

# Kentucky First Federal Bancorp

Parent company of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hazard First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky

# 2024 Annual Report





### KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP

Kentucky First Federal Bancorp ("Kentucky First Federal" or the "Company") was formed under federal law in March 2005 and is the holding company for First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hazard, Hazard, Kentucky ("First Federal of Hazard") and First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky, Frankfort, Kentucky ("First Federal of Kentucky") (collectively, the "Banks"). Kentucky First Federal's operations consist primarily of operating the Banks as two independent, community-oriented savings institutions.

First Federal of Hazard is a federally chartered savings and loan association offering traditional financial services to consumers in Perry and surrounding counties in eastern Kentucky. First Federal of Hazard engages primarily in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and using such funds to originate, when available, loans secured by first mortgages on owner-occupied, residential real estate and, occasionally, other loans secured by real estate. To the extent there is insufficient loan demand in its market area, and where appropriate under its investment policies, First Federal of Hazard has historically invested in mortgage-backed and other securities, although since formation of the Company in 2005, First Federal of Hazard has been purchasing whole loans and participations in loans originated at First Federal of Kentucky.

First Federal of Kentucky is a federally chartered savings bank which is primarily engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and the origination primarily of adjustable-rate loans secured by first mortgages on owner-occupied and non-owner-occupied one-to four-family residences in Franklin, Boyle, Garrard and surrounding counties in Kentucky. First Federal of Kentucky also originates, to a lesser extent, home equity loans, loans secured by churches, multi-family properties, professional office buildings and other types of property, as well as consumer loans and commercial and industrial loans.

#### MARKET INFORMATION

The Company's common stock began trading under the symbol "KFFB" on the Nasdaq National Market on March 3, 2005. There are currently 8,086,715 shares of common stock outstanding and approximately 500 holders of record of the common stock. Following are the high and low closing prices, by fiscal quarter, as reported on the Nasdaq National Market during the periods indicated, as well as dividends declared on the common stock during each quarter.

			Dividends
Fiscal 2024	 High	Low	Per Share
First quarter	\$ 6.56	\$ 4.96	\$ 0.10
Second quarter	5.50	3.76	0.10
Third quarter	4.43	3.79	-
Fourth quarter	3.90	3.12	_

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Fiscal 2023	High		Low	Per	Share
First quarter	\$ 8	.05	7.10	\$	0.10
Second quarter		.88	6.62		0.10
Third quarter		.32	6.00		0.10
Fourth quarter	(	.84	5.48		0.10

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# Kentucky First Federal Bancorp

#### Dear Shareholder:

We are pleased to present the 2024 Annual Report for Kentucky First Federal Bancorp. We encourage you to read both the Annual Report and Proxy Statement. We encourage you to vote and, if possible, to attend our annual meeting on November 14, 2024 as we return to The Challenger Center on the campus of Hazard Community and Technical College for this year's meeting. The location is One Community College Drive in Hazard, KY.

This has been a difficult year for our Company. For the year ended June 30, 2024, we experienced a net loss of \$1.7 million. Please note that \$947,000 of that loss was a non-cash write off due to an impairment of goodwill. This portion of the loss has no effect on the capital ratios at our subsidiary banks. But the remainder was indeed a significant loss which was primarily the result of lower net interest income. The cost of our funds increased faster than the returns on our assets, mostly loans, increased. The lower income precipitated our decision, announced on January 16, 2024, to suspend our dividend. Low income and the lack of a dividend has caused continued deterioration in our stock price. In addition, our larger subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky entered into a formal agreement with its primary regulator, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which will require the bank to adopt a revised strategic plan, a revised succession plan, and revised Liquidity and Interest Rate Risk management programs.

Ultimately, our response to the agreement, and part of our earnings plan, for both banks, will be to reduce reliance on non-core funding. As wholesale funding sources are usually more sensitive to interest rate changes, the increased market rates in 2022 and 2023 caused our costs to escalate quickly, followed by increases to our retail deposits. Our loan portfolio is primarily made up of adjustable-rate mortgages what have adjusted or will adjust after a set fixed period, and will continue to adjust, but the speed of the increase in costs has so far outpaced the rise in returns.

However, we believe that the worst of this period is over. Our net interest income has increased in the last two quarters. The 0.5% interest rate cut announced by the Federal Reserve on September 18, 2024, was welcome and will help to ease pressure on our margin. Our plan going forward will depend on an expanding margin with some deleveraging of our owner-occupied portfolio. With increasing rates on their adjustable-rate loans, we believe many borrowers will be looking to find a fixed rate option, which we hope to provide and earn fee income from selling the loan to the secondary market.

Another key aspect of our plan is to continue to build our commitment and reliance on our local communities. In March, First Federal of Kentucky introduced our "Hometown Banking" line of consumer and business deposit products. Since, we have taken every available opportunity to promote our commitment to customer service through superior deposit products across our communities. We will continue to build our local deposit base—and we would appreciate your support. In this connection, please consider our banks for your deposit needs.

There have been some major personnel changes in the last year. First, our original Chief Financial Officer, Clay Hulette, who also served as Area President of First Federal of Kentucky, retired at the first of this year. Clay was instrumental in the formation of our Company and his hard work and wise counsel were of immense value. Clay has continued to serve as a director of First Federal of Kentucky and in August was appointed to the board of the Company. Clay was replaced as CFO by Tyler Eades. Also, our Secretary, Lee Ann Hockensmith, who also served as the Chief

Customer Officer at First Federal of Kentucky, left our employment in August to take a position in another industry. Jaime Coffey, President and CEO of First Federal of Hazard, was appointed to take her place as Secretary. Finally, our longtime Chairman and one-time Chief Executive Officer Tony Whitaker, retired on August 1, 2024. Tony had served the banking industry for over 50 years and developed the ideas behind the foundation of our Company. His replacement as Chairman of the Company is long-time director Walter G. Ecton Jr. and his replacement as Chair of First Federal of Hazard is director and long-time employee and CEO Lou Ella R. Farler.

It has been a truly eventful year, but the commitment of our board, our management, and our staff to return to profitability and to resolve our regulatory issues has not waivered.

Sincerely,

Don Jennings

President and Chief Executive Officer

# SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA

# **Selected Financial Condition Data**

			At	June 30,		
(Dollars in thousands)	2024	2023		2022	2021	2020
Total assets	\$ 374,968	\$ 349,022	\$	328,080	\$ 338,063	\$ 321,136
Cash and cash equivalents	18,287	8,167		25,823	21,648	13,702
Time deposits	-	-		-	247	2,229
Securities held to maturity	213	274		339	462	598
Securities available for sale	9,648	12,080		10,477	33	541
Loans, net	333,025	313,807		274,583	297,902	285,887
Deposits	256,139	226,309		239,857	226,843	212,273
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	68,988	70,087		34,066	56,873	54,715
Shareholders' equity	47,997	50,711		52,025	52,296	51,911
Allowance for credit losses	2,127	1,634		1,529	1,622	1,488
Nonperforming loans (90 days delinquent and						
nonaccrual)	3,896	4,701		5,819	6,655	7,395

# **Selected Financial Condition Data**

			Yea	r Ei	nded June	2 30	,		
(Dollars in thousands, except share data)		2024	2023		2022		2021		2020
Total interest income	\$	16,277	\$ 12,758	\$	10,914	\$	12,152	\$	12,823
Total interest expense		9,283	3,902		1,754		2,141		3,499
Net interest income	_	6,994	8,856	-	9,160		10,011	_	9,324
Credit loss expense (benefit)		24	113		(60)		192		103
Net interest income after provision for losses									_
on loans		6,970	8,743		9,220		9,819		9,221
Total non-interest income		251	302		515		595		399
Goodwill impairment		947	-		-		-		13,560
Total non-interest expenses		8,234	7,818		7,668		8,242		8,343
Income (loss) before income taxes		(1,960)	1,227		2,067		2,172		(12,283)
Income taxes (benefit)		(239)	294		477		352		264_
Net income (loss)	\$	(1,721)	\$ 933	\$	1,590	\$	1,820	\$	(12,547)
Net earnings (loss) per share-basic and									
diluted	\$	(0.21)	\$ 0.11	\$	0.19	\$	0.22	\$	(1.52)
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$	0.20	\$ 0.40	\$	0.40	\$	0.40	\$	0.40

# **Selected Financial Ratios and Other Data (1)**

		Year l	Ended June 3	0,	
-	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Performance Ratios:					
Return on average assets (net income (loss)					
divided by average total assets)	-0.47%	0.28%	0.47%	0.55%	-3.80%
Return on average equity (net income (loss)					
divided by average equity)	-3.49%	1.81%	3.04%	3.50%	-19.01%
Interest rate spread (combined weighted average interest rate earned less combined					
weighted average interest rate cost)	1.49%	2.48%	2.68%	3.00%	2.82%
Net interest margin (net interest income					
divided by average interest-earning assets)	1.98%	2.73%	2.81%	3.14%	3.05%
Ratio of average interest-earning assets to					
average interest-bearing liabilities	118.66%	120.50%	122.95%	120.39%	119.57%
Ratio of total general administrative and other					
expenses to average total assets	2.53%	2.33%	2.28%	2.50%	6.63%
Efficiency ratio <sup>1</sup>	126.72%	86.43%	78.77%	79.14%	225.27%
Dividend payout ratio <sup>2</sup>	-38.99%	146.09%	87.67%	76.26%	-11.06%
Asset Quality Ratios:					
Nonperforming loans as a percent of total					
loans at end of period <sup>3</sup>	1.16%	1.49%	2.11%	2.22%	2.57%
Nonperforming assets as a percent of total					
assets at the end of period	1.04%	1.37%	1.78%	1.99%	2.50%
Allowance for creddit losses as a percent of					
total loans at end of period	0.63%	0.52%	0.55%	0.54%	0.52%
Allowance for credit losses as a percent of					
total nonperforming loans at end of period	54.59%	34.76%	26.28%	24.37%	20.12%
Credit loss expense (benefit) to total loans	0.01%	0.04%	-0.02%	0.06%	0.04%
Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding	0.01%	0.00%	0.01%	0.02%	0.03%
Capital Ratios:					
Average equity to average assets	13.60%	15.35%	15.53%	15.79%	19.97%
Shareholders' equity to total assets at end of					
period	12.80%	14.53%	15.86%	15.47%	16.16%
Consolidated Regulatory Capital Ratios:					
Common equity Tier 1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tier 1 (core) capital to risk-weighted assets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total capital to risk-weighted assets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tier 1 leverage capital to average assets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Community Bank Leverage Ratio	13.32%	15.02%	15.21%	15.35%	15.67%
Number of banking offices	7	7	7	7	7

Efficiency ratio represents the ratio of non-interest expenses divided by the sum of net interest income and total non-interest income.

Represents dividends paid as a percent of net (loss) earnings. Dividends paid does not include dividends waived by First Federal MHC.

Nonperforming loans consist of nonaccrual loans, accruing loans greater than 90 days delinquent, and restructured loans not performing according to their revised terms, while nonperforming assets consist of nonperforming loans and real estate acquired through foreclosure.

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

References in this Annual Report to "we," "us," and "our" refer to Kentucky First Federal Bancorp and where appropriate, collectively to Kentucky First Federal Bancorp, First Federal of Hazard and First Federal of Kentucky.

# **Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements contained in this report, as well as other periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, that are not historical facts are considered "forward-looking statements" under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, that are subject to certain risks and uncertainties. These forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "plan," "estimate," "intend" and "potential," or words of similar meaning, or future or conditional verbs such as "should," "could," or "may." Forwardlooking statements include statements of our goals, intentions and expectations; statements regarding our ability to fully and timely address the deficiencies that resulted in the Agreement that First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky has entered into with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency ("OCC"); First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky's ability to satisfy the Individual Minimum Capital Requirements imposed by the OCC; statements regarding our business plans, prospects, growth and operating strategies; statements regarding the quality of our loan and investment portfolios; and estimates of our risks and future costs and benefits. Kentucky First Federal Bancorp's actual results, performance or achievements may materially differ from those expressed or implied in the forwardlooking statements. Risks and uncertainties that could cause or contribute to such material differences include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions; prices for real estate in the Company's market areas; the interest rate environment and the impact of the interest rate environment on our business, financial condition and results of operations; our ability to successfully execute our strategy to increase earnings, increase core deposits, reduce reliance on higher cost funding sources and shift more of our loan portfolio towards higher-earning loans; our ability to pay future dividends and if so at what level; our ability to receive any required regulatory approval or non-objection for the payment of dividends from First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hazard and First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky to the Company or from the Company to shareholders; the ability of First Federal MHC to receive approval of its members to waive the payment of any Company dividends to First Federal MHC competitive conditions in the financial services industry; changes in the level of inflation; changes in the demand for loans, deposits and other financial services that we provide; the possibility that future credit losses may be higher than currently expected; competitive pressures among financial services companies; the ability to attract, develop and retain qualified employees; our ability to maintain the security of our data processing and information technology systems; the outcome of pending or threatened litigation, or of matters before regulatory agencies; changes in law, governmental policies and regulations, rapidly changing technology affecting financial services, and the other matters mentioned in Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K. Except as required by applicable law or regulation, the Company does not undertake the responsibility, and specifically disclaims any obligation, to release publicly the result of any revisions that may be made to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of the statements or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events.

#### General

The Company was incorporated as a mid-tier holding company under the laws of the United States on March 2, 2005, upon the completion of the reorganization of First Federal of Hazard into a federal mutual holding company form of organization (the "Reorganization"). On that date, Kentucky First Federal also completed its minority stock offering and its concurrent acquisition of Frankfort First Bancorp, Inc. ("Frankfort First Bancorp") and its wholly owned subsidiary, First Federal of Kentucky, Frankfort Kentucky ("First Federal of Kentucky") (the "Merger"). Following the Reorganization and Merger, the Company has operated First Federal of Hazard and First Federal of Kentucky (collectively, the "Banks") as two independent, community-oriented savings institutions.

On December 31, 2012, the Company acquired CKF Bancorp, Inc., a savings and loan holding company which operated three banking locations in Boyle and Garrard Counties in Kentucky. In accounting for the transaction, the assets and liabilities of CKF Bancorp were recorded on the books of First Federal of Kentucky in accordance with accounting standard ASC 805, Business Combinations.

Our results of operations are dependent primarily on net interest income, which is the difference between the income earned on our loans and securities and our cost of funds, consisting of the interest paid on deposits and borrowings. Results of operations are also affected by the provision for losses on loans and service charges and fees collected on our deposit accounts. Our general, administrative, and other expense primarily consists of employee compensation and benefits expense, occupancy and equipment expense, data processing expense, other operating expenses and state and federal income taxes. Results of operations are also significantly affected by general economic and competitive conditions, particularly changes in interest rates, government policies and actions of regulatory authorities.

# Regulatory Developments Regarding First Federal of Kentucky

On August 13, 2024, First Federal of Kentucky entered into a formal written agreement (the "Agreement") with the OCC (the "OCC"), First Federal of Kentucky's primary federal banking regulator, which became effective as of the same date. As a result of the Agreement, pursuant to 12 C.F.R. § 5.51(c)(7)(ii), First Federal of Kentucky is in "troubled condition," and is not an "eligible savings association" for purposes of 12 C.F.R. § 5.3, unless otherwise informed in writing by the OCC. In addition to the Agreement, the OCC has also imposed individual minimum capital requirements ("IMCRs") on First Federal of Kentucky. The IMCRs require First Federal of Kentucky to maintain a common equity tier 1 capital ratio of at least 9.0%, a tier 1 capital ratio of at least 11.0%, a total capital ratio of at least 12.0%, and a leverage ratio of at least 9.0%. At June 30, 2024, First Federal of Kentucky exceeded the requirements of the IMCRs as its common equity tier 1 capital ratio was 16.25%, its total capital ratio was 16.25%, and its leverage ratio was 10.24%.

Under the terms of the Agreement, First Federal of Kentucky is required to take the following actions within the time frames specified in the Agreement:

- create a compliance committee composed of at least three of First Federal of Kentucky's directors to monitor and oversee First Federal of Kentucky's compliance with the provisions of the Agreement and submit quarterly evaluation reports to First Federal of Kentucky's board of directors regarding actions First Federal of Kentucky has taken to comply with the Agreement and the results and status of such actions;
- submit to the OCC, adopt and implement an acceptable revised written three-year strategic plan establishing objectives for First Federal of Kentucky's overall risk profile, balance sheet mix, funding structure, interest rate risk, liquidity and capital adequacy, earnings performance, and asset and core deposit growth, together with strategies to achieve those objectives;
- submit to the OCC, adopt and implement an acceptable revised written succession plan for First Federal of Kentucky that is designed to promote adequate staffing and continuity of capable management;
- adopt a revised written liquidity risk management program for First Federal of Kentucky that provides for the identification, measurement, monitoring, and control of First Federal of Kentucky's liquidity risk exposure, and that emphasizes the importance of cash flow projections, diversified funding sources, a cushion of highly liquid assets, robust liquidity stress testing scenario analyses, and a formal, well-developed contingency funding plan as primary tools for measuring and managing liquidity risk; and
- adopt a revised written interest rate risk program that includes risk management systems to identify, measure, monitor, and control interest rate risk.

The Agreement requires First Federal of Kentucky's Board to (i) ensure that First Federal of Kentucky timely adopts and implements all corrective actions required by the Agreement and (ii) verify that First Federal of Kentucky adheres to the corrective actions and that they are effective in addressing First Federal of Kentucky's deficiencies that resulted in the Agreement.

The Agreement will remain in effect until it is amended by First Federal of Kentucky and the OCC, or the OCC modifies, waives or terminates the Agreement. While First Federal of Kentucky is subject to the Agreement, we expect that the Board and management will be required to focus considerable time and attention on taking corrective actions to comply with its terms.

First Federal of Kentucky's Board and management are committed to fully addressing the provisions of the Agreement within the required time frames. The Board and management of First Federal of Kentucky have been taking action and implementing programs to comply with the requirements of the Agreement. Although compliance with the Agreement will be determined by the OCC, the Board and management believes that First Federal of Kentucky has complied in all material respects with the provisions of the Agreement required to be complied with as of the date of this report, including the capital requirements imposed by the OCC. The OCC may determine, however, in its sole discretion that the issues raised by the Agreement have not been addressed satisfactorily, or that any current or past actions, violations or deficiencies could be the subject of further regulatory enforcement actions. If the OCC were to determine that First Federal of Kentucky was not in compliance with the Agreement, it would have available various remedies, including among others, the power to enjoin "unsafe or unsound" practices, to require affirmative action to correct any conditions resulting from any violation or practice, to direct an increase in capital, to restrict the growth of First Federal of Kentucky, to remove officers and/or directors, to assess civil monetary penalties, and to impose limitations on our business at First Federal of Kentucky, any of which could negatively affect our ability to implement our business plan and pay dividends on or our common stock, and may negatively affect the value of our common stock as well as our financial condition and results of operations.

First Federal of Kentucky will incur additional non-interest expenses associated with the implementation of the corrective actions set forth in the Agreement. These expenses may have a material impact on the financial condition of the Company.

For additional information, see Note K-Stockholders' Equity and Regulatory Capital of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report.

Lending Operations and Credit Risk

**Income.** We have two primary sources of pre-tax income. The first is net interest income, which is the difference between interest income, the income that we earn on our loans and investments, and interest expense, the interest that we pay on our deposits and borrowings.

To a much lesser extent, we also recognize pre-tax income from fee and service charges, which is the compensation we receive from providing financial products and services.

*Expenses.* The expenses we incur in operating our business consist of compensation, taxes and benefits, office occupancy, data processing fees, taxes, and other expenses.

Compensation, taxes, and benefits consist primarily of the salaries and wages paid to our employees and directors, payroll taxes and expenses for retirement and other employee benefits.

Office occupancy expenses, which are the fixed and variable costs of buildings and equipment, consist primarily of taxes, depreciation charges, maintenance, and costs of utilities.

Data processing fees primarily include fees paid to our third-party data processing providers.

Taxes consist of the current and deferred portion of federal and state income taxes.

Other expenses include expenses for attorneys, accountants and consultants, advertising, telephone, employee training and education, charitable contributions, insurance, office supplies, postage, and other miscellaneous operating activities.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our accounting and reporting policies comply with U.S. GAAP and conform to general practices within the banking industry. We believe that of our significant accounting policies, the following may involve a higher degree of management assumptions and judgments that could result in materially different amounts to be reported if conditions or underlying circumstances were to change.

**Allowance for Credit Losses** – We account for the allowance for credit losses under ASC 326, Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments, which is commonly known as CECL. We measure expected credit losses of financial assets on a weighted average remaining maturity (WARM) basis.

We maintain an allowance for credit losses ("ACL") at a level that is appropriate to cover estimated credit losses on individually evaluated loans, as well as estimated credit losses inherent in the estimated life of the loan portfolio. Credit losses are charged to and recoveries are credited to the ACL.

Loans with similar risk characteristics are evaluated on a collective basis within homogeneous loan pools under ASC 326. Our homogeneous loan pools are primarily determined by loan purpose and collateral type. Pools include residential real estate (composed of one-to four-family, multi-family, and construction), land, farm, nonresidential real estate, commercial and industrial, and consumer loans (composed of Loans on deposit, home equity, automobile, and unsecured). Credits that are nonaccrual status are subject to individual evaluation.

Historical loss rates for loans are adjusted for significant factors that, in management's judgment, reflect the impact of any current conditions on loss recognition. Qualitative factors used to derive our ACL include delinquency trends, current economic conditions and trends, strength of supervision and administration of the loan portfolio, levels of underperforming loans, trends in loan losses and underwriting exceptions. Reasonable and supportable economic forecasts that may offset collectibility are also included as factors in our ACL model. Management continually reevaluates the other subjective factors included in its ACL analysis.

**Goodwill.** We test goodwill for impairment at least annually and more frequently, if circumstances indicate its value may not be recoverable. We test goodwill for impairment by comparing the fair value of the reporting unit to the book value of the reporting unit. If the fair value exceeds book value, then goodwill is not considered to be impaired. Based on the annual goodwill impairment test at June 30, 2024, we recorded a non-cash \$947,000 goodwill impairment charge, which had no income tax impact. See Note F-Goodwill in the Notes to Financial Statements for additional information regarding the goodwill impairment charge we recorded at June 30, 2024.

**Deferred Taxes.** We evaluate deferred tax assets and liabilities quarterly. We will realize these assets and liabilities to the extent profitable or carry back tax losses to periods in which we paid income taxes. Our determination of the realization of the deferred tax asset will be based upon management's judgment of various future events and uncertainties, including the timing and amount of future income we will earn and the implementation of various tax plans to maximize realization of the deferred tax assets. Management believes the Company will generate sufficient operating earnings to realize the deferred tax benefits. Examinations of our income tax returns or changes in tax law may impact the tax liabilities and resulting provisions for income taxes.

# **Our Operating Strategy**

Our mission is to operate and grow profitable, community-oriented financial institutions serving primarily retail customers in our market areas. We plan to pursue a strategy of:

- operating two community-oriented savings institutions, First Federal of Hazard, which serves customers
  in Perry and surrounding counties in eastern Kentucky, and First Federal of Kentucky, which serves
  customers primarily in the central Kentucky counties of Franklin, Boyle, and Garrard, as well as their
  surrounding counties. Each Bank emphasizes traditional thrift activities of accepting deposits and
  originating primarily residential mortgage loans for portfolio;
- continuing our historic heavy reliance on our deposit base to fund our lending and investment activities and to supplement deposits with FHLB advances when advantageous or necessary. We expect our projected deposit mix to generally retain its existing composition of passbook, transaction, and certificate of deposit accounts;
- gradually pursuing opportunities to increase and diversify lending in our market areas;
- applying conservative underwriting practices to maintain the high quality of our loan portfolios;
- managing our net interest margin and interest rate risk; and
- entertaining possibilities of expansion into other markets through branching or acquisition, if such possibilities are beneficial to the Company's shareholders, provide a good fit within the Company's mutual holding company framework and can be accomplished without undue encumbrance of the Company's other operational areas.

# **Market Risk Analysis**

Qualitative Aspects of Market Risk. Our most significant form of market risk is interest rate risk. We manage the interest rate sensitivity of our interest-bearing liabilities and interest-earning assets to minimize the adverse effects of changes in the interest rate environment. Deposit accounts typically react more quickly to changes in market interest rates than mortgage loans because of the shorter maturities of deposits. As a result, sharp increases in interest rates may adversely affect our earnings while decreases in interest rates may beneficially affect our earnings. To reduce the potential volatility of our earnings, we have sought to improve the match between asset and liability maturities (or rate adjustment periods), while maintaining an acceptable interest rate spread. Still, when market rates increase rapidly, increases in the cost of deposits and borrowings outpace the increases in the return on assets. The Company's assets are primarily comprised of adjustable-rate mortgages (all of which have some contractual limits in their ability to react to market changes) and short-term securities. Those assets will, over time, re-price to counteract the increased costs of deposits and borrowings.

Asset/Liability Management. Management and the boards of the subsidiary Banks are responsible for the asset/liability management issues that affect the individual Banks. Either Bank may work with its sister Bank to mitigate potential asset/liability risks to the Banks and to the Company as a whole. Management utilizes a third-party to perform interest rate risk ("IRR") calculations for each of the Banks. Management monitors and considers methods of managing the rate sensitivity and repricing characteristics of each of the Bank's balance sheet components to maintain acceptable levels of change in the economic value of equity ("EVE") as well as evaluating the impact on earnings in the event of changes in prevailing market interest rates. Interest rate sensitivity analysis is used to measure our interest rate risk by computing estimated changes in EVE that are a result of changes in the net present value of its cash flows from assets, liabilities, and off-balance sheet items. These changes in cash flow are estimated based on hypothetical instantaneous and permanent increases and decreases in market interest rates.

In March 2022 the Federal Open Market Committee ("FOMC") of the Federal Reserve Bank began raising the target range for the fed funds rate of interest and since that time has raised the short-term interest rate by 525 basis points. At June 30, 2024, we believe our risk associated with rising interest rates is moderately high but steps are underway to reduce this exposure. Our IRR model indicated that at June 30, 2024, in the event of a sudden and sustained increase in prevailing market interest rates of 300 basis points, our EVE would be expected to decrease \$37.4 million or 67.6% to \$17.9 million, at which level our fair value of tangible equity to fair value of tangible assets would be expected to be 5.7%. The projected decrease in EVE in the event of a sudden and sustained 300 basis point increase in prevailing interest rates is not within the parameters established by each subsidiary Bank's Board of Directors. Computations or prospective effects of hypothetical interest rate changes are based on numerous assumptions, including relative levels of market interest rates, loan prepayments, and deposit run-offs. These computations should not be relied upon as indicative of actual results. Further, the computations do not contemplate any actions the Banks may undertake in response to changes in interest rates. Certain shortcomings are inherent in this method of computing EVE. For example, although certain assets and liabilities may have similar maturities or periods to repricing, they may react in differing degrees to changes in market interest rates. The interest rates on certain types of assets and liabilities may fluctuate in advance of changes in market interest rates, while interest rates on other types may lag behind changes in market rates. Finally, after the considerable market rate increases of the last two years, neither management nor most market analysts believe that a increase of 300 basis points is likely. On September 18, the FOMC decreased the target range for Fed Funds by 50 basis points.

#### **Statement of Financial Condition**

*General.* At June 30, 2024, assets totaled \$375.0 million, an increase of \$25.9 million, or 7.4%, compared to June 30, 2023. The increase was related primarily to an increase of \$19.2 million or 6.1% in loans, net, which totaled \$333.0 million at June 30, 2024. Cash and cash equivalents increased \$10.1 million or 123.9% at June 30, 2024. These were slightly offset by decreases in investment securities of \$2.5 million or 20.2% and goodwill of \$947,000 or 100%. Total liabilities increased \$28.7 million, or 9.6%, to \$327.0 million at June 30, 2024, primarily as a result of increased deposits, which increased \$29.8 million or 13.2% to \$256.1 million at June 30, 2024 and were somewhat offset by decreased FHLB advances, which decreased \$1.1 million or 1.6% to \$69.0 million.

**Loans.** Our primary lending activity is the origination of loans for the purchase, refinance, or construction of one- to four-family residential real estate located in our market areas. As opportunities arise, we also originate church loans, commercial real estate loans, and multi-family and nonresidential real estate loans. At June 30, 2024, one- to four-family residential real estate loans totaled \$256.2 million, or 76.5% of total loans, compared to \$240.1 million, or 76.1% of total loans at June 30, 2023. Please refer to Note C-Loans of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a further breakdown of consumer and other loans.

The following table sets forth the composition of our loan portfolio at the dates indicated.

					At Jur	1e 30,				
	202	24	202	23	202	22	202	21	202	20
(Dollars in	Amoun	Perce	Amoun	Perce	Amoun	Perce	Amoun	Perce	Amoun	Perce
thousands)	t	<u>nt</u>	t	nt	<u>t</u>	<u>nt</u>	t	<u>nt</u>	<u>t</u>	<u>nt</u>
Real estate loans:										
	256,21		240,07		216,43		224,12		222,48	
One- to four-family	\$ 6	76.5%	\$ 6	76.1%	\$ 2	78.4%	\$ 5	74.8%	\$ 9	77.4%
Construction	13,815	4.1%	12,294	3.9%	1,363	0.5%	5,433	1.8%	4,045	1.4%
Multi-family	15,815	4.7%	19,067	6.0%	14,252	5.1%	19,781	6.6%	12,373	4.3%
Land	964	0.3%	470	0.2%	1,062	0.4%	1,308	0.4%	765	0.3%
Farm	1,169	0.4%	1,346	0.4%	1,338	0.5%	2,234	0.8%	2,354	0.8%
Nonresidential real est										
ate	34,308	10.2%	30,217	9.6%	31,441	11.4%	35,492	11.9%	33,503	11.7%
Commercial and										
industrial	700	0.2%	1,184	0.4%	1,006	0.4%	2,259	0.7%	2,214	0.8%
Consumer:										
Consumer and other	11,346	3.4%	9,932	3.1%	8,327	3.0%	7,763	2.6%	8,387	2.9%
Loans on deposits	819	0.2%	855	0.3%	891	0.3%	1,129	0.4%	1,245	0.4%
	335,15		315,44		276,11		299,52		287,37	
Total loans	\$ 2	100%	\$ 1	100%	\$ 2	100%	\$ 4	100%	\$ 5	100%
Allowance for loan										
losses	(2,127)	)	(1,634)	)	(1,529)	)	(1,622)		(1,488)	)
	333,02		313,80		274,58		297,90		285,88	
Loans receivable, net	\$ 5		\$ 7		\$ 3		\$ 2		\$ 7	

The following table sets forth certain information at June 30, 2024 regarding the dollar amount of loans repricing or maturing during the periods indicated. The table does not include any estimate of prepayments which significantly shorten the average life of all loans and may cause our actual repayment experience to differ from that shown below. Demand loans having no stated maturity are reported as due in one year or less.

	Real					
	Estate	Com	mercial	$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{c}$	nsumer	Total
(in thousands)	Loans	L	oans		Loans	Loans
One year or less	\$ 130,685	\$	301	\$	11,519	\$ 142,505
More than one year to five years	151,440		285		357	152,082
More than five years	40,162		114		289	40,565
	\$ 322,287	\$	700	\$	12,165	\$ 335,152

As of June 30, 2024, there were \$29.7 million fixed-rate and \$161.6 million adjustable-rate real estate loans maturing or adjusting in more than a year, while there were \$285,000 fixed-rate and \$114,000 adjustable-rate commercial loans maturing or adjusting in more than a year.

The following table shows loan origination activity during the periods indicated.

	 Yea	r E	nded June	30	,
(in thousands)	2024		2023		2022
Net loans at beginning of year	\$ 313,807	\$	274,583	\$	297,902
Loans originated:					
Real estate loans:					
Residential one-to four-family	31,996		53,509		60,146
Construction	21,676		20,840		4,692
Multi-family	600		11,794		9,871
Farm	-		-		570
Nonresidential real estate	7,931		3,791		4,706
Commercial and industrial	953		1,440		1,309
Consumer loans	6,018		6,833		4,209
Total loans originated	69,174		98,207		85,503
Deduct:					
Real estate loan principal repayments and other	(49,421)		(58,858)		(108,993)
Decrease (increase) in allowance	(493)		(105)		93
Transfer to real estate acquired through foreclosure	-		(60)		(45)
Other	(42)		40		123
Net loan activity	19,218		39,224		(23,319)
Net loans at end of period	\$ 333,025	\$	313,807	\$	274,583

Allowance for Credit Loss and Asset Quality. The allowance for loan losses is a valuation allowance for the probable incurred losses in the loan portfolio. We evaluate the allowance for loan losses no less than quarterly. When additional allowances are needed a provision for losses on loans is charged against earnings. The recommendations for increases or decreases to the allowance are presented by management to the Banks' boards of directors. The Company's board of directors oversees the overall allowance level for the Company and may propose increases or decreases for allowance levels at the Banks.

The Allowance for Credit Loss is established to recognize the probable incurred losses associated with lending activities. Loss and risk factors are based on our historical loss experience and industry averages and are adjusted for significant factors that in management's judgment affect the collectibility of the portfolio as of the evaluation date. These significant factors may include changes in lending policies and procedures, changes in existing general economic and business conditions affecting our primary lending area, credit quality trends, collateral value, loan volumes and concentrations, seasoning of the loan portfolio, recent loss experience, duration of the current business cycle and bank regulatory examination results.

The allowance for credit losses totaled \$2.1 million and \$1.6 million at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, which represented 0.64% and 0.52% of total loans, respectively. The allowance included no specific reserves at June 30, 2024 or 2023. Such reserves are calculated when a non-homogenous loan is considered impaired. An impaired loan is one in which it is likely that we will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Most of the Company's loans are collateral-based and, in case of impairment, the loans are carried at the lower of cost or fair value less disposal costs.

Nonperforming loans, which consist of all loans 90 days or more past due and nonaccrual loans, totaled \$3.9 million and \$4.7 million at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, a decrease of \$800,000 or 17.0%. The allowance for loan losses totaled 54.6% and 34.8% of nonperforming loans at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

We account for the allowance for credit losses under ASC 326, Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments, which is commonly known as CECL. We measure expected credit losses of financial assets on a weighted average remaining maturity (WARM) basis.

We maintain an allowance for credit losses ("ACL") at a level that is appropriate to cover estimated credit losses on individually evaluated loans, as well as estimated credit losses inherent in the estimated life of the loan portfolio. Credit losses are charged to ACL and recoveries are credited to the ACL.

Loans with similar risk characteristics are evaluated on a collective basis within homogeneous loan pools under ASC 326. Our homogeneous loan pools are primarily determined by loan purpose and collateral type. Pools include residential real estate (composed of one-to four-family, multi-family, and construction), land, farm, nonresidential real estate, commercial and industrial, and consumer loans (composed of Loans on deposit, home equity, automobile, and unsecured). Credits that are nonaccrual status are subject to individual evaluation.

Historical loss rates for loans are adjusted for significant factors that, in management's judgment, reflect the impact of any current conditions on loss recognition. Qualitative factors used to derive our ACL include delinquency trends, current economic conditions and trends, strength of supervision and administration of the loan portfolio, levels of underperforming loans, trends in loan losses and underwriting exceptions. Reasonable and supportable economic forecasts that may offset collectibility are also included as factors in our ACL model. Management continually reevaluates the other subjective factors included in its ACL analysis. Our loss reserves do not include \$348,000 in remaining discounts on acquired loans at June 30, 2024.

Our banking regulators, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review our allowance for credit losses. The examinations may require us to make additional provisions for loan losses based on judgments different from ours. In addition, because further events affecting borrowers and collateral cannot be predicted with certainty, there can be no assurance that the existing allowance for loan losses is adequate or that increases will not be necessary should the quality of any loans deteriorate because of the factors discussed above. Any material increase in the allowance for loan losses may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

**Summary of Loan Loss Experience.** The following table sets forth an analysis of the allowance for loan losses for the periods indicated. Where specific loan loss allowances have been established, any difference between the loss allowance and the amount of loss realized has been charged or credited to the allowance. At July 1, 2023, the adoption of CECL led to an immediate increase of \$497,000 to the allowance.

			Year	r E	nded June	30,			
	2024	_	2023		2022		2021		2020
Allowance at beginning of period	\$ 1,634	\$	1,529	\$	1,622	\$	1,488	\$	1,456
Provision (credit) for loan losses	24		113		(60)		192		103
Charge-offs:									
Real estate loans	(18)		(29)		(31)		(23)		(65)
Consumer loans	(8)		-		(4)		(45)		(8
Total charge-offs	(26)		(29)		(35)		(68)		(73)
Recoveries:									
Real estate loans	-		21		-		-		2
Consumer loans	4		-		2		10		-
Total recoveries			21		2		10		2
Net charge-offs	(22)		(8)		(33)		(58)		(71)
Initial Adoption of CECL	497								
Provision Allocated to Unfunded Liability	(6)								
Allowance at end of period	\$ 2,127	\$	1,634	\$	1,529	\$	1,622	\$	1,488
Allowance to nonperforming loans	54.6%	)	34.76%	)	26.28%		24.37%	)	20.12%
Allowance to total loans outstanding at end of period	0.64%	)	0.52%	)	0.55%	)	0.54%	)	0.52%
Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding during the period	0.01%	)	0.00%	)	0.01%		0.02%	)	0.03%

The following table sets forth the breakdown of the allowance for loan losses by loan category, which management believes can be allocated on an approximate basis, at the dates indicated.

									At June 30,							
			2024			2023			2022			2021			2020	
(Dollars in thousands)	Amo	unt	% of Allowance to Total Allowance	% of Loans in Category to Total Loans	Amount	% of Allowance to Total Allowance	% of Loans in Category to Total Loans	Amount	% of Allowance to Total Allowance	% of Loans in Category to Total Loans	Amount	% of Allowance to Total Allowance	% of Loans in Category to Total Loans	Amount	% of Allowance to Total Allowance	% of Loans in Category to Total Loans
Loans category:																
Residential one- to-																
four-family	\$ 1	,661	78.1%	76.6%	\$ 857	52.4%	76.0%	\$ 800	52.3%	78.4%	\$ 749	49.0%		\$ 671	45.1%	77.4%
Construction		122	5.7%		41	2.5%	3.9%	4	0.3%		12	0.7%				1.4%
Multi-family		100	4.7%		278	17.0%	6.0%	231	15.1%		291	17.9%		184		4.3%
Land		28	1.3%		1	0.1%	0.2%	3	0.2%		3	0.2%		1	0.1%	0.3%
Farm		4	0.2%	0.3%	4	0.2%	0.4%	5	0.3%	0.5%	5	0.3%	0.8%	4	0.3%	0.8%
Nonresidential real estate		192	9.0%	10.2%	405	24.8%	9.6%	461	30.2%	11.4%	494	30.5%	11.9%	405	27.2%	11.7%
Commercial and industrial		3			23	1.4%	0.4%		0.1%		5	0.3%				0.8%
Consumer and other		17	0.8%		24	1.5%	3.2%	22			16			12		2.9%
Loans on deposits		-	0.0%	0.2%	1	0.1%	0.3%	1	0.1%	0.3%	2	0.1%		2	0.1%	0.4%
Unallocated		-	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%	200	13.4%	0.0%
Total allowance for loan losses	2	,127	100.0%	100.0%	1,634	100.0%	100.0%	1,529	100.0%	100.0%	1,577	100.0%			100.0%	100.0%

Nonperforming and Classified Assets. When a loan becomes 90 days delinquent, the loan may be placed on nonaccrual status at which time the accrual of interest ceases, the interest previously accrued to income is reversed and interest income is thereafter recognized on a cash basis. Payments on a nonaccrual loan are applied to the outstanding principal and interest as determined at the time of collection of the loan or applied entirely to principal, depending on management's assessment of ultimate collectability. In situations where management believes collection of interest due is likely even if the loan is more than 90 days delinquent, then management may decide not to place the loan on non-accrual status.

We consider repossessed assets and loans that are 90 days or more past due to be nonperforming assets. Real estate that we acquire because of foreclosure or by deed-in-lieu of foreclosure is classified as real estate owned until it is sold. When property is acquired, it is recorded at the lower of carrying value of the investment or fair value less estimated selling costs at the date of foreclosure. Holding costs and declines in fair value after acquisition of the property are charged against income.

Under current accounting guidelines, a loan is defined as impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the creditor will be unable to collect all amounts due under the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Loans identified as impaired are evaluated on an individual basis. At June 30, 2024, there were no loans individually considered impaired with valuation adjustments.

The following table provides information with respect to our nonperforming assets at the dates indicated.

	Year Ended June 30,											
(Dollars in thousands)		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		
Nonaccrual loans:		<u> </u>										
Real estate loans	\$	2,678	\$	4,199	\$	4,048	\$	4,660	\$	4,415		
Commercial loans		969		-		-		-		4		
Consumer loans						75		21		5		
Total nonaccrual loans		3,647		4,199		4,123		4,681		4,424		
Accruing loans past due 90 days or more:												
Real estate loans		221		365		287		243		1,135		
Commercial loans		-		-		1		-		-		
Consumer loans		28		28				-		-		
Total accruing loans past due 90 days or												
more		249		393		288		243		1,135		
Restructured loans not performing as agreed		-		109		1,408		1,731		1,836		
Total nonperforming loans	_	3,896		4,701	_	5,819		6,655	_	7,395		
Total homperforming found		3,070		7,701		3,017		0,033		7,373		
Restructured loans performing as agreed		-		-		-		-		36		
Real estate acquired through foreclosure		10		70		10		82		640		
Total nonperforming assets and			_									
performing restructured loans	\$	3,906	\$	4,771	\$	5,829	\$	6,737	\$	8,071		
					_		-					
Total nonperforming loans to total loans		1.16%	ó	1.49%	ó	2.11%	ó	2.22%	ó	2.57%		
Total nonperforming loans to total assets		1.04%	ó	1.35%	ó	1.77%	ó	1.97%	Ó	2.33%		
Total nonperforming assets to total assets		1.04%	ó	1.37%	ó	1.78%	Ó	1.99%	Ó	2.54%		

Interest income that would have been recorded for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, had nonaccrual loans been current according to their original terms amounted to \$53,000, and \$53,000, respectively. Income related to nonaccrual loans included in interest income for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 amounted to \$45,000, and \$45,000, respectively.

Federal regulations require us to regularly review and classify our assets. In addition, our regulators have the authority to identify problem assets and, if appropriate, require them to be classified. There are three classifications for problem assets: substandard, doubtful and loss. "Substandard assets" must have one or more defined weaknesses and are characterized by the distinct possibility that we will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. "Doubtful assets" have the weaknesses of substandard assets with the additional characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values questionable, and there is a high possibility of loss. An asset classified "loss" is considered uncollectible and of such little value that continuance as an asset of the institution is not warranted. The regulations also provide for a "special mention" category, described as assets which do not currently expose us to a sufficient degree of risk to warrant classification but do possess credit deficiencies or potential weaknesses deserving our close attention. Special mention assets totaled \$797,000 and \$854,000 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The following table shows the aggregate amounts of our assets classified for regulatory purposes at the dates indicated.

		At June 30,					
(in thousands)	2024		2023		2022		
Substandard assets	\$ 7,1	71 \$	7,266	\$	7,458		
Doubtful assets		-	-		-		
Loss assets			-		-		
Total classified assets	\$ 7,1	71 \$	7,266	\$	7,458		

Substandard assets at June 30, 2024, consisted of 113 loans totaling \$7.2 million and one parcel of real estate owned with an aggregate carrying value of \$10,000, compared to substandard assets at June 30, 2023 which consisted of 123 loans totaling \$7.3 million and two parcels of real estate owned with an aggregate carrying value of \$70,000. During the fiscal years ended June 30 2024 and 2023, the Company made no loans to facilitate the purchase of real estate owned.

The table below summarizes other real estate owned at June 30, 2024:

	Number of	Net carrying
(Dollars in thousands)	Properties	value
Single-family	1	\$ 10
Building lots	<u>-</u> _	_
Total	1	\$ 10

The table below summarizes substandard loans at June 30, 2024:

(Dollars in thousands)	Number of Loans	Net carrying value
One- to four-family	101	\$ 5,064
Nonresidential real estate	5	1,953
Consumer	7	154
Total	113	\$ 7,171

Other than disclosed above, there are no other loans at June 30, 2024 that we have serious doubts about the ability of the borrowers to comply with the present loan repayment terms.

**Delinquencies.** The following table provides information about delinquencies in our loan portfolios at the dates indicated.

	At June 30,									
	20	)23								
	30-59 Days	60-89 Days	30-59 Days	60-89 Days						
(in thousands)	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due						
Real estate loans	\$ 6,259	\$ 843	\$ 3,215	\$ 862						
Commercial and industrial	4	-	-	-						
Consumer loans	252	64	98	87						
Total	\$ 6,515	\$ 907	\$ 3,313	\$ 949						

**Securities.** Our securities portfolio consists of mortgage-backed securities with maturities of 30 years or less, which totaled \$9.9 million at June 30, 2024, a decrease of \$2.5 million or 20.2%, compared to the \$12.4 million total at June 30, 2023. The decrease in these securities resulted from principal payments and prepayments. All of our mortgage-backed securities were issued by Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac.

The following table sets forth the carrying values and fair values of our securities portfolio at the dates indicated.

	At June 30,											
		20	2024 2023				20	2022				
(in thousands)	An	nortized Cost		Fair Value	Aı	mortized Cost		Fair Value	A	mortized Cost		Fair Value
Available for sale securities:												
Agency mortgage-backed: residential	\$	10,096	\$	9,648	\$	12,649	\$	12,080	\$	10,477	\$	10,477
Held to maturity securities:												
Agency mortgage-backed: residential	\$	213	\$	203	\$	274	\$	259	\$	339	\$	323

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, we did not own any securities that had an aggregate book value in excess of 10% of our equity at that date.

The following table sets forth the maturities and weighted average yields of debt securities at June 30, 2024. At June 30, 2024, we had no agency securities with adjustable rates.

	One Year	or Less	More than One Year to Five Years		More Five Yo Ten Y	ears to	Total Investment Portfolio			
(Dollars in thousands)	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield	
Available for sale securities:										
Agency mortgage-backed: residential Held to maturity securities:	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 10,096	3.24%	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 10,096	\$ 9,648	3.24%	
Agency mortgage-backed: residential	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 145	2.04%	\$ 68	5.01%	\$ 213	\$ 203	2.99%	

Other Assets. Other assets at June 30, 2024 included \$0 in goodwill compared to \$947,000 at June 30, 2023 due to a goodwill impairment charge. Goodwill was initially incurred as a result of the Company's acquisition of Frankfort First in 2005. Other assets at June 30, 2024 included bank owned life insurance policies with a carrying value of \$2.9 million and \$2.8 million at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, of which First Federal of Kentucky is the owner and beneficiary. Both subsidiary Banks are members and stockholders of the FHLB. FHLB stock, at cost, totaled \$4.2 million and \$4.6 million at June 30, 2024 and 2023.

**Deposits.** Our primary source of funds is retail deposit accounts held primarily by individuals within our market areas. Deposits totaled \$256.1 million at June 30, 2024, increasing \$29.8 million or 13.2% between the two periods. At June 30, 2024 the Company had \$52.0 million in brokered certificates of deposit.

The following table sets forth the balances of our deposit products at the dates indicated.

	_	At June 30,						
(in thousands)		2024		2023		2022		
Certificate of deposit accounts	\$	176,572	\$	137,315	\$	124,705		
Demand, transaction and savings accounts		79,567		88,994		115,152		
Total	\$	256,139	\$	226,309	\$	239,857		

The following table indicates at June 30, 2024, the amount of certificate of deposit accounts with balances equal to or greater than \$100,000, by time remaining until maturity. The brokered certificates of deposit had a maximum face value of \$100,000. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") currently insures deposits up to \$250,000 in most cases, making certificate of deposit accounts with balances equal to or greater than \$100,000 less volatile as before the limit was raised.

(in thousands)	
Maturity period:	
Three months or less	\$ 49,494
Over three months through six months	38,442
Over six months through twelve months	12,621
Over twelve months	21,739
Total	\$ 122,296

The following table sets forth our certificate of deposit accounts classified by rates at the dates indicated.

		At June 30,								
(in thousands)	2024	24 2023		2022						
Interest rate	_									
0.01-0.99%	\$ 20,037	\$	44,302	\$	96,937					
1.00-1.99%	8,509		13,127		20,521					
2.00-2.99%	1,081		1,826		7,247					
3.00-3.99%	3,539		19,700		-					
4.00-4.99%	51,341		58,360		-					
5.00-5.99%	92,065		-		-					
Total	\$ 176,572	\$	137,315	\$	124,705					

The following table sets forth the amount and maturities of certificate accounts at June 30, 2024.

		Amount Due										
(in thousands)		Less than One Year		More than One Year to Two Years		More than Two Years to Three Years		More than Three Years		Total	Percentage of Total Certificate Accounts	
Interest rate			_				_		_			
0.01-0.99%	\$	15,288	\$	4,724	\$	25	\$	-	\$	20,037	11.3%	
1.00-1.99%		3,432		1,445		1,759		1,873		8,509	4.8%	
2.00-2.99%		1,081		-		-		-		1,081	0.6%	
3.00-3.99%		3,539		-		-		-		3,539	2.0%	
4.00-4.99%		33,918		7,930		9,493		_		51,341	29.1%	
5.00-5.99%	9	92,065						_		92,065	52.2%	
Total	\$ 14	19,323	\$	14,099	\$	11,277	\$	1,873	\$	176,572	100.0%	

The following table sets forth the average balances and rates paid on deposits.

		Year Ended June 30,										
	202	24	202	23	2022							
	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average						
(in thousands)	Balance	Rate	Balance	Rate	Balance	Rate						
Noninterest-bearing demand	\$ 14,733	0.00% \$	3 13,308	0.00%	\$ 16,033	0.00%						
Interest-bearing demand	17,108	0.19%	20,695	0.18%	18,519	0.22%						
Savings accounts	53,128	0.41%	68,255	0.44%	73,688	0.37%						
Certificates of deposit	160,431	3.62%	117,443	1.26%	126,371	0.85%						

The following table sets forth the deposit activities for the periods indicated.

	At June 30,							
(in thousands)	2024			2023		2022		
Beginning balance	\$	226,309	\$	239,857	\$	226,843		
Increase (decrease) before interest credited		23,770		(15,359)		11,627		
Interest credited		6,060		1,811		1,387		
Net increase (decrease) in deposits		29,830		(13,548)		13,014		
Ending balance	\$	256,139	\$	226,309	\$	239,857		

**Borrowings.** Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati amounted to \$69.0 million and \$70.1 million at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The following table presents certain information regarding our Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati advances during the periods and at the dates indicated.

	Year Ended June 30,								
(Dollars in thousands)		2024	2023			2022			
Balance outstanding at end of period	\$	68,988	\$	70,087	\$	34,066			
Maximum amount of advances outstanding at any month during the									
period	\$	74,406	\$	83,489	\$	55,369			
Average advances outstanding during the period	\$	66,426	\$	63,050	\$	46,843			
Weighted average interest rate during the period		4.85%	o	3.32%	ó	0.78%			
Weighted average interest rate at end of period		4.58%	ó	4.85%	ó	0.96%			

*Capital*. Total shareholders' equity totaled \$48.0 million at June 30, 2024, a decrease of \$2.7 million or 5.4%, compared to June 30, 2023. The decrease was primarily due to writing down the impaired goodwill, an increase in the Allowance for Credit Loss with the adoption of CECL, and net losses over the period.

Effective January 1, 2015, the Company and the Banks became subject to the capital regulations in accordance with Basel III. These regulations established higher minimum risk-based capital ratio requirements, a new common equity Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio and a new capital conservation buffer ("CCB"). The regulations also included a revised definition of capital and changed the risk-weighting of certain assets. For purposes of prompt corrective action, the new regulations establish definitions of "well capitalized" as follows:

	Minimum for banks to be well- capitalized under regulatory requirements
Tier 1 Capital to Total Average Assets	5.0%
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital	6.5%
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	8.0%
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets	10.0%

Additionally, the CCB of Common Equity Tier 1 Risk-Based capital above the minimum risk-based capital requirements was introduced. The CCB is 2.5%. The Company and the Banks, in order to avoid limitations on capital distributions, including dividend payments, engaging in share repurchases and certain discretionary bonus payments to executive officers, must maintain the CCB at the appropriate level.

#### Community Bank Leverage Ratio

Certain community banks and holding companies (which include the Company, Frankfort First, First Federal of Kentucky and First Federal of Hazard) that satisfy certain qualifying criteria, including having less than \$10 billion in average total consolidated assets and a leverage ratio (referred to as the "community bank leverage ratio") of greater than 9%, were eligible to opt-in to the CBLR framework. The CBLR ratio is the ratio of a banking organization's Tier 1 capital to its average total consolidated assets as reported on the banking organization's applicable regulatory filings. The Banks elected to utilize the CBLR framework effective for the quarter ended March 31, 2021. See Note K-Stockholders' Equity and Regulatory Capital in audited financial statements.

At June 30, 2024, both First Federal of Hazard's and First Federal of Kentucky's regulatory capital substantially exceeded all minimum regulatory capital requirements. Management is not aware of any recent event that would cause this classification to change. See Note K-Stockholders' Equity and Regulatory Capital in the Notes to Financial Statements.

# Results of Operations for the Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

*General.* Net loss totaled \$1.7 million or \$(0.21) diluted earnings per share for the year ended June 30, 2024, compared to net income of \$933,000 or \$0.11 per common share for the twelve months ended June 30, 2023.

Net income decreased \$2.7 million or 284.5% year to year primarily due to a non-cash goodwill impairment charge, decreased net interest income, decreased non-interest income, and increased non-interest expenses, which were somewhat offset by decreased income taxes and decreased provision for loan losses. In the general economy the fiscal year was marked by combatting the historical interest rate increases as the Federal Open Market Committee continued its fight against inflation in the previous year. Our funding sources repriced more quickly during the unprecedented interest rate increases than our assets. Consequently, the increase in our interest expense was attributed primarily to higher average rates paid on both deposits and FHLB advances, while the increase in our interest income was a combination of both higher average balances and higher rates earned on those assets. The Company sells its long-term fixed rate loans to the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati as part of its asset/liability management strategy and the sale of such loans decreased along with the heightened interest rates during the fiscal year.

*Interest Income.* Total interest income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was \$16.3 million, an increase of \$3.5 million, or 27.6%, compared to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The increase in interest income was due primarily to higher average rates earned on interest-earning assets, as well as higher average balances.

Interest income from loans increased \$3.2 million or 27.1% to \$15.0 million for the year ended June 30, 2024 due to both an increase in the average volume of the portfolio and the rate earned on it. The average balance of the loan portfolio increased \$26.7 million or 8.9% to \$325.6 million for the year just ended, while the average rate earned increased 66 basis points to 4.61% for the period. Loans are the largest component of our interest-earning assets.

Interest income from mortgage-backed securities decreased \$78,000 to \$375,000 for the recently ended fiscal year primarily due to an decrease in the volume of mortgage backed securities, despite the average rate earned increasing six basis points. Income from other interest-earning assets increased \$396,000 and totaled \$889,000 for the recently ended fiscal year.

Interest Expense. Interest expense totaled \$9.3 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, an increase of \$5.4 million, or 137.9%, from fiscal 2023. The increase in interest expense resulted primarily from higher average interest rates of funding sources, although the average balance of funding increased period to period. Interest expense on borrowings increased \$1.1 million to \$3.2 million for the twelve months ended June 30, 2024, primarily due to an increase in the average rate paid for borrowings, increasing 153 basis points to 4.85%, while the average balance of FHLB advances outstanding also increased \$3.4 million or 5.4% to \$66.4 million for the year just ended.

Interest expense on deposits increased \$4.2 million or 234.6% to \$6.1 million for the 2024 fiscal year primarily due to an increase in the average rate paid on those deposits, which increased 175 basis points to 2.63% for the recently-ended fiscal year. The average balance of deposits increased \$24.3 million or 11.8% to \$230.7 million for the year just ended. Interest expense on certificates of deposit was primarily responsible for the increase in interest expense on deposits for the year and was due principally to an increase in the rate paid on certificates of deposits. The average rate paid on certificates of deposit increased 236 basis points to 3.62% for the year, while the average balance outstanding increased \$43.0 million or 36.6% to \$160.4 million. The average balance of savings deposits decreased \$15.1 million or 22.2% and totaled \$53.1 million for fiscal 2024, while interest-bearing demand deposits decreased \$3.6 million or 17.3%, and totaled \$17.1 million.

*Net Interest Income.* As a result of the aforementioned changes in interest income and interest expense, net interest income before provision for loan losses decreased \$1.9 million or 21.0% to \$7.0 million for the 2024 year. As indicated on the following table, our net interest margin decreased from 2.73% for the 2023 fiscal year to 1.98% for the year just ended.

Average Balances and Yields. The following table presents information regarding average balances of assets and liabilities, the total dollar amounts of interest income and dividends, the total dollar amount of interest expense and the resulting average yields and costs. The yields and costs for the periods indicated are derived by dividing income or expense by the average balances of assets or liabilities, respectively, for the periods presented. For purposes of this table, average balances have been calculated using the average of daily balances and nonaccrual loans are included in average balances only. We did not hold any non-taxable securities during any of the periods presented in the table.

			2024 2023												
			Interest					Interest				]	Interest		
	Average		And	Yield/		Average	_	And	Yield/		Average	_	And	Yield/	
(Dollars in thousands)	Balance		Dividends	Cost	_	Balance	Б	ividends	Cost		Balance	D	ividends	Cost	
Interest-earning assets: Loans	\$ 325,58	88	\$ 15,013	3 4.61%	\$	298,911	\$	11,814	3.95	% :	\$ 283,323	\$	10,659	3.76%	
Mortgage-backed securities	10.99	20	37:	5 3.41		13.516		453	3.35		1.232		23	1.87	
Other securities	10,93	99 -	3/.	3.41		15,510		433	3.33		1,232		- 23	1.67	
Other interest-															
earning assets	15,94	47	889	9 5.58		12,263		493	4.02		41,771		232	0.56	
Total interest-	352.53	2.4	16.27	7 4.62		324,690		12,760	3.93		326.326		10.914	3.34	
earning assets Less: ALLL	(1,90	-	10,27	4.02		(1,612)		12,700	3.93		(1,578)		10,914	3.34	
Noninterest-earning	(1,90	09)				(1,012)					(1,570)				
assets	12.39	99				12,038					12,107				
Total assets	\$ 362,90	64			\$	335,116				- 5	336,855				
Interest-bearing liabilities:															
Demand deposits	\$ 17,10	80	\$ 32	2 0.19%	\$	20,695	\$	38	0.18	% :	\$ 18,519	\$	40	0.22%	
Savings	53,12	28	210	5 0.41		68,255		298	0.44		73,688		273	0.37	
Certificates of	1.00.10		5.04			447.440					106071			0.05	
deposit	160,43	_	5,81		_	117,443	_	1,475	0.88		126,371	_	1,074	0.85	
Total deposits Borrowings	230,66		6,060 3,223			206,393 63,050		2,091	3.32		218,578 46,843		1,387 367	0.04	
Total interest-	00,42	20	2,44.	4.03	-	05,050	-	2,031	3.32	-	40,043	_	307	0.76	
bearing															
liabilities	297,09	93	9,28	3.12		269,443		3,902	1.45		265,421		1,754	0.66	
Noninterest-bearing												Т			
demand deposits	14,73	33				13,308					16,032				
Noninterest-bearing liabilities	1.7	75				935					3.072				
Total liabilities	313,60				-	283,686				-	284,525				
Total haomnes	313,00	01				203,000					204,323				
Shareholders' equity	49,30	63				51,430					52,330				
Total liabilities and		_			_					•					
shareholders' Equity	\$ 262.04	c a			c	225 116					1 226.055				
	\$ 362,90	04			3	335,116				-	\$ 336,855				
Net interest income/average															
yield			\$ 6.99	1.49%	,		\$	8,858	2.48	%		\$	9,160	2.68%	
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Net interest margin				1.98%					2.73	0/0				2.81%	
Ü				1.50					======					2.01	
Average interest-															
earning assets to															
Average interest-															
bearing liabilities				118.66%	)				120.51	%				122.95%	

Rate/Volume Analysis. The following table sets forth the effects of changing rates and volumes on our net interest income. The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior year volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior year rate). For purposes of this table, changes attributable to changes in both rate and volume that cannot be segregated have been allocated proportionately based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume. The total column represents the sum of the prior columns.

	Twelve months ended June 30, 2024							Twelve months ended June 30, 2023								
	Increase (Decrease) Due to Changes							<b>Increase (Decrease) Due to Changes</b>								
			In				In									
(In thousands)	Vo	lume		Rate		Total		/olume		Rate		Total				
Interest-earning assets:																
Loans	\$	1,116	\$	2,085	\$	3,201	\$	602	\$	553	\$	1,155				
Mortgage-backed securities		(86)		8		(78)		398		32		430				
Other securities		-		-		-		-		-		-				
Other interest-earning assets		174		222		396		(33)		294		261				
Total interest-earning assets		1,204		2,315		3,519		967		879		1,846				
Interest-bearing liabilities:																
Demand deposits	\$	(7)	\$	1	\$	(6)	\$	7	\$	(9)	\$	(2)				
Savings		(63)		(19)		(82)		(18)		43		25				
Certificates of deposit		705		3,632		4,337		(70)		471		401				
Borrowings		117		1,015		1,132		167		1,557		1,724				
Total interest-bearing										<u> </u>						
liabilities		752		4,629		5,381		86		2,062		2,148				
Increase (decrease) in net																
interest income	\$	452	\$	(2,314)	\$	(1,862)	\$	881	\$	(1,183)	\$	(302)				
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**Provision for Credit Losses.** A provision for credit losses on loans is charged to earnings to maintain the total allowance for credit losses at a level calculated by management based on historical experience, the volume and type of lending conducted by the Banks, the status of past due principal and interest payments and other factors related to the collectability of the loan portfolio. Based upon an analysis of these factors, management recorded a provision of \$24,000 for losses on loans for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, a decrease of \$89,000, compared to a provision of \$113,000 for fiscal 2024. Management believes all nonperforming loans are adequately collateralized or have been written down to their realizable value. See discussion of **Allowance for Credit Losses and Asset Quality above.** 

*Non-interest Income.* Non-interest income decreased \$51,000 or 16.9% to \$251,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, due primarily to a decrease of \$52,000 in other non-interest income, as participation service fee income decreased \$39,000 from \$42,000 in 2023 to \$2,000 at June 30, 2024.

**Non-interest Expense.** Non-interest expense increased \$1.4 million or 17.4% to \$9.2 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 compared to fiscal 2023 primarily due to a goodwill impairment charge totaling \$947,000, higher outside service fees, auditing and accounting expenses, FDIC insurance premiums and employee compensation and benefits cost.

Goodwill of \$14.5 million was originally recorded in March 2005 when the Company, as part of its initial public offering, purchased Frankfort First Bancorp, Inc., with a portion of the stock and cash proceeds from the offering. An initial impairment charge occurred June 30, 2020 of \$13.2 million due to the prolonged decline in the stock price of the Company exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and related economic impact led to recognition of the impairment pursuant to management's performance of a goodwill impairment analysis as of June 30, 2020. Subsequently, testing at June 30, 2024 identified additional impairment as the Company's declining stock price resulted in the Company's consolidated equity exceeding their market cap. Impairment charge represents an accounting transaction which had no impact on cash flows, liquidity, or key capital ratios of the Company or its bank subsidiaries. Based on the annual goodwill impairment test at June 30, 2024, we recorded a non-cash \$947,000 goodwill impairment charge, which had no income tax impact.

Outside service fees increased \$209,000 or 86.4% and totaled \$451,000 primarily due to increased professional expenses, in part due to the formal agreement between First Federal of Kentucky and the OCC. FDIC insurance expense increased \$121,000 or 103.4% and totaled \$238,000 for the twelve months ended June 30, 2024, The increase is due to overall higher premiums, increased usage of brokered deposits at the Banks, and higher deposit levels. Employee compensation and benefits increased \$74,000 due to generally rising compensation costs.

*Income Taxes.* Income tax expense decreased \$533,000 or 181.3% to a benefit of \$239,000 for the fiscal year just ended. The decrease in income tax expense was primarily related to lower overall earnings year to year. The effective income tax rate for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 was 12.2% and 24.0%, respectively.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Liquidity is the ability to meet current and future short-term financial obligations. Our primary sources of funds consist of cash and deposits at other banks, deposit inflows, loan repayments and maturities, calls and sales of investment and mortgage-backed securities and advances from the FHLB. While maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and securities are predictable sources of funds, deposit flows and mortgage prepayments are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions and competition.

We periodically assess our available liquidity and projected upcoming liquidity demands. We regularly adjust our investments in liquid assets based upon our assessment of (1) expected loan demand, (2) expected deposit flows, (3) yields available on interest-earning deposits and securities, and (4) the objectives of our asset/liability management program. Excess liquid assets are invested generally in interest-earning deposits, federal funds, and short- and intermediate-term U.S. Government agency obligations.

Our most liquid assets are cash, federal funds sold and interest-bearing deposits. The levels of these assets depend on our operating, financing, lending, and investing activities during any given period. At June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$18.3 million and \$8.2 million, respectively. Securities classified as available-for-sale, which provide additional sources of liquidity, totaled \$9.6 million and \$12.1 million at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

We are not aware of any trends and/or demands, commitments, events or uncertainties that could result in a material protracted decrease in liquidity. We expect that all our liquidity needs, including the contractual commitments can be met by our currently available liquid assets and cash flows. In the event any unforeseen demand or commitments were to occur, we have access to brokered deposits, FHLB advances, the Federal Reserve Discount Window and an unsecured line of credit with a correspondent bank. We expect that our currently available liquid assets and our ability to access our other liquidity sources would be sufficient to satisfy our liquidity needs without any material adverse effect on our liquidity.

Our primary investing activities are the origination of loans and the purchase of investment securities. In fiscal 2024 we originated \$69.2 million of loans, which exceeded loan prepayments and repayments by \$19.8 million. In fiscal 2023 we originated \$98.2 million of loans, which exceeded loan prepayments and repayments \$39.3 million. During fiscal 2024 and 2023 proceeds from principal repayments on loans totaled \$49.4 million and \$58.9 million, respectively.

Financing activities consist primarily of activity in deposit accounts and in FHLB advances. Total deposits increased \$29.8 million for the year ended June 30, 2024, compared to a net decrease of \$13.5 million for the year ended June 30, 2023. We decreased FHLB advances by \$1.1 million or 1.6% from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024. Deposit flows are affected by the overall level of interest rates, the products and corresponding interest rates offered by us and our local competitors and other factors. We generally manage the pricing of our deposits to be competitive and to increase core deposit relationships. The Banks began using brokered deposits more in the latter part of the fiscal year 2024 and had \$52.0 million at June 30, 2024 compared to \$21.0 million in such deposits as of June 30, 2023. FHLB advances are collateralized by a blanket mortgage on the 1-4 family residential mortgages and multifamily residential mortgages owned by the Banks. See Note H-Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank in Notes to Consolidated financial Statements. At June 30, 2024, the Banks had combined additional FHLB borrowing capacity of \$71.4 million.

# **Commitments and Contractual Obligations**

At June 30, 2024, we had \$10.3 million in mortgage commitments. Certificates of deposit due within one year of June 30, 2024 totaled \$149.3 million, or 58.3% of total deposits. If these deposits do not remain with us, we might be required to seek other sources of funds, including FHLB advances or other certificates of deposit. Depending on market conditions, we may be required to pay higher rates on such deposits or other borrowings than we currently pay on the certificates of deposit due on or before June 30, 2024. We believe, however, based on past experience, that a significant portion of our certificates of deposit will remain with us. We have the ability to attract and retain deposits by adjusting the interest rates offered.

#### **Off-balance Sheet Arrangements**

For the year ended June 30, 2024, other than loan commitments, we engaged in no off-balance-sheet transactions reasonably likely to have a material effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

# **Dividend Policy**

The Company has historically paid a strong dividend. In order to do so, the Company has relied on a dividend waiver by First Federal MHC. Approximately 58.5% of the shares of Kentucky First Federal are held by First Federal MHC, a mutual holding company created in 2005. Under regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System mutual holding companies, who have waived their dividends prior to December 1, 2009, may continue to waive these dividends provided there is no objection by the Federal Reserve. This waiver action is conditioned on providing appropriate notice and absent the Federal Reserve's determination that the waiver would be detrimental to the safe and sound operations of the Banks. First Federal MHC put the issue to a vote of the members August 2012 and each of the succeeding years since 2012. Members of First Federal MHC voted in favor of the dividend waiver on all occasions and the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland subsequently approved the waiver of the dividends including an approval in 2023 that permitted First Federal MHC to waive the receipt of dividends for quarterly dividends up to \$0.10 per common share through the third quarter of 2024.

However, the Company announced a suspension of the payment of quarterly dividends in January, 2024. First Federal MHC has not sought a dividend waiver in 2024 but is expected to hold a member vote to approve the waiver if the Company's dividend payments are restored.

### **Impact of Inflation and Changing Prices**

Our consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which require the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering the change in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. The primary impact of inflation on our operations is reflected in increased operating costs. Unlike most industrial companies, virtually all our assets and liabilities are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates generally have a more significant impact on our performance than do general levels of inflation. Interest rates do not necessarily move in the same direction or to the same extent as the prices of goods and services.

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders, Board of Directors and Audit Committee of Kentucky First Federal Bancorp Frankfort, Kentucky

## **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Kentucky First Federal Bancorp (the Company) as of June 30, 2024 and the related consolidated statement of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes and schedules (collectively referred to as the financial statements). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of June 30, 2024 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year ended June 30, 2024, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Change in Accounting Principle**

As discussed in Note A to the financial statements, the Company has changed its method of accounting for credit losses effective July 1, 2023 due to the adoption of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification No. 326, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses ("ASC 326"). The Corporation adopted the new credit loss standard using the modified retrospective method such that prior period amounts are not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with previously applicable generally accepted accounting principles.

### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### **Prior Period Financial Statements**

The financial statements of Kentucky First Federal Bancorp as of June 30, 2023 were audited by other auditors who's report dated September 28, 2023 expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements.

#### **Critical Audit Matters**

The critical audit matters communicated below are matters arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging,

subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matters below, providing separate opinions on the critical audit matters or on the accounts or disclosures to which they relate.

# Allowance for Credit Losses on Collectively Evaluated Loans – Qualitative Adjustments - Refer to Notes A and C to the financial statements

# **Critical Audit Matter Description**

Management's estimate of the allowance for credit losses (ACL), includes a reserve on collectively evaluated loans. The reserve on collectively evaluated loans is based on historical loss rates adjusted for qualitative factors. Management's adjustment for qualitative factors include actual and expected changes in regional and local economic and business conditions and developments in which the Company operates that affect the collectability of financial assets; the effect of other external factors such as the regulatory, legal and technological environments, competition, and events such as natural disasters or pandemics; and model risk including statistical risk, reversion risk, timing risk, and model limitation risk.

Significant judgment was required by management in the selection and application of key metrics used to derive the quantitative portion of the ACL. Accordingly, performing audit procedures to evaluate the Company's estimated ACL involved a high degree of auditor judgment and required significant effort.

How the Critical Audit Matter Was Addressed in the Audit

Our audit procedures related to the Company's estimate of the ACL included, but were not limited to, the following:

- We tested the process for determining reserves on collectively evaluated loans including:
  - o Evaluation of the appropriateness of management's methodology.
  - o Testing the completeness and accuracy of data utilized by management.
  - o Evaluation of the relevance and reliability of information used by management in the development of the estimate.
  - o Evaluation of reasonableness of significant assumptions used in the qualitative analysis.
  - o We calculated the estimate on our own and compared to management's estimate.
  - o Evaluation of the reasonableness of qualitative adjustment factors, including consideration of whether the adjustments applied were reasonable given portfolio composition; relevant external factors, including economic conditions; and consideration of historical or recent experience and conditions and events affecting the Company.
  - o Preparation of an independent estimate of an acceptable range of the ACL to compare to managements estimate

/s/ Clark, Schaefer, Hackett & Co.

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2024.

Cincinnati, Ohio October 3, 2024

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders, Board of Directors, and Audit Committee Kentucky First Federal Bancorp Frankfort, Kentucky

### Opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Kentucky First Federal Bancorp (the "Company") as of June 30, 2023, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of June 30, 2023, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year ended June 30, 2023, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audit.

We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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### Critical Audit Matters

The critical audit matters communicated below are matters arising from the current-period audit of the financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matters below, providing separate opinions on the critical audit matters or on the accounts or disclosures to which they relate.

# Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses (ALLL) Qualitative Adjustments

As more fully described in Notes A and C to the consolidated financial statements, the Company estimates the ALLL for probable incurred loan losses. The ALLL consists of a specific component for loans that are classified as impaired and a general component for all other loans. Impairment on loans determined to be impaired is measured on a loan-by-loan basis.

Historical loss experience is an input applied to loans not considered impaired and is adjusted for current factors, including levels of and trends in delinquencies and impaired loans, levels of and trends in charge-offs and recoveries, trends in volume and terms of loans, changes in lending policies, procedures and practices, experience, ability and depth of lending management and other relevant staff, economic trends and conditions, industry conditions and effects of changes in credit concentrations.

We identified the qualitative adjustments for current factors of the ALLL as a critical audit matter. The primary reason for our determination that the qualitative adjustments in the ALLL are a critical audit matter is that auditing the qualitative adjustments involved significant judgment and complex review. Further, auditing the qualitative adjustments in the ALLL involved a high degree of subjectivity in evaluating management's estimates, such as evaluating management's assessment of economic conditions and other environmental factors.

Our audit procedures related to the qualitative adjustments of the ALLL included the following procedures, among others.

- Obtaining an understanding of the Company's process for establishing the ALLL, including the qualitative factor adjustments of the ALLL and any limitations of the model
- Testing of completeness and accuracy of the information utilized in the calculation of the ALLL
- Evaluating the qualitative factor adjustments, including assessing the basis for the adjustments and the reasonableness of the significant assumptions
- Evaluating overall reasonableness of estimated reserve by considering past performance of the Company's loan portfolio, trends in credit quality of the loan portfolio and trends in the credit quality of peer institutions and comparing the trends to the Company's ALLL trends for directional consistency compared to previous years
- Preparation of an independent estimate of an acceptable range of the ALLL to compare to management's estimate

#### /s/ FORVIS, LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2018.

Louisville, Kentucky September 28, 2023

# KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

June 30, 2024 and 2023

(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

		2024		2023	
ASSETS					
Cash and due from financial institutions	\$	1,913	\$	2,284	
Fed funds sold		703		665	
Interest-bearing demand deposits	_	15,671	_	5,218	
Cash and cash equivalents		18,287		8,167	
Securities available-for-sale- at fair value		9,648		12,080	
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Securities held-to-maturity, at amortized cost-approximate fair value of \$203 and \$259		212		274	
at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively		213		274	
Loans held for sale		110		-	
Loans, net of allowance for credit losses of \$2,127 and \$1,634 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively <sup>1</sup>		333,025		212 907	
Real estate acquired through foreclosure		10		313,807 70	
Office premises and equipment - at depreciated cost		4,267		4,435	
Federal Home Loan Bank stock - at cost		4,237		4,623	
Accrued interest receivable		1,169		902	
Bank-owned life insurance		2,915		2,831	
Goodwill		2,713		947	
Prepaid income taxes		219		144	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		875		742	
Total assets	\$	374,968	\$	349,022	
	Ψ	377,700	Ψ	347,022	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	Ф	45.000	Ф	55 500	
Savings	\$	47,390	\$	57,593	
Certificates of deposit		176,572		137,315	
Demand deposit accounts	_	32,177	_	31,401	
Deposits		256,139		226,309	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		68,988		70,087	
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance		909		793	
Accrued interest payable		176		70	
Deferred income taxes Other liabilities		113		513	
	_	646	_	539	
Total liabilities		326,971		298,311	
Shareholders' equity					
Preferred stock, 500,000 shares authorized, \$.01 par value; no shares issued					
Common stock, 20,000,000 shares authorized, \$.01 par value; 8,596,064 shares issued		86		86	
Additional paid-in capital		34,891		34,891	
Retained earnings - restricted		17,325		20,130	
Retained carnings - restricted		17,323		20,130	
Treasury shares at cost, 509,349 common shares at June 30, 2024 and 2023,					
respectively		(3,969)		(3,969)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(336)		(427)	
Total shareholders' equity		47,997		50,711	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	374,968	\$	349,022	
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Beginning July 1, 2023 the ACL was estimated based on current expected credit loss methodology. Prior to July 1, 2023, the estimate was based on the incurred loss methodology. See additional discussion in Note 1, Basis of Presentation.

# KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 (Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	2024	2023
Interest income		
Loans, including fees	\$ 15,013	\$ 11,812
Mortgage-backed securities	375	453
Interest-bearing deposits and other	889	493
Total interest income	16,277	12,758
Interest expense		
Deposits	6,060	1,811
Borrowings	3,223	2,091
Total interest expense	9,283	3,902
Net interest income	6,994	8,856
Provision for credit losses	24	113
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	6,970	8,743
Non-interest income		
Earnings on bank-owned life insurance	84	81
Net gains on sales of loans	14	5
Net gain on sale of property and equipment	_	10
Other	153	206
Total non-interest income	251	302
Non-interest expense		
Employee compensation and benefits	4,989	4,915
Data processing	517	518
Occupancy and equipment	592	610
FDIC insurance premiums	238	117
Voice and data communications	122	124
Advertising	167	151
Outside service fees	451	242
Audit and accounting	344	213
Franchise and other taxes	108	136
Foreclosure and REO expense, net	89	103
Regulatory Assessments	66	81
Goodwill Impairment	947	-
Other non-interest expense	551	608
Total non-interest expense	9,181	7,818
Income (loss) before income taxes	(1,960)	1,227
Income tax expense (benefit)		
Current	50	528
Deferred	(289)	
Total income tax expense (benefit)	(239)	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (1,721)	\$ 933
TELL INCOME (E000)	J (1,/21)	y 733
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE	ø (0.31)	Φ Λ11
Basic and diluted	<u>\$ (0.21)</u>	\$ 0.11

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

# KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 (Dollar amounts in thousands)

	 2024	2023
Net income (loss)	\$ (1,721)	\$ 933
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax-related effects:		
Unrealized holding gains (losses) on securities designated as available for sale during		
the year, net of taxes (benefits) of \$30 and \$(142) in 2024 and 2023, respectively	91	(427)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (1,630)	\$ 506

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

	Commo	_	Additional paid-in	R	etained	eı	nearned mployee stock vnership plan	7	Γreasury	Accumulated other comprehensive	
	stock		capital		arnings	(	ESOP)		shares	income (loss)	Total
Balance at July 1, 2022	\$ 80	5 \$	34,892	\$	20,560	\$	(5)	\$	(3,508)	\$ -	\$52,025
Net loss		-	-		933		-		-	-	933
Allocation of ESOP shares		-	(1)	)	-		5		-	-	4
Acquisition of shares for											
treasury		-	-		-		-		(461)	-	(461)
Other comprehensive loss, net		-	-		-		-		-	(427)	(427)
Cash dividends of \$0.40 per common share		-			(1,363)	_		_			(1,363)
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 80	5 \$	34 891	\$	20,130	\$	_	\$	(3,969)	\$ (427)	\$50,711
Adoption of CECL, net of tax effect	Ψ	-	- 31,031	Ψ	(414)			4	-	. (127)	(414)
Balance at July 1, 2024 after					(111)						(111)
adoption of CECL	\$ 80	5 \$	34.891	\$	19,716	\$	_	\$	(3,969)	\$ (427)	\$50,297
Net loss	Ψ 0.	-	-	Ψ	(1,721)		-	4	-	- (.=,	(1,721)
Other comprehensive income, net		_	-		-		-		-	91	91
Cash dividends of \$0.20 per common share				_	(670)	_		_			(670)
Balance at June 30, 2024	\$ 80	5 \$	34,891	\$	17,325	\$		\$	(3,969)	\$ (336)	\$47,997

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

# KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 (Dollar amounts in thousands)

		2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities:	^	// <b>==</b> //	
Net income (loss)	\$	(1,721)	\$ 933
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash from operating activities:			
Goodwill impairment		947	-
Depreciation		234	255
Accretion of purchased loan discount		(97)	(45)
Amortization of discounts and premiums on investment securities, net		(25)	(29)
Amortization of deferred loan origination costs (fees)		(6)	(17)
Net gain on sale of loans		(14)	(5)
Net gain on real estate owned		(8)	-
ESOP compensation expense		-	4
Net gain on sale of property & equipment		-	(10)
Earnings on bank-owned life insurance		(84)	(81)
Provision for credit losses		24	113
Origination of loans held for sale		(892)	(157)
Proceeds from loans held for sale		796	314
Deferred income tax		(289)	(234)
Changes in:		` ′	` /
Accrued interest receivable		(267)	(253)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(208)	232
Accrued interest payable		106	58
Accounts payable and other liabilities		50	74
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		(1,454)	1,152
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		(1,434)	1,132
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of investments available for sale		-	(4,974)
Purchase of FHLB stock		(1,519)	(472)
Investment securities maturities, prepayments and calls:			
Held to maturity		57	61
Available for sale		2,582	2,836
Proceeds from redemption of FHLB stock		1,912	2,347
Proceeds from sale of property & equipment		_	180
Loans originated for investment, net of principal collected		(19,637)	(39,335)
Proceeds from sale of real estate owned		68	-
Additions to premises and equipment, net		(66)	(127)
Net cash used in investing activities		(16,603)	(39,484)
Net eash used in investing activities		(10,003)	(37,404)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net increase (decrease) in deposits		29,830	(13,548)
Payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance, net		116	27
Proceeds from Federal Home Loan Bank advances		84,878	135,300
Repayments on Federal Home Loan Bank advances		(85,977)	(99,279)
Treasury stock purchases		-	(461)
Dividends paid on common stock		(670)	(1,363)
Net cash provided by financing activities		28,177	20,676
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		10,120	(17,656)
Beginning cash and cash equivalents		8,167	25,823
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Ending cash and cash equivalents	\$	18,287	\$ 8,167

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

# KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED) For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

 2024		2023
\$ 125	\$	290
\$ 9,177	\$	3,844
\$ 10	\$	60
\$ \$	\$ 9,177	\$ 125 \$ \$ 9,177 \$

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Kentucky First Federal Bancorp (the "Company") is a savings and loan holding company whose activities are primarily limited to holding the stock and managing the operations of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hazard, Kentucky ("First Federal of Hazard") and Frankfort First Bancorp, Inc., ("Frankfort First") the holding company for First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky ("First Federal of Kentucky"). First Federal of Hazard and First Federal of Kentucky are collectively referred to herein as "the Banks." First Federal of Hazard is a community-oriented savings and loan association dedicated to serving consumers in Perry and surrounding counties in eastern Kentucky, while First Federal of Kentucky operates through six banking offices located in Frankfort, Danville and Lancaster, Kentucky. Both institutions engage primarily in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and applying those funds to the origination of loans for residential and consumer purposes. First Federal of Kentucky also originates, to a lesser extent, church loans, home equity and other loans. Other than a predominance of one- to four-family residential property, which is common in most thrifts, there are no significant concentrations of loans to any one industry or customer. However, the customers' ability to repay their loans is dependent on the real estate and general economic conditions in the Banks' specific operating areas. The Banks' profitability is significantly dependent on net interest income, which is the difference between interest income generated from interest-earning assets (i.e. loans and investments) and the interest expense paid on interest-bearing liabilities (i.e. customer deposits and borrowed funds). Net interest income is affected by the relative amount of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and the interest received or paid on these balances. The level of interest rates paid or received by the Banks can be significantly influenced by a number of environmental factors, such as governmental monetary policy, that are outside of management's control.

The following is a summary of the Company's significant accounting policies which have been consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

- 1. <u>Principles of Consolidation</u>: The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company, First Federal of Hazard, Frankfort First and First Federal of Kentucky. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.
- 2. <u>Use of Estimates</u>: The consolidated financial information presented herein has been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP.") To prepare financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP, management makes estimates and assumptions based on available information. These estimates and assumptions affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and the disclosures provided, and actual results could differ. Such estimates include, but are not limited to, the allowance for credit losses, goodwill, and deferred taxes.

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

3. <u>Debt Securities</u>: Debt securities are classified as held to maturity or available for sale. Securities classified as held to maturity are to be carried at cost only if the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold these securities to maturity. Securities designated as available for sale are carried at fair value with resulting unrealized gains or losses recorded to shareholders' equity, net of tax.

Interest income includes amortization of purchase premium or discount. Premiums and discounts on securities are amortized on the level-yield method without anticipating prepayments, except for mortgage-backed securities where prepayments are anticipated. Gains and losses on sales are recorded on the trade date and determined using the specific identification method.

Management evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment ("OTTI") at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market conditions warrant such an evaluation. For securities in an unrealized loss position, management considers the extent and duration of the unrealized loss, and the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer. Management also assesses whether it intends to sell, or it is more likely than not that it will be required to sell, a security in an unrealized loss position before recovery of its amortized cost basis. If either of the criteria regarding intent or requirement to sell is met, the entire difference between amortized cost and fair value is recognized as impairment through earnings. For debt securities that do not meet the aforementioned criteria, the amount of impairment is split into two components as follows: 1) OTTI related to credit loss, which must be recognized in the income statement and 2) OTTI related to other factors, which is recognized in other comprehensive income. The credit loss is defined as the difference between the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected and the amortized cost basis.

4. Loans: Loans that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or payoff are reported at the principal amount outstanding, adjusted for deferred loan origination costs, net, discounts on purchased loans, and the allowance for loan losses. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance unless the collectability of the loan is in doubt. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized in interest income using the level-yield method without anticipating prepayments. Interest income on one- to four-family residential loans is generally discontinued at the time a loan is 180 days delinquent and on other loans at the time a loan is 90 days delinquent. All other loans are moved to non-accrual status in accordance with the Company's policy, typically 90 days after the loan becomes delinquent. Past due status is based on the contractual terms of the loan. In all cases, loans are placed on nonaccrual or charged-off at an earlier date if collection of principal or interest is considered doubtful. Nonaccrual loans and loans past due 90 days still on accrual include both smaller balance homogeneous loans that are collectively evaluated for impairment and individually classified impaired loans.

All interest accrued but not received for loans placed on nonaccrual is reversed against interest income. Interest received on such loans is accounted for on the cash-basis or cost-recovery method, until qualifying for return to accrual. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

5. <u>Loans held for sale, Mortgage Servicing Rights, and Lender Risk Account</u>: Loans held for sale are carried at the lower of cost (less principal payments received) or fair value, calculated on an aggregate basis. At June 30, 2024 and 2023 the Company had \$110,000 and \$0 in loans held for sale, respectively.

In selling loans, the Company utilizes a program with the Federal Home Loan Bank, retaining servicing on loans sold. Mortgage servicing rights on originated loans that have been sold are initially recorded at fair value. Capitalized servicing rights are amortized in proportion to and over the period of estimated servicing revenues. The Company recorded amortization related to mortgage servicing rights totaling \$17,000 and \$14,000 during the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The carrying value of the Company's mortgage servicing rights totaled approximately \$163,000 and \$174,000 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The fair value of the Company's mortgage servicing rights totaled approximately \$207,000 and \$262,000 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The Company was servicing mortgage loans of approximately \$20.4 million and \$21.7 million that had been sold to the Federal Home Loan Bank at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Servicing rights are evaluated for impairment based upon the fair value of the rights as compared to carrying amount. Impairment is recognized through a valuation allowance for an individual grouping, to the extent that fair value is less than the carrying amount. If the Company later determines that all or a portion of the impairment no longer exists for a particular grouping, a reduction of the allowance may be recorded as an increase to income. Changes in valuation allowances are reported with other non-interest income on the income statement. The fair values of servicing rights are subject to significant fluctuations as a result of changes in estimated and actual prepayment speeds and default rates and losses.

Servicing fee income which is reported on the income statement as other non-interest income is recorded for fees earned for servicing loans. The fees are based on a contractual percentage of the outstanding principal and are recorded as income when earned. The amortization of mortgage servicing rights is netted against loan servicing fee income. Servicing fees totaled \$3,000 and \$42,000 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Late fees and ancillary fees related to loan servicing are not material.

Certain loan sale transactions with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati ("FHLB") provide for the establishment of a Lender Reserve Account ("LRA"). The LRA consists of amounts withheld by FHLB from loan sale proceeds for absorbing inherent losses that are probable on those sold loans. These withheld funds are an asset to the Company, as they are scheduled to be paid to the Company in future years, net of any credit losses on those loans sold. The receivables are initially measured at fair value. The fair value is estimated by discounting the cash flows over the life of each master commitment contract. The accretable yield is amortized over the life of the master commitment contract. Expected cash flows are reevaluated at each measurement date. If there is an adverse change in expected cash flows, the accretable yield would be adjusted on a prospective basis and the asset evaluated for impairment. The level of LRA held was \$331,000 at June 30, 2024 and \$333,000 at June 30, 2023.

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

6. <u>Allowance for Credit Losses</u>: The allowance for credit losses is a valuation allowance for probable incurred credit losses. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectability of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance. Management estimates the allowance balance required using past loss experience, the nature and volume of the portfolio, trends in the level of delinquent and problem loans, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay, the estimated value of any underlying collateral and current and anticipated economic conditions in the primary lending area. Allocations of the allowance may be made for specific loans, but the entire allowance is available for any loan that, in management's judgment, should be charged off.

#### **Residential Real Estate**

Our primary lending activity is the origination of mortgage loans, which enable a borrower to purchase or refinance existing homes in the Banks' respective market areas. We further classify our residential real estate loans as one- to four-family (owner-occupied vs nonowner-occupied), multi-family or construction. We believe that our first mortgage position on loans secured by residential real estate presents lower risk than our other loans, with the exception of loans secured by deposits.

We offer a mix of adjustable-rate and fixed-rate mortgage loans with terms up to 30 years for owner-occupied properties. For these properties a borrower may be able to borrow up to 95% of the value with private mortgage insurance. Alternatively, the borrower may be able to borrow up to 90% of the value through other programs offered by the bank.

We offer loans on one- to four-family rental properties at a maximum of 80% loan-to-value ("LTV") ratio and we generally charge a slightly higher interest rate on such loans.

We also originate loans to individuals to finance the construction of residential dwellings for personal use or for use as rental property. We occasionally lend to builders for construction of speculative or custom residential properties for resale, but on a limited basis. Construction loans are generally less than one year in length, do not exceed 80% of the appraised value, and provide for the payment of interest only during the construction phase. Funds are disbursed as progress is made toward completion of the construction.

#### **Multi-family and Nonresidential Loans**

We offer mortgage loans secured by residential multi-family (five or more units), and nonresidential real estate. Nonresidential real estate loans are comprised generally of commercial office buildings, churches and properties used for other purposes. Generally, these loans are originated for 25 years or less and do not exceed 80% of the appraised value. Loans secured by multi-family and commercial real estate generally have larger balances and involve a greater degree of risk than one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. These loans depend on the borrower's creditworthiness and the feasibility and cash flow potential of the project. Payments on loans secured by income properties often depend on successful operation and management of the properties. As a result, repayment on such loans may be subject to a greater extent to adverse conditions in the real estate market or economy than owner-occupied residential loans.

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

## NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

6. Allowance for Credit Losses: (continued)

#### **Consumer lending**

Our consumer loans include home equity lines of credit, loans secured by savings deposits, automobile loans, and unsecured loans. Home equity loans are generally second mortgage loans subordinate only to first mortgages also held by the bank and do not exceed 80% of the estimated value of the property. We do offer home equity loans up to 90% of the estimated value to qualified borrowers and these loans carry a premium interest rate. Loans secured by savings are originated up to 90% of the depositor's savings account balance and bear interest at a rate higher than the rate paid on the deposit account. Because the deposit account must be pledged as collateral to secure the loan, the inherent risk of this type of loan is minimal. Loans secured by automobiles are made directly to consumers (there are no relationships with dealers) and are based on the value of the vehicle and the borrower's creditworthiness. Vehicle loans present a higher level of risk because of the natural decline in the value of the property as well as its mobility. Unsecured loans are based entirely on the borrower's creditworthiness and present the highest level of risk to the bank.

The Banks choose the most appropriate method for accounting for impaired loans. For secured loans, which make up the vast majority of the loans in the Banks' portfolio, this method involves determining the fair value of the collateral, reduced by estimated selling costs. Where appropriate, the Banks would account for impaired loans by determining the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate.

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that a creditor will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Although most of our loans are secured by collateral, we rely heavily on the capacity of our borrowers to generate sufficient cash flow to service their debt. As a result, our loans do not become collateral-dependent until there is deterioration in the borrower's cash flow and financial condition, which makes it necessary for us to look to the collateral for our sole source of repayment. Collateral-dependent loans which are more than ninety days delinquent are considered to constitute more than a minimum delay in repayment and are evaluated for impairment under the policy at that time.

We utilize updated independent appraisals to determine fair value for collateral-dependent loans, adjusted for estimated selling costs, in determining our specific reserve. In some situations, management does not secure an updated independent appraisal. These situations may involve small loan amounts or loans that, in management's opinion, have an abnormally low loan-to-value ratio.

With respect to the Banks' investment in troubled debt restructurings, multi-family and nonresidential loans, and the evaluation of impairment thereof, such loans are nonhomogenous and, as such, may be deemed to be collateral-dependent when they become more than 90 days delinquent. We obtain updated independent appraisals in these situations or when we suspect that the previous appraisal may no longer be reflective of the property's current fair value. This process varies from loan to loan, borrower to borrower, and also varies based on the nature of the collateral.

7. <u>Federal Home Loan Bank Stock</u>: The Banks are members of the FHLB system. Members are required to own a certain amount of stock based on the level of borrowings and other factors, and may invest in additional amounts. FHLB stock is carried at cost, classified as a restricted security, and periodically evaluated for impairment based on ultimate recovery of par value. Both cash and stock dividends are reported as interest income.

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- 8. <u>Real Estate Owned</u>: Real estate acquired through or instead of foreclosure is initially recorded at fair value less estimated selling expenses at the date of acquisition, establishing a new cost basis. These assets are subsequently accounted for at lower of cost or fair value less estimated costs to sell. If fair value declines subsequently, the carrying value is adjusted through a valuation allowance and the amount is recorded through expense. Costs relating to holding real estate owned, net of rental income, are charged against earnings as incurred.
- 9. <u>Premises and Equipment</u>: Land is carried at cost. Premises and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. The cost of premises and equipment includes expenditures which extend the useful lives of existing assets. Maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are expensed as incurred. For financial reporting, depreciation is provided on the straight-line method over the useful lives of the assets, estimated to be forty years for buildings, ten to forty years for building improvements, and five to ten years for furniture and equipment. When management initiates a plan to dispose of assets, those assets are transferred to fixed assets held for sale and evaluated for potential impairment. At June 30, 2024 the Company had fixed assets held for sale of \$0.
- 10. <u>Income Taxes</u>: Income tax expense is the total of the current year income tax due or refundable and the change in deferred tax assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are the expected future tax amounts for the temporary differences between carrying amounts and tax bases of assets and liabilities, computed using enacted tax rates. Deferred tax assets are recorded only to the extent that the amount of net deductible temporary differences or carryforward attributes may be utilized against current period earnings, carried back against prior years' earnings, offset against taxable temporary differences reversing in future periods, or utilized to the extent of management's estimate of future taxable income. A valuation allowance, if needed, reduces deferred tax assets to the amount expected to be realized. Deferred tax liabilities are provided on the total amount of net temporary differences taxable in the future.

A tax provision is recognized as a benefit only if it is "more likely than not" that the tax position would be sustained in a tax examination, with a tax examination being presumed to occur. The amount recognized is the largest amount of tax benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized on examination. For tax positions not meeting the "more likely than not" test, no tax benefit is recorded. The Company recognizes interest and/or penalties related to income tax matters as income tax expense.

Kentucky First Federal Bancorp and Frankfort First Bancorp, Inc., each are subject to state income taxes in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal, state and local tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2020.

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11. Retirement and Employee Benefit Plans: The Banks participate in the Pentegra Defined Benefit Plan for Financial Institutions ("The Pentegra DB Plan"), which is a tax-qualified, multi-employer defined benefit pension fund covering all employees who qualify as to length of service. The Pentegra DB Plan's Employer Identification Number is 13-5645888 and the Plan Number is 333. The Pentegra DB Plan operates as a multi-employer plan for accounting purposes and as a multiple-employer plan under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code. The Pentegra DB Plan is a single plan under Internal Revenue Code Section 413(c) and, as a result, all of the assets stand behind all of the liabilities. Accordingly, under the Pentegra DB Plan contributions made by a participating employer may be used to provide benefits to participants of other participating employers. Total contributions made to the Pentegra DB Plan, as reported on Form 5500, equal \$147.3 million and \$142.4 million for the plan years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Our contributions for fiscal 2023 and 2022 were not more than 5% of the total contributions made to the Pentegra DB Plan. Pension expense is the net contributions, which are based upon covered employees' age and salaries and are dependent upon the ultimate prescribed benefits of the participants and the funded status of the plan. The Company recognized expense related to the plans totaling approximately \$454,000 and \$353,000 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. There are no collective bargaining agreements in place that require contributions to the Pentegra DB Plan. As of July 1, 2023, the most recent period for which information is available, the Banks had an adjusted funding target attainment percentage ("AFTAP") of 82.02%. There are no funding improvement plans or surcharges to participants. Effective July 1, 2016, sponsorship of the plan was transferred to the Company, benefits ratios were standardized and prospectively each bank will contribute to the plan based generally on its pro rata share of future benefits. Effective April 1, 2019, the Company elected to freeze benefits to its employee participants.

The Company also maintained a nonqualified deferred compensation plan for the benefit of certain directors, which was closed to any future deferrals. The plan terminated in fiscal year 2022 with the payment of all amounts due.

The Company maintains an Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP"), a tax-qualified defined contribution stock bonus plan for all full-time employees of the Company and its subsidiaries who have completed one year of service and have attained the age of 21. In connection with the implementations of the ESOP, the company financed the purchase of the ESOP shares with a 20 year loan and each year during the term of the loan contributions were made to the ESOP equal to the ESOP's debt service less dividends received by the ESOP on unallocated shares. The cost of the ESOP shares is shown as a reduction of stockholders' equity. The loan was fully repaid during the year ended June 30, 2023. The Company recorded expense for the ESOP of approximately \$0 and \$4,000 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Vested shares of the Company common stock allocated to participant accounts are distributed to participants following their termination of employment. 226,313 shares of Company common stock were distributed from the ESOP as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The amounts contributed to the ESOP were \$0 and \$14,000 for the years 2024 and 2023, respectively.

	For the fisca	•
	2024	2023
Allocated shares	110,660	110,660
Shares committed to be released	-	-
Unearned shares	<u> </u>	_
Total ESOP shares	110,660	110,660
Fair value of unearned shares at end of period	<u>\$</u>	\$ -

The Company maintains a 401(k) plan for the benefit of all full-time employees. No employer contributions have been made to the 401(k) plan.

12. <u>Earnings Per Share</u>: Diluted earnings per share is computed taking into consideration common shares outstanding and dilutive potential common shares to be issued or released under the Company's share-based compensation plans. There is no adjustment to net earnings for the calculation of diluted earnings per share. The factors used in the basic and diluted earnings per share computations for the fiscal years ended June 30 follow:

	For the fiscal year en June 30,			
	2024	2023		
Net income (loss) allocated to common shareholders, basic and diluted	\$(1,721,000)	\$ 933,000		
EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$ (0.21)	\$ 0.11		
Weighted average common shares outstanding, basic and diluted	8,098,715	8,131,568		

Basic earnings per share is computed based upon the weighted-average shares outstanding during the year (which excludes treasury shares) less average shares in the ESOP that are unallocated and not committed to be released. There were no options outstanding for fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

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#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- 13. <u>Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities</u>: Fair value is the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. There are three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair values:
  - Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date.
  - Level 2 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 for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.
  - 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.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying balance sheet, as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

#### Securities

Where quoted market prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by using matrix pricing, which is a mathematical technique widely used in the industry to value debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted prices for the specific securities but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted securities (Level 2 inputs).

The following table presents the fair value measurements of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at June 30, 2024 and 2023. The securities represented are only those classified as available-for sale.

		Fair Va	lue Measurem	ents Using
		Quotes Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets	Significant Other Observable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs
(in thousands)	Fair Value	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)
2024				
Agency mortgage-backed: residential	\$ 9,648	\$ -	\$ 9,648	\$ -
<u>2023</u>				
Agency mortgage-backed: residential	\$ 12,080	\$ -	\$ 12,080	\$ -

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## NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### 13. Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities: (continued)

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2.

There were no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis at June 30, 2024 and 2023.

The following disclosure of the fair value of financial instruments, both assets and liabilities, whether or not recognized in the consolidated balance sheet, is based on the assumptions presented for each particular item and for which it is practicable to estimate that value. For financial instruments where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value and other valuation methods.

The methods used are greatly affected by the assumptions applied, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. Therefore, the fair values presented may not represent amounts that could be realized in an exchange for certain financial instruments.

Carrying

Fair Value Measurements at

June 30, 2024 Using

The Company's financial instruments at June 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	•	arrying		June 30, 2024				Using		
(in thousands)		Value		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Financial assets									-	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	18,287	\$	18,287					\$	18,287
Available-for-sale securities		9,648			\$	9,648				9,648
Held-to-maturity securities		213				203				203
Loans receivable - net		333,025					\$	318,867		318,867
Federal Home Loan Bank stock		4,230								n/a
Accrued interest receivable		1,169				1,169				1,169
Financial liabilities										
Deposits	\$	256,139	\$	79,567	\$	176,272			\$	255,839
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	•	68,988	*	,	*	68,122			•	68,122
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance		909				909				909
Accrued interest payable		176				176				176
	(	Carrying	_			June 30, 2	023			
(in thousands)		Value		Level 1	_	Level 2	_	Level 3	_	Total
Financial assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	8,167	\$	8,167					\$	8,167
Available-for-sale securities		12,080			\$	12,080				12,080
Held-to-maturity securities		274				259				259
Loans receivable - net		313,807					\$	293,530		293,530
Federal Home Loan Bank stock		4,623								n/a
Accrued interest receivable		902				902				902
Financial liabilities										
Financial liabilities Deposits		226,309	\$	88,994	\$	136,577			\$	225,571
	\$	226,309 70,087	\$	88,994	\$	136,577 69,863			\$	225,571 69,863
Deposits	\$	,	\$	88,994	\$	)			\$	/

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#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- 14. <u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>: For purposes of reporting cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash and due from banks, federal funds sold, and interest-bearing deposits in other financial institutions with original maturities of less than ninety days.
- 15. <u>Goodwill</u>: Goodwill of \$14.5 million was originally recorded in March 2005 when the Company, as part of its initial public offering, purchased Frankfort First Bancorp, Inc., with a portion of the stock and cash proceeds from the offering. Goodwill and intangible assets acquired in a purchase business combination and determined to have an indefinite useful life are not amortized, but tested for impairment at least annually. At June 30, 2023, the company had \$947,000 remaining goodwill that had not been considered impaired. At June 30, 2024, the annual impairment test indicated that goodwill was impaired and a goodwill impairment charge equal to the entire balance of our \$947,000 goodwill balance was taken.
- 16. <u>Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance</u>: First Federal of Kentucky has purchased life insurance policies on certain key executives. Bank-owned life insurance is recorded at the amount that can be realized under the insurance contract at the balance sheet date, which is the cash surrender value adjusted for other charges or other amounts due that are probable at settlement.
- 17. Treasury Stock: Treasury stock is stated at cost. Cost is determined by the first-in, first-out method.
- 18. <u>Related Party Transactions</u>: Loans outstanding to executive officers, directors, significant shareholders and their affiliates (related parties) at June 30, 2024 and 2023 are summarized as follows:

(in thousands)	 2024	2023
Outstanding principal, beginning of year	\$ 480	\$ 688
Changes in composition of related parties	338	-
Principal disbursed during the year	194	-
Principal repaid and refinanced during the year	 (33)	 (208)
Outstanding principal, end of year	\$ 979	\$ 480

Deposits from related parties held by the Company at June 30, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$1.7 million and \$5.1 million, respectively.

In management's opinion, such loans and other extensions of credit and deposits were made in the ordinary course of business and were made on substantially the same terms (including interest rates and collateral) as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons. Further, in management's opinion, these loans did not involve more than normal risk of collectability or present other unfavorable features.

19. Comprehensive Income and Accumulated Comprehensive Income (Loss): Comprehensive income consists of net income and other comprehensive income (loss). Other comprehensive income (loss) includes unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale, net of tax, for the period which are also recognized as separate components of equity. Accumulated comprehensive income (loss) consists solely of unrealized gain or loss on available-for-sale securities at the end of the period.

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#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- 20. Revenue Recognition: The Company's revenue-generating activities accounted for under Topic 606 includes primarily service charges and fees on deposits and other service charges and fees and comprise the majority of other non-interest income on the statement of income. Service charges and fees on deposits are primarily debit card interchange fees and automatic teller machine ("ATM") surcharge fees. To a lesser extent service charges and fees also include overdraft fees, dormant account fees, and service charges on checking and savings accounts. Overdraft fees are recognized at the time an account is overdrawn. Dormant account fees are recognized when an account is inactive for at least 365 days. Service charges on checking and savings accounts are primarily account maintenance services performed and recognized in the same calendar month. Other deposit-based service charges and fees include transaction-based services completed at the request of the customer and recognized at the time the transaction is completed. These transaction-based services include ATM usage and stop payment services. All service charges and fees on deposits are withdrawn from the customer's account at the time the service is provided.
- 21. <u>Loss Contingencies</u>: Loss contingencies, including claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business, are recorded as liabilities when the likelihood of loss is probable and an amount or range of loss can be reasonably estimated. Management does not believe there now are such matters that will have a material effect on the financial statements.
- 22. <u>Loan Commitments and Related Financial Instruments</u>: Financial instruments include off-balance sheet credit instruments, such as commitments to make loans and commercial letters of credit, issued to meet customer financing needs. The face amount for these items represents the exposure to loss, before considering customer collateral or ability to repay. Such financial instruments are recorded when they are funded.
- 23. <u>Dividend Restriction</u>: Banking regulations require maintaining certain capital levels and may limit the dividends paid by the Banks to the holding company or by the holding company to shareholders.
- 24. Operating Segments: While the chief decision-makers monitor the revenue streams of the various products and services, operations are managed and financial performance is evaluated on a Company-wide basis. Operating segments are aggregated into one as operating results for all segments are similar. Accordingly, all of the financial service operations are considered by management to be aggregated in one reportable operating segment.
- 25. <u>Reclassifications</u>: Some items in the prior year financial statements were reclassified to conform to the current presentation. Reclassifications had no effect on prior year net income or shareholders' equity.

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## NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## 26. New Accounting Standards:

FASB ASC 326 - In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments. This standard requires credit losses on most financial assets and certain other instruments to be measured using an expected loss model, which is referred to as the current expected credit loss (CECL) model. Under this model entities estimate credit losses over the entire contractual term of the instrument (considering estimated prepayments, but not expected extensions or modifications) from the date of initial recognition of that instrument. The ASU replaces the current accounting model for purchased credit impaired and debt securities. The allowance for credit losses for purchased financial assets with a more-than-insignificant amount of credit deterioration since origination (referred to as "PCD assets"), should be determined in a similar manner to other financial assets measured on an amortized cost basis. However, upon initial recognition, the allowance for credit losses is added to the purchase price to determine the initial amortized cost basis. The subsequent accounting for PCD financial assets is the same expected loss model described herein.

The Company will now use forward-looking information to enhance its credit loss estimates. The amendment requires enhanced disclosures to aid investors and other users of financial statements to better understand significant estimates and judgments used in estimating credit losses, as well as the credit quality and underwriting standards of our portfolio. The largest impact to the Company was on its allowance for loan and lease losses, although the ASU also amends the accounting for credit losses on available-for-sale debt securities, held-to-maturity securities, and purchased financial assets with credit deterioration. The standard was effective for public companies for annual periods and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019. However, the FASB delayed the implementation of the ASU for smaller reporting companies until years beginning after December 15, 2022, or in the Company's case the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023. ASU 2016-13 was applied through a cumulative effect adjustment to retained earnings (modified-retrospective approach).

In addition, ASC 326 made changes to the accounting for available-for-sale ("AFS") debt securities. One such change requires credit losses to be presented as an allowance rather than as a write-down on AFS securities. Management does not intend to sell or believes that it is more likely than not that they will be required to sell.

We adopted ASC 326 effective July 1, 2023, using the modified retrospective method for all financial assets measured at amortized cost and off-balance sheet ("OBS") credit exposures. Results for reporting periods beginning after July 1, 2023 are presented under ASC 326, while prior period amounts continue to be reported in accordance with previously applicable GAAP.

Upon adoption of the ASU we recorded an increase in the allowance for credit loss ("ACL") for loans which represented a \$497,000 increase from the Allowance for Loan Losses ("ALLL") at June 30, 2023. This transaction further resulted in an increase of \$54,000 to the ACL for unfunded commitments, a decrease of \$414,000 to retained earnings and a deferred tax asset of \$137,000.

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#### **NOTE B - SECURITIES**

The following table summarizes the amortized cost and fair value of the available for sale securities and held to maturity investment securities portfolio at June 30, 2024 and 2023 and the corresponding amounts of gross unrealized or unrecognized gains and losses. Unrealized gains or losses apply to available-for-sale securities and are recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income, while unrealized gains or losses on held-to-maturity securities are not recognized in the financial statements. The gains and losses are as follows:

	2024									
(in thousands)	An	Gross unrealized gains		Gross unrealized losses			imated r value			
Available-for-sale Securities	<b>6</b>	10.006	0		•	440	•	0.640		
Agency mortgage-backed residential	\$	10,096	\$	-	\$	448	\$	9,648		
Held-to-maturity Securities										
Agency mortgage-backed: residential	\$	213	\$	-	\$	10	\$	203		
	2023									
				20	20					
		nortized	Gro unrea	ss lized	unr	Gross ealized		imated		
(in thousands)		ortized cost		ss lized	unr			imated r value		
(in thousands) Available-for-sale Securities			unrea	ss lized	unr	ealized				
,			unrea	ss lized	unr	ealized				
Available-for-sale Securities Agency mortgage-backed residential		cost	unrea gai	ss lized ns	unr le	realized osses	fai	r value		
Available-for-sale Securities		cost	unrea gai	ss lized ns	unr le	realized osses	fai	r value		

At June 30, 2024, the Company's debt securities consisted of mortgage-backed securities, which do not have a single maturity date. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities, because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

There were no sales of securities during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 or 2023. At June 30, 2024 the Company had \$9.6 million in available-for-sale mortgage-backed securities with gross unrealized losses of \$448,000 that had been in an unrealized loss position for more than 12 months and \$0 in available-for-sale mortgage-backed securities with gross unrealized losses that had been in an unrealized loss position for less than 12 months. At June 30, 2023, the Company had no available-for-sale mortgage-backed with gross unrealized losses greater than 12 months and \$12.1 million in available-for-sale mortgage backed with gross unrealized losses of \$569,000 that had been in an unrealized loss position for less than 12 months.

At June 30, 2024 the Company had \$213,000 in held-to-maturity mortgage-backed securities with gross unrealized losses of \$10,000 that had been in an unrealized loss position for more than 12 months and no held-to-maturity mortgage-backed securities with gross unrealized losses that had been in an unrealized loss position for less than 12 months. At June 30, 2023 the Company had \$274,000 in held-to-maturity mortgage-backed securities with gross unrealized losses of \$15,000 that had been in an unrealized loss position for more than 12 months and no held-to-maturity mortgage-backed securities with gross unrealized losses that had been in an unrealized loss position for less than 12 months.

Securities in an unrealized loss position as a percent of total securities were 100% at both June 30, 2024 and 2023.

Unrealized losses on agency mortgage-backed securities have not been recognized into income because they are of high credit quality (rated AA or higher), management does not intend to sell and it is likely that management will not be required to sell the securities prior to their anticipated recovery, and the decline in fair value is largely due to changes in interest rates and other market conditions. The fair value is expected to recover as the investments reach maturity.

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, pledged securities totaled \$0 million and \$5.9 million, respectively. In addition, at June 30, 2024 and 2023, our pledged assets also included overnight deposits of \$0 million and \$1.5 million, respectively.

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#### **NOTE C - LOANS**

The composition of the loan portfolio at June 30 was as follows:

(in thousands)	 2024	2023
Residential real estate		
One- to four-family	\$ 256,216	\$ 240,076
Multi-family	15,815	19,067
Construction	13,815	12,294
Land	964	470
Farm	1,169	1,346
Nonresidential real estate	34,308	30,217
Commercial and industrial	700	1,184
Consumer and other		
Loans on deposits	819	855
Home equity	10,644	9,217
Automobile	117	104
Unsecured	 585	611
	335,152	315,441
Allowance for credit losses	(2,127)	(1,634)
	\$ 333,025	\$ 313,807

The amounts above include net deferred loan fees of \$288,000 and \$330,000 as of June 30, 2024 and 2023.

The following table presents the amortized cost basis of collateral-dependent loans by portfolio class as of June 30, 2024. The recorded investment in loans excludes accrued interest receivable due to immateriality.

(in thousands)	Amortized Cost Basis	allowance on collateral- dependent loans
Loans individually evaluated for impairment:		
Residential real estate:		
One- to four-family	\$ 2,674	\$ -
Nonresidential real estate	1,925	_
Commercial and industrial	_	_
	\$ 4,599	

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## **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

The following tables present the balance in the allowance for loan losses and the recorded investment in loans by portfolio class and based on impairment method as of June 30, 2024 and 2023. The company reported \$175,000 and \$196,000 in loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

## June 30, 2024:

(in thousands)	Loans individually evaluated		dividually credit		Ending loans balance		al	Ending lowance tributed to loans
Loans individually evaluated for impairment:								
Residential real estate								
One- to four-family	\$	2,674	\$	175	\$	2,849	\$	-
Nonresidential real estate		1,925		-		1,925		-
Home Equity		-		-		-		-
		4,599		175		4,744		-
Loans collectivelly evaluated for impairment:								
Residential real estate								
One- to four-family					\$	253,367	\$	1661
Multi-family						15,815		100
Construction						13,815		122
Land						964		28
Farm						1,169		4
Nonresidential real estate						32,383		192
Commercial and industrial						700		3
Consumer and other								
Loans on deposits						819		-
Home equity						10,644		14
Automobile						117		-
Unsecured						585		3
						330,378		2,127
					\$	335,152	\$	2,127

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## **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

June 30, 2023:

(in thousands)	Loans individually evaluated		Loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality*		Ending loans balance		Ending loans		Ending allowance attributed to loans	
Loans individually evaluated for impairment: Residential real estate										
One- to four-family	\$	2,833	\$ 196	5 \$	3,029	\$	_			
Nonresidential real estate	*	1,717	-	-	1,717	-	_			
Home Equity		267		-	267		_			
		4,817	196	5	5,013		-			
Loans collectivelly evaluated for impairment:										
Residential real estate										
One- to four-family				\$	237,047	\$	857			
Multi-family					19,067		278			
Construction					12,294		41			
Land					470		1			
Farm					1,346		4			
Nonresidential real estate					28,500		405			
Commercial and industrial					1,184		23			
Consumer and other										
Loans on deposits					855		1			
Home equity					8,950		23			
Automobile					104		-			
Unsecured				_	611	_	1			
					310,428		1,634			
				\$	315,441	\$	1,634			

<sup>\*</sup> These loans were evaluated at acquisition date at their estimated fair value and there has been no subsequent deterioration since acquisition.

June 30, 2024 and 2023

# NOTE C - LOANS (continued)

The following table presents impaired loans by class of loans as of and for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

(in thousands)	Unpaid Principal Balance and Recorded Investment		Allowance for Loan Losses Allocated	]	Average Recorded nvestment	Interest Income Recognized	Cash Basis Income Recognized
June 30, 2024:							
With no related allowance recorded:							
Residential real estate							
One- to four-family	\$	2,849	\$ -	- \$	3,146	\$ 104	\$ 104
Multi-family		-	-	-	-	-	-
Farm		-	-	•	-	-	-
Nonresidential real estate		1,925	-	-	1,893	54	54
Consumer and other							
Home equity		-	-	-	89	-	-
Unsecured			-	_	-		
	\$	4,774	\$ -	- \$	5,128	<b>\$</b> 158	\$ 158
June 30, 2023:							
With no related allowance recorded:							
Residential real estate							
One- to four-family	\$	3,029	\$ -	- \$			
Multi-family		-	-	•	285	22	22
Farm		-	-		135	15	15
Nonresidential real estate		1,717	-	-	1,395	63	63
Consumer and other							
Home equity		267	-	•	177	6	6
Unsecured	_			. <u> </u>	2	1	1
	\$	5,013	\$ -	- \$	5,319	\$ 268	<b>\$</b> 268

June 30, 2024 and 2023

#### **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

The following tables present the amortized cost basis of loans on nonaccrual status and loans past due over 89 days still accruing as of June 30, 2024 and 2023. The tables include loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality. At June 30, 2024, the table below includes approximately \$175,000 of loans on nonaccrual and no loans past due over 89 days and still accruing of loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality, while at June 30, 2023, approximately \$197,000 of loans on nonaccrual and no loans past due over 89 days and still accruing represent such loans. At both June 30, 2024 and 2023, there is \$0 in allowance for credit loss for nonaccrual loans as they have incurred a loss in the amount that brings them to fair value.

		June 30	0, 2024		June 30	0, 2023		
			Loans Past Due Over 89 Days Still			Loans Past Due Over 89 Days Still		
(in thousands)	Noi	naccrual	Accruing	N	onaccrual	Accruing		
Residential real estate								
One- to four-family	\$	2,678	\$ 221	\$	3,028	\$ 365		
Multi-family		-	-		-	-		
Farm		-	-		-	-		
Nonresidential real estate		969	-		1,013	-		
Commercial and industrial		-	-		-	-		
Consumer and other								
Home equity		-		-	267	-		
Unsecured		-	28	;	-	28		
	\$	3,647	\$ 249	\$	4,308	\$ 393		

One- to four-family loans in process of foreclosure totaled \$926,000 and \$766,000 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

## **Troubled Debt Restructurings:**

Prior to the adoption of ASC 326 a Troubled Debt Restructuring ("TDR") was the situation where the Bank granted a concession to the borrower that the Banks would not otherwise have considered due to the borrower's financial difficulties. All TDRs are considered "impaired."

At June 30, 2023, the Company had \$464,000 of loans classified as TDRs.

There were no loans modified to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty during the year ended June 30, 2024.

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## **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

The following tables present the aging of the principal balance outstanding past due loans as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, by class of loans. The tables include loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality. At June 30, 2024, the table below includes \$28,000 in loans 30-59 days past due and approximately \$33,000 of loans past due over 90 days that were acquired with deteriorated credit quality, while at June 30, 2023, the table below includes \$68,000 in loans 30-89 days past due and approximately \$58,000 of loans past due over 90 days of such loans.

June 30, 2024:

(in thousands)	59 Days ist Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or Greater	Total Past Due	Loans Not Past Due	Total
Residential real estate						
One- to four-family	\$ 4,517	\$ 847	\$ 1,080	\$ 6,444	\$ 249,772	\$ 256,216
Multi-family	-	-	-	-	15,815	15,815
Construction	1,085	60	-	1,145	12,670	13,815
Land	55	-	-	55	909	964
Farm	-	-	-	-	1,169	1,169
Nonresidential real estate	840	-	-	840	33,468	34,308
Commercial and industrial	4	-	-	4	696	700
Consumer and other						
Loans on deposits	-	-	-	-	819	819
Home equity	-	-	28	28	10,616	10,644
Automobile	-	-	-	-	117	117
Unsecured	14		-	14	571	585
	\$ 6,515	\$ 907	\$ 1,108	\$ 8,530	\$ 326,662	\$ 335,152

### June 30, 2023:

(in thousands)	59 Days ist Due	·		Days or Greater	To	otal Past Due	Loans Not Past Due			Total
Residential real estate										
One- to four-family	\$ 2,466	\$	949	\$ 1,514	\$	4,929	\$	235,147	\$	240,076
Multi-family	-		-	-		-		19,067		19,067
Construction	-		-	-		-		12,294		12,294
Land	-		-	-		-		470		470
Farm	-		-	-		-		1,346		1,346
Nonresidential real estate	662		-	-		662		29,555		30,217
Commercial and industrial	-		-	28		28		1,156		1,184
Consumer and other										
Loans on deposits	-		-	-		-		855		855
Home equity	168		-	267		435		8,782		9,217
Automobile	-		-	-		-		104		104
Unsecured	17		-	-		17		594		611
	\$ 3,313	\$	949	\$ 1,809	\$	6,071	\$	309,370	\$	315,441

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## **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

#### **Credit Quality Indicators:**

The Company categorizes loans into risk categories based on relevant information about the ability of borrowers to service their debt such as: current financial information, historical payment experience, credit documentation, public information, and current economic trends, among other factors. The Company analyzes loans individually by classifying the loans as to credit risk. This analysis is performed on an annual basis. The Company uses the following definitions for risk ratings:

**Special Mention.** Loans classified as special mention have a potential weakness that deserves management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or of the institution's credit position at some future date.

**Substandard.** Loans classified as substandard are inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans so classified have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the institution will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.

**Doubtful.** Loans classified as doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in those classified as substandard, with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values, highly questionable and improbable.

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## **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

Loans not meeting the criteria above that are analyzed individually as part of the above-described process are considered to be pass rated loans. Loans listed that are not rated are included in groups of homogeneous loans and are evaluated for credit quality based on performing status. See the aging of past due loan table above. As of June 30, 2024, and based on the most recent analysis performed, the risk category of loans by class of loans is as follows:

(in thousands)	Term 1	Loans Amo	ortized Cos	st by Origin	nation Fisc	al Year	Revolving Loans Amortized	
As of March 31, 2024	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	Prior	<b>Cost Basis</b>	Total
Residential real estate: One- to four-family								
Risk Rating:								
Pass	\$ 29,792	\$ 50,814	\$ 47,346	\$ 42,943	\$ 26,794	\$ 52,616	\$ -	\$250,485
Special mention	-	-	-	-	-	667	-	667
Substandard	-	-		81	110	4,873	-	5,064
Doubtful								
Total	\$ 29,792	\$ 50,814	\$ 47,346	\$ 43,024	\$ 26,904	\$ 58,156	<b>\$</b> -	\$256,216
Current period gross charge								
offs	<b>\$</b> -	s -	s -	<b>\$</b> -	<b>\$</b> -	<b>\$</b> 16	\$ -	<b>\$</b> 16
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Multi-family								
Risk Rating:								
Pass	<b>\$</b> 400	\$ 6,076	\$ 5,907	\$ 1,239	\$ -	\$ 2,193	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 15,815
Special mention	_	-	_	_	_		_	-
Substandard	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 400	\$ 6,076	\$ 5,907	\$ 1,239	<u>s</u> -	\$ 2,193	\$ -	\$ 15,815
Total	<del></del>	= 0,070	= 3,707	1,237	<u> </u>	= 2,175	<b>\$</b>	= 13,013
Current period gross charge	0	Φ	•	Φ.	0	0	6	0
offs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction								
Risk Rating:								
Pass	\$ 8,230	\$ 5,562	<b>\$</b> 23	\$ -	\$ -	<b>s</b> -	\$ -	\$ 13,815
Special mention	ψ 0,250 -	ψ 3,30 <u>2</u>	ψ <i>25</i>	Ψ -	ψ - -	<b>.</b>	_	ψ 15,015 -
Substandard		_	_		_		_	_
Doubtful							_	_
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Total	\$ 8,230	\$ 5,562	\$ 23	\$ -	<u> </u>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,815
Current period gross charge								
offs	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6

Land																
Risk Rating:	-		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	
Pass	\$	401	\$	252	\$	213	\$	-	\$	-	\$	70	\$	-	\$	936
Special mention						-		-		-		-		-		-
Substandard		-		-		-		-		-		28		-		-
Doubtful	_		_		_		_		_		_	<u>-</u>	_		_	
Total	\$	401	\$	252	\$	213	\$		\$		\$	98	\$	-	\$	964
									_		_					
<b>Current period gross charge</b>																
offs	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Farm																
Risk Rating:																
Pass	\$	-	\$	-	\$	221	\$	-	\$	-	\$	948	\$	-	\$	1,169
Special mention		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Substandard		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Doubtful																
Total	\$	_	\$	_	\$	221	\$	_	\$	_	\$	948	\$		\$	1,169
									=		=					
Current period gross charge																
offs	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
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Nonresidential real estate																
Risk Rating:																
Pass	\$	7,828	\$	1,561	\$	3,099	\$	3,406	\$	5,711	\$	10,648	\$	-	\$	32,253
Special mention		_		_		_		_		_		130		-		130
Substandard		_		1,017		_		-		-		908		-		1,925
Doubtful		-		_		-		-		-		-		-		_
Total	\$	7,828	\$	2,578	S	3,099	\$	3,406	\$	5,711	\$	11,686	\$		\$	34,308
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Current period gross charge offs	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Olis	Φ	-	Ф	-	Ф	-	Ф	-	Ф	-	Ф	-	Φ	-	Ф	-
Commercial and industrial																
Risk Rating:																
Pass	\$	482	\$	214	\$	_	\$	4	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	700
Special mention	Ψ	402	Ψ	217	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	700
Substandard																_
Doubtful		_		_		_		_		_		_		_		_
Total	•		•	214	•		\$	4	•		\$		•		\$	
1 Otal	\$	482	\$	214	\$		<b>D</b>	4	\$	_	<b>D</b>		\$	-	<b>D</b>	700
Current period gross charge																
offs	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

Share Loans																
Risk Rating:	_		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	
Pass	\$	116	\$	113	\$	20	\$	15	\$	176	\$	379	\$	-	\$	819
Special mention		-		-		-		-		-				-		-
Substandard		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Doubtful			_				_		_		_		_		_	
Total	\$	116	\$	113	\$	20	\$	15	\$	176	\$	379	\$	-	\$	819
			_				_				_					
Current period gross charge																
offs	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_
Home Equity																
Risk Rating:																
Pass	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	10,490	\$	10,490
Special mention		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		_
Substandard		-		-		-		-		-		-		154		154
Doubtful		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total	\$	_	\$		\$		\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$	10,644	\$	10,644
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Current natical gross shares																
Current period gross charge offs	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
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Auto																
Risk Rating:																
Pass	\$	68	\$	9	\$	30	\$	3	\$	2	\$	5	\$	_	\$	117
Special mention	Ψ	-	Ψ		Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ		Ψ	-	Ψ	_	Ψ	-
Substandard														_		_
Doubtful				_		_		_						-		_
	Φ.		Φ		Φ.		Φ		0		Φ.		Φ		Ф	
Total	\$	68	\$	9	\$	30	\$	3	\$	2	\$	5	\$		\$	117
Current period gross charge	_															
offs	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
••																
Unsecured																
Risk Rating:	Ф	205	Ф	2.4	Ф	2.4	Φ	154	Φ.	12	Ф		Φ		Φ	505
Pass	\$	285	\$	34	\$	24	\$	174	\$	13	\$	55	\$	-	\$	585
Special mention		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Substandard		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Doubtful			_		_		_		_		_		_		_	
Total	\$	285	\$	34	\$	24	\$	174	\$	13	\$	55	\$		\$	585
Current period gross charge																
offs	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

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## **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

As of June 30, 2024, and 2023, and based on the most recent analysis performed, the risk category of loans by class of loans was as follows:

## June 30, 2024:

			Special			
(in thousands)	Pass				Substandard	Doubtful
Residential real estate						
One- to four-family	\$	250,485	\$ 66	7	\$ 5,064	\$ -
Multi-family		15,815		-	-	_
Construction		13,815		-	-	-
Land		936		-	28	_
Farm		1,169		-	-	-
Nonresidential real estate		32,253	13	0	1,925	_
Commercial and industrial		700		-	-	-
Consumer and other						
Loans on deposits		819		-	-	-
Home equity		10,490		-	154	_
Automobile		117		-	-	-
Unsecured		585		_	-	_
	\$	327,184	\$ 79	7	\$ 7,171	\$ -
				=		

## June 30, 2023:

			Specia	ıl		
(in thousands)	Pass			n	Substandard	Doubtful
Residential real estate						
One- to four-family	\$	234,765	\$	170	\$ 5,141	\$ -
Multi-family		19,067		-	-	-
Construction		12,294		-	-	-
Land		470		-	-	-
Farm		1,346		-	-	-
Nonresidential real estate		27,816	(	584	1,717	-
Commercial and industrial		1,184		-	-	-
Consumer and other						
Loans on deposits		855		-	-	-
Home equity		8,879		-	338	-
Automobile		104		-	-	-
Unsecured		611		-	_	_
	\$	307,391	\$	854	\$ 7,196	\$ -

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# **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

The following tables present the activity in the allowance for loan losses by portfolio segment for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

## June 30, 2024:

(in thousands) Residential real estate	Pre-ASC 326 Adoption	ASC 32	1 6	As Reported Under ASC 326	Provision for (recovery of) credit losses on loans		Loans charged off	Recoveries	Credit Losses for Unfunded Liabilities	Ending balance
One- to four-family	\$ 857	7 \$ 74	0 \$	1,597	\$ 82	9	\$ (18)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,661
Multi-family	278	3 (14	5)	133	(33	)	-	-	-	100
Construction	41		7	138	(12	)	-	-	(4)	122
Land	1	1	4	15	13		-	-	-	28
Farm	4	1	2	6	(2	)	-	-	-	4
Nonresidential real estate	405	5 (22)	1)	184	8		-	-	-	192
Commercial and industrial	23	3 (1	8)	5	(2	)	-	-	-	3
Consumer and other										
Loans on deposits	1		(1)	-	-		-	-	-	-
Home equity	23	3 2	8	51	(31	)	(8)	4	(2)	14
Automobile		-	1	1	(1	)	-	-	-	-
Unsecured		<u> </u>		1	2		-			3
	\$ 1,634	\$ 49	7 \$	2,131	\$ 24	5	(26)	\$ 4	<u>\$ (6)</u>	\$ 2,127

## June 30, 2023:

(in thousands)  Residential real estate		inning lance	(cı	rovision redit) for an losses		Loans arged off	Recoveries	_	Ending balance
One- to four-family	\$	800	\$	73	\$	(29)	\$ 13	\$	857
Multi-family	Ψ	231	Ψ	47	Ψ	(2)	· -	Ψ	278
Construction		4		37		-	-		41
Land		3		(2)		-	-		1
Farm		5		(1)		-	-		4
Nonresidential real estate		461		(64)		-	8		405
Commercial and industrial		2		21		-	-		23
Consumer and other									
Loans on deposits		1		-		-	-		1
Home equity		21		2		-	-		23
Automobile		-				-	-		-
Unsecured		1		-		_	_		1
	\$	1,529	\$	113	\$	(29)	\$ 21	\$	1,634

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## **NOTE C - LOANS (continued)**

#### **Purchased Loans:**

The Company purchased loans during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 for which there was, at acquisition, evidence of deterioration of credit quality since origination and it was probable, at acquisition, that all contractually required payments would not be collected. The carrying amount of those loans, net of a purchase credit discount of \$25,000 and \$88,000, at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, was as follows:

in thousands)		2024	1	2023		
Residential real estate		-				
One- to four-family	(	5	175	\$	196	

Accretable yield, or income expected to be collected on loans purchased during fiscal year 2013, for the years ended June 30 was as follows:

(in thousands)	2	2024		2023
Balance at beginning of year	\$	294	\$	339
Accretion of income		(34)		(45)
Balance at end of year	\$	260	\$	294

For those purchased loans disclosed above, the Company made no increase in allowance for loan losses for the years ended June 30, 2024 or 2023, nor were any allowance for loan losses reversed during those years.

## NOTE D - REAL ESTATE OWNED

Activity in real estate owned for the years ended June 30 was as follows:

(in thousands)	202	2024		2023	
Balance at beginning of year	\$	70	\$	10	
Loans transferred to real estate owned		10		60	
Capitalized expenditures		-		-	
Valuation adjustments		-		-	
Disposals		70		-	
Balance at end of year	\$	10	\$	70	

## NOTE E - PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

Premises and equipment at June 30 are comprised of the following:

(in thousands)	2024		2023
Land	\$ 1,516	\$	1,516
Buildings and improvements	6,818		6,768
Furniture & equipment	2,236		2,220
	10,570		10,504
Less: accumulated depreciation	6,303		6,069
Balance at end of year	\$ 4,267	\$	4,435

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#### **NOTE F - GOODWILL**

Goodwill of \$14.5 million was originally recorded in March 2005 when the Company, as part of its initial public offering, purchased Frankfort First Bancorp, Inc., with a portion of the stock and cash proceeds from the offering. The Company had \$14.5 million of goodwill net of impairment losses of \$13.6 million and \$0 at June 30, 2020 and 2019, respectively. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, a prolonged decline in the stock price of the Company exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and its related economic impact led to management's performance of a goodwill impairment analysis as of June 30, 2020. Based on the results of this analysis and in conjunction with management's early adoption of ASU 2017-04, *Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350):* Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment, the estimated fair value of the Company was less than book value, resulting in a \$13.6 million goodwill impairment charge. Goodwill impairment exists when a Company's reporting unit's carrying value of goodwill exceeds its fair value. Subsequently, further decreases in stock price in the year ended June 30, 2024 led to the carrying value of goodwill exceeding the fair value. Testing done in the year of 2024 indicated this and led to an impairment charge of the entire amount of \$947,000.

#### **NOTE G - DEPOSITS**

Deposits consist of the following major classifications at June 30:

(in thousands)	2024		2023
Non-interest bearing checking accounts	\$ 15,428	\$	12,333
Checking accounts	16,749		19,068
Savings Accounts	39,221		49,477
Money market demand deposits	 8,169		8,116
Total demand, transaction and passbook deposits	79,567		88,994
Certificates of deposit	176,572		137,315
Total deposits	\$ 256,139	\$	226,309

Maturities of outstanding certificates of deposit at June 30 are summarized as follows:

(in thousands)	2024
2025	\$ 149,323
2026 2027	14,099
2027	11,277
2028	1,608
2029 and thereafter	265
	<u>\$ 176,572</u>

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Company had certificate of deposit accounts with balances equal to or in excess of \$250,000 totaling approximately \$21.0 million and \$14.7 million, respectively. Brokered certificates of deposit totaled \$52.0 million at June 30, 2024 compared to 21.0 million at June 30, 2023.

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#### NOTE H - ADVANCES FROM THE FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK

Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank, collateralized at June 30, 2024 and 2023 by pledges of collateral composed of first mortgage residential and multi-family loans totaling \$200.5 million and \$157.3 million, respectively, and the Banks' investment in Federal Home Loan Bank stock, are summarized as follows:

(in thousands)	2024
2024	\$ 31,903
2025 2026	37,069
2026	16
	\$ 68,988

At June 30, 2024 interest rates for advances were fixed ranging from 1.64% to 5.46%, with a weighted-average interest rate of 4.58%.

Each advance is payable at its maturity date, with a prepayment penalty for fixed rate advances. Based on collateral composed of first mortgage loans and the Company's holdings of FHLB stock, the Company was eligible to borrow up to \$87.3 million as of June 30, 2024. In addition, we have the ability to borrow from the Federal Reserve Bank Discount Window. At June 30, 2024, based on home equity loans and share loans we had pledged collateral which would enable us to borrow up to \$5.6 million. First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky at June 30, 2024, had a \$2.0 million Fed Funds line of credit with the Independent Correspondent Bankers' Bank.

#### **NOTE I - INCOME TAXES**

Federal income taxes on earnings differs from that computed at the statutory corporate tax rate for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, as follows:

(in thousands)	 2024	2023
Income tax expense (benefit) at the statutory rate	\$ (411)	\$ 258
Increase (decrease) resulting from:		
Cash surrender value of life insurance	(18)	(17)
State income tax expense (benefit)	(30)	55
Goodwill Impairment	199	-
Other	21	(2)
	\$ (239)	\$ 294

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## **NOTE I - INCOME TAXES (continued)**

The composition of the Company's net deferred tax liability at June 30 is as follows:

(in thousands)	2024		2023
Taxes (payable) refundable on temporary differences at estimated corporate tax rate:		_	
Deferred tax assets:			
General loan loss allowance	\$	531	\$ 408
Unfunded Commitments		14	-
Accrued expenses		44	44
Fair value accounting adjustments at acquisition		71	95
Nonaccrued interest on loans		115	103
Unrealized loss on available-for-sale securities		112	142
Depreciation		82	68
Net operating loss carryforwards		107	 64
Total deferred tax assets		1,076	924
Deferred tax liabilities:			
Federal Home Loan Bank stock dividends		(344)	(606)
Deferred loan origination costs		(57)	(68)
Loan servicing rights		(41)	(43)
Accrual to cash adjustment		(216)	(185)
Fair value accounting adjustments on acquisition		(535)	(535)
Total deferred tax liabilities		(1,193)	(1,437)
Net deferred tax liability	\$	(117)	\$ (513)

The Company has federal and state net operating loss carryforward of \$130,000 and \$1.9 million, respectively. \$1.0 million of the state net operating loss begins to expire in June of 2036 and fully expires in June of 2038, while the remaining \$900,000 state net operating loss is carried forward indefinitely. The federal net operating loss of \$130,000 is carried forward indefinitely.

Prior to 1997, the Banks were allowed a special bad debt deduction, generally limited to 8% of otherwise taxable income, and subject to certain limitations based on aggregate loans and deposit account balances at the end of the year. If the amounts that qualified as deductions for federal income taxes are later used for purposes other than bad debt losses, including distributions in excess of accumulated earnings and profits, such distributions will be subject to federal income taxes at the then current corporate income tax rate. Retained earnings at June 30, 2024 include approximately \$5.2 million for which federal and state income taxes have not been provided. The amount of unrecognized deferred tax liability relating to the cumulative bad debt deduction was approximately \$1.3 million at June 30, 2024.

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#### **NOTE J - LOAN COMMITMENTS**

The Banks are a party to financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of their customers, including commitments to extend credit. Such commitments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest-rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated statements of financial condition. The contract or notional amounts of the commitments reflect the extent of the Banks' involvement in such financial instruments.

The Banks' exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit is represented by the contractual notional amount of those instruments. The Banks use the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as those utilized for onbalance-sheet instruments.

At June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Banks had the following outstanding loan commitments:

	2024							
(in thousands)		Fixed	V	ariable		Fixed	V	ariable
Unused commitment:								
Revolving, open-end lines secured by real estate	\$	-	\$	14,965	\$	-	\$	13,372
Commitments to fund real estate construction loans		-		10,272		-		8,919
Other unused commitments:								
Commercial and industrial loans		90		370		84		668
Other		460		741		562		5,010
Letters of credit		_		212		_		626

Commitments to make loans are generally made for periods of 60 days or less. There were no fixed rate loan commitments to fund real estate construction loans at June 30, 2024. Other unused commitments include real estate loan commitments, which represent the primary loans made by the Banks. Long-term, fixed rate mortgage loans are usually sold to the FHLB, as part of the Company's interest rate risk strategy.

#### NOTE K - STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND REGULATORY CAPITAL

**Qualified Thrift Lender** – Federal regulations require the Banks comply with the Qualified Thrift Lender ("QTL") test, which requires that 65% of assets be maintained in housing-related finance and other specified assets. If the QTL test is not met, limits are placed on growth, branching, new investment, FHLB advances, and dividends or the institutions must convert to a commercial bank charter. Management believes that the QTL test has been met.

**Dividend Restrictions** – Dividends from the Banks are the primary source of funds for the Company. Banking regulations limit the amount of dividends that may be paid to the Company by the Banks without prior approval of the Office of the Controller of the Currency (the "OCC.") Under these regulations the amount of dividends that may be paid in any calendar year is limited to the current year's net profits, combined with the retained net profits of the preceding two years.

Regulatory Capital Requirements – The Banks are subject to minimum regulatory capital standards promulgated by the OCC. 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 consolidated financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Company and the Banks 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 capital amounts and classifications are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

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## NOTE K - STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND REGULATORY CAPITAL (CONTINUED)

In August 2024, First Federal of Kentucky entered into an Agreement with the OCC. The OCC has also imposed individual minimum capital requirements ("IMCRs") which require First Federal of Kentucky to achieve and maintain capital levels in excess of the minimum capital standards required under OCC's Prompt Corrective Action framework. Under the IMCRs, First Federal of Kentucky must achieve and maintain a common equity tier 1 capital ratio of at least 9.0%, a tier 1 capital ratio of at least 11.0%, a total capital ratio of at least 12.0%, and a leverage ratio of at least 9.0%. At June 30, 2024, First Federal of Kentucky exceeded the requirements of the IMCRs as its common equity tier 1 capital ratio was 16.25%, its tier 1 capital ratio was 16.25%, its total capital ratio was 16.25%, and its leverage ratio was 10.24%.

Prompt corrective action regulations provide five classifications: well-capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized, and critically undercapitalized, although these terms are not used to represent overall financial condition. If adequately capitalized, regulatory approval is required to accept brokered deposits. If undercapitalized, capital distributions are limited, as is asset growth and expansion, and capital restoration plans are required.

Capital Standards – Effective January 1, 2020, the Company and the Banks became subject to the Community Bank Leverage Ratio ("CBLR") framework. Previously the Company and the Banks were subject to regulatory capital reforms in accordance with Basel III.

#### Community Bank Leverage Ratio

Certain community banks and holding companies (which include the Company, Frankfort First, First Federal of Kentucky and First Federal of Hazard) that satisfy certain qualifying criteria, including having less than \$10 billion in average total consolidated assets and a leverage ratio (referred to as the "community bank leverage ratio") of greater than 9%, were eligible to opt-in to the CBLR framework. The CBLR ratio is the ratio of a banking organization's Tier 1 capital to its average total consolidated assets as reported on the banking organization's applicable regulatory filings. The Banks elected to utilize the CBLR framework effective for the quarter ended March 31, 2020.

In April 2020, federal banking regulators issued temporary changes to the CBLR framework according to certain directives of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act. These changes were adopted as a final rule and applied to those banking organizations otherwise meeting the other existing qualifying criteria. The changes temporarily reduced the minimum ratio from 9% to 8% through the end of 2020 and established a two-quarter grace period for qualifying community banking organizations. The final rule provided for a transition from the temporary 8% CBLR requirement to a 9% requirement by establishing a minimum CBLR of 8.5% for 2021 and 9% thereafter, while maintaining a two-quarter grace period for qualifying community banking organizations whose leverage ratios fall no more than 100 basis points below the applicable CBLR requirement.

Under this framework the Company and the Banks would be considered well-capitalized under the applicable guidelines.

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## NOTE K - STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND REGULATORY CAPITAL (CONTINUED)

The Basel III, which became effective January 1, 2015, established higher minimum risk-based capital ratio requirements, a new common equity Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio and a new capital conservation buffer ("CCB.") The regulations also included revisions to the definition of capital and changes in the risk-weighting of certain assets, in addition to redefining "well capitalized" as a 6.5% common equity Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio, an 8.0% Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio, a 10.0% total risk-based capital ratio and a 5.0% Tier 1 leverage ratio. The CCB is 2.5% and, if the Company and the Banks were unable to qualify for the CBLR framework, in order to avoid limitations on capital distributions, including dividend payments, engaging in share repurchases and certain discretionary bonus payments to executive officers, must maintain the CCB at the appropriate level.

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The Company's and Banks' regulatory capital as of June 30, 2024 and 2023 is presented in the following table.

	Actual				l Adequacy poses
(Dollars in thousands)	A	mount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Community Bank Leverage Ratio:					
June 30, 2024					
Kentucky First Federal Bancorp	\$	48,333	13.3%	\$ 32,667	9.0%
First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hazard	\$	18,191	20.4%	\$ 8,009	9.0%
First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky	\$	29,063	10.2%	\$ 25,629	9.0%
June 30, 2023					
Kentucky First Federal Bancorp	\$	50,190	15.0%	\$ 30,075	9.0%
First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hazard	\$	18,220	20.4%	\$ 8,034	9.0%
First Federal Savings Bank of Kentucky	\$	29,880	11.7%	\$ 23,050	9.0%

As of June 30, 2024 and 2023, management believes that First Federal of Hazard and First Federal of Kentucky met all capital adequacy requirements to which the Banks were subject. There are no conditions or subsequent events that have occurred that managements believes have changed the Banks' categories.

Regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System governing mutual holding companies require First Federal MHC to meet certain criteria before the company may waive the receipt by it of any common stock dividend declared by Kentucky First Federal Bancorp.

Dividends of \$950,000 and \$1.9 million were waived in fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 respectively.

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## NOTE L - CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP

The following condensed financial statements summarize the financial position of Kentucky First Federal Bancorp as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

## KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP BALANCE SHEETS

June 30, 2024 and 2023

(in thousands)	 2024		2023
ASSETS	 		
Interest-bearing deposits in First Federal of Hazard	\$ 50	\$	473
Interest-bearing deposits in First Federal of Kentucky	319		657
Other interest-bearing deposits	-		-
Investment in First Federal of Hazard	18,042		18,035
Investment in Frankfort First	28,960		30,610
Prepaid expenses and other assets	655		988
Total assets	\$ 48,026	\$	50,763
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Accounts payable and other liabilities	\$ 29	\$	52
	 29		52
Shareholders' equity	 47,997		50,711
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 48,026	\$	50,763

## KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME

Years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

(in thousands)	2	024	2023
Income			
Interest income	\$	3	\$ 4
Non-interest income		-	-
Dividends from First Federal of Hazard		-	935
Equity in undistributed (excess distributed) earnings of First Federal of Hazard		(29)	(218)
Dividends from Frankfort First		-	681
Equity in undistributed (excess distributed) earnings of Frankfort First		(1,291)	(267)
Total income		(1,317)	1,135
Non-interest expenses		510	382
Earnings before income taxes		(1,827)	753
Income tax expense (benefit)		(106)	(180)
Net income (loss)		(1,721)	933
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax-related effects:			
Unrealized holding losses on securities designated as available-for-sale during the			
year, net of taxes (benefits) of \$30 and \$(142) in 2024 and 2023, respectively		91	(427)
	\$	(1,630)	\$ 506

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# NOTE L - CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP (continued)

# KENTUCKY FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For Years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

(in thousands)	2024		_	2023	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income (loss) for the year	\$	(1,721)	\$	933	
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Excess (deficit) distributions over earnings (undistributed earnings from					
consolidated subsidiaries		1,320		485	
Noncash compensation expense		-		4	
Increase (decrease) in cash due to changes in:					
Prepaid expenses and other assets		333		(371)	
Other liabilities		(23)		6	
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		(91)		1,057	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Treasury stock purchases				(461)	
Dividends paid on common stock		(670)		(1,363)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(670)		(1,824)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(761)		(767)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1,130		1,897	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	369	\$	1,130	

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