Sale, at fair value	37,764	—	37,764	—
Interest rate swap	790	—	790	—
	<u>\$ 151,679</u>	<u>\$ 2,796</u>	<u>\$ 148,883</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

Description	Total	December 31, 2023		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
(in thousands)				
Available-for-Sale Securities, at fair value:				
U.S. Government Bonds	\$ 2,784	\$ 2,784	\$ —	\$ —
Corporate bonds	23,668	536	23,132	—
Mortgage-Backed Securities:				
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	33,148	—	33,148	—
FHLMC Certificates	8,681	—	8,681	—
FNMA Certificates	51,517	—	51,517	—
GNMA Certificates	104	—	104	—
Mortgage Loans Held for Sale, at fair value	9,980	—	9,980	—
Interest rate swap	4,435	—	4,435	—
	<u>\$ 134,317</u>	<u>\$ 3,320</u>	<u>\$ 130,997</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

Management's assessment and classification of an investment within a level can change over time based upon maturity or liquidity of the investment and would be reflected at the beginning of the quarter in which the change occurred.

The following tables detail the assets carried at fair value and measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis as of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 and indicate the fair value hierarchy utilized to determine the fair value:

	June 30, 2024			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
(in thousands)				
Impaired loans	<u>\$ 14,091</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 14,091</u>

	December 31, 2023			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
(in thousands)				
Impaired loans	<u>\$ 12,726</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 12,726</u>

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Losses on assets carried at fair value on a nonrecurring basis were *de minimis* for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the carrying values and estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments were as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Fair Value Measurements			Total
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
(in thousands)					
June 30, 2024					
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 103,166	\$ 103,166	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 103,166
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value	113,125	2,796	110,329	—	113,125
Held-to-maturity securities, at amortized cost, net	442,113	—	425,645	—	425,645
Placements with banks	249	—	249	—	249
Mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value	37,764	—	37,764	—	37,764
	2,022,17			1,980,1	1,980,1
Loans receivable, net	3	—	—	12	12
Accrued interest receivable	17,441	—	17,441	—	17,441
FHLBNY stock	23,972	23,972	—	—	23,972
Interest rate swap	790	—	790	—	790
Financial liabilities:					
Deposits:					
Demand deposits	178,125	178,125	—	—	178,125
Interest-bearing deposits	803,072	803,072	—	—	803,072
Certificates of deposit	624,900	—	618,206	—	618,206
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	10,838	—	10,838	—	10,838
Borrowings	680,421	—	667,493	—	667,493
Interest rate swap	790	—	790	—	790
Accrued interest payable	6,820	—	6,820	—	6,820

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	Carrying Amount	Fair Value Measurements			Total
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
(in thousands)					
December 31, 2023					
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 139,190	\$ 139,190	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 139,190
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value	119,902	3,320	116,582	—	119,902
Held-to-maturity securities, at amortized cost	461,748	—	450,042	—	450,042
Placements with banks	249	—	249	—	249
Mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value	9,980	—	9,980	—	9,980
	1,895,88			1,844,5	1,844,5
Loans receivable, net	6	—	—	07	07
Accrued interest receivable	18,010	—	18,010	—	18,010
FHLBNY stock	19,377	19,377	—	—	19,377
Interest rate swap	4,435	—	4,435	—	4,435
Financial liabilities:					
Deposits:					
Demand deposits ⁽¹⁾	185,151	185,151	—	—	185,151
Interest-bearing deposits ⁽¹⁾	721,643	721,643	—	—	721,643
Certificates of deposit	600,826	—	594,234	—	594,234
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	10,778	—	10,778	—	10,778
Borrowings	684,421	—	674,155	—	674,155
Interest rate swap	4,435	—	4,435	—	4,435
Accrued interest payable	11,965	—	11,965	—	11,965

(1) As of December 31, 2023, \$58.2 million were reclassified from demand deposits to interest-bearing deposits.

The Company recognizes transfers between levels of the valuation hierarchy at the end of the applicable reporting periods. There were no transfers of Level 3 assets in the fair value hierarchy at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. Fair value for Level 3 securities was determined using a third-party pricing service with limited levels of activity and price transparency.

Off-Balance-Sheet Instruments: Loan commitments on which the committed interest rate is less than the current market rate are insignificant at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023.

The fair value information about financial instruments are disclosed, whether or not recognized in the consolidated statements of financial condition, for which it is practicable to estimate that value. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts presented do not represent the underlying value of the Company. The estimated fair value amounts for 2024 and 2023 have been measured as of their respective period-ends and have not been reevaluated or updated for purposes of these consolidated financial statements subsequent to those respective dates. As such, the estimated fair values of these financial instruments subsequent to the respective reporting dates may be different than amounts reported at each period.

The information presented should not be interpreted as an estimate of the fair value of the entire Company since a fair value calculation is only required for a limited portion of the Company's assets and liabilities. Due to the wide range of valuation techniques and the degree of subjectivity used in making the estimates, comparisons between the Company's disclosures and those of other banks may not be meaningful.

Note 13. Regulatory Capital Requirements

The Company and the Bank are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the Federal Reserve Board, the OCC and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possibly additional discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Company's operations and financial statements. Under the regulatory capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Company must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of the Company's assets, liabilities and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The Company's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulation require the maintenance of minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the table below) of total risk-based and Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets (as defined), common equity Tier 1 capital (as defined), and Tier 1 capital

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to adjusted total assets (as defined) adjusted total assets (as defined). As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the applicable capital adequacy requirements specified below have been met.

The below minimum capital requirements exclude the capital conservation buffer required to avoid limitations on capital distributions including dividend payments and certain discretionary bonus payments to executive officers. The applicable capital buffer for the Bank was 14.5% at June 30, 2024 and 15.3% at December 31, 2023.

The most recent notification from the OCC categorized the Bank as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized, the Company and the Bank must maintain minimum total risk-based, common equity risk-based, Tier 1 risk-based and Tier 1 leverage ratios as set forth in the table below. There were no conditions or events since then that have changed the Bank's category.

The Company's and the Bank's actual capital amounts and ratios as of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 as compared to regulatory requirements are as follows:

	Actual		For Capital Adequacy Purposes		To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousands)						
June 30, 2024						
Ponce Financial Group, Inc.						
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	\$ 542,647	23.86%	\$ 181,979	8.00%	\$ 227,474	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	514,213	22.61%	136,485	6.00%	181,979	8.00%
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital Ratio	289,213	12.71%	102,363	4.50%	147,858	6.50%
Tier 1 Capital to Total Assets	514,213	17.88%	115,007	4.00%	143,759	5.00%
Ponce Bank						
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	\$ 501,657	22.47%	\$ 178,613	8.00%	\$ 223,266	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	474,313	21.24%	133,959	6.00%	178,613	8.00%
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital Ratio	474,313	21.24%	100,470	4.50%	145,123	6.50%
Tier 1 Capital to Total Assets	474,313	16.70%	113,638	4.00%	142,047	5.00%
(Dollars in thousands)						
December 31, 2023						
Ponce Financial Group, Inc.						
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	\$ 533,513	25.06%	\$ 170,302	8.00%	\$ 212,878	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	507,042	23.82%	127,727	6.00%	170,302	8.00%
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital Ratio	282,042	13.25%	95,795	4.50%	138,371	6.50%
Tier 1 Capital to Total Assets	507,042	19.71%	102,911	4.00%	128,639	5.00%
Ponce Bank						
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	\$ 492,622	23.30%	\$ 169,153	8.00%	\$ 211,441	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	466,151	22.05%	126,865	6.00%	169,153	8.00%
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital Ratio	466,151	22.05%	95,149	4.50%	137,437	6.50%
Tier 1 Capital to Total Assets	466,151	17.49%	106,591	4.00%	133,239	5.00%

Ponce Bank, through its Mortgage World division, is subject to various net worth requirements in connection with lending agreements that Ponce Bank has entered with purchase facility lenders. Failure to maintain minimum capital requirements could result in the Bank's Mortgage World division being unable to originate and service loans, and, therefore, could have a direct material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Bank was in compliance with the applicable minimum capital requirements specified above.

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Note 14. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The accumulated other comprehensive loss is as follows:

	June 30, 2024		
	December 31, 2023	Change	June 30, 2024
	(in thousands)		
Unrealized losses on available-for-sale securities, net	\$ (15,649)	\$ (908)	\$ (16,557)
Total	\$ (15,649)	\$ (908)	\$ (16,557)

	December 31, 2023		
	December 31, 2022	Change	December 31, 2023
	(in thousands)		
Unrealized losses on available-for-sale securities, net	\$ (17,860)	\$ 2,211	\$ (15,649)
Total	\$ (17,860)	\$ 2,211	\$ (15,649)

Note 15. Transactions with Related Parties

Directors, executive officers and non-executive officers of the Company have been customers of and have had transactions with the Bank, and it is expected that such persons will continue to have such transactions in the future. Aggregate loan transactions with related parties for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		For the Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	(in thousand)			
Beginning balance	\$ 9,942	\$ 8,829	\$ 8,810	\$ 8,318
Originations	410	50	1,592	627
Payments	(1,049)	(265)	(1,099)	(331)
Ending balance	\$ 9,303	\$ 8,614	\$ 9,303	\$ 8,614

The Company held deposits in the amount of \$8.9 million and \$8.4 million from directors, executive officers and non-executive officers at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

General

Management's discussion and analysis of the financial condition at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, and results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, is intended to assist in understanding the financial condition and results of operations of Ponce Financial Group, Inc. (the "Company"). The information contained in this section should be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements and the notes thereto appearing in Part I, Item 1, of this quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This quarterly report contains forward-looking statements, which can be identified by the use of words such as "estimate," "project," "intend," "anticipate," "assume," "plan," "seek," "expect," "will," "may," "should," "indicate," "would," "believe," "contemplate," "continue," "target" and words of similar meaning. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- statements of the Company's goals, intentions and expectations;
- statements regarding its business plans, prospects, growth and operating strategies;
- statements regarding the quality of its loan and investment portfolios; and
- estimates of the risks and future costs and benefits;

These forward-looking statements are based on current beliefs and expectations and are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond the Company's control. In addition, these forward-looking statements are subject to assumptions with respect to future business strategies and decisions that are subject to change.

The following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements:

- the scope, duration and severity of rising interest rates, and its effects on our business and operations, our customers, including their ability to make timely payments on loans, our service providers, and on the economy and financial markets in general;
- changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits;
- general economic conditions, either nationally or in the market areas, that are worse than expected;
- the Company's ability to manage market risk, credit risk and operational risk in the current economic environment;
- changes in the level and direction of loan delinquencies and write-offs and changes in estimates of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses;
- the ability to access cost-effective funding;
- fluctuations in real estate values and real estate market conditions;
- demand for loans and deposits in the market area;
- the Company's ability to implement and change its business strategies;
- competition among depository and other financial institutions;
- inflation and changes in the interest rate environment that reduce the Company's margins and yields, its mortgage banking revenues, the fair value of financial instruments or the level of loan originations, or increase the level of defaults, losses and prepayments on loans the Company have made and make;
- adverse changes in the securities or secondary mortgage markets;
- changes in laws or government regulations or policies affecting financial institutions, including changes in regulatory fees and capital requirements;
- adverse changes related to the businesses of our partners, including Grain Technology, Inc. ("Grain") specifically (as defined herein);
- changes in the quality or composition of the Company's loan or investment portfolios;
- technological changes that may be more difficult or expensive than expected;

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- the inability of third party providers to perform as expected;
- the Company's ability to enter new markets successfully and capitalize on growth opportunities;
- the Company's ability to successfully integrate into its operations, any assets, liabilities, customers, systems and management personnel the Company may acquire and management's ability to realize related revenue synergies and cost savings within expected time frames, and any goodwill charges related thereto;
- changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the bank regulatory agencies, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board;
- the Company's ability to retain key employees;
- the Company's compensation expense associated with equity allocated or awarded to its employees; and
- changes in the financial condition, results of operations or future prospects of issuers of securities that the Company may own.

Additional factors that may affect the Company's results are discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 under the heading "Risk Factors" filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 19, 2024.

Because of these and other uncertainties, our actual future results may be materially different from the results indicated by these forward-looking statements. The Company is under no duty to and does not assume any obligation to update any forward-looking statements after the date they were made, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Federal Economic Relief Funds To Aid Lending

Emergency Capital Investment Program

On June 7, 2022, the Company closed a private placement (the "Private Placement") of 225,000 shares of the Company's Senior Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, par value \$0.01 (the "Preferred Stock") for an aggregate purchase price equal to \$225.0 million in cash, to the United States Department of the Treasury (the "Treasury") pursuant to the Emergency Capital Investment Program ("ECIP"). The holders of the Preferred Stock will be entitled to a dividend payable in cash quarterly at an annual rate dependent on certain factors as reported by the Company to Treasury in a quarterly supplemental report. The initial dividend rate is zero percent for the first two years after issuance, and thereafter the floor dividend rate is 0.50% and the ceiling dividend rate is 2.00%, based on achievement of certain qualified lending targets. After 10 years of issuance, the perpetual dividend rate in effect, will be determined based on said floor and ceiling.

The Company began paying dividends on its Preferred Stock during the quarter ended June 30, 2024, as required by the terms thereof. The Bank exceeded the dividend rate reduction threshold for qualified lending targets designated by the U.S. Treasury Department pursuant to the ECIP. The Bank's "qualified lending" as measured pursuant to ECIP totaled \$1.162 billion from June 8, 2023 through March 31, 2024. This reduces the dividend obligation on the Preferred Stock to 0.50% for the quarterly dividends payable through June 2025.

The ECIP investment by the Treasury is part of a program to invest over \$8.7 billion into Community Development Financial Institution ("CDFI") or Minority Depository Institution ("MDI"), of which Ponce Bank is both. The ECIP is intended to incentivize CDFIs and MDIs to provide loans, grants, and forbearance to small businesses, minority-owned businesses, and consumers in low-income and underserved communities that may have been disproportionately impacted by the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the Preferred Stock will be entitled to a liquidation preference, subject to certain limitations, in the amount of the sum of \$1,000 per share plus declared and unpaid dividends (without accumulation of undeclared dividends) on each share.

CDFI Equitable Recovery Program

On September 26, 2023, the Bank received a \$3.7 million grant from the U.S. Treasury as part of the CDFI Equitable Recovery Program ("ERP") which aims to help CDFI's further their mission of helping low and low-to-moderate income communities recover from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Bank Enterprise Award Program

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On November 6, 2023, the Bank received a \$0.5 million grant as part of the Bank Enterprise Award Program from the CDFI. Awards under the Bank Enterprise Award Program are subject to the program terms and must be used for qualified activities, which include providing loans, investments and financial services to residents and businesses in distressed communities.

Derivatives and Hedging

During 2023, the Company entered into two derivative financial instruments contracts to enhance its ability to manage interest rate risk that exist as part of its ongoing operations. The Company manages these risks as part of its asset and liability management process. The Company utilized derivative financial instruments to accommodate the business needs and to hedge the exposure that this creates for the Company. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

Interest Rate Swaps

The Bank is a party to two interest rate swap transactions. One interest rate swap is for a period of two years effective October 12, 2023 and terminates on November 1, 2025 with a notional amount of \$150.0 million. The Bank will pay a fixed rate of interest of 4.885% and receive the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") rate. The other interest rate swap is for a period of three years effective October 12, 2023 and terminates on November 1, 2026 with a notional amount of \$100.0 million. The Bank will pay a fixed rate of interest of 4.62% and receive the SOFR rate.

Critical Accounting Policies

Accounting estimates are necessary in the application of certain accounting policies and procedures and are particularly susceptible to significant change. Critical accounting policies are defined as those involving significant judgments and assumptions by management and that could have a material impact on the carrying value of certain assets, liabilities or on income under different assumptions or conditions. Management believes that the most critical accounting policy relates to the allowance for credit losses.

The allowance for credit losses is established as probable incurred losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for credit losses charged to earnings. Credit losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance. If our loss rate factor was to increase 10 basis points, our reserve would increase by approximately \$2.0 million. Likewise, if our loss rate factor was to decrease 10 basis points, our reserve would decrease by approximately \$2.0 million.

The discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of operations are based on the Company's consolidated financial statements, which are prepared in conformity with GAAP. The preparation of these consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions affecting the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of income and expenses. The estimates and assumptions used are based on historical experience and various other factors and are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions, resulting in a change that could have a material impact on the carrying value of our assets and liabilities and our results of operations.

See Note 1, "Nature of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies," to the accompanying Financial Statements for a discussion of significant accounting policies.

Factors Affecting the Comparability of Results

Write-off and Write-Down.

In 2020, the Company entered into a business arrangement with the FinTech startup company Grain. Grain's product is a mobile application geared to the underbanked, minorities and new generations entering the financial services market. In employing this mobile application, the Bank uses non-traditional underwriting methodologies to provide revolving credit to borrowers who otherwise may gravitate to using alternative non-bank lenders. Under the terms of its former agreement with Grain, the Bank was the lender for Grain-originated microloans with credit lines currently up to \$1,500 and, where applicable, the depository for related security deposits. Grain originated and serviced these microloans and is responsible for maintaining compliance with the Bank's origination and servicing standards, as well as applicable regulatory and legal requirements. If a microloan was found to be fraudulent, became 90 days delinquent upon 90 days of origination or defaulted due to a failure of Grain to properly service the microloan, the Bank's applicable standards for origination or servicing were deemed to have not been complied with and the microloan was put back to Grain, who then became responsible for the microloan and any related losses. The microloans put back to Grain were accounted for as an "other asset," specifically referred to herein as the "Grain Receivable." Grain was victimized by cyber fraud using synthetic and other forms of fraudulent identifications, a phenomenon that has become prevalent with Fintechs. Pursuant to the terms of its arrangement with Grain, loans found to be fraudulent were put back to Grain and the Company discontinued originating new loans with Grain after May 31, 2022.

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On November 1, 2023, Ponce Financial Group, Inc. and Grain signed a Perpetual Software License Agreement in order for the Bank to assume the servicing of the remaining Grain loans. In order to facilitate the transfer of the servicing responsibilities to the Bank, Grain granted the Bank a perpetual right and license to use the Grain software, including the source code to service the remaining loans.

At June 30, 2024, the Bank had 10,098 Grain microloans outstanding with an aggregate balance totaling \$4.3 million and which were performing, in management's opinion, comparably to similar portfolios, offset by an \$3.6 million allowance for credit losses, resulting in \$0.7 million in Grain microloans. Since the beginning of the Bank's agreement with Grain and through June 30, 2024, 45,322 microloans amounting to \$24.0 million have been deemed to be fraudulent and put back to Grain. The Company has written-down a total of \$15.3 million, net of recoveries, of the Grain Receivable and received \$6.8 million in cash from Grain and through the application of security deposits connected to fraudulent loan accounts. The Bank also opted to use the \$1.8 million grant it received from the U.S. Treasury Department's Rapid Response Program to defray the Grain Receivable. The application of those amounts resulted in no net receivable. Additionally, the Company wrote-off its equity investment in Grain of \$1.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2022. As of June 30, 2024, the Company's total exposure to Grain was \$0.7 million of the remaining microloans, net of allowance for credit losses, excluding \$1.6 million of security deposits by Grain borrowers. The \$0.1 million of recoveries for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and the \$1.3 million recoveries for the six months ended June 30, 2023 related to Grain is included in non-interest expense in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Grain Technology, Inc. ("Grain") Total Exposure as of June 30, 2024 (in thousands)

Receivable from Grain	
Microloans originated - put back to Grain (inception-to-June 30, 2024)	\$ 23,986
Write-downs, net of recoveries (inception-to-date as of June 30, 2024)	(15,341)
Cash receipts from Grain (inception-to-June 30, 2024)	(6,819)
Grant/reserve (inception-to-June 30, 2024)	(1,826)
Net receivable as of June 30, 2024	\$ —
Microloan receivables from Grain borrowers	
Grain originated loans receivable as of June 30, 2024	\$ 4,277
Allowance for credit losses as of June 30, 2024 ⁽¹⁾	(3,623)
Microloans, net of allowance for credit losses as of June 30, 2024	\$ 654
Investments	
Investment in Grain	\$ 1,000
Investment in Grain write-off	(1,000)
Investment in Grain as of June 30, 2024	\$ —
Total exposure to Grain as of June 30, 2024 ⁽²⁾	\$ 654

(1) Excludes \$1.6 million of security deposits by Grain originated borrowers reported in deposits in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Financial Conditions.

(2) Total remaining exposure to Grain borrowers. These loans are now serviced by the Bank.

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The Company has deployed a Fintech-based small business automated lending technology in partnership with LendingFront Technologies, Inc. The technology is a mobile application that digitizes the lending workflow from pre-approval to servicing and enables the Company to originate, close and fund small business loans within very short spans of time, without requiring a physical presence within banking offices and with automated underwriting using both traditional and non-traditional methods. The application has full loan origination and servicing capabilities and is integrated with Salesforce. All Commercial Relationship Officers and Business Development Managers will utilize these capabilities. The Company is seeking to establish loan origination partnerships with non-profit and community-based organizations to ensure penetration in underserved and underbanked markets.

The Company also established a relationship with Raisin Solutions US LLC ("Raisin") (formerly known as SaveBetter, LLC), a fintech startup focusing on deposits. As of June 30, 2024, the Company had \$433.7 million in such deposits. The recent regulatory easing of brokered deposit rules enables the Company to classify such deposits as core deposits.

On October 1, 2022, the Company entered into a Membership Interest Purchase Agreement with Bamboo Payment Holding LLC ("Bamboo"), pursuant to which the Company purchased from Bamboo 180 Membership Interest Units representing 19.84% of the total issued and outstanding Membership Interest in Bamboo for an investment of \$4.4 million. With over a decade processing payments in

Latin America, Bamboo has a diverse network connects Latin American local payment processing to global companies as well as domestic solutions to locally based organizations.

At December 31, 2018, the Company had approximately \$1.06 billion in assets, \$918.5 million in loans and \$809.8 million in deposits. The Company has since grown to \$2.84 billion in assets, \$2.02 billion in loans receivables, net of allowance for credit losses of \$24.1 million, and \$1.61 billion in deposits at June 30, 2024, all while investing in infrastructure, implementing digital banking, diversifying its product offering and partnering with Fintech companies. Now, the Company believes that it is poised to enhance its presence, locally and in similar communities outside New York, as a leading CDFI and MDI financial institution holding company.

On June 7, 2022, the Company issued 225,000 shares of the Company's Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 for an aggregate purchase price equal to \$225.0 million in cash to the Treasury, pursuant to the Treasury's ECIP. Under the ECIP, Treasury provided investment capital directly to depository institutions that are CDFIs or MDIs or their holding companies, to provide loans, grants, and forbearance for small businesses, minority-owned businesses, and consumers, in low-income and underserved communities. Treasury has indicated that the investment will qualify as Tier 1 capital. No dividends will accrue or be due for the first two years after issuance. For years three through ten, depending upon the level of qualified and/or deep impact lending made in targeted communities, as defined in the ECIP guidelines, dividends will be at an annual rate of either 2.0%, 1.25% or 0.5% and, thereafter, will be fixed at one of the foregoing rates. The Company began paying dividends on its Preferred Stock during the quarter ended June 30, 2024, as required by the terms thereof. The Bank exceeded the dividend rate reduction threshold for qualified lending targets designated by the U.S. Treasury Department pursuant to the ECIP. The Bank's "qualified lending" as measured pursuant to ECIP totaled \$1.162 billion from June 8, 2023 through March 31, 2024. This reduces the dividend obligation on the Preferred Stock to 0.50% for the quarterly dividends payable through June 2025.

Holder of Preferred Stock generally do not have any voting rights, with the exception of voting rights on certain matters as outlined in the Certificate of Designations. The Company has the option to redeem the shares of Preferred Stock (i) in whole or in part on any dividend payment date on or after June 15, 2027, or (ii) in whole but not in part at any time within ninety days following a Regulatory Capital Treatment Event, as defined below, in each case at a cash redemption price equal to the liquidation amount, with an amount equal to any dividends that have been declared but not paid prior to the redemption date. The Company may not redeem shares of Preferred Stock without having received the prior approval of the appropriate Federal banking agency for the Company, as defined in Section 3(q) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, to the extent required under applicable capital rules. Such redemptions are subject to certain conditions and limitations. In the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the Preferred Stock will be entitled to a liquidation preference, subject to certain limitations, in the amount of the sum of \$1,000 per share plus declared and unpaid dividends (without accumulation of undeclared dividends) on each share.

A "Regulatory Capital Treatment Event" means a good-faith determination that, as a result of (i) any amendment to, or change in, the laws, rules or regulations of the United States or any political subdivision of or in the United States (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any agency or instrumentality of the United States, including the Federal Reserve and other appropriate federal bank regulatory agencies) that is enacted or becomes effective after the initial issuance of any share of the Preferred Stock; (ii) any proposed change in those laws, rules or regulations that is announced after the initial issuance of any share of the Preferred Stock; or (iii) any official administrative or judicial decision or administrative action or other official pronouncement interpreting or applying those laws, rules or regulations or policies with respect thereto that is announced or becomes effective after the initial issuance of the Preferred Stock, there is more than an insubstantial risk that we will not be entitled to treat the full liquidation preferences of the shares of Preferred Stock then outstanding as "Additional Tier 1 Capital" (or its equivalent) for purposes of the capital adequacy standards of Federal Reserve Regulation Q, 12 C.F.R. Part 217 (or, as and if applicable, the successor capital adequacy guidelines, rules or regulations of the Federal Reserve or the capital adequacy guidelines, rules or regulations of any successor appropriate federal banking agency), as then in effect and applicable, for as long as any share of Preferred Stock is outstanding.

Comparison of Financial Condition at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023

Total Assets. Total consolidated assets increased \$91.3 million, or 3.3%, to \$2.84 billion at June 30, 2024 from \$2.75 billion at December 31, 2023. The increase in total assets is largely attributable to increases of \$126.3 million in net loans receivable, \$27.8 million in mortgage loans held for sale and \$4.6 million in Federal Home Loan Bank of New York stock, partially offset by decreases of \$36.0 million in cash and cash equivalents, \$19.6 million in held-to-maturity securities, \$6.8 million in available-for-sale securities, \$3.2 million in other assets, \$1.2 million in deferred tax assets and \$0.6 million in accrued interest receivable.

Cash and Cash Equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents decreased \$36.0 million, or 25.9%, to \$103.2 million at June 30, 2024, compared to \$139.2 million at December 31, 2023. The decrease in cash and cash equivalents was primarily the result of an increase of \$142.5 million in net loans, \$6.0 million in purchase of loans, \$5.1 million decrease in accrued interest payable, an increase of \$4.7 million in loans held for sale, \$4.6 million in purchase of FHLB stock and \$4.0 million repayment of borrowings. The decrease in cash

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and cash equivalents was offset by an increase of \$98.5 million in net deposits, \$25.5 million in principal repayment on securities and \$3.2 million decrease in other assets.

Securities. The composition of securities at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 and the amounts maturing of each classification are summarized as follows:

	June 30, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
(in thousands)				
Available-for-Sale Securities:				
U.S. Government Bonds:				
Amounts maturing:				
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	—	—	—	—
More than one year through five years	2,992	2,796	2,990	2,784
More than five years through ten years	—	—	—	—
	<u>2,992</u>	<u>2,796</u>	<u>2,990</u>	<u>2,784</u>
Corporate Bonds:				
Amounts maturing:				
Three months or less	4,000	3,960	—	—
More than three months through one year	—	—	4,000	3,863
More than one year through five years	1,000	598	1,000	536
More than five years through ten years	20,773	19,356	20,790	19,269
	<u>25,773</u>	<u>23,914</u>	<u>25,790</u>	<u>23,668</u>
Mortgage-Backed Securities	105,393	86,415	111,001	93,450
Total Available-for-Sale Securities	<u>\$ 134,158</u>	<u>\$ 113,125</u>	<u>\$ 139,781</u>	<u>\$ 119,902</u>
Held-to-Maturity Securities:				
U.S. Agency Bonds:				
Amounts maturing:				
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	—	—	—	—
More than one year through five years	25,000	24,747	25,000	24,819
More than five years through ten years	—	—	—	—
	<u>25,000</u>	<u>24,747</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>24,819</u>
Corporate Bonds:				
Amounts maturing:				
Three months or less	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
More than three months through one year	35,000	34,529	25,000	24,650
More than one year through five years	40,000	39,081	50,000	48,265
More than five years through ten years	7,500	6,660	7,500	6,894
	<u>82,500</u>	<u>80,270</u>	<u>82,500</u>	<u>79,809</u>
Mortgage-Backed Securities	334,831	320,628	354,646	345,414
Allowance for Credit Losses	(218)	—	(398)	—
Total Held-to-Maturity Securities	<u>\$ 442,113</u>	<u>\$ 425,645</u>	<u>\$ 461,748</u>	<u>\$ 450,042</u>

The Company securities portfolio decreased \$6.8 million in available-for-sale and \$19.6 million in held-to-maturity during the six months ended June 30, 2024. The decrease in the securities portfolio was primarily due to changes in principal amount of the securities.

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Gross Loans Receivable. The composition of gross loans receivable at June 30, 2024 and at December 31, 2023 and the percentage of each classification to total loans are summarized as follows:

	June 30, 2024		December 31, 2023		Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Dollars	Percent
(Dollars in thousands)						
Mortgage loans:						
1-4 Family residential						
Investor-Owned	\$ 337,292	16.5%	\$ 343,689	17.9%	\$ (6,397)	(1.9%)
Owner-Occupied	147,485	7.2%	152,311	7.9%	(4,826)	(3.2%)
Multifamily residential	545,323	26.7%	550,559	28.7%	(5,236)	(1.0%)
Nonresidential properties	337,583	16.5%	342,343	17.8%	(4,760)	(1.4%)
Construction and land	641,879	31.4%	503,925	26.2%	137,954	27.4%
Total mortgage loans	2,009,562	98.3%	1,892,827	98.5%	116,735	6.2%
Nonmortgage loans:						
Business loans	30,222	1.5%	19,779	1.0%	10,443	52.8%
Consumer loans ⁽¹⁾	5,305	0.3%	8,966	0.5%	(3,661)	(40.8%)
	35,527	1.7%	28,745	1.5%	6,782	23.6%
Total	\$ 2,045,089	100.0%	\$ 1,921,572	100.0%	\$ 123,517	6.4%

(1) As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, consumer loans include \$4.3 million and \$8.0 million of microloans originated by the Bank pursuant to its arrangement with Grain.

Based on current internal loan reviews, the Company believes that the quality of our underwriting, our weighted average loan-to-value ratio of 58.3% and our customer selection processes have served us well and provided us with a reliable base with which to maintain a well-protected loan portfolio.

The majority of the \$138.0 million growth in construction and land mortgage loans is related to funding of existing commitments prior to 2024 as opposed to new originations in 2024. Our commitments to grant new mortgage loans decreased by \$62.0 million as of June 30, 2024 compared to December 31, 2023. See Note 11 ("Commitments, Contingencies and Credit Risk") of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Within the construction and land mortgage loans, as indicated in the composition of gross loans receivable table above, there are 22 loans at 100% completion, with balances of \$161.4 million as of June 30, 2024. Of these 22 projects, 14 have been issued a temporary certificate of occupancy, six have a final certificate of occupancy and two are pending certificate of occupancy.

Commercial real estate loans, as defined by applicable banking regulations, include multifamily residential, nonresidential properties, and construction and land mortgage loans. At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, approximately 4.8% and 5.3%, respectively, of the outstanding principal balance of the Bank's commercial real estate mortgage loans were secured by owner-occupied commercial real estate. Owner-occupied commercial real estate is similar in many ways to commercial and industrial lending in that these loans are generally made to businesses predominantly on the basis of the cash flows of the business rather than on valuation of the real estate.

Banking regulations have established guidelines relating to the amount of construction and land mortgage loans and investor-owned commercial real estate mortgage loans of 100% and 300% of total risk-based capital, respectively. Should a bank's ratios be in excess of these guidelines, banking regulations generally require an increased level of monitoring in these lending areas by bank management. The Bank's policy is to operate within the 150% guideline for construction and land mortgage loans and up to 450% for investor-owned commercial real estate mortgage loans. Both ratios are calculated by dividing certain types of loan balances for each of the two categories by the Bank's total risk-based capital. At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Bank's construction and land mortgage loans as a percentage of total risk-based capital was 132.8% and 102.5%, respectively. Investor-owned commercial real estate mortgage loans as a percentage of total risk-based capital was 294.3% and 269.1% as of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. At June 30, 2024, the Bank was above the 100% guidelines established by the banking regulations but under the 150% guidelines set by the Bank for construction and land mortgage loans and within the 300% guideline established by banking regulators for investor owned commercial real estate mortgage loans. Management believes that it has established the appropriate level of controls to monitor the Bank's lending in these areas.

Loans Held For Sale. Loans held for sale, at fair value, at June 30, 2024 increased \$27.8 million, or 278.4%, to \$37.8 million from \$10.0 million at December 31, 2023. The increase in loans held for sale, at fair value, was mainly attributable to one loan that was transferred from loans held for investment to loans held for sale. The loan was subsequently sold in July of 2024 with no losses.

Deposits. The composition of deposits at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 and changes in dollars and percentages are summarized as follows:

	June 30, 2024		December 31, 2023		Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	Percent of Total	Amount	Percent of Total	Dollars	Percent
					(Dollars in thousands)	
Demand ⁽¹⁾	\$ 178,125	11.1 %	\$ 185,151	12.3 %	\$ (7,026)	(3.8 %)
Interest-bearing deposits:						
NOW/IOLA accounts ⁽¹⁾	81,178	5.1 %	77,909	5.2 %	3,269	4.2 %
Money market accounts	502,255	31.3 %	432,735	28.7 %	69,520	16.1 %
Reciprocal deposits	109,945	6.9 %	96,860	6.4 %	13,085	13.5 %
Savings accounts	109,694	6.8 %	114,139	7.6 %	(4,445)	(3.9 %)
Total NOW, money market, reciprocal and savings	803,072	50.0 %	721,643	47.9 %	81,429	11.3 %
Certificates of deposit of \$250K or more	156,224	9.7 %	132,153	8.7 %	24,071	18.2 %
Brokered certificates of deposit ⁽²⁾	94,614	5.9 %	98,729	6.6 %	(4,115)	(4.2 %)
Listing service deposits ⁽²⁾	9,361	0.6 %	14,433	1.0 %	(5,072)	(35.1 %)
Certificates of deposit less than \$250K ⁽¹⁾	364,701	22.7 %	355,511	23.5 %	9,190	2.6 %
Total certificates of deposit	624,900	38.9 %	600,826	39.8 %	24,074	4.0 %
	1,427,97		1,322,46			
Total interest-bearing deposits	2	88.9 %	9	87.7 %	105,503	8.0 %
	1,606,09		1,507,62			
Total deposits	\$ 7	100.0 %	\$ 0	100.0 %	\$ 98,477	6.5 %

(1) As of December 31, 2023, \$58.2 million were reclassified from demand to NOW/IOLA accounts.

(2) As of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, there were \$1.5 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, in individual listing service deposits amounting to \$250,000 or more. All brokered certificates of deposit individually amounted to less than \$250,000.

When wholesale funding is necessary to complement the Company's core deposit base, management determines which source is best suited to address both liquidity risk and interest rate risk in line with management objectives. The Company's Interest Rate Risk Policy imposes limitations on overall wholesale funding and noncore funding reliance. The overall reliance on wholesale funding and noncore funding were within those policy limitations as of June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. The Management Asset/Liability Committee generally meets on a bi-weekly basis to review funding needs, if any, and to ensure the Company operates within the approved limitations.

Borrowings. The Bank had outstanding borrowings at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 of \$680.4 million and \$684.4 million, respectively, in term advances from the FHLBNY and FRBNY. Additionally, the Bank had two unsecured lines of credit in the amount of \$75.0 million with two correspondent banks for both periods at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, under which there was nothing outstanding at both June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. The Bank had no overnight line of credit advance at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023.

Stockholders' Equity. The Company's consolidated stockholders' equity increased \$6.3 million, or 1.27%, to \$497.7 million at June 30, 2024 from \$491.4 million at December 31, 2023. This increase in stockholders' equity was largely attributable to \$5.5 million in net income available to common stockholders, \$1.0 million impact to additional paid in capital as a result of share-based compensation and \$0.6 million from release of ESOP shares, offset by \$0.9 million in other comprehensive loss.

Comparison of Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

The discussion of the Company's results of operations for the three months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 are presented below. The results of operations for interim periods may not be indicative of future results.

Overview. Net income available to common stockholders was \$3.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 compared to net loss available to common stockholders of \$0.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. Earnings per basic and diluted share was \$0.14 for the three months ended June 30, 2024 compared to earnings per basic and diluted share of \$0.00 for the three months ended June 30, 2023. The \$3.2 million increase of net income available to common stockholders for the three months ended June 30, 2024 was due to increases of \$7.7 million in interest and dividend income and \$1.4 million in benefit for credit losses, a decrease of \$0.9 million in non-interest expense and an increase of \$0.8 million in non-interest income, offset by \$6.1 million in interest expense and \$0.1 million in payments and accrued dividends on preferred shares. Net income for the three months ended June 30, 2024, which excludes \$0.1 million in dividend payments and accruals on preferred shares, was \$3.2 million. The Company began paying dividends on its preferred stock during the quarter ended June 30, 2024, as required by the terms thereof.

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The following table presents the results of operations for the periods indicated:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		Increase (Decrease)	
	2024	2023	Dollars	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Interest and dividend income	\$ 38,792	\$ 31,055	\$ 7,737	24.9%
Interest expense	20,888	14,773	6,115	41.4%
Net interest income	17,904	16,282	1,622	10.0%
(Benefit) provision for credit losses	(374)	987	(1,361)	(137.9%)
Net interest income after (benefit) provision for credit losses	18,278	15,295	2,983	19.5%
Non-interest income	2,258	1,492	766	51.3%
Non-interest expense	16,147	17,089	(942)	(5.5%)
Income (loss) before income taxes	4,389	(302)	4,691	(1,553.3%)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	1,197	(215)	1,412	(656.7%)
Net income (loss)	\$ 3,192	\$ (87)	\$ 3,279	(3,769.0%)
Dividends on preferred shares	75	—	75	0.0%
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ 3,117	\$ (87)	\$ 3,117	(3,582.8%)
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.14	(3,810.4%)
Diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.14	(3,808.9%)

Interest and Dividend Income. Interest and dividend income increased \$7.7 million, or 24.9%, to \$38.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from \$31.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. Interest income on loans receivable, which is the Company's primary source of income, increased \$8.3 million, or 35.9%, to \$31.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from \$23.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. Interest and dividend income on securities and FHLB NY stock and deposits due from banks decreased \$0.5 million, or 6.6%, to \$7.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from \$8.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023.

The following table presents interest income on loans receivable for the periods indicated:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
1-4 Family residential	\$ 7,407	\$ 7,594	\$ (187)	(2.5%)
Multifamily residential	6,975	6,726	249	3.7%
Nonresidential properties	4,449	3,783	666	17.6%
Construction and land	11,701	4,196	7,505	178.9%
Business loans	593	350	243	69.4%
Consumer loans	156	366	(210)	(57.4%)
Total interest income on loans receivable	\$ 31,281	\$ 23,015	\$ 8,266	35.9%

The following table presents interest and dividend income on securities and FHLB NY stock and deposits due from banks for the periods indicated:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Interest on deposits due from banks	\$ 1,542	\$ 1,817	\$ (275)	(15.1%)
Interest on securities	5,486	5,731	(245)	(4.3%)
Dividend on FHLB NY stock	483	492	(9)	(1.8%)
Total interest and dividend income	\$ 7,511	\$ 8,040	\$ (529)	(6.6%)

Interest Expense. Interest expense increased \$6.1 million, or 41.4%, to \$20.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from \$14.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023, primarily due to an increase in the average cost of funds.

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The following table presents expense for the periods indicated:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Certificates of deposit	\$ 6,358	\$ 3,881	\$ 2,477	63.8%
Money market	\$ 7,209	\$ 4,077	3,132	76.8%
Savings	\$ 27	\$ 29	(2)	(6.9%)
NOW/IOLA	\$ 151	\$ 305	(154)	(50.5%)
Advance payments by borrowers	\$ 2	\$ 2	—	0.0%
Borrowings	\$ 7,141	\$ 6,479	662	10.2%
Total interest expense	\$ 20,888	\$ 14,773	\$ 6,115	41.4%

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased \$1.6 million, or 10.0%, to \$17.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from \$16.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. The \$1.6 million increase in net interest income for the three months ended June 30, 2024 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2023 was attributable to an increase of \$8.3 million in interest and dividend income primarily due to increases in average loans receivable, offset by an increase of \$6.1 million in interest expense due primarily to a higher average cost of funds on interest bearing liabilities and a \$0.5 million decrease in interest and dividend income on securities and FHLB NY stock and deposits due from banks.

Net interest rate spread decreased by 3 basis point to 1.72% for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from 1.75% for the three months ended June 30, 2023. The decrease in the net interest rate spread for the three months ended June 30, 2024 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2023 was primarily due to an increase in the average rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities of 66 basis points to 3.97% for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from 3.31% for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and an increase in the average yields on interest-earning assets of 63 basis points to 5.69% for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from 5.06% for the three months ended June 30, 2023.

Net interest margin decreased 3 basis points for the three months ended June 30, 2024 to 2.62% from 2.65% for the three months ended June 30, 2023.

In 2023, the Federal Reserve raised the target range for the federal funds rate to 5.25%-5.50%, pushing borrowing costs to the highest level in 23 years. The Federal Reserve has kept the federal funds interest rate steady and signaled that there will likely be a rate cut at its September 2024 meeting. The decrease in federal funds rate will be in response to lower inflation as well as a cooler job market. In a lower rate environment, the significant competitive pressures in our markets and the potential positive impact of these factors on our deposit and loan pricing, our net interest margin may be positively impacted. Our net interest income may also be positively impacted if the demand for loans increases due to the lower rates, alone or in tandem with lower inflation.

Non-Interest Income. Non-interest income increased \$0.8 million, or 51.3% to \$2.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from \$1.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. The increase in non-interest income for the three months ended June 30, 2024 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2023 was attributable to increases of \$0.5 million in other non-interest income related to the mark to market adjustments on a private equity fund investment made by the Company, \$0.2 million in income on sale of mortgage loans and \$0.1 million in late and prepayment charges.

The following table presents non-interest income for the periods indicated:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Service charges and fees	\$ 492	\$ 481	\$ 11	2.3%
Brokerage commissions	9	35	(26)	(74.3%)
Late and prepayment charges	426	372	54	14.5%
Income on sale of mortgage loans	274	82	192	234.1%
Other	1,057	522	535	102.5%
Total non-interest income	\$ 2,258	\$ 1,492	\$ 766	51.3%

Non-Interest Expense. Non-interest expense decreased \$0.9 million, or 5.5%, to \$16.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 from \$17.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023. The \$0.9 million decrease in non-interest expense for the three months ended June 30, 2024, compared to the three months ended June 30, 2023 was attributable to decreases of \$1.0 million in provision for contingencies, \$0.5 million in professional fees, \$0.3 million in office supplies, telephone and postage, \$0.2 million in

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occupancy and equipment, \$0.2 million in data processing expenses and \$0.2 million in marketing and promotional expenses, partially offset by increases of \$0.5 million in other operating expense, \$0.3 million in direct loan expenses, \$0.3 million in compensation and benefits and a decrease of \$0.3 million in Grain recoveries.

The following table presents non-interest expense for the periods indicated:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
				(Dollars in thousands)
Compensation and benefits	\$ 7,724	\$ 7,425	\$ 299	4.0%
Occupancy and equipment	3,564	3,724	(160)	(4.3%)
Data processing expenses	1,013	1,208	(195)	(16.1%)
Direct loan expenses	633	345	288	83.5%
(Benefit) provision for contingencies	(493)	517	(1,010)	(195.4%)
Insurance and surety bond premiums	263	248	15	6.0%
Office supplies, telephone and postage	233	489	(256)	(52.4%)
Professional fees	1,369	1,904	(535)	(28.1%)
Grain recoveries	(65)	(346)	281	(81.2%)
Marketing and promotional expenses	145	303	(158)	(52.1%)
Directors fees and regulatory assessment	176	160	16	10.0%
Other operating expenses	1,585	1,112	473	42.5%
Total non-interest expense	<u>\$ 16,147</u>	<u>\$ 17,089</u>	<u>\$ (942)</u>	(5.5%)

Income Tax (Benefit) Provision. The Company had provision for income taxes of \$1.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2024 compared to a benefit for income taxes of \$0.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2023.

Average Balance Sheets

The following table sets forth average outstanding balances, average yields and rates, and certain other information for the periods indicated. No tax-equivalent yield adjustments have been made, as the effects would be immaterial. Average balances are derived from average daily balances. Non-accrual loans were included in the computation of average balances. The yields set forth below include the effect of deferred fees, discounts, and premiums that are amortized or accreted to interest income or interest expense.

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,					
	2024			2023		
	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Rate ⁽¹⁾
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Interest-earning assets:						
Loans ⁽²⁾	\$ 2,040,149	31,281	6.17 %	\$ 1,683,117	\$ 23,015	5.48 %
Securities ⁽³⁾	562,560	5,486	3.92 %	614,598	5,731	3.74 %
Other ^{(4) (5)}	141,368	2,025	5.76 %	164,509	2,309	5.63 %
Total interest-earning assets	<u>2,744,077</u>	<u>38,792</u>	<u>5.69 %</u>	<u>2,462,224</u>	<u>31,055</u>	<u>5.06 %</u>
Non-interest-earning assets ⁽⁵⁾	105,774			121,169		
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,849,851</u>			<u>\$ 2,583,393</u>		
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
NOW/IOLA ^{(6) (7)}	\$ 72,932	\$ 151	0.83 %	\$ 66,314	\$ 305	1.84 %
Money market ^{(7) (8)}	599,209	7,209	4.84 %	408,329	4,077	4.00 %
Savings	111,859	27	0.10 %	122,802	29	0.09 %
Certificates of deposit ⁽⁸⁾	635,850	6,358	4.02 %	524,445	3,881	2.97 %
Total deposits	<u>1,419,850</u>	<u>13,745</u>	<u>3.89 %</u>	<u>1,121,890</u>	<u>8,292</u>	<u>2.96 %</u>
Advance payments by borrowers	14,948	2	0.05 %	16,967	2	0.05 %
Borrowings	680,421	7,141	4.22 %	649,652	6,479	4.00 %
Total interest-bearing liabilities	<u>2,115,219</u>	<u>20,888</u>	<u>3.97 %</u>	<u>1,788,509</u>	<u>14,773</u>	<u>3.31 %</u>
Non-interest-bearing liabilities:						
Non-interest-bearing demand ⁽⁶⁾	188,920	—		255,673	—	
Other non-interest-bearing liabilities	49,437	—		42,906	—	
Total non-interest-bearing liabilities	<u>238,357</u>	<u>—</u>		<u>298,579</u>	<u>—</u>	
Total liabilities	<u>2,353,576</u>	<u>20,888</u>		<u>2,087,088</u>	<u>14,773</u>	
Total equity	496,275			496,305		
Total liabilities and total equity	<u>\$ 2,849,851</u>		<u>3.97 %</u>	<u>\$ 2,583,393</u>		<u>3.31 %</u>
Net interest income		<u>\$ 17,904</u>			<u>\$ 16,282</u>	
Net interest rate spread ⁽⁹⁾			1.72 %			1.75 %
Net interest-earning assets ⁽¹⁰⁾	<u>\$ 628,858</u>			<u>\$ 673,715</u>		
Net interest margin ⁽¹¹⁾			2.62 %			2.65 %
Average interest-earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities			129.73 %			137.67 %

(1) Annualized where appropriate.

(2) Loans include loans and mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value.

(3) Securities include available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities.

(4) Includes FHLB NY demand account and FHLB NY stock dividends and FRB NY demand deposits.

(5) FRB NY demand deposits for prior period have been reclassified for consistency.

(6) Includes reclassification of \$44.0 million average outstanding balances from non-interest-bearing demand to NOW/IOLA for the three months ended June 30, 2023.

(7) Includes \$0.3 million of interest expense reclassified from money market to NOW/IOLA for the three months ended June 30, 2023.

(8) Includes reclassification of \$130.7 million average outstanding balances and \$1.5 million of interest expenses from money market to certificates of deposit for the three months ended June 30, 2023.

(9) Net interest rate spread represents the difference between the weighted average yield on interest-earning assets and the weighted average rate of interest-bearing liabilities.

(10) Net interest-earning assets represent total interest-earning assets less total interest-bearing liabilities.

(11) Net interest margin represents net interest income divided by average total interest-earning assets.

Rate/Volume Analysis

The following table presents the effects of changing rates and volumes on the Company's net interest income for the periods indicated. The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The total column represents the sum of the prior columns. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both rate and volume, which cannot be segregated, have been allocated proportionately based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume.

	For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2024 vs. 2023		
	Increase (Decrease) Due to		Total Increase (Decrease)
	Volume	Rate (In thousands)	
Interest-earning assets:			
Loans ⁽¹⁾	\$ 4,806	\$ 3,460	\$ 8,266
Securities ⁽²⁾	(500)	255	(245)
Other	(330)	46	(284)
Total interest-earning assets	3,976	3,761	7,737
Interest-bearing liabilities:			
NOW/IOLA	30	(184)	(154)
Money market	1,890	1,242	3,132
Savings	(3)	1	(2)
Certificates of deposit	812	1,665	2,477
Total deposits	2,729	2,724	5,453
Borrowings	288	374	662
Total interest-bearing liabilities	3,017	3,098	6,115
Change in net interest income	\$ 959	\$ 663	\$ 1,622

(1) Loans include loans and mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value.

(2) Securities include available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities.

Comparison of Results of Operations for the Six Months Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

The discussion of the Company's results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 are presented below. The results of operations for interim periods may not be indicative of future results.

Overview. Net income available to common stockholders was \$5.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 compared to net income available to common stockholders of \$0.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. Earnings per basic and diluted share was \$0.25 for the six months ended June 30, 2024 compared to earnings per basic and diluted share of \$0.01 for six months ended June 30, 2023. The \$5.3 million increase of net income available to common stockholders from the six months ended June 30, 2023, was due to increases of \$5.2 million in net interest income, \$1.4 million in benefit for credit losses and \$0.7 million in non-interest income and a decrease of \$0.4 million in non-interest expense, partially offset by an increase of \$2.2 million in provision for income taxes and \$0.1 million in dividends on preferred shares. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2024, which excludes \$0.1 million in dividend payments and accruals on preferred shares, was \$5.6 million.

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The following table presents the results of operations for the periods indicated:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30,		Increase (Decrease)	
	2024	2023	Dollars	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Interest and dividend income	\$ 78,458	\$ 57,411	\$ 21,047	36.7%
Interest expense	41,731	25,884	15,847	61.2%
Net interest income	36,727	31,527	5,200	16.5%
(Benefit) provision for credit losses	(554)	813	(1,367)	(168.1%)
Net interest income after (benefit) provision for credit losses	37,281	30,714	6,567	21.4%
Non-interest income	3,965	3,311	654	19.8%
Non-interest expense	33,097	33,450	(353)	(1.1%)
Income before income taxes	8,149	575	7,574	1,317.2%
Provision for income taxes	2,543	331	2,212	668.3%
Net income	5,606	244	5,362	2,197.5%
Dividends on preferred shares	75	—	75	0.0%
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 5,531	\$ 244	\$ 5,287	2,166.8%
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.24	2,286.7%
Diluted	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.24	2,288.1%

Interest and Dividend Income. Interest and dividend income increased \$21.0 million, or 36.7%, to \$78.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from \$57.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. Interest income on loans receivable, which is the Company's primary source of income, increased \$19.2 million, or 45.0%, to \$61.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from \$42.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

Total interest and dividend income increased \$1.8 million, or 12.4%, to \$16.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from \$14.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. The increase was primarily attributable to \$2.4 million increase in interest on deposits due from banks, offset by \$0.7 million in dividend on FHLB stock.

The following table presents interest income on loans receivable for the periods indicated:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
1-4 Family residential	\$ 14,953	\$ 13,647	\$ 1,306	9.6%
Multifamily residential	13,896	12,822	1,074	8.4%
Nonresidential properties	8,808	7,456	1,352	18.1%
Construction and land	22,925	6,958	15,967	229.5%
Business loans	1,005	938	67	7.1%
Consumer loans	358	894	(536)	(60.0%)
Total interest income on loans receivable	\$ 61,945	\$ 42,715	\$ 19,230	45.0%

The following table presents interest and dividend income on securities and FHLB stock and deposits due from banks for the periods indicated:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Interest on deposits due from banks	\$ 4,453	\$ 2,014	\$ 2,439	121.1%
Interest on securities	11,105	11,806	(701)	(5.9%)
Dividend on FHLB stock	955	876	79	9.0%
Total interest and dividend income	\$ 16,513	\$ 14,696	\$ 1,817	12.4%

Interest Expense. Interest expense increased \$15.8 million, or 61.2%, to \$41.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from \$25.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023, primarily due to an increase in the average cost of funds.

The following table presents interest expense for the periods indicated:

	<u>For the Six Months Ended June 30,</u>		<u>Change</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Certificates of deposit	\$ 12,738	\$ 7,106	\$ 5,632	79.3 %
Money market	13,501	6,169	7,332	118.9 %
Savings	55	59	(4)	(6.8 %)
NOW/IOLA	369	993	(624)	(62.8 %)
Advance payments by borrowers	4	4	—	0.0 %
Borrowings	15,064	11,553	3,511	30.4 %
Total interest expense	\$ 41,731	\$ 25,884	\$ 15,847	61.2 %

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased \$5.2 million, or 16.5%, to \$36.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from \$31.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. The \$5.2 million increase in net interest income for the six months ended June 30, 2024 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2023 was attributable to an increase of \$19.2 million in interest and dividend income primarily due to increases in average loans receivable and \$2.4 million in deposits due from banks, partially offset by an increase of \$15.8 million in interest expense due primarily to a higher average cost of funds on interest bearing liabilities and a decrease of \$0.6 million in interest and dividend income on securities and FHLB NY stock.

Net interest rate spread decreased by 2 basis points to 1.77% for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from 1.79% for the six months ended June 30, 2023. The decrease in the net interest rate spread for the six months ended June 30, 2024 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2023 was primarily due to an increase in the average rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities of 82 basis points to 3.93% for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from 3.11% for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and an increase in the average yields on interest-earning assets of 79 basis points to 5.70% for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from 4.91% for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

Net interest margin decreased 3 basis points for the six months ended June 30, 2024, to 2.67% from 2.70% for six months ended June 30, 2023.

Non-Interest Income. Non-interest income increased \$0.7 million, or 19.8%, to \$4.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from \$3.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. The \$0.7 million increase in non-interest income for the six months ended June 30, 2024 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2023 was attributable to increases of \$0.6 million in other non-interest income and \$0.4 million in income on sale of mortgage loans, partially offset by a decrease \$0.3 million in late and prepayment charges.

The following table presents non-interest income for the periods indicated:

	<u>For the Six Months Ended June 30,</u>		<u>Change</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Service charges and fees	\$ 965	\$ 972	\$ (7)	(0.7 %)
Brokerage commissions	17	50	(33)	(66.0 %)
Late and prepayment charges	785	1,101	(316)	(28.7 %)
Income on sale of mortgage loans	576	181	395	218.2 %
Other	1,622	1,007	615	61.1 %
Total non-interest income	\$ 3,965	\$ 3,311	\$ 654	19.8 %

Non-Interest Expense. Non-interest expense decreased \$0.4 million, or 1.1%, to \$33.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 from \$33.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023. The \$0.4 million decrease in non-interest expense for the six months ended June 30, 2024, compared to the six months ended June 30, 2023 was attributable to decreases of \$1.8 million in provision for contingencies, \$0.4 million in office supplies, telephone and postage, \$0.3 million in professional fees, \$0.3 million in data processing expenses, \$0.2 million in other operating expenses and \$0.1 million in occupancy and equipment, partially offset by a decrease of \$1.1 million in Grain recoveries, and increases of \$0.7 million in compensation and benefits and \$0.6 million in direct loan expenses and \$0.2 million in marketing and promotional expenses.

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The following table presents non-interest expense for the periods indicated:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	
	2024	2023	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Compensation and benefits	\$ 15,568	\$ 14,871	\$ 697	4.7%
Occupancy and equipment	7,231	7,294	(63)	(0.9%)
Data processing expenses	2,140	2,400	(260)	(10.8%)
Direct loan expenses	1,365	757	608	80.3%
(Benefit) provision for contingencies	(329)	1,502	(1,831)	(121.9%)
Insurance and surety bond premiums	516	513	3	0.6%
Office supplies, telephone and postage	482	888	(406)	(45.7%)
Professional fees	3,092	3,359	(267)	(7.9%)
Grain recoveries	(118)	(1,260)	1,142	(90.6%)
Marketing and promotional expenses	245	431	(186)	(43.2%)
Directors' fees and regulatory assessment	355	315	40	12.7%
Other operating expenses	2,550	2,380	170	7.1%
Total non-interest expense	<u>\$ 33,097</u>	<u>\$ 33,450</u>	<u>\$ (353)</u>	(1.1%)

Income Tax Provision. The Company had a provision for income taxes of \$2.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 compared to a provision for income taxes of \$0.3 million for six months ended June 30, 2023.

Average Balance Sheets

The following table sets forth average outstanding balances, average yields and rates, and certain other information for the periods indicated. No tax-equivalent yield adjustments have been made, as the effects would be immaterial. Average balances are derived from average daily balances. Non-accrual loans were included in the computation of average balances. The yields set forth below include the effect of deferred fees, discounts, and premiums that are amortized or accreted to interest income or interest expense.

	For the Six Months Ended June 30,					
	2024			2023		
	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Rate ⁽¹⁾
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Interest-earning assets:						
Loans ⁽²⁾	\$ 2,009,706	61,945	6.20 %	\$ 1,627,939	\$ 42,715	5.29 %
Securities ⁽³⁾	569,397	11,105	3.92 %	622,822	11,806	3.82 %
Other ^{(4) (5)}	189,899	5,408	5.73 %	106,812	2,890	5.46 %
Total interest-earning assets	2,769,002	78,458	5.70 %	2,357,573	57,411	4.91 %
Non-interest-earning assets ⁽⁵⁾	106,172			122,083		
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,875,174</u>			<u>\$ 2,479,656</u>		
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
NOW/IOLA ^{(6) (7)}	\$ 77,891	\$ 369	0.95 %	\$ 69,024	\$ 993	2.90 %
Money market ^{(7) (8)}	571,886	13,501	4.75 %	361,557	6,168	3.44 %
Savings	112,680	55	0.10 %	125,823	59	0.09 %
Certificates of deposit ⁽⁸⁾	632,689	12,738	4.05 %	520,420	7,106	2.75 %
Total deposits	1,395,146	26,663	3.84 %	1,076,824	14,326	2.68 %
Advance payments by borrowers	13,917	4	0.06 %	14,954	5	0.07 %
Borrowings	725,745	15,064	4.17 %	587,026	11,553	3.97 %
Total interest-bearing liabilities	2,134,808	41,731	3.93 %	1,678,804	25,884	3.11 %
Non-interest-bearing liabilities:						
Non-interest-bearing demand ⁽⁶⁾	193,891	—		261,988	—	
Other non-interest-bearing liabilities	51,749	—		42,451	—	
Total non-interest-bearing liabilities	245,640	—		304,439	—	
Total liabilities	2,380,448	41,731		1,983,243	25,884	
Total equity	494,726			496,413		
Total liabilities and total equity	<u>\$ 2,875,174</u>		3.93 %	<u>\$ 2,479,656</u>		3.11 %
Net interest income		<u>\$ 36,727</u>			<u>\$ 31,527</u>	
Net interest rate spread ⁽⁹⁾			1.77 %			1.79 %
Net interest-earning assets ⁽¹⁰⁾	<u>\$ 634,194</u>			<u>\$ 678,769</u>		
Net interest margin ⁽¹¹⁾			2.67 %			2.70 %
Average interest-earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities			129.71 %			140.43 %

(1) Annualized where appropriate.

(2) Loans include loans and mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value.

(3) Securities include available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities.

(4) Includes FHLBNY demand account and FHLBNY stock dividends and FRBNY demand deposits.

(5) FRBNY demand deposits for prior period have been reclassified for consistency.

(6) Includes reclassification of \$46.2 million average outstanding balances from non-interest-bearing demand to NOW/IOLA for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

(7) Includes \$1.0 million of interest expense reclassified from money market to NOW/IOLA for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

(8) Includes reclassification of \$132.8 million average outstanding balances and \$2.8 million of interest expenses from money market to certificates of deposit for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

(9) Net interest rate spread represents the difference between the weighted average yield on interest-earning assets and the weighted average rate of interest-bearing liabilities.

(10) Net interest-earning assets represent total interest-earning assets less total interest-bearing liabilities.

(11) Net interest margin represents net interest income divided by average total interest-earning assets.

Rate/Volume Analysis

The following table presents the effects of changing rates and volumes on the Company's net interest income for the periods indicated. The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The total column represents the sum of the prior columns. For purposes of this table, changes attributable to both rate and volume, which cannot be segregated, have been allocated proportionately based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume.

	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2024 vs. 2023		
	Increase (Decrease) Due to		Total Increase (Decrease)
	Volume	Rate	
	(In thousands)		
Interest-earning assets:			
Loans (1)	\$ 10,164	\$ 9,066	\$ 19,230
Securities (2)	(983)	282	(701)
Other	2,262	256	2,518
Total interest-earning assets	11,443	9,604	21,047
Interest-bearing liabilities:			
NOW/IOLA	131	(755)	(624)
Money market	3,615	3,718	7,333
Savings	(6)	2	(4)
Certificates of deposit	1,557	4,075	5,632
Total deposits	5,297	7,040	12,337
Borrowings	2,770	741	3,511
Total interest-bearing liabilities	8,067	7,781	15,848
Change in net interest income	\$ 3,376	\$ 1,823	\$ 5,199

- (1) Loans include loans and mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value.
(2) Securities include available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities.

Management of Market Risk

General. The most significant form of market risk is interest rate risk because, as a financial institution, the majority of the Bank's assets and liabilities are sensitive to changes in interest rates. Therefore, a principal part of our operations is to manage interest rate risk and limit the exposure of its financial condition and results of operations to changes in market interest rates. The Bank's Asset/Liability Committee ("ALCO") is responsible for evaluating the interest rate risk inherent in the Bank's assets and liabilities, for determining the level of risk that is appropriate, given the business strategy, operating environment, capital, liquidity and performance objectives, and for managing this risk consistent with policies and guidelines approved by the Board of Directors. The Bank currently utilizes a third-party modeling solution that is prepared on a quarterly basis, to evaluate its sensitivity to changing interest rates, given the Bank's business strategy, operating environment, capital, liquidity and performance objectives, and for managing this risk consistent with the guidelines approved by the Board of Directors.

The Bank engages in hedging activities, such as swap transactions. The Bank is a party to two interest rate swap transactions. One interest rate swap is for a period of two years effective October 12, 2023 and terminates on November 1, 2025 with a notional amount of \$150.0 million. The Bank will pay a fixed rate of interest of 4.885% and receive the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") rate. The other interest rate swap is for a period of three years effective October 12, 2023 and terminates on November 1, 2026 with a notional amount of \$100.0 million. The Bank will pay a fixed rate of interest of 4.62% and receive the SOFR rate (see Note 9 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements).

Net Interest Income Simulation Models. Management utilizes a respected, sophisticated third party designed asset liability modeling software that measures the Bank's earnings through simulation modeling. Earning assets, interest-bearing liabilities and off-balance sheet financial instruments are combined with forecasts of interest rates for the next 12 months and are combined with other factors in order to produce various earnings simulations over that same 12-month period. To limit interest rate risk, the Bank has policy guidelines for earnings risk which seek to limit the variance of net interest income in both gradual and instantaneous changes to interest

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rates. As of June 30, 2024, in the event of an instantaneous upward and downward change in rates from management's interest rate forecast over the next twelve months, assuming a static balance sheet, the following estimated changes are calculated:

Rate Shift ⁽¹⁾	Net Interest Income	Year 1 Change
	Year 1 Forecast	from Level
	(Dollars in thousands)	
+400	\$ 71,565	(8.65%)
+300	73,350	(6.37%)
+200	75,106	(4.13%)
+100	76,778	(1.99%)
Level	78,338	— %
-100	80,370	2.59%
-200	82,653	5.51%
-300	83,687	6.83%
-400	84,933	8.42%

(1) Assumes an instantaneous uniform change in interest rates at all maturities.

Although an instantaneous and severe shift in interest rates was used in this analysis to provide an estimate of exposure under these scenarios, management believes that a gradual shift in interest rates would have a more modest impact. Further, the earnings simulation model does not take into account factors such as future balance sheet growth, changes in product mix, changes in yield curve relationships, and changing product spreads that could alter any potential adverse impact of changes in interest rates.

The behavior of the deposit portfolio in the baseline forecast and in alternate interest rate scenarios set out in the table above is a key assumption in the projected estimates of net interest income. The projected impact on net interest income in the table above assumes no change in deposit portfolio size or mix from the baseline forecast in alternative rate environments. In higher rate scenarios, any customer activity resulting in the replacement of low-cost or noninterest-bearing deposits with higher-yielding deposits or market-based funding would reduce the benefit in those scenarios.

At June 30, 2024, the earnings simulation model indicated that the Bank was in compliance with the Board of Directors approved Interest Rate Risk Policy.

Economic Value of Equity Model. While earnings simulation modeling attempts to determine the impact of a changing rate environment to net interest income, the Economic Value of Equity Model (“EVE”) measures estimated changes to the economic values of assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items as a result of interest rate changes. Economic values are determined by discounting expected cash flows from assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items, which establishes a base case EVE. Rates are then shocked as prescribed by the Interest Rate Risk Policy to measure the sensitivity in EVE values for each of those shocked rate scenarios versus the base case. The Interest Rate Risk Policy sets limits for those sensitivities. At June 30, 2024, the EVE modeling calculated the following estimated changes in EVE due to instantaneous upward and downward changes in rates:

Change in Interest Rates (basis points) ⁽¹⁾	Estimated EVE ⁽²⁾	Estimated Increase (Decrease) in EVE		EVE as a Percentage of Present Value of Assets ⁽³⁾	
		Amount	Percent	EVE Ratio ⁽⁴⁾	Increase (Decrease) (basis points)
		(Dollars in thousands)			
+400	\$ 345,991	\$ (148,971)	(30.10 %)	13.57 %	(3,010)
+300	383,466	(111,496)	(22.53 %)	14.69 %	(2,253)
+200	418,631	(76,331)	(15.42 %)	15.69 %	(1,542)
+100	456,296	(38,666)	(7.81 %)	16.72 %	(781)
Level	494,962	—	— %	17.72 %	—
-100	532,363	37,401	7.56 %	18.62 %	756
-200	570,087	75,125	15.18 %	19.47 %	1,518
-300	606,235	111,273	22.48 %	20.23 %	2,248
-400	658,873	163,911	33.12 %	21.35 %	3,312

(1) Assumes an instantaneous uniform change in interest rates at all maturities.

(2) EVE is the discounted present value of expected cash flows from assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet contracts.

(3) Present value of assets represents the discounted present value of incoming cash flows on interest-earning assets.

(4) EVE Ratio represents EVE divided by the present value of assets.

Although an instantaneous and severe shift in interest rates was used in this analysis to provide an estimate of exposure under these scenarios, management believes that a gradual shift in interest rates would have a more modest impact. Since EVE measures the

discounted present value of cash flows over the estimated lives of instruments, the change in EVE does not directly correlate to the degree that earnings would be impacted over a shorter time horizon (i.e., the current year). Further, EVE does not take into account factors such as future balance sheet growth, changes in product mix, changes in yield curve relationships, and changing product spreads that could alter the adverse impact of changes in interest rates.

At June 30, 2024, the EVE model indicated that the Bank was in compliance with the Board of Directors' approved Interest Rate Risk Policy.

Most Likely Earnings Simulation Models. Management also analyzes a most-likely earnings simulation scenario that projects the expected change in rates based on a forward yield curve adopted by management using expected balance sheet volumes forecasted by management. Separate growth assumptions are developed for loans, investments, deposits, etc. Other interest rate scenarios analyzed by management may include delayed rate shocks, yield curve steepening or flattening, or other variations in rate movements to further analyze or stress the balance sheet under various interest rate scenarios. Each scenario is evaluated by management and weighted to determine the most likely result. These processes assist management to better anticipate financial results and, as a result, management may determine the need to review other operating strategies and tactics which might enhance results or better position the balance sheet to reduce interest rate risk going forward.

Each of the above analyses may not, on its own, be an accurate indicator of how net interest income will be affected by changes in interest rates. Income associated with interest-earning assets and costs associated with interest-bearing liabilities may not be affected uniformly by changes in interest rates. In addition, the magnitude and duration of changes in interest rates may have a significant impact on net interest income. For example, although certain assets and liabilities may have similar maturities or periods of repricing, they may react in different degrees to changes in market interest rates. Interest rates on certain types of assets and liabilities fluctuate in advance of changes in general market rates, while interest rates on other types may lag behind changes in general market rates. In addition, certain assets, such as adjustable rate mortgage loans, have features (generally referred to as interest rate caps and floors) which limit changes in interest rates. Prepayment and early withdrawal levels also could deviate significantly from those assumed in calculating the maturity of certain instruments. The ability of many borrowers to service their debts also may decrease during periods of rising interest rates. The ALCO Committee reviews each of the above interest rate sensitivity analyses along with several different interest rate scenarios as part of its responsibility to provide a satisfactory, consistent level of profitability within the framework of established liquidity, loan, investment, borrowing and capital policies.

Management's model governance, model implementation and model validation processes and controls are subject to review in the Bank's regulatory examinations to ensure they are in compliance with the most recent regulatory guidelines and industry and regulatory practices. Management utilizes a respected, sophisticated third party designed asset liability modeling software to help ensure implementation of management's assumptions into the model are processed as intended in a robust manner. That said, there are numerous assumptions regarding financial instrument behaviors that are integrated into the model. The assumptions are formulated by combining observations gleaned from the Bank's historical studies of financial instruments and the best estimations of how, if at all, these instruments may behave in the future given changes in economic conditions, technology, etc. These assumptions may prove to be inaccurate. Additionally, given the large number of assumptions built into Bank's asset liability modeling software, it is difficult, at best, to compare its results to other banks.

The ALCO Committee may determine that the Company should over time become more or less asset or liability sensitive depending on the underlying balance sheet circumstances and its conclusions regarding interest rate fluctuations in future periods. The historically low benchmark federal funds interest rate of the last several years implemented in response to the turmoil resulting from COVID-19 pandemic has ended. In 2023, the Federal Reserve raised the target range for the federal funds rate to 5.25%-5.50%, pushing borrowing costs to the highest level in 23 years. The Federal Reserve has kept the federal funds interest rate steady and signaled that there will likely be a rate cut at its September 2024 meeting. The decrease in federal funds rate will be in response to lower inflation as well as a cooler job market. In a lower rate environment, the significant competitive pressures in our markets and the potential positive impact of these factors on our deposit and loan pricing, our net interest margin may be positively impacted. Our net interest income may also be positively impacted if the demand for loans increases due to the lower rates, alone or in tandem with lower inflation.

GAP Analysis. In addition, management analyzes interest rate sensitivity by monitoring the Bank's interest rate sensitivity "gap." The interest rate sensitivity gap is the difference between the amount of interest-earning assets maturing or repricing within a specific time period and the amount of interest bearing-liabilities maturing or repricing within that same time period. A gap is considered positive when the amount of interest rate sensitive assets maturing or repricing during a period exceeds the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities maturing or repricing during the same period, and a gap is considered negative when the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities maturing or repricing during a period exceeds the amount of interest rate sensitive assets maturing or repricing during the same period.

The following table sets forth the Company's interest-earning assets and its interest-bearing liabilities at June 30, 2024, which are anticipated to reprice or mature in each of the future time periods shown based upon certain assumptions. The amounts of assets and liabilities shown which reprice or mature during a particular period were determined in accordance with the earlier of term to repricing

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or the contractual maturity of the asset or liability. The table sets forth an approximation of the projected repricing of assets and liabilities at June 30, 2024, on the basis of contractual maturities, anticipated prepayments and scheduled rate adjustments. The loan amounts in the table reflect principal balances expected to be redeployed and/or repriced as a result of contractual amortization and as a result of contractual rate adjustments on adjustable-rate loans.

June 30, 2024 Time to Repricing									
	Zero to 90 Days	Zero to 180 Days	Zero Days to One Year	Zero Days to Two Years	Zero Days to Five Years	Five Years Plus	Total Earning Assets & Costing Liabilities	Non Earning Assets & Non Costing Liabilities	Total
(Dollars in thousands)									
Assets:									
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	\$ 80,038	\$ 80,038	\$ 80,038	\$ 80,038	\$ 80,038	\$ —	\$ 80,038	\$ 23,128	\$ 103,166
Securities ⁽¹⁾	34,447	80,881	118,586	202,139	335,544	241,061	576,605	(21,367)	555,238
Placements with banks	249	249	249	249	249	—	249	—	249
Net loans (includes LHFS)	231,328	410,845	672,412	1,176,722	1,958,952	105,731	2,064,683	(4,746)	2,059,937
FHLBNY stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23,972	23,972
Other assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	99,445	99,445
Total	\$ 346,062	\$ 572,013	\$ 871,285	\$ 1,459,148	\$ 2,374,783	\$ 346,792	\$ 2,721,575	\$ 120,432	\$ 2,842,007
Liabilities:									
Non-maturity deposits	\$ 50,210	\$ 100,418	\$ 200,834	\$ 401,668	\$ 739,273	\$ 74,364	813,637	\$ 167,560	\$ 981,197
Certificates of deposit	190,715	324,539	503,301	567,898	624,900	—	624,900	—	624,900
Borrowings	50,000	50,000	309,321	409,321	630,421	50,000	680,421	—	680,421
Other liabilities	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	57,832	57,832
Total liabilities	290,925	474,957	1,013,456	1,378,887	1,994,594	124,364	2,118,958	225,392	2,344,350
Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	497,657	497,657
Total liabilities and capital	\$ 290,925	\$ 474,957	\$ 1,013,456	\$ 1,378,887	\$ 1,994,594	\$ 124,364	\$ 2,118,958	\$ 723,049	\$ 2,842,007
Asset/liability gap	\$ 55,137	\$ 97,056	\$ (142,171)	\$ 80,261	\$ 380,189	\$ 222,428	\$ 602,617	—	—
Gap/assets ratio	118.95 %	120.43 %	85.97 %	105.82 %	119.06 %	278.85 %	128.44 %	—	—

(1) Includes available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities.

The following table sets forth the Company's interest-earning assets and its interest-bearing liabilities at December 31, 2023, which are anticipated to reprice or mature in each of the future time periods shown based upon certain assumptions. The amounts of assets and liabilities shown which reprice or mature during a particular period were determined in accordance with the earlier of term to repricing or the contractual maturity of the asset or liability. The table sets forth an approximation of the projected repricing of assets and liabilities at December 31, 2023, on the basis of contractual maturities, anticipated prepayments and scheduled rate adjustments. The loan amounts in the table reflect principal balances expected to be redeployed and/or repriced as a result of contractual amortization and as a result of contractual rate adjustments on adjustable-rate loans.

December 31, 2023 Time to Repricing									
	Zero to 90 Days	Zero to 180 Days	Zero Days to One Year	Zero Days to Two Years	Zero Days to Five Years	Five Years Plus	Total Earning Assets & Costing Liabilities	Non Earning Assets & Non Costing Liabilities	Total
(Dollars in thousands)									
Assets:									
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	\$ 110,260	\$ 110,260	\$ 110,260	\$ 110,260	\$ 110,260	\$ —	\$ 110,260	\$ 28,930	\$ 139,190
Securities ⁽¹⁾	26,981	68,513	116,391	208,107	359,754	242,162	601,916	(20,266)	581,650
Placements with banks	249	249	249	249	249	—	249	—	249
Net loans (includes LHFS)	192,336	295,027	500,951	982,210	1,797,535	111,445	1,908,980	(3,114)	1,905,866
FHLBNY stock	19,392	19,392	19,392	19,392	19,392	—	19,392	(15)	19,377
Other assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	104,390	104,390
Total	\$ 349,218	\$ 493,441	\$ 747,243	\$ 1,320,218	\$ 2,287,190	\$ 353,607	\$ 2,640,797	\$ 109,925	\$ 2,750,722
Liabilities:									
Non-maturity deposits	\$ 43,026	\$ 86,052	\$ 172,104	\$ 344,208	\$ 647,511	\$ 69,506	\$ 717,017	\$ 189,777	\$ 906,794
Certificates of deposit	220,322	291,437	449,484	508,888	600,826	—	600,826	—	600,826
Borrowings	204,000	304,000	363,321	413,321	634,421	50,000	684,421	—	684,421
Other liabilities	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	67,286	67,286
Total liabilities	467,348	681,489	984,909	1,266,417	1,882,758	119,506	2,002,264	257,063	2,259,327
Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	491,395	491,395
Total liabilities and capital	\$ 467,348	\$ 681,489	\$ 984,909	\$ 1,266,417	\$ 1,882,758	\$ 119,506	\$ 2,002,264	\$ 748,458	\$ 2,750,722
Asset/liability gap	\$ (118,130)	\$ (188,048)	\$ (237,666)	\$ 53,801	\$ 404,432	\$ 234,101	\$ 638,533	—	—
Gap/assets ratio	74.72 %	72.41 %	75.87 %	104.25 %	121.48 %	295.89 %	131.89 %	—	—

(1) Includes available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities.

Certain shortcomings are inherent in the methodologies used in the above interest rate risk measurements. Modeling changes require making certain assumptions that may or may not reflect the manner in which actual yields and costs respond to changes in market interest rates. In this regard, the net interest income and EVE tables presented assume that the composition of the interest-sensitive assets and liabilities existing at the beginning of a period remains constant over the period being measured and assumes that a particular change in interest rates is reflected uniformly across the yield curve regardless of the duration or repricing of specific assets and liabilities. Accordingly, although the net interest income and EVE tables provide an indication of the interest rate risk exposure at a particular point

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in time, such measurements are not intended to and do not provide a precise forecast of the effect of changes in market interest rates on net interest income and EVE and will differ from actual results. Furthermore, although certain assets and liabilities may have similar maturities or periods to repricing, they may react in different degrees to changes in market interest rates. Additionally, certain assets, such as adjustable-rate loans, have features that restrict changes in interest rates both on a short-term basis and over the life of the asset.

In the event of changes in interest rates, prepayment and early withdrawal levels would likely deviate significantly from those assumed in calculating the gap table.

Interest rate risk calculations also may not reflect the fair values of financial instruments. For example, decreases in market interest rates can increase the fair values of loans, deposits and borrowings.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity describes the ability to meet the financial obligations that arise in the ordinary course of business. Liquidity is primarily needed to meet the borrowing and deposit withdrawal requirements of the Company's customers and to fund current and future planned expenditures.

Although maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and securities are predictable sources of funds, deposit flows and loan prepayments are greatly influenced by market interest rates, economic conditions, and competition. The most liquid assets are cash and interest-bearing deposits in banks. The levels of these assets are dependent on operating, financing, lending, and investing activities during any given period. The Bank had \$480.4 million and \$380.4 million of outstanding term advances from FHLBNY at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. The Bank had no overnight line of credit advance from the FHLBNY at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. The Bank also has additional borrowing capacity of \$218.1 million with the FHLBNY secured by the Bank's loans portfolio at June 30, 2024.

The Bank had \$200.0 million and \$304.0 million of outstanding term advances from the FRBNY at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities was (\$1.1) million and \$0.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Net cash used in investing activities, which consists primarily of disbursements for loan originations, purchase of loans, net purchase and redemption of FHLBNY stock and purchase of equipment offset by principal collections on loans and proceeds from maturities, calls and principal repayments on securities was (\$129.4) million and (\$160.0) million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Net cash provided by financing activities, consisting of activities in borrowing, deposit accounts and dividends paid on preferred stock, was \$94.5 million and \$349.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The Bank's management took steps to enhance the Company's liquidity position by increasing its on balance sheet cash and cash equivalents position in order to meet unforeseen liquidity events and to fund upcoming funding needs.

At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, all regulatory capital requirements were met, resulting in the Company and the Bank being categorized as well capitalized at June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. Management is not aware of any conditions or events that would change this categorization.

Material Cash Requirements

Commitments. As a financial services provider, the Company routinely is a party to various financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risks, such as commitments to extend credit and unused lines of credit. Although these contractual obligations represent the Company's future cash requirements, a significant portion of commitments to extend credit may expire without being drawn upon. Such commitments are subject to the same credit policies and approval process accorded to loans originated. At June 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company had outstanding commitments to originate loans and extend credit of \$522.2 million and \$591.5 million, respectively.

It is anticipated that the Company will have sufficient funds available to meet its current lending commitments. Certificates of deposit that are scheduled to mature in 2024 totaled \$324.6 million. Management expects that a substantial portion of the maturing time deposits will be renewed. However, if a substantial portion of these deposits are not retained, the Company may utilize FHLBNY advances, unsecured credit lines with correspondent banks, or raise interest rates on deposits to attract new accounts, which may result in higher levels of interest expense.

Contractual Obligations. In the ordinary course of its operations, the Company enters into certain contractual obligations. Such obligations include data processing services, operating leases for premises and equipment, agreements with respect to borrowed funds and deposit liabilities. There have been no material changes in the Company's material cash requirements under its contractual obligations as discussed in its most recent annual report on Form 10-K.

Dividend on Preferred Stock. Pursuant to the terms of its Preferred Stock, the Company is required to pay a quarterly dividend on its Preferred Stock, beginning during the quarter ended June 30, 2024. The floor dividend rate is 0.50% and the ceiling dividend rate is 2.00%, based on achievement of certain qualified lending targets. For quarterly dividends through June 15, 2025, the Company is required to pay quarterly dividends on the Preferred Stock at a rate of 0.50%..

Other Material Cash Requirements. In addition to contractual obligations, the Company’s material cash requirements also includes compensation and benefits expenses for its employees, which were \$15.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024. The Company also has material cash requirements for occupancy and equipment expenses, excluding depreciation and amortization of \$0.9 million, related to rental expenses, general maintenance and cleaning supplies, guard services, software licenses and other miscellaneous expenses, which were \$6.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

The information required by this item is included in Part I, Item 2 of this report under “Management of Market Risk”.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the Company’s management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) or Rule 15d-15(e) promulgated under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of June 30, 2024. Based on that evaluation, the Company’s management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, concluded that the Registrant’s disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

During the six months ended June 30, 2024, there were no changes in the Company’s internal controls over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, its internal controls over financial reporting.

PART II—OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

The Company is not involved in any pending legal proceedings as a plaintiff or a defendant other than routine legal proceeding occurring in the ordinary course of business. At June 30, 2024, the Company was not involved in any legal proceedings the outcome of which management believes would be material to its financial condition or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

In addition to the other information set forth in this Quarterly Report, you should carefully consider the risk factors and other cautionary statements described under the heading “Item 1A. Risk Factors” included in our 2023 Form 10-K and the risk factors and other cautionary statements contained in our other SEC filings, which could materially affect our businesses, financial condition or future results. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or future results. There have been no material changes in our Risk Factors from those disclosed in Item 1A of our 2023 Form 10-K or our other SEC filings.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

None

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

None

Item 5. Other Information.

None

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Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Articles of Incorporation of Ponce Financial Group, Inc. (attached as Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Form S-1 (File No. 333-258394) filed with the Commission on August 3, 2021).
3.2	Bylaws of Ponce Financial Group, Inc. (attached as Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Form S-1 (File No. 333-258394) filed with the Commission on August 3, 2021).
3.3	Articles Supplementary to the Charter of Ponce Financial Group, Inc. (attached as Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-41255) filed with the Commission on June 9, 2022).
31.1*	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2*	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1*	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2*	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)

* **Filed herewith.**

SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 8, 2024

Ponce Financial Group, Inc.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Carlos P. Naudon

Carlos P. Naudon
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: August 8, 2024

By: /s/ Sergio J. Vaccaro

Sergio J. Vaccaro
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Carlos P. Naudon, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Ponce Financial Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the small business issuer as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The small business issuer's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the small business issuer and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the small business issuer, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the small business issuer's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the small business issuer's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the small business issuer's most recent fiscal quarter (the small business issuer's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the small business issuer's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The small business issuer's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the small business issuer's auditors and the audit committee of the small business issuer's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the small business issuer's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the small business issuer's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 8, 2024

By: /s/ Carlos P. Naudon

Carlos P. Naudon
President
Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Sergio J. Vaccaro, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Ponce Financial Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the small business issuer as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The small business issuer's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the small business issuer and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the small business issuer, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the small business issuer's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the small business issuer's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the small business issuer's most recent fiscal quarter (the small business issuer's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the small business issuer's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The small business issuer's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the small business issuer's auditors and the audit committee of the small business issuer's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the small business issuer's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the small business issuer's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 8, 2024

By: /s/ Sergio J. Vaccaro

Sergio J. Vaccaro
Executive Vice President
Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Ponce Financial Group, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2024 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and result of operations of the Company.

Date: August 8, 2024

By: /s/ Carlos P. Naudon

Carlos P. Naudon

President

Chief Executive Officer

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18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
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In connection with the Quarterly Report of Ponce Financial Group, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2024 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and result of operations of the Company.

Date: August 8, 2024

By: /s/ Sergio J. Vaccaro

Sergio J. Vaccaro
Executive Vice President
Chief Financial Officer
