

# Citizens Financial Group, Inc. Reports Third Quarter 2021 Net Income of \$530 million and EPS of \$1.18

#### Underlying Net Income of \$546 million and EPS of \$1.22\*

Key Financial Data 3Q21 2Q21 3Q20	Third Quarter 2021 Highlights
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Income Statement	(Ss in millions) Total revenue Pre-provision profit Underlying pre-provision profit Provision for credit losses Net income Underlying net income	\$1,659 \$1,609 648 618 671 629 (33) (213) 530 648 546 656	\$1,791 803 834 428 314 338	<ul> <li>Underlying ROTCE of 14.2% and underlying EPS of \$1.22 reflect broad-based strength across our businesses, including a rebound in Mortgage, along with excellent credit results</li> <li>Underlying PPNR of \$671 million reflects:</li> <li>Strong results in Capital Markets, Wealth</li> </ul>
Balance Sheet & Credit Quality	Period-end loans and leases Average loans and leases Period-end deposits Average deposits Period-end loans-to-deposit ratio ACL to loans ratio ACL to loans ratio, ex. PPP NCO ratio	\$123.3 \$122.6 122.6 123.5 152.2 150.6 151.9 150.3 81.0 % 81.4 % 1.63 1.70 1.65 1.75 0.14 % 0.25 %	124.9 142.9 141.4	and Mortgage  Net interest income up 2% QoQ, given interest-earning asset growth with stable margin, higher day count  Interest-bearing deposit costs of 14 bps, down 2 bps QoQ  Credit provision benefit of \$33 million reflects
Financial Metrics	Diluted EPS Underlying EPS ROTCE Underlying ROTCE Net interest margin, FTE Efficiency ratio Underlying efficiency ratio CET1 TBV/Share	\$1.18 \$1.44 1.22 1.46 13.7 % 17.5 % 14.2 17.7 2.72 2.72 61 62 60 61 10.3 % 10.3 % \$34.44 \$33.95	9.0 2.83 55 53 % 9.8 %	excluding PPP)  Period-end LDR of 81.0%  Strong capital position with CET1 at 10.3%

#### Comments from Chairman and CEO Bruce Van Saun

"We delivered strong results in the third quarter, paced by solid revenue growth across both net interest income and fees, which combined with excellent expense discipline resulted in positive sequential operating leverage in excess of 2%," said Chairman and CEO Bruce Van Saun. "Integration planning for our recent acquisitions is going well, and we are excited about the franchise and synergy benefits as we look forward to 2022. While economic growth and loan demand in the second half have been affected by the pandemic, we maintain a positive outlook for a gradual, strong recovery through next year."

Citizens also announced today that its board of directors declared a fourth quarter 2021 common stock dividend of \$0.39 per share. The dividend is payable on November 12, 2021 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 29, 2021.

#### Discussion of results:

Net interest income								3Q21 change from							
(\$s in millions)	3Q21 2Q21					3Q20		2Q2	1		3Q20				
								\$/bps	%		\$/bps	%			
Interest income:															
Interest and fees on loans and leases and loans held for sale	\$	1,100	\$	1,084	\$	1,157	\$	16	1 %	\$	(57)	(5) %			
Investment securities		116		124		121		(8)	(6)		(5)	(4)			
Interest-bearing deposits in banks		6		3		2		3	100		4	200			
Total interest income	\$	1,222	\$	1,211	\$	1,280	\$	11	1 %	\$	(58)	(5) %			
Interest expense:															
Deposits	\$	35	\$	42	\$	89	\$	(7)	(17) %	\$	(54)	(61) %			
Short-term borrowed funds		_		_		_		_	_		_	_			
Long-term borrowed funds		42		45		54		(3)	(7)		(12)	(22)			
Total interest expense	\$	77	\$	87	\$	143	\$	(10)	(11) %	\$	(66)	(46) %			
Net interest income	\$	1,145	\$	1,124	\$	1,137	\$	21	2 %	\$	8	1 %			
Net interest margin, FTE		2.72 %	6	2.72	%	2.83 %	6	– bps			(11) bps				

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. second quarter 2021

Net interest income of \$1.145 billion increased 2% given interest-earning asset growth and higher day count, with stable net interest margin.

• Net interest margin of 2.72% reflects the benefit of accelerated PPP forgiveness, as well as improved funding mix and deposit pricing, partially offset by elevated cash balances given strong deposit flows, and lower earning-asset yields. Interest-bearing deposit costs were down 2 basis points to 14 basis points.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. third quarter 2020

Net interest income of \$1.145 billion increased 1% reflecting 4% growth in interest-earning assets, largely offset by lower net interest margin.

• Net interest margin of 2.72% decreased 11 basis points, primarily reflecting the impact of elevated cash balances and the lower rate environment, partly offset by improved funding mix and deposit pricing and the benefit of accelerated PPP loan forgiveness. Interest-bearing deposit costs decreased 21 basis points to 14 basis points.

Noninterest Income								3Q21 change from							
(\$s in millions)	3	Q21	2	2Q21	3	3Q20		2Q2	1	3Q20	)				
								\$	%	\$	%				
Mortgage banking fees	\$	108	\$	85	\$	287	\$	23	27 % \$	(179)	(62) %				
Service charges and fees		110		100		97		10	10	13	13				
Capital markets fees		72		91		58		(19)	(21)	14	24				
Card fees		66		64		57		2	3	9	16				
Trust and investment services fees		61		60		53		1	2	8	15				
Letter of credit and loan fees		39		38		37		1	3	2	5				
Foreign exchange and interest rate products		29		28		27		1	4	2	7				
Securities gains, net		3		3		1		_	_	2	200				
Other income <sup>(1)</sup>		26		16		37		10	63	(11)	(30)				
Noninterest income	\$	514	\$	485	\$	654	\$	29	6 % \$	(140)	(21) %				

<sup>1)</sup> Includes bank-owned life insurance income and other miscellaneous income for all periods presented.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. second quarter 2021

Noninterest income of \$514 million increased \$29 million, or 6%, from \$485 million.

- Mortgage banking fees increased \$23 million, reflecting strong origination levels, the benefit of lower agency fees and improved MSR hedge results (\$14 million loss in second quarter compares with a \$1 million gain in third quarter).
- Capital markets fees decreased \$19 million from record levels reflecting seasonally lower activity, primarily syndication fees, partially offset by higher M&A advisory fees.
- Service charges and fees increased \$10 million and card fees increased \$2 million, reflecting seasonality and the benefit of economic recovery.
- Trust and investment services fees increased 2% reflecting an increase in assets under management from strong inflows.
- Other income increased \$10 million, reflecting the benefit of higher community development-related income and a seasonal improvement in tax-advantaged investments.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. third quarter 2020

Noninterest income of \$514 million decreased \$140 million, or 21%.

- Mortgage banking fees were down \$179 million, driven by lower gain-on-sale margins and production volumes.
- Service charges and fees increased \$13 million, reflecting recovery from COVID-19 impacts.
- Capital market fees were up \$14 million, driven by higher loan syndication and M&A advisory fees.
- Card fees increased \$9 million, given higher debit and credit card volumes given economic recovery.
- Trust and investment services fees, up \$8 million, reflecting an increase in assets under management from higher equity market levels and strong inflows.
- Letter of credit fees were up \$2 million, reflecting higher commitment fees.
- Foreign exchange and interest rate products revenue increased \$2 million, reflecting improved client foreign exchange hedging activity.
- Other income decreased \$11 million from the third quarter 2020 level which included a gain on sale of education loans.

Noninterest Expense								3Q21 change from								
(\$s in millions)	:	3Q21	2	Q21	3	Q20		2Q2 <sup>2</sup>	1	3Q20						
								\$	%		\$	%				
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	509	\$	524	\$	524	\$	(15)	(3)%	\$	(15)	(3)%				
Equipment and software		157		155		149		2	1		8	5				
Outside services		144		137		139		7	5		5	4				
Occupancy		77		82		81		(5)	(6)		(4)	(5)				
Other operating expense		124		93		95		31	33		29	31				
Noninterest expense	\$	1,011	\$	991	\$	988	\$	20	2 %	\$	23	2 %				
Notable items	\$	23	\$	11	\$	31	\$	12	109 %	\$	(8)	(26)%				
Underlying, as applicable																
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	522	\$	524	\$	511	\$	(2)	- %	\$	11	2 %				
Equipment and software		150		151		148		(1)	(1)		2	1				
Outside services		132		133		123		(1)	(1)		9	7				
Occupancy		76		79		80		(3)	(4)		(4)	(5)				
Other operating expense		108		93		95		15	16		13	14				
Underlying noninterest expense	\$	988	\$	980	\$	957	\$	8	1 %	\$	31	3 %				

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. second quarter 2021

Noninterest expense of \$1.0 billion, or \$988 million on an Underlying basis, was up slightly reflecting strong expense discipline and the benefit of efficiency initiatives. Other operating expense increased \$15 million reflecting higher operational and travel costs.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. third quarter 2020

Noninterest expense of \$1.0 billion remains well-controlled. On an Underlying basis, noninterest expense of \$988 million increased by \$31 million, or 3%, given higher salaries and employee benefits reflecting revenue-based compensation and merit increases, higher outside services tied to growth initiatives, and increased other operating expenses reflecting higher travel and advertising costs.

2021 change from

interest-earning assets					3Q21 chang	ge from	
(\$s in millions)	3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21	1	3Q20	)
Period-end interest-earning assets				\$	%	\$	%
Investments	\$ 28,107	\$ 27,976	\$ 26,124	\$ 131	- % <b>\$</b>	1,983	8 %
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	12,860	12,007	8,640	853	7	4,220	49
Commercial loans and leases	57,955	59,083	62,362	(1,128)	(2)	(4,407)	(7)
Retail loans	65,363	63,498	61,709	1,865	3	3,654	6
Total loans and leases	123,318	122,581	124,071	737	1	(753)	(1)
Loans held for sale, at fair value	3,177	3,616	3,587	(439)	(12)	(410)	(11)
Other loans held for sale	93	82	127	11	13	(34)	(27)
Total loans and leases and loans held for sale	126,588	126,279	127,785	309	_	(1,197)	(1)
Total period-end interest-earning assets	\$ 167,555	\$ 166,262	\$ 162,549	\$ 1,293	1 % \$	5,006	3 %
Average interest-earning assets							
Investments	\$ 27,468	\$ 27,600	\$ 24,658	\$ (132)	- % <b>\$</b>	2,810	11 %
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	13,749	11,259	6,250	2,490	22	7,499	120
Commercial loans and leases	58,681	60,653	63,861	(1,972)	(3)	(5,180)	(8)
Retail loans	63,960	62,837	61,051	1,123	2	2,909	5
Total loans and leases	122,641	123,490	124,912	(849)	(1)	(2,271)	(2)
Loans held for sale, at fair value	3,299	3,751	3,295	(452)	(12)	4	_
Other loans held for sale	112	233	1,061	(121)	(52)	(949)	(89)
Total loans and leases and loans held for sale	126,052	127,474	129,268	(1,422)	(1)	(3,216)	(2)
Total average interest-earning assets	\$ 167,269	\$ 166,333	\$ 160,176	\$ 936	1 % \$	7,093	4 %

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. second quarter 2021

Interest-parning assets

Period-end interest-earning assets of \$167.6 billion increased \$1.3 billion, or 1%, given a \$853 million increase in cash held in interest-bearing deposits and a \$737 million increase in loans and leases. Loan growth of 1% was driven by retail given strength in mortgage, auto and education, partially offset by payoffs and PPP forgiveness in commercial. Excluding PPP, loan growth was 2%.

Average interest-earning assets of \$167.3 billion increased \$936 million, or 1%, as elevated liquidity drove a \$2.5 billion increase in cash held in interest-bearing deposits. Results also reflect a \$849 million, or 1%, decrease in loans driven by a \$2.0 billion decrease in Commercial. These results were partially offset by a \$1.1 billion increase in retail. Excluding PPP, average loan growth was 1%.

The average effective duration of the securities portfolio was 3.9 years compared with 3.6 years at June 30, 2021.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. third quarter 2020

Period-end interest-earning assets of \$167.6 billion increased \$5.0 billion, or 3%, as elevated liquidity drove a \$4.2 billion increase in cash held in interest-bearing deposits, and a \$2.0 billion increase in investments. This was partially offset by a \$753 million decrease in loans, primarily driven by commercial payoffs and a \$2.8 billion decrease in PPP loans.

Average interest-earning assets of \$167.3 billion increased \$7.1 billion, or 4%, as elevated liquidity drove a \$7.5 billion increase in cash held in interest-bearing deposits, and a \$2.8 billion increase in investments. Loans decreased \$2.3 billion, or 2%, with a \$5.2 billion decrease in commercial reflecting payoffs and \$1.9 billion decrease in PPP loans. Retail loans increased \$2.9 billion, or 5%, driven by growth in education, residential mortgage and auto, partially offset by planned run off of personal unsecured installment loans and a decrease in home equity.

The average effective duration of the securities portfolio was 2.8 years at September 30, 2020.

Deposits							3Q21 c	ha	inge	from	
(\$s in millions)	3Q21		2Q21		3Q20	2Q21	Q21			3Q20	,
Period-end deposits						\$	%			\$	%
Demand deposits	\$ 48,184	\$	47,480	\$	41,249	\$ 704	1	%	\$	6,935	17 %
Checking with interest	27,985		28,074		27,141	(89)	_			844	3
Savings	21,166		20,382		17,237	784	4			3,929	23
Money market accounts	48,935		48,150		46,400	785	2			2,535	5
Term deposits	5,951		6,550		10,894	(599)	(9)			(4,943)	(45)
Total period-end deposits	\$ 152,221	\$	150,636	\$	142,921	\$ 1,585	1	%	\$	9,300	7 %
Average deposits						_					
Demand deposits	\$ 47,873	\$	46,630	\$	40,608	\$ 1,243	3	%	\$	7,265	18 %
Checking with interest	27,965		27,278		26,638	687	3			1,327	5
Savings	20,803		20,077		16,902	726	4			3,901	23
Money market accounts	49,159		49,394		45,187	(235)	_			3,972	9
Term deposits	6,071		6,970		12,032	(899)	(13)			(5,961)	(50)
Total average deposits	\$ 151,871	\$	150,349	\$	141,367	\$ 1,522	1	%	\$	10,504	7 %

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. second quarter 2021

Total period-end deposits of \$152.2 billion increased \$1.6 billion, or 1%, reflecting growth in money market accounts, savings and demand deposits, partially offset by a decline in term deposits.

Citizens Access® deposits were \$4.6 billion at September 30, 2021, down from \$4.9 billion at June 30, 2021, primarily due to rate reduction strategies that resulted in a decrease in term deposits.

Average deposits of \$151.9 billion increased \$1.5 billion, or 1%, as growth in demand deposits and savings and checking with interest was partially offset by a decrease in term deposits and money market accounts.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. third quarter 2020

Total period-end deposits of \$152.2 billion increased \$9.3 billion, or 7%, as a result of elevated liquidity tied to government stimulus associated with the COVID-19 disruption. Growth in demand deposits, savings, money market accounts and checking with interest was partially offset by a decrease in term deposits.

Average deposits of \$151.9 billion increased \$10.5 billion, or 7%, reflecting an increase in demand deposits, money market accounts, savings and checking with interest, partially offset by a decrease in term deposits.

Borrowed Funds					3Q21 cha	nge	from	
(\$s in millions)	3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21			3Q20	
Period-end borrowed funds				\$	%		\$	%
Short-term borrowed funds	\$ 8	\$ 62	\$ 252	\$ (54)	(87) %	\$	(244)	(97) %
Long-term borrowed funds								
FHLB advances	20	18	19	2	11		1	5
Senior debt	5,345	5,357	7,504	(12)	_		(2,159)	(29)
Subordinated debt and other debt	1,582	1,582	1,586		_		(4)	_
Total borrowed funds	\$ 6,955	\$ 7,019	\$ 9,361	\$ (64)	(1) %	\$	(2,406)	(26) %
Average borrowed funds								
Short-term borrowed funds	\$ 23	\$ 69	\$ 240	\$ (46)	(67) %	\$	(217)	(90) %
Long-term borrowed funds								
FHLB advances	19	18	6	1	6		13	217
Senior debt	5,356	5,834	7,515	(478)	(8)		(2,159)	(29)
Subordinated debt and other debt	1,581	1,582	1,675	(1)	_		(94)	(6)
Total average borrowed funds	\$ 6,979	\$ 7,503	\$ 9,436	\$ (524)	(7) %	\$	(2,457)	(26) %

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. second quarter 2021

• Period-end borrowed funds decreased \$64 million, or 1%, and average borrowed funds decreased \$524 million, or 7%, as elevated liquidity enabled the pay down of senior debt.

### Third quarter 2021 vs. third quarter 2020

• Period-end borrowed funds decreased \$2.4 billion, or 26%, and average borrowed funds decreased \$2.5 billion, or 26%, reflecting the pay down of senior debt and short-term borrowings given strong customer deposit inflows.

Capital				3Q21 cha	nge from
	2024	2024	2020	2024	27

(\$s and shares in millions, except per share data)	3Q21	2Q21		3Q20	2Q21			3Q20	
Period-end capital					\$	%		\$	%
Stockholders' equity	\$ 23,423	\$ 23,199	\$	22,469	\$ 224	1	%	\$ 954	4 %
Stockholders' common equity	21,409	21,185		20,504	224	1		905	4
Tangible common equity	14,677	14,466		13,771	211	1		906	7
Tangible book value per common share	\$ 34.44	\$ 33.95	\$	32.24	\$ 0.49	1	%	\$ 2.20	7 %
Common shares - at end of period	426.2	426.1		427.1	0.1	_		(0.9)	_
Common shares - average (diluted)	427.8	427.6		428.0	0.3	_	%	(0.2)	- %
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	10.3 %	10.3 %	,	9.8 %					
Total capital ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	13.4	13.5		13.3					
Tier 1 leverage ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	9.7 %	9.7 %	,	9.5 %					

<sup>1)</sup> Current reporting-period regulatory capital ratios are preliminary.

#### Third quarter 2021

- Our Basel III capital ratios remain strong, with a CET1 capital ratio of 10.3% as of September 30, 2021 compared with 10.3% at June 30, 2021 and 9.8% at September 30, 2020.
- The acquisition of JMP Group LLC is expected to close in fourth quarter 2021 and have an approximate 5 basis point impact on CET1. The acquisition of the HSBC East Coast branches and online deposits is targeted to close in first quarter 2022 and have an approximate 24 basis point impact on CET1. The acquisition of Investors Bancorp, Inc. is expected to close in early second quarter 2022 and be neutral to CET1.
- Total capital ratio of 13.4% compares with 13.5% at June 30, 2021 and 13.3% as of September 30, 2020. During the second quarter 2021, the company issued \$300 million of Series G preferred stock that qualifies as additional tier 1 capital. On July 6, 2021, the company redeemed its \$250 million of outstanding Series A preferred stock.
- Tangible book value per common share of \$34.44 increased 1% compared with second quarter 2021 and increased 7% from third quarter 2020.
- Citizens paid \$167 million in common dividends to shareholders during third quarter 2021. This compares with \$168 million in common dividends in each of second quarter 2021 and third quarter 2020.
- In third quarter 2021, Citizens announced that it entered into a definitive agreement and plan of merger under which Citizens will acquire all of the outstanding shares of Investors Bancorp, Inc. The transaction is targeted to close in early second quarter 2022, subject to approval by the shareholders of Investors, the required regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions. The company is poised to resume common stock repurchases after the Investors shareholder vote scheduled for November 19, 2021.

3Q21 change from

(\$s in millions)	3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21	3Q2		.0	
				\$/bps	%	\$/bps	%	
Nonaccrual loans and leases <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 747	\$ 779	\$1,277	\$ (32)	(4) %	\$ (530)	(42) %	
90+ days past due and accruing(2)	312	280	28	32	11	284	NM	
Net charge-offs	44	78	219	(34)	(44)	(175)	(80)	
Provision for credit losses	(33)	(213)	428	180	85	(461)	NM	
Allowance for credit losses	\$2,004	\$2,081	\$2,736	\$ (77)	(4) %	(732)	(27) %	
Nonaccrual loans and leases to loans and leases	0.61 %	0.64 %	1.03 %	(3) bps		(42) bps		
Net charge-offs as a % of total loans and leases	0.14	0.25	0.70	(11)		(56)		
Allowance for credit losses to loans and leases	1.63	1.70	2.21	(7)		(58)		
Allowance for credit losses to loans and leases (ex. PPP)	1.65	1.75	2.29	(10)		(64)		
Allowance for credit losses to nonaccrual loans and leases	268.3 %	267.0 %	214.2 %	132 bps		5,408 bps		

<sup>1)</sup> Loans fully or partially guaranteed by the FHA, VA and USDA are classified as accruing.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. second quarter 2021

- Nonaccrual loans of \$747 million decreased \$32 million, or 4%, reflecting a \$35 million decrease in retail given improvement in residential real estate-secured loans, partially offset by a \$3 million increase in commercial.
- The nonaccrual loans to total loans ratio of 0.61% is down from 0.64% at June 30, 2021.
- Net charge-offs of \$44 million decreased \$34 million driven primarily by commercial.
- Net charge-offs were 14 basis points of average loans and leases, down from 25 basis points.
- Credit provision benefit of \$33 million reflects strong credit performance across both retail and commercial, and macroeconomic improvement. Second quarter 2021 credit provision benefit was \$213 million.
- Allowance for credit losses ratio of 1.63%, or 1.65% before the impact of PPP loans, compares with 1.70% as of June 30, 2021, or 1.75% before the impact of PPP loans. The reduction reflects a reserve release of \$77 million.
- The allowance for credit losses to nonaccrual loans and leases ratio of 268% compares with 267% as of June 30, 2021.

#### Third quarter 2021 vs. third quarter 2020

- Nonaccrual loans decreased \$530 million, or 42%, primarily driven by a \$491 million decrease in commercial given charge-offs, loan sale activity and repayments.
- The nonaccrual loans to total loans ratio of 0.61% decreased from 1.03% at September 30, 2020.
- Net charge-offs of \$44 million decreased \$175 million reflecting a \$156 million decrease in commercial given economic recovery, and a \$19 million decrease in retail, as consumers continue to benefit from government stimulus and strong mortgage and auto collateral values.
- Net charge-offs of 14 basis points of average loans and leases compares with 70 basis points in third quarter 2020.
- Credit provision benefit of \$33 million compares with a \$428 million provision in third quarter 2020, reflecting strong credit performance across the retail and commercial loan portfolios and improvement in the macroeconomic outlook.
- Allowance for credit losses of \$2.0 billion compares with \$2.7 billion at September 30, 2020. Allowance for credit losses ratio of 1.63% as of September 30, 2021, or 1.65% before the impact of PPP loans, compares with 2.21% as of September 30, 2020, or 2.29% before the impact of PPP loans.
- The allowance for credit losses to nonaccrual loans and leases ratio of 268% compares with 214% as of September 30, 2020.

<sup>2) 90+</sup> days past due and accruing includes \$289 million, \$266 million, and \$11 million of loans fully or partially guaranteed by the FHA, VA, and USDA for September 30, 2021, June 30, 2021, and September 30, 2020, respectively.

### Earnings highlights:

	Quarterly Trends											
		3Q21					3Q21 cl	nange	from			
(\$s in millions, except per share data)	3Q21			2Q21	3Q20		2Q21			3Q2	.0	
Earnings							\$/bps	%		\$/bps	%	
Net interest income	\$	1,145	\$	1,124	\$	1,137	\$ 21	2 %	\$	8	1 %	
Noninterest income		514		485		654	29	6		(140)	(21)	
Total revenue		1,659		1,609		1,791	50	3		(132)	(7)	
Noninterest expense		1,011		991		988	20	2		23	2	
Pre-provision profit		648		618		803	30	5		(155)	(19)	
Provision for credit losses		(33)		(213)		428	180	85		(461)	NM	
Net income		530		648		314	(118)	(18)		216	69	
Preferred dividends		26		32		25	(6)	(19)		1	4	
Net income available to common stockholders	\$	504	\$	616	\$	289	\$ (112)	(18) %	\$	215	74 %	
After-tax notable Items		16		8		24	8	100		(8)	(33)	
Underlying net income	\$	546	\$	656	\$	338	\$ (110)	(17) %	\$	208	62 %	
Underlying net income available to common stockholders	\$	520	\$	624	\$	313	\$ (104)	(17) %	\$	207	66 %	
Average common shares outstanding												
Basic (in millions)		426.1		425.9		426.8	0.1	_		(8.0)	_	
Diluted (in millions)		427.8		427.6		428.0	0.3	_		(0.2)	_	
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.18	\$	1.44	\$	0.68	\$ (0.26)	(18) %	\$	0.5	74 %	
Underlying diluted earnings per share	\$	1.22	\$	1.46	\$	0.73	\$ (0.24)	(16) %	\$	0.49	67 %	
Performance metrics												
Net interest margin		2.72 %		2.71 %		2.82 %	1 bp			(10) bps		
Net interest margin, FTE		2.72		2.72		2.83	_			(11)		
Effective income tax rate		22.4		22.0		16.1	39			625		
Efficiency ratio		61		62		55	(71)			574		
Underlying efficiency ratio		60		61		53	(137)			611		
Return on average common equity		9.4		11.9		5.6	(246)			379		
Return on average tangible common equity		13.7		17.5		8.3	(379)			538		
Underlying return on average tangible common equity		14.2		17.7		9.0	(357)			517		
Return on average total assets		1.13		1.41		0.70	(28)			43		
Underlying return on average total tangible assets		1.21	6	1.48 %	6	0.79 %	(27) bps			42 bps		
Capital adequacy <sup>(1,2)</sup>												
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio		10.3	6	10.3 %	6	9.8 %						
Total capital ratio		13.4		13.5		13.3						
Tier 1 leverage ratio		9.7		9.7		9.5						
Allowance for credit losses to loans and leases		1.63	6	1.70 %	6	2.21 %	(7) bps			(58) bps		
Asset quality <sup>(2)</sup>		•										
Nonaccrual loans and leases to loans and leases		0.61	6	0.64 9	6	1.03 %	(3) bps			(42) bps		
Allowance for credit losses to nonaccrual loans and leases		268		267		214	132			5,408		
Net charge-offs as a % of average loans and leases		0.14	6	0.25 9	6	0.70 %	(11) bps			(56) bps		

<sup>1)</sup> Current reporting-period regulatory capital ratios are preliminary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Capital adequacy and asset-quality ratios calculated on a period-end basis, except net charge-offs.

### Consolidated balance sheet review<sup>(1)</sup>:

				3Q21 change from						
(\$s in millions)	3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21		3Q20	)			
				\$/bps	%	\$/bps	%			
Total assets	\$ 187,007	\$ 185,104	\$ 179,228	\$ 1,903	1 %	\$ 7,779	4 %			
Total loans and leases	123,318	122,581	124,071	737	1	(753)	(1)			
Total loans held for sale	3,270	3,698	3,714	(428)	(12)	(444)	(12)			
Deposits	152,221	150,636	142,921	1,585	1	9,300	7			
Stockholders' equity	23,423	23,199	22,469	224	1	954	4			
Stockholders' common equity	21,409	21,185	20,504	224	1	905	4			
Tangible common equity	\$ 14,677	\$ 14,466	\$ 13,771	\$ 211	1 %	\$ 906	7 %			
Loans-to-deposit ratio (period-end <sup>(2)</sup>	81.0 %	81.4	% <b>86.8</b> %	(37) bps		(580) bps				
Loans-to-deposit ratio (average)(2)	80.8 %	6 <b>82.1</b> 9	% <b>88.4</b> %	(139)		(761)				

Represents period end unless otherwise noted.
 Excludes loans held for sale.

The following table provides information on Underlying results which exclude the impact of notable items.

### Underlying results:

			Quarterly <sup>-</sup>	Trends	
			_	3Q21 char	nge from
(\$s in millions, except per share data)	3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21	3Q20
Net interest income	\$1,145	\$1,124	\$1,137	2 %	1 %
Noninterest income	514	485	654	6	(21)
Total revenue	\$1,659	\$1,609	\$1,791	3 %	(7) %
Noninterest expense	1,011	991	988	2	2
Notable items	23	11	31	109	(26)
Underlying noninterest expense	\$ 988	\$ 980	\$ 957	1 %	3 %
Underlying pre-provision profit	671	629	834	7	(20)
Provision for credit losses	(33)	(213)	428	85	NM
Net income available to common stockholders	504	616	289	(18)	74
Underlying net income available to common stockholders	\$ 520	\$ 624	\$ 313	(17) %	66 %
Performance metrics					
Diluted EPS	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.44	\$ 0.68	(18) %	74 %
Underlying EPS	\$1.22	\$ 1.46	\$ 0.73	(16) %	67 %
Efficiency ratio	61 9	% <b>62</b> %	% 55 %	(71) bps	574 bps
Underlying efficiency ratio	60	61	53	(137)	611
Return on average tangible common equity	13.7	17.5	8.3	(379)	538
Underlying return on average tangible common equity	14.2	% <b>17.7</b> 9	% 9.0 %	(357) bps	517 bps
Operating leverage				1.2 %	(9.6) %
Underlying operating leverage				2.3 %	(10.6) %

#### Notable items:

Second quarter and third quarter 2021, and third quarter 2020 results reflect notable items primarily related to TOP 6 transformational and revenue and efficiency initiatives as well as integration costs. Third quarter 2021 also includes a pension settlement charge recorded in other operating expense and a compensation-related tax credit. These notable items have been excluded from reported results to better reflect Underlying operating results.

Notable items - integration costs		3Q21					2Q21				3Q20			
(\$s in millions, except per share data)	Pre	-tax	Afte	r-tax	Pre	-tax	Afte	r-tax	Pre	-tax	Afte	r-tax		
Noninterest income	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_		
Salaries & benefits	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-		
Equipment and software	\$	_		_		_		_		(1)		(1)		
Outside services	\$	(4)		(3)		(2)		(1)		(1)		(1)		
Occupancy	\$	_		_		_		_		_		_		
Other expense	\$	_		_		_		_		_				
Noninterest expense	\$	(4)	\$	(3)	\$	(2)	\$	(1)	\$	(2)	\$	(2)		
Total Integration Costs	\$	(4)	\$	(3)	\$	(2)	\$	(1)	\$	(2)	\$	(2)		

Other notable items - primarily tax and TOP	3Q21					2Q21				3Q20			
(\$s in millions, except per share data)		Pre-tax		After-tax		Pre-tax		After-tax		Pre-tax		After-tax	
Tax notable items	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	
Other notable items- TOP & other actions													
Salaries & benefits		13		9		_		-		(13)		(9)	
Equipment and software		(7)		(5)		(4)		(3)		_		_	
Outside services		(8)		(6)		(2)		(2)		(15)		(12)	
Occupancy		(1)		_		(3)		(2)		(1)		(1)	
Other expense		(16)		(11)		-		_		-		_	
Noninterest expense	\$	(19)	\$	(13)	\$	(9)	\$	(7)	\$	(29)	\$	(22)	
Total Other Notable Items	\$	(19)	\$	(13)	\$	(9)	\$	(7)	\$	(29)	\$	(22)	
Total Notable Items	\$	(23)	\$	(16)	\$	(11)	\$	(8)	\$	(31)	\$	(24)	
EPS Impact			\$	(0.04)			\$	(0.02)			\$	(0.05)	

#### Corresponding Financial Tables and Information

Investors are encouraged to review the foregoing summary and discussion of Citizens' earnings and financial condition in conjunction with the detailed financial tables and other information available on the Investor Relations portion of the company's website at <a href="https://www.citizensbank.com/about-us">www.citizensbank.com/about-us</a>.

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#### Conference Call

CFG management will host a live conference call today with details as follows:

Time: 9:00 am ET

Dial-in: (877) 336-4440, conference ID 6052001

Webcast/Presentation: The live webcast will be available at <a href="http://investor.citizensbank.com">http://investor.citizensbank.com</a> under Events & Presentations.

Replay Information: A replay of the conference call will be available beginning at 12:00 pm ET on October 20, 2021 through November 20, 2021. Please dial (866) 207-1041 and enter access code 7904509. The webcast replay will be available at <a href="http://investor.citizensbank.com">http://investor.citizensbank.com</a> under Events & Presentations.

#### About Citizens Financial Group, Inc.

Citizens Financial Group, Inc. is one of the nation's oldest and largest financial institutions, with \$187.0 billion in assets as of September 30, 2021. Headquartered in Providence, Rhode Island, Citizens offers a broad range of retail and commercial banking products and services to individuals, small businesses, middle-market companies, large corporations and institutions. Citizens helps its customers reach their potential by listening to them and by understanding their needs in order to offer tailored advice, ideas and solutions. In Consumer Banking, Citizens provides an integrated experience that includes mobile and online banking, a 24/7 customer contact center and the convenience of approximately 3,000 ATMs and approximately 1,000 branches in 11 states in the New England, Mid-Atlantic and Midwest regions. Consumer Banking products and services include a full range of banking, lending, savings, wealth management and small business offerings. In Commercial Banking, Citizens offers a broad complement of financial products and solutions, including lending and leasing, deposit and treasury management services, foreign exchange, interest rate and commodity risk management solutions, as well as loan syndication, corporate finance, merger and acquisition, and debt and equity capital markets capabilities. More information is available at <a href="https://www.citizensbank.com">www.citizensbank.com</a> or visit us on <a href="https://www.citizensbank.com">Twitter</a>, <a href="https://www.citizensbank.com">LinkedIn or Facebook</a>.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Reconciliations**

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures:

This document contains non-GAAP financial measures denoted as Underlying results and excluding elevated cash. In historical periods, these results may have been referred to as Adjusted or Adjusted/Underlying results. Underlying results for any given reporting period exclude certain items that may occur in that period which Management does not consider indicative of the Company's on-going financial performance. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to investors because they are used by our Management to evaluate our operating performance and make day-to-day operating decisions. In addition, we believe our Underlying results in any given reporting period reflect our on-going financial performance in that period and, accordingly, are useful to consider in addition to our GAAP financial results. We further believe the presentation of Underlying results increases comparability of period-to-period results. The Appendix presents reconciliations of our non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. The following tables present reconciliations of our non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures.

Other companies may use similarly titled non-GAAP financial measures that are calculated differently from the way we calculate such measures. Accordingly, our non-GAAP financial measures may not be comparable to similar measures used by such companies. We caution investors not to place undue reliance on such non-GAAP financial measures, but to consider them with the most directly comparable GAAP measures. Non-GAAP financial measures have limitations as analytical tools and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for our results reported under GAAP.

### Non-GAAP financial measures and reconciliations (in millions, except share, per-share and ratio data)

(III Tillicions, except share, per share and racio data)				QUAR'	TERLY TRENI	DS		
	•					3Q21 Ch	ange	
		3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q2		3Q20	<del></del>
	•				\$	%	\$	%
Total revenue, Underlying:								
Total revenue (GAAP)	Α	\$1,659	\$1,609	\$1,791	\$50	3%	(\$132)	(7%)
Less: Notable items								_
Total revenue, Underlying (non-GAAP)	В	\$1,659	\$1,609	\$1,791	\$50	3% _	(\$132)	(7%)
Noninterest expense, Underlying:	•					_		
Noninterest expense (GAAP)	C	\$1,011	\$991	\$988	\$20	2%	\$23	2%
Less: Notable items		23	11	31	12	109	(8)	(26)
Noninterest expense, Underlying (non-GAAP)	D	\$988	\$980	\$957	\$8	1%	\$31	3%
Pre-provision profit:	•	·				_		
Total revenue (GAAP)	Α	\$1,659	\$1,609	\$1,791	\$50	3%	(\$132)	(7%)
Less: Noninterest expense (GAAP)	C	1,011	991	988	20	2	23	2
Pre-provision profit (GAAP)		\$648	\$618	\$803	\$30	5%	(\$155)	(19%)
Pre-provision profit, Underlying:	•	·				_		
Total revenue, Underlying (non-GAAP)	В	\$1,659	\$1,609	\$1,791	\$50	3%	(\$132)	(7%)
Less: Noninterest expense, Underlying (non-GAAP)	D	988	980	957	8	1	31	3
Pre-provision profit, Underlying (non-GAAP)		\$671	\$629	\$834	\$42	7%	(\$163)	(20%)
Income before income tax expense, Underlying:						_		
Income before income tax expense (GAAP)	Ε	\$681	\$831	\$375	(\$150)	(18%)	\$306	82%
Less: Expense before income tax benefit related to notable items		(23)	(11)	(31)	(12)	(109)	8	26
Income before income tax expense, Underlying (non-GAAP)	F	\$704	\$842	\$406	(\$138)	(16%)	\$298	73%
Income tax expense, Underlying:						_		
Income tax expense (GAAP)	G	\$151	\$183	\$61	(\$32)	(17%)	\$90	148%
Less: Income tax benefit related to notable items		(7)	(3)	(7)	(4)	(133)		_
Income tax expense, Underlying (non-GAAP)	Н	\$158	\$186	\$68	(\$28)	(15%)	\$90	132%
Net income, Underlying:						_		
Net income (GAAP)	- 1	\$530	\$648	\$314	(\$118)	(18%)	\$216	69%
Add: Notable items, net of income tax benefit		16	8	24	8	100	(8)	(33)
Net income, Underlying (non-GAAP)	J	\$546	\$656	\$338	(\$110)	(17%)	\$208	62%
Net income available to common stockholders, Underlying:	•					_		
Net income available to common stockholders (GAAP)	K	\$504	\$616	\$289	(\$112)	(18%)	\$215	74%
Add: Notable items, net of income tax benefit		16	8	24	8	100	(8)	(33)
Net income available to common stockholders, Underlying (non-GAAP) $$	L	\$520	\$624	\$313	(\$104)	(17%)	\$207	66%

### Non-GAAP financial measures and reconciliations (continued) (in millions, except share, per-share and ratio data)

		QUARTERLY TRENDS										
	-					3Q21 C	nange					
	_	3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21		3Q20					
					\$/bps	%	\$/bps	%				
Operating leverage:												
Total revenue (GAAP)	A	\$1,659	\$1,609	\$1,791	\$50	3.11%	(\$132)	(7.33%)				
Less: Noninterest expense (GAAP)	С	1,011	991	988	20	1.91	23	2.31				
Operating leverage					=	1.20%	=	(9.64%)				
Operating leverage, Underlying:		A	4	A. =a.	4=0							
Total revenue, Underlying (non-GAAP)	В	\$1,659	\$1,609	\$1,791	\$50	3.11%	(\$132)	(7.33%)				
Less: Noninterest expense, Underlying (non-GAAP)	D	988	980	957	8 _	0.78	31	3.26				
Operating leverage, Underlying (non-GAAP)					=	2.33%	=	(10.59%)				
Efficiency ratio and efficiency ratio, Underlying:												
Efficiency ratio	C/A	60.92 %	61.63%	55.18%	(71) bps		574 bps					
Efficiency ratio, Underlying (non-GAAP)	D/B	59.55	60.92	53.44	(137) bps		611 bps					
Effective income tax rate and effective income tax rate, Underlying:												
Effective income tax rate	G/E	22.35%	21.96%	16.10%	39 bps		625 bps					
Effective income tax rate, Underlying (non-GAAP)	H/F	22.45	22.01	16.79	44 bps		566 bps					
Return on average common equity and return on average common equity, Underlying:												
Average common equity (GAAP)	М	\$21,326	\$20,833	\$20,534	\$493	2%	\$792	4%				
Return on average common equity	K/M	9.39 %	11.85%	5.60%	(246) bps		379 bps					
Return on average common equity, Underlying (non-GAAP)	L/M	9.70	12.02	6.05	(232) bps		365 bps					
Return on average tangible common equity and return on average tangible common equity, Underlying:												
Average common equity (GAAP)	М	\$21,326	\$20,833	\$20,534	\$493	2%	\$792	4%				
Less: Average goodwill (GAAP)		7,055	7,050	7,050	5	_	5	-				
Less: Average other intangibles (GAAP)		52	53	62	(1)	(2)	(10)	(16)				
Add: Average deferred tax liabilities related to goodwill (GAAP)		383	381	375	2	1	8	2				
Average tangible common equity	N	\$14,602	\$14,111	\$13,797	\$491	3%	\$805	6%				
Return on average tangible common equity	K/N	13.71 %	17.50%	8.33%	(379) bps	•	538 bps					
Return on average tangible common equity, Underlying (non-GAAP)	L/N	14.17	17.74	9.00	(357) bps		517 bps					
Return on average total assets and return on average total assets, Underlying:												
Average total assets (GAAP)	0	\$186,108	\$184,456	\$177,675	\$1,652	1%	\$8,433	5%				
Return on average total assets	1/0	1.13 %	1.41%	0.70%	(28) bps		43 bps					
Return on average total assets, Underlying (non-GAAP)	J/O	1.16	1.43	0.76	(27) bps		40 bps					
Return on average total tangible assets and return on average total tangible assets, Underlying:												
Average total assets (GAAP)	Р	\$186,108	\$184,456	\$177,675	\$1,652	1%	\$8,433	5%				
Less: Average goodwill (GAAP)		7,055	7,050	7,050	5	_	5	-				
Less: Average other intangibles (GAAP)		52	53	62	(1)	(2)	(10)	(16)				
Add: Average deferred tax liabilities related to goodwill (GAAP)	_	383	381	375	2	1	8	2				
Average tangible assets	Q	\$179,384	\$177,734	\$170,938	\$1,650	1%	\$8,446	5%				
Return on average total tangible assets	I/Q	1.17 %	1.46%	0.73%	(29) bps	•	44 bps					
Return on average total tangible assets, Underlying (non-GAAP)	J/Q	1.21	1.48	0.79	(27) bps		42 bps					

# Non-GAAP financial measures and reconciliations (continued) (in millions, except share, per-share and ratio data)

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				QL	JARTERLY TRENDS			
						3Q21 Ch	ange	
		3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21		3Q20	
					\$/bps	%	\$/bps	%
Tangible book value per common share:								
Common shares - at period-end (GAAP)	R	426,199,576	426,083,143	427,073,084	116,433	-%	(873,508)	-%
Common stockholders' equity (GAAP)		\$21,409	\$21,185	\$20,504	\$224	1	\$905	4
Less: Goodwill (GAAP)		7,065	7,050	7,050	15	-	15	-
Less: Other intangible assets (GAAP)		51	52	60	(1)	(2)	(9)	(15)
Add: Deferred tax liabilities related to goodwill (GAAP)		384	383	377	11		7	2
Tangible common equity	S	\$14,677	\$14,466	\$13,771	\$211	1%	\$906	7%
Tangible book value per common share	S/R	\$34.44	\$33.95	\$32.24	\$0.49	1%	\$2.20	7%
Net income per average common share - basic and diluted average common share - basic and diluted, Underlying:	and ne	t income per						
Average common shares outstanding - basic (GAAP)	Т	426,086,717	425,948,706	426,846,096	138,011	-%	(759,379)	-%
Average common shares outstanding - diluted (GAAP)	U	427,840,964	427,561,572	427,992,349	279,392	-	(151,385)	-
Net income per average common share - basic (GAAP)	K/T	\$1.18	\$1.45	\$0.68	(\$0.27)	(19)	\$0.50	74
Net income per average common share - diluted (GAAP)	K/U	1.18	1.44	0.68	(0.26)	(18)	0.50	74
Net income per average common share - basic, Underlying (non-GAAP) $$	L/T	1.22	1.47	0.73	(0.25)	(17)	0.49	67
Net income per average common share - diluted, Underlying (non-GAAP) $$	L/U	1.22	1.46	0.73	(0.24)	(16)	0.49	67

# Non-GAAP financial measures and reconciliations (continued) (in millions, except share, per-share and ratio data)

	QUARTERLY TRENDS												
			_		3Q21 CI	nange							
	3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21		3Q20							
			_	\$/bps	%	\$/bps	%						
Salaries and employee benefits, Underlying:													
Salaries and employee benefits (GAAP)	\$509	\$524	\$524	(\$15)	(3%)	(\$15)	(3%)						
Less: Notable items	(13)		13	(13)	(100)	(26)	(200)						
Salaries and employee benefits, Underlying (non-GAAP)	\$522	\$524	\$511	(\$2)	-%	\$11	2%						
Equipment and software, Underlying:					-								
Equipment and software (GAAP)	\$157	\$155	\$149	\$2	1%	\$8	5%						
Less: Notable items	7	4	1	3	75	6	NM						
Equipment and software, Underlying (non-GAAP)	\$150	\$151	\$148	(\$1)	(1%)	\$2	1%						
Outside services, Underlying:					-								
Outside services (GAAP)	\$144	\$137	\$139	\$7	5%	\$5	4%						
Less: Notable items	12	4	16	8	200	(4)	(25)						
Outside services, Underlying (non-GAAP)	\$132	\$133	\$123	(\$1)	(1%)	\$9	<b>7</b> %						
Occupancy, Underlying:				-	•								
Occupancy (GAAP)	\$77	\$82	\$81	(\$5)	(6%)	(\$4)	(5%)						
Less: Notable items	1	3	1	(2)	(67)		_						
Occupancy, Underlying (non-GAAP)	\$76	\$79	\$80	(\$3)	(4%)	(\$4)	(5%)						
Other operating expense, Underlying:				-	•								
Other operating expense (GAAP)	\$124	\$93	\$95	\$31	33%	\$29	31%						
Less: Notable items	16			16	100	16	100						
Other operating expense, Underlying (non-GAAP)	\$108	\$93	\$95	\$15	16%	\$13	14%						
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# Non-GAAP measures and reconciliations - Excluding the impact of PPP loans (in millions, except share, per-share and ratio data) $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}$

		QUARTERLY TRENDS										
		•			3Q21 Change							
		3Q21	2Q21	3Q20	2Q21		3Q20					
					\$/bps	%	\$/bps	%				
Total loans, excluding the impact of PPP loans:												
Total loans (GAAP)	Α	\$123,318	\$122,581	\$124,071	\$737	1%	(\$753)	(1%)				
Less: PPP loans		1,903	3,479	4,653	(1,576)	(45)	(2,750)	(59)				
Total loans, excluding the impact of PPP loans (non-GAAP)	В	\$121,415	\$119,102	\$119,418	\$2,313	2%	\$1,997	2%				
Total commercial loans, excluding the impact of PPP loans:												
Total commercial loans (GAAP)	C	\$57,955	\$59,083	\$62,362	(\$1,128)	(2%)	(\$4,407)	(7%)				
Less: PPP loans		1,903	3,479	4,653	(1,576)	(45)	(2,750)	(59)				
Total commercial loans, excluding the impact of PPP loans (non-GAAP)	D	\$56,052	\$55,604	\$57,709	\$448	1%	(\$1,657)	(3%)				
Allowance for credit losses:												
Allowance for credit losses (GAAP)	Ε	\$2,004	\$2,081	\$2,736	(\$77)	(4%)	(\$732)	(27%)				
Average loans, excluding the impact of PPP loans:												
Average loans (GAAP)	F	\$122,641	\$123,490	\$124,912	(\$849)	(1%)	(\$2,271)	(2%)				
Less: PPP loans		2,770	4,603	4,709	(1,833)	(40)	(1,939)	(41)				
Average loans, excluding the impact of PPP loans (non-GAAP)	G	\$119,871	\$118,887	\$120,203	\$984	1%	(\$332)	-%				
Ratios:												
Allowance for credit losses to total loans (GAAP)	E/A	1.63 %	1.70 %	2.21 %	(7) bps		(58) bps					
Allowance for credit losses to total loans, excluding the impact of PPP loans (non-GAAP)	E / B	1.65 %	1.75 %	2.29 %	(10) bps		(64) bps					

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This document contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements regarding potential future share repurchases and future dividends as well as the potential effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated lockdowns on our business, operations, financial performance and prospects, are forward-looking statements. Also, any statement that does not describe historical or current facts is a forward-looking statement. These statements often include the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "estimates," "intends," "plans," "goals," "targets," "initiatives," "potentially," "probably," "projects," "outlook," "guidance" or similar expressions or future conditional verbs such as "may," "will," "should," "would," and "could."

Forward-looking statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of management, and on information currently available to management. Our statements speak as of the date hereof, and we do not assume any obligation to update these statements or to update the reasons why actual results could differ from those contained in such statements in light of new information or future events. We caution you, therefore, against relying on any of these forward-looking statements. They are neither statements of historical fact nor guarantees or assurances of future performance. While there is no assurance that any list of risks and uncertainties or risk factors is complete, important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include the following, without limitation:

- Negative economic and political conditions that adversely affect the general economy, housing prices, the job market, consumer confidence and spending habits which may affect, among other things, the level of nonperforming assets, charge-offs and provision expense;
- The rate of growth in the economy and employment levels, as well as general business and economic conditions, and changes in the competitive environment;
- Our ability to implement our business strategy, including the cost savings and efficiency components, and achieve our financial performance goals, including through the integration of Investors and the HSBC branches;
- The COVID-19 pandemic and associated lockdowns and their effects on the economic and business environments in which we operate;
- Our ability to meet heightened supervisory requirements and expectations;
- Liabilities and business restrictions resulting from litigation and regulatory investigations;
- Our capital and liquidity requirements under regulatory capital standards and our ability to generate capital internally
  or raise capital on favorable terms;
- The effect of changes in interest rates on our net interest income, net interest margin and our mortgage originations, mortgage servicing rights and mortgages held for sale;
- Changes in interest rates and market liquidity, as well as the magnitude of such changes, which may reduce interest margins, impact funding sources and affect the ability to originate and distribute financial products in the primary and secondary markets;
- The effect of changes in the level of checking or savings account deposits on our funding costs and net interest margin;
- Financial services reform and other current, pending or future legislation or regulation that could have a negative effect on our revenue and businesses;
- A failure in or breach of our operational or security systems or infrastructure, or those of our third party vendors or other service providers, including as a result of cyber-attacks;
- An inability to complete the acquisitions of Investors or the HSBC branches, or changes in the current anticipated timeframe, terms or manner of such acquisitions;
- Greater than expected costs or other difficulties related to the integration of our business and that of Investors and the relevant HSBC branches;
- The inability to retain existing Investors or HSBC clients and employees following the closings of the Investors and HSBC branch acquisitions;
- The occurrence of any event change or other circumstance that could give rise to the right of one or both parties to terminate (i) the agreement to acquire Investors or (ii) the agreement to acquire branches from HSBC; and
- Management's ability to identify and manage these and other risks.

In addition to the above factors, we also caution that the actual amounts and timing of any future common stock dividends or share repurchases will be subject to various factors, including our capital position, financial performance, risk-weighted assets, capital impacts of strategic initiatives, market conditions and regulatory and accounting considerations, as well as any other factors that our Board of Directors deems relevant in making such a determination. Therefore, there can be no assurance that we will repurchase shares from or pay any dividends to holders of our common stock, or as to the amount of any such

repurchases or dividends. Further, statements about the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated lockdowns on our business, operations, financial performance and prospects may constitute forward-looking statements and are subject to the risk that the actual impacts may differ, possibly materially, from what is reflected in those forward-looking statements due to factors and future developments that are uncertain, unpredictable and in many cases beyond our control, including the scope and duration of the pandemic, actions taken by governmental authorities in response to the pandemic, and the direct and indirect impact of the pandemic on our customers, third parties and us. In addition, statements about our net charge-off guidance constitute forward-looking statements and are subject to the risk that the actual charge-offs may differ, possibly materially, from what is reflected in those statements due to, among other potential factors, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the effectiveness of stimulus and forbearance programs in response, changes in economic conditions, and idiosyncratic events affecting our commercial loans. Statements about Citizens' agreement and plan of merger, dated July 28, 2021 (the "Investors acquisition agreement"), with Investors Bancorp, Inc. ("Investors") and CBNA's agreement, dated May 26, 2021 ("HSBC branch acquisition agreement") with HSBC Bank U.S.A., N.A. ("HSBC") to acquire certain branches from HSBC also constitute forward-looking statements and are subject to the risk that actual results could be materially different from those expressed in those statements, including if either or both transactions are not consummated in a timely manner or at all, or if integration is more costly or difficult than expected.

More information about factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements can be found in in our Annual Report on form 10-K and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2021.

Note: Per share amounts and ratios presented in this document are calculated using whole dollars.

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