



- THE HOLDING COMPANY OF WEST VIEW SAVINGS BANK-

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WVS FINANCIAL CORP. ANNOUNCES NET INCOME AND EARNINGS PER SHARE FOR THE THREE AND SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Pittsburgh, PA -- WVS Financial Corp. (OTCQX: WVFC), the holding company for West View Savings Bank, today reported net income of \$287 thousand or \$0.18 per diluted share, for the three months ended December 31, 2023 as compared to \$497 thousand or \$0.29 per diluted share for the same period in 2022. The \$210 thousand or 42.3% decrease in net income during the three months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to a \$261 thousand decrease in net interest income and a decrease in credit provisions for loan losses of \$4 thousand, which were partially offset by a \$13 thousand decrease in non-interest expense, a \$4 thousand increase in non-interest income and a \$38 thousand decrease in income tax expense, when compared to the same period of 2022. The decrease in net interest income was the result of a \$776 thousand increase in interest expense which was partially offset by a \$515 thousand increase in interest income for the three months ending December 31, 2023, when compared to the same period in 2022. The increase in interest income for the three months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to a higher average balance of mortgagebacked securities and higher market yields earned on the Company's interest earnings assets, which were more than offset by lower average balances of investment securities, loans and Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) stock when compared to the same period in 2022. The increase in interest expense for the three months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to higher average balances of time deposits and Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) borrowings, offset by a lower average balance of FHLB advances, and higher rates paid on time deposits, FHLB and FRB borrowings when compared to the same period in 2022. The decrease in the provision for loan losses for the three months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily the result of lower average balances of loans outstanding when compared to the same period in 2022. The decrease in non-interest expense was primarily attributable to a decrease of \$26 thousand in salaries and employee benefits and an \$22 thousand decrease in provisions for off balance sheet items (e.g., loan commitments) which were partially offset by an increase of \$16 thousand in federal deposit insurance premiums, an \$11 thousand increase in ATM network expense, and a \$3 thousand increase in printing and office supply expenses during the three months ended December 31, 2023 when compared to the same period of 2022. The increase in total non-interest income for the quarter ended December 31, 2023 was primarily the result of higher earnings on bank owned life insurance when compared to the same period in 2022. The decrease in income tax expense for the quarter ended December 31, 2023 was primarily due to lower taxable income, when compared to the same period of 2022.

Net income for the six months ended December 31, 2023 totaled \$616 thousand or \$0.38 per diluted share, as compared to \$929 thousand or \$0.55 per diluted share for the same period in 2022. The \$313 thousand or 33.7% decrease in net income during the six months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to a \$323 thousand decrease in net interest income, a \$50 thousand increase in non-interest expense and a \$7 thousand decrease in the credit provision for loan losses, which were partially offset by a \$3 thousand increase in noninterest income, and a \$64 thousand decrease in income tax expense when compared to the same period in 2022. The decrease in net interest income during the six months ended December 31, 2023 was attributable to a \$2.2 million increase in interest expense which was partially offset by a \$1.9 million increase in interest income when compared to the same period in 2022. The increase in interest income for the six months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to higher yields earned on the Company's interest earning assets and higher average balances of mortgage-backed securities which were offset by lower average balances of investment securities, loans and FHI B stock when compared to the same period in 2022. The change in the provision for loan losses for the six months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to lower average balances of loans outstanding when compared to the same period in 2022. The increase in interest expense for the six months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily attributable to higher average balances of time deposits, FHLB advances and FRB borrowings outstanding and higher rates paid on time deposits, advances and borrowings when compared to the same period in 2022. The increase in noninterest income was primarily attributable to a \$6 thousand increase in earnings on bank-owned life insurance, a \$10 thousand increase in gain on disposal of assets, offset by a \$4 thousand decrease in service charges and a decrease of \$8 thousand in ATM fee income when compared to the prior year period. The \$50 thousand increase in non-interest expense was primarily attributable to a \$33 thousand increase in salary and compensation expense, a \$33 thousand increase in federal deposit insurance premiums, and a \$10 thousand increase in ATM network expense, which was partially offset by a \$19 thousand decrease in the provision for off-balance sheet commitments (e.g., outstanding loan commitments) and a \$5 thousand decrease in legal expense when compared to the same period in 2022. The decrease in income tax expense for the six months ended December 31, 2023 was primarily the result of a lower level of taxable income, when compared to the same period in 2022.

WVS Financial Corp. owns 100% of the outstanding common stock of West View Savings Bank. The Savings Bank is a Pennsylvania-chartered, FDIC savings bank, which conducts business from five offices located in the North Hills suburbs of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The Bank wishes to thank our customers and host communities for allowing us to be their full-service bank.

--TABLES ATTACHED--###

WVS FINANCIAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA (Dollars in thousands except per share data)

Total assets	ecember 31, 2023 naudited) 361,443	(Un:	ne 30, 2023 audited) 362,839
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,844		5,659
Certificates of Deposits	19,260		19,512
Investment securities available-for-sale	38,205		46,916
Investment securities held-to-maturity	17,602		18,160
Mortgage-backed securities held-to-maturity	195,047		184,470
Net loans receivable	72,585		73,138
Deposits	127,291		137,707
FHLB advances: short-term – fixed rate	3,460		10,664
FHLB advances: short-term variable rate	52,195		107,000
FRB advances	133,830		65,840
Equity	37,615		37,179
Book value per share – Common Equity	21.89		21.43
Book value per share – Tier I Equity	22.03		21.74
Annualized Return on average assets	0.32%	D	0.47%
Annualized Return on average equity	3.40%)	4.60%
Tier, I leverage ratio	10.47%	b	10.35%

WVS FINANCIAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY SELECTED CONSOLIDATED OPERATING DATA (In thousands except per share data)

	Т	Three Months Ended				Six Months Ended				
		December 31, (Unaudited)			December 31, (Unaudited)					
	•	2023		2022		2023		2022		
Interest income	\$	3,827	\$	3,312	\$	7,547	\$	5,686		
Interest expense		2,583		1,807		5,009		2,825		
Net interest income		1,244		1,505		2,538		2,861		
Provision for loan losses		(4)		(8)		(4)		(11)		
Net interest income after provision for loan										
losses		1,248		1,513		2,542		2,872		
Non-interest income		95		91		184		181		
Non-interest expense		939		952		1,871		1,821		
Income before income tax expense		404		652		855		1,232		
Income taxes		117		155		239		303		
NET INCOME	\$	287	\$	497	\$	616	<u>\$</u>	929		
EARNINGS PER SHARE:										
Basic	\$	0.18	\$	0.29	\$	0.38	\$	0.55		
Diluted	\$	0.18	\$	0.29	\$	0.38	\$	0.55		
WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING:										
Basic	1,	,600,450	1	,687,084	1	1,602,908		,693,269		
Diluted	-	,600,450	1	,687,084	1	1,602,908	1	,693,269		