

News Release

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Summit State Bank Earnings Increase 15% to \$17.0 Million for the Year 2022 and Increase 24% to \$4.6 Million for Fourth Quarter 2022; Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend of \$0.12 Per Common Share

SANTA ROSA, CA – (January 24, 2023) – Summit State Bank (Nasdaq: SSBI) today reported net income for the year ended December 31, 2022 increased \$2,270,000, or 15%, to \$16,968,000, or \$2.54 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$14,698,000, or \$2.20 per diluted share for the year ended December 31, 2021. Strong loan and deposit growth and net interest margin expansion contributed to profitability for the quarter. For the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2022, net income increased 24% to \$4,553,000, or \$0.68 per diluted share, compared to \$3,686,000, or \$0.55 per diluted share, for the same period in 2021. Additionally, a quarterly dividend of \$0.12 per share was declared for common shareholders.

Dividend:

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.12 per share on January 23, 2023. The quarterly dividend will be paid on February 16, 2023 to shareholders of record on February 9, 2023.

Results of Operations:

"We delivered another strong quarter, and record profits for the year 2022," noted Brian Reed, President and CEO. "We saw substantial growth in the loan portfolio year-over-year, increases to our core deposit base, and expansion of our net interest margin. Continued growth in the loan and investment portfolios, combined with a higher interest rate environment, contributed significantly to the increased net interest income and profitability relative to the prior year. Additionally, noninterest bearing deposit balances continued to increase despite deposit pricing pressures. With our strong core operations and capital base, we have the resources in place to make our business stronger and more financially sustainable. Looking ahead, we remain committed to protecting our profitability as we continue to grow in a disciplined manner."

The 2022 net interest margin was 4.34%, return on average assets was 1.69% and return on average equity was 19.72%. This compared to a net interest margin of 4.28%, return on average

assets of 1.64% and return on average equity of 18.48% in 2021. For the fourth quarter of 2022, net interest margin was 4.29%, return on average assets was 1.69% and return on average equity was 20.84%. This compared to net interest margin of 4.34%, annualized return on average assets of 1.59% and annualized return on average equity of 17.46%, respectively, for the fourth quarter of 2021. These results were above the average 3.70% net interest margin, 1.18% return on average assets and 13.10% return on average equity posted by the 154 bank index peers that make up the Dow Jones U.S. MicroCap Bank index as of September 30, 2022.*

Interest income increased 17% to \$48,956,000 in 2022 compared to \$41,973,000 in 2021. The increase in interest income is attributable to a \$5,932,000 increase in loan interest yield primarily driven by increased loan volume and secondarily by increased rates, \$559,000 increase in interest on deposits with banks and \$435,000 increase in investment interest.

For the fourth quarter of 2022, interest income increased 30% to \$14,188,000 compared to \$10,882,000 in the fourth quarter of 2021. The increase in interest income is attributable to a \$2,655,000 increase in loan interest yield primarily driven by increased loan volume and secondarily by increased rates, \$357,000 increase in interest on deposits with banks and \$264,000 increase in investment interest.

Net loans and deposits increased when comparing 2022 to 2021. Net loans increased 11% to \$913,707,000 at December 31, 2022 compared to \$820,987,000 at December 31, 2021. Total deposits increased 19% to \$962,654,000 at December 31, 2022 compared to \$811,600,000 at December 31, 2021. Most of the deposit increase year-over-year is due to the Bank's ongoing focus on growing local deposits organically. The Bank's wholesale broker deposits decreased to \$69,060,000 at December 31, 2022 compared to \$78,414,000 at December 31, 2021.

Non-interest income increased in 2022 to \$7,495,000 compared to \$4,901,000 in 2021. The increase is primarily due to the Bank recognizing \$5,839,000 in gains on sales of SBA guaranteed loan balances in 2022, compared to \$3,343,000 in gains on sales of SBA guaranteed loans balances in 2021. For the fourth quarter of 2022, non-interest income increased to \$2,132,000 compared to \$1,249,000 in the fourth quarter of 2021. The Bank recognized \$1,762,000 in gains on sales of SBA guaranteed loan balances in the fourth quarter of 2022, compared to \$884,000 in gains on sales of SBA guaranteed loans balances in the same period a year earlier.

Operating expenses increased 16% in 2022 to \$23,511,000 compared to \$20,333,000 in 2021. A majority of the \$3,178,000 increase is due to a \$1,057,000 increase in salaries net of deferred fees and costs and a \$525,000 increase in employee benefit-related expenses. Other factors attributing to the increase include a \$401,000 increase in donations and payments as part of the non-profit partner program, a \$309,000 increase in commissions directly related to the Bank's loan portfolio growth, a \$164,000 increase in IT-related expenses, \$155,000 increase in Restricted Stock Awards and Stock Appreciation Rights expenses, and a \$130,000 increase in marketing and advertising expenses.

For the fourth quarter of 2022, operating expenses increased to \$6,395,000, compared to \$4,907,000 in the fourth quarter of 2021. The \$1,488,000 increase is due to a \$623,000 increase in Restricted Stock Awards and Stock Appreciation Rights expenses, a \$350,000 increase in

employee benefit-related expenses, a \$215,000 in donations and payments as part of the non-profit partner program, and a \$188,000 increase in salaries and commissions net of deferred fees and costs.

Nonperforming assets were \$3,756,000, or 0.34% of total assets, at December 31, 2022, and consisted of one real estate secured commercial loan for \$3,189,000 that is in process of liquidation and one commercial and agriculture secured loan for \$567,000. Nonperforming assets totaled \$487,000, or 0.05% of total assets, at December 31, 2021. In the fourth quarter of 2022 the Bank charged off \$190,000 and in the fourth quarter of 2021 the Bank charged off \$92,000. For the full year, the Bank charged off \$211,000 and \$133,000 for 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Due to strong loan growth and increased risk in the economy, the Bank recorded a \$2,541,000 provision for credit loss expense in 2022. This compares to \$1,294,000 provision for credit loss expense in 2021. For the fourth quarter, the Bank recorded a \$807,000 provision for credit loss expense, compared to a \$959,000 provision for credit loss expense for the fourth quarter of 2021. The allowance for credit losses to total loans was 1.60% on December 31, 2022 and 1.48% on December 31, 2021.

"We continue to focus on being a reliable resource for our customers and communities through all economic cycles," said Reed. "While the local and global economy remains a challenge, we have the right team in place, together with the strength of our local markets, to prosper in 2023."

About Summit State Bank

Summit State Bank, a local community bank, has total assets of \$1.1 billion and total equity of \$89 million at December 31, 2022. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank specializes in providing exceptional customer service and customized financial solutions to aid in the success of local small businesses and nonprofits throughout Sonoma County.

Summit State Bank is committed to embracing the diverse backgrounds, cultures and talents of its employees to create high performance and support the evolving needs of its customers and community it serves. At the center of diversity is inclusion, collaboration, and a shared vision for delivering superior service to customers and results for shareholders. Presently, 63% of management are women and minorities with 60% represented on the Executive Management Team. Through the engagement of its team, Summit State Bank has received many esteemed awards including: Best Business Bank, Best Places to Work in the North Bay, Top Community Bank Loan Producer, Raymond James Bankers Cup, Super Premier Performing Bank, and Piper Sandler's Bank & Thrift Sm-All Stars. Summit State Bank's stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SSBI. Further information can be found at www.summitstatebank.com.

*As of September 30, 2022, the Dow Jones U.S. MicroCap Bank Index tracked 154 banks with total common market capitalization under \$250 million for the following ratios: NIM of 3.70%, return on average assets (ROAA) 1.18%, and return on average equity (ROAE) 13.10%.

Forward-looking Statements

The financial results in this release are preliminary. Final financial results and other disclosures will be reported in Summit State Bank's annual report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2022 and may differ materially from the results and disclosures in this release due to, among other things, the completion of final review procedures, the occurrence of subsequent events or the discovery of additional information.

Except for historical information contained herein, the statements contained in this news release, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. This release may contain forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Such risks and uncertainties may include but are not necessarily limited to fluctuations in interest rates, inflation, government regulations and general economic conditions, and competition within the business areas in which the Bank will be conducting its operations, including the real estate market in California and other factors beyond the Bank's control. Such risks and uncertainties could cause results for subsequent interim periods or for the entire year to differ materially from those indicated. You should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements, which reflect management's view only as of the date hereof. The Bank undertakes no obligation to publicly revise these forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

SUMMIT STATE BANK STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(In thousands except earnings per share data)

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended				
	December 31, 2022 (Unaudited)		December 31, 2021 (Unaudited)		December 31, 2022 (Unaudited)		December 31, 2021 (Unaudited)	
Interest income:								
Interest and fees on loans	\$	13,097	\$	10,442	\$	46,124	\$	40,192
Interest on deposits with banks		369		12		596		37
Interest on investment securities		624		360		1,935		1,500
Dividends on FHLB stock		98		68		301		244
Total interest income		14,188		10,882		48,956		41,973
Interest expense:								
Deposits		2,380		734		4,942		3,205
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		463		198		1,212		787
Junior subordinated debt		94		94		375		375
Total interest expense		2,937		1,026		6,529		4,367
Net interest income before provision for credit losses		11,251		9,856		42,427		37,606
Provision for credit losses on loans		807		959		2,683		1,294
Reversal of credit losses on unfunded loan commitments		(145)		-		(142)		-
Net interest income after provision for (reversal of) credit								
losses and unfunded loan commitments		10,589		8,897		39,886		36,312
Non-interest income:								
Service charges on deposit accounts		219		220		859		858
Rental income		37		89		199		353
Net gain on loan sales		1,762		884		5,839		3,343
Net (loss) gain on securities		(3)		9		4		65
Other income		117		47		594		282
Total non-interest income		2,132		1,249		7,495		4,901
Non-interest expense:								
Salaries and employee benefits		3,873		3,182		14,651		12,720
Occupancy and equipment		506		429		1,716		1,637
Other expenses		2,016		1,296		7,144		5,976
Total non-interest expense		6,395		4,907		23,511		20,333
Income before provision for income taxes	'	6,326		5,239		23,870		20,880
Provision for income taxes		1,773		1,553		6,902		6,182
Net income	\$	4,553	\$	3,686	\$	16,968	\$	14,698
Basic earnings per common share (1)	\$	0.68	\$	0.55	\$	2.54	\$	2.20
Diluted earnings per common share (1)	\$	0.68	\$	0.55	\$	2.54	\$	2.20
Basic weighted average shares of common stock outstanding (1)		6,688		6,685		6,687		6,680
Diluted weighted average shares of common stock outstanding (1)		6,688		6,685		6,687		6,682

⁽¹⁾ Adjusted for 10% stock dividend declared; effective October 29, 2021

SUMMIT STATE BANK BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands except share data)

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021 (Unaudited)		
	(Unaudited)			
ASSETS				
Cash and due from banks	\$ 75,240	\$ 40,699		
Total cash and cash equivalents	75,240	40,699		
Investment securities:				
Available-for-sale (at fair value; amortized cost of \$98,017				
in 2022 and \$69,902 in 2021)	83,785	69,367		
Loans, less allowance for credit losses of \$14,839 and \$12,329	913,707	820,987		
Bank premises and equipment, net	5,461	5,677		
Investment in Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	4,737	4,320		
Goodwill	4,119	4,119		
Affordable housing tax credit investments	8,881	3,500		
Accrued interest receivable and other assets	17,086	9,411		
Total assets	\$ 1,113,016	\$ 958,080		
LIABILITIES AND				
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Deposits:				
Demand - non interest-bearing	\$ 252,033	\$ 234,824		
Demand - interest-bearing	143,767	147,289		
Savings	67,117	69,982		
Money market	137,362	168,637		
Time deposits that meet or exceed the FDIC insurance limit	141,691	29,255		
Other time deposits	220,684	161,613		
Total deposits	962,654	811,600		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	41,000	48,500		
Junior subordinated debt, net	5,905	5,891		
Affordable housing commitment	4,677	2,483		
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	10,233	5,324		
Total liabilities	1,024,469	873,798		
Total shareholders' equity	88,547	84,282		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 1,113,016	\$ 958,080		

Financial Summary (In thousands except per share data)

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	December 31, 2022		December 31, 2021		December 31, 2022		December 31, 2021		
		(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Statement of Income Data:									
Net interest income	\$	11,251	\$	9,856	\$	42,427	\$	37,606	
Provision for credit losses		807		959		2,683		1,294	
Provision for (Reversal of) credit losses on unfunded loan commitment	t	(145)		-		(142)		-	
Non-interest income		2,132		1,249		7,495		4,901	
Non-interest expense		6,395		4,907		23,511		20,333	
Provision for income taxes		1,773		1,553		6,902		6,182	
Net income	\$	4,553	\$	3,686	\$	16,968	\$	14,698	
Selected per Common Share Data:									
Basic earnings per common share (5)	\$	0.68	\$	0.55	\$	2.54	\$	2.20	
Diluted earnings per common share (5)	\$	0.68	\$	0.55	\$	2.54	\$	2.20	
Dividend per share (5)	\$	0.12	\$	0.12	\$	0.12	\$	0.12	
Book value per common share (1)(5)	\$	13.24	\$	11.09	\$	13.24	\$	11.09	
Selected Balance Sheet Data:									
Assets	\$	1,113,016	\$	958,080	\$	1,113,016	\$	958,080	
Loans, net		913,707		820,987		913,707		820,987	
Deposits		962,654		811,600		962,654		811,600	
Average assets		1,070,000		920,909		1,005,186		895,393	
Average earning assets		1,040,154		901,914		978,169		878,258	
Average shareholders' equity		86,675		83,780		86,038		79,538	
Nonperforming loans		3,756		487		3,756		487	
Total nonperforming assets		3,756		487		3,756		487	
Troubled debt restructures (accruing)		1,002		2,128		1,002		2,128	
Selected Ratios:									
Return on average assets (2)		1.69%		1.59%		1.69%		1.64%	
Return on average common shareholders' equity (2)		20.84%		17.46%		19.72%		18.48%	
Efficiency ratio (3)		47.77%		44.22%		47.10%		47.91%	
Net interest margin (2)		4.29%		4.34%		4.34%		4.28%	
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio		9.31%		9.73%		9.31%		9.73%	
Tier 1 capital ratio		9.31%		9.73%		9.31%		9.73%	
Total capital ratio		11.16%		11.77%		11.16%		11.77%	
Tier 1 leverage ratio		8.53%		8.65%		8.53%		8.65%	
Common dividend payout ratio (4)		17.72%		21.79%		19.01%		20.33%	
Average shareholders' equity to average assets		8.10%		9.10%		8.56%		8.88%	
Nonperforming loans to total loans		0.40%		0.06%		0.40%		0.06%	
Nonperforming assets to total assets		0.34%		0.05%		0.34%		0.05%	
Allowance for credit losses to total loans		1.60%		1.48%		1.60%		1.48%	
Allowance for credit losses to nonperforming loans		395.09%		2532.64%		395.09%		2532.64%	

⁽¹⁾ Total shareholders' equity divided by total common shares outstanding.

⁽²⁾ Annualized.

⁽³⁾ Non-interest expenses to net interest and non-interest income, net of securities gains.

⁽⁴⁾ Common dividends divided by net income available for common shareholders.

⁽⁵⁾ Adjusted for 10% stock dividend declared; effective October 29, 2021