

Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. Reports 295% Increase in Net Income Year-Over-Year

July 30, 2021

Continued Focus on Enhancing Greater Long Island's Premier Deposit Franchise Cost of Deposits Declines to 0.17% and Non-Interest-Bearing Deposits Increase to 33.3% of Total Deposits

PPP Sale and Strong Earnings Result in Linked Quarter Increase in Capital Ratios

HAUPPAUGE, N.Y., July 30, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ: DCOM) (the "Company" or "Dime" or "its"), the parent company of Dime Community Bank (the "Bank"), today reported net income available to common stockholders of \$49.5 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2021, or \$1.19 per diluted common share, compared with a net loss available to common stockholders of \$22.9 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2021, or \$0.66 per diluted common share, and net income available to common stockholders of \$11.8 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2020, or \$0.55 per diluted common share.

Adjusted net income to common stockholders (non-GAAP) totaled \$39.1 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2021, or \$0.94 per diluted share 1. Adjusted net income to common stockholders includes the following primary adjustments:

- Gain on sale of Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") loans: As previously disclosed, the Company sold PPP loans it originated in 2021; this resulted in a pre-tax gain on sale of PPP loans of \$20.7 million;
- Branch restructuring costs: As previously disclosed, the Company plans to combine five branch locations into other existing branches in October 2021; associated branch restructuring costs were \$1.7 million, pre-tax.
- Merger expenses and transaction costs: The Company recorded merger expenses and transaction costs, associated with its merger of equals transaction, of \$1.8 million, pre-tax;
- Other Adjustments: Severance expense totaled \$1.9 million, pre-tax, and loss on extinguishment of debt totaled \$0.2 million, pre-tax.

Kevin M. O'Connor, Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Company, stated, "During the second quarter we continued to grow Greater Long Island's premier deposit franchise. Our high-quality deposit base, with over 33% of deposits in non-interest-bearing accounts, positions us well for the time when the Federal Reserve eventually raises interest rates. The sale of PPP loans along with strong earnings resulted in our tangible equity ratio increasing by 46 basis points on a linked quarter basis to 8.29%. In addition, our non-performing assets declined by approximately 20% on a linked quarter basis and represent only 0.22% of total assets."

Mr. O'Connor continued, "Importantly, we have successfully executed on the cost savings outlined as part of our merger transaction. This is evidenced by our core efficiency ratio averaging approximately 48% for the last two quarters, which is below the 50% threshold we had outlined at the time of our merger of equals announcement. With the merger integration now behind us, our high quality, core-deposit funded balance sheet and strong pipelines provide me confidence in our future prospects."

Highlights for the Second Quarter of 2021 Included:

- The non-interest-bearing deposits to total deposits ratio increased to 33.3% at June 30, 2021 and the cost of deposits for the second quarter of 2021 was proactively managed lower to 0.17%;
- Sold \$596 million of PPP loans during the second quarter of 2021 resulting in a pre-tax gain of \$20.7 million:
- Sold approximately \$50 million of criticized loans in the second quarter of 2021 to de-risk the balance sheet;
- Excluding the sale of the aforementioned criticized loans, total loans excluding PPP loans increased by 3% on an annualized basis versus the linked quarter;
- Capital levels were bolstered in the quarter as a result of the PPP sale and strong earnings;
 the tangible equity to tangible assets ratio increased to 8.29% at June 30, 2021;
- The Company purchased 403,121 shares of its common stock, at a weighted average price of

\$34.33 per share;

- Non-performing assets declined 20% on a linked quarter basis and net charge-offs to average loans were only 0.04%; and
- The Company's Adjusted Pre-tax Pre-provision Net Revenue ("PPNR") for the second quarter was \$52.7 million.¹

Management's Discussion of Quarterly Operating Results

The Company's results of operations for the second quarter of 2021 include income for the full quarter from the merger with Bridge Bancorp, Inc. ("Bridge"), compared to two months for the first quarter of 2021 following the completion of the merger on February 1, 2021. The Company's historical information for the second quarter of 2020 does not include the historical GAAP results of Bridge.

Net Interest Income

Net interest income for the second quarter of 2021 was \$93.3 million compared to \$77.8 million for the first quarter of 2021 and \$43.6 million for the second quarter of 2020.

The table below provides a reconciliation of the reported Net Interest Margin ("NIM"), the NIM excluding the impact of PPP loans, and the NIM excluding purchasing accounting accretion on the loan portfolio.

(\$ in thousands)	Q2 2021			Q1 2021				Q2 2020		
Net interest income	\$	93,254		\$	77,841		\$	43,556		
Less: Net interest income on PPP loans		(5,375)	<u> </u>		(4,092)	_		(958)	_	
Adjusted net interest income excluding PPP loans, (non-GAAP)	\$	87,879	_	\$	73,749	_	\$	42,598	-	
Average interest-earning assets	\$	11,990,107		\$	10,057,598		\$	6,091,545		
Average PPP loan balances		(1,282,347)	<u> </u>		(1,020,910)	_		(192,730)	_	
Adjusted average interest-earning assets excluding PPP loans, (non-GAAP)	\$	10,707,760	_	\$	9,036,688	_	\$	5,898,815	-	
NIM ⁽¹⁾		3.12	%		3.14	%		2.86	%	
Adjusted NIM excluding PPP loans (non-GAAP) (2)		3.29	%		3.31	%		2.89	%	
Adjusted net interest income excluding PPP loans, (non-GAAP)	\$	87,879		\$	73,749		\$	42,598		
Less: Purchase Accounting Accretion on loans ("PAA")		(1,925)	<u> </u>		(1,333)	_		_	_	
Adjusted net interest income excluding PPP loans and PAA on loans, (non-GAAP)	\$	85,954	_	\$	72,416	_	\$	42,598	_	
Adjusted NIM excluding PPP loans and PAA on loans, (non-GAAP) (3)		3.23	%		3.26	%		2.89	%	

⁽¹⁾ NIM represents net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets.

Loan Portfolio

The ending weighted average rate ("WAR") on the total loan portfolio was 3.67% at June 30, 2021, a 23 basis point increase compared to the ending WAR on the total loan portfolio at March 31, 2021. Excluding the impact of PPP loans, the WAR on the loan portfolio was 3.80% at June 30, 2021, compared to 3.83% at March 31, 2021.

Outlined below are loan balances and $WARs^{(1)}$ for the current quarter, linked quarter and prior year quarter.

	June 30,	2021	March 31,	2021	June 30, 2020		
(\$ in thousands)	Balance	WAR	Balance	WAR	Balance	WAR	
Loan balances at period end:							
One-to-four family residential, including condominium and cooperative apartment	\$ 704,489	3.74 %	\$ 696,415	3.81 %	\$ 182,264	3.98 %	
Multifamily residential and residential mixed-use (2)(3)	3,503,205	3.59	3,567,207	3.61	2,988,511	3.77	
CRE	3,681,331	3.84	3,631,287	3.85	1,504,020	4.06	
ADC	290,462	4.73	254,170	4.85	136,606	5.08	
C&I	878,331	4.23	898,533	4.27	321,009	4.39	
Other loans	23,275	5.01	24,409	4.97	1,463	7.49	
Loans excluding SBA PPP	9,081,093	3.80	9,072,021	3.83	5,133,873	3.94	

¹ See reconciliation of this non-GAAP financial measure provided elsewhere herein.

⁽²⁾ Adjusted NIM excluding PPP represents adjusted net interest income, which excludes net interest income on PPP loans divided by average interest-bearing liabilities excluding PPP loans. The net interest income on PPP loans is calculated using interest income on the PPP balances less an assumed cost of funding the PPP loans, using the overall cost of funds of the Company.

⁽³⁾ Adjusted NIM excluding PPP and PAA represents adjusted net interest income excluding PPP loans and PAA, divided by adjusted average interest-earning assets, excluding PPP loans.

SBA PPP	465,538	1.00	1,434,077	1.00	310,509	1.00
Total loans including SBA PPP	\$ 9 546 631	3 67 % \$	10 506 098	3 44 % \$	5 5 444 382	3 77 %

(1) Weighted average rate is calculated by aggregating interest based on the current loan rate from each loan in the category, divided by the total amount of loans in the category.

Outlined below are the loan originations for the current quarter, linked quarter and prior year.

	Originations									
(\$ in millions)		Q2 2021		Q1 2021	Q2 2020					
Loans excluding PPP	\$	425.7	\$	336.4	\$	204.0				
PPP loans	\$	36.4	\$	573.3	\$	319.4				

Deposits and Borrowed Funds

Total deposits increased by \$255.4 million on a linked quarter basis to \$11.1 billion at June 30, 2021. Non-interest-bearing deposits increased \$150.1 million during the second quarter of 2021 to \$3.7 billion at June 30, 2021 and now represent 33.3% of total deposits.

The cost of total deposits for the quarter ended June 30, 2021 decreased to 0.17%, representing an 8 basis point linked quarter decline.

As of June 30, 2021, the Company had \$437.2 million of certificates of deposit, with a weighted average rate of 0.41%, that were set to mature during the third quarter of 2021.

Total Federal Home Loan Bank advances were reduced to \$25.0 million at June 30, 2021, compared to \$533.9 million at March 31, 2021. Mr. O'Connor stated, "During the second quarter we paid down our Federal Home Loan Bank advance portfolio and we are now effectively a core deposit-funded institution without any wholesale leverage. This balance sheet structure positions us well for a rising interest rate scenario."

Non-Interest Income

Non-interest income (loss) was \$29.5 million during the second quarter of 2021, \$(7.4) million during the first quarter of 2021, and \$8.4 million during the second quarter of 2020. Excluding the gain on sale of PPP loans, adjusted non-interest income was \$8.8 million during the second quarter of 2021 compared to \$8.4 million during the first quarter of 2021 and \$5.3 million during the second quarter of 2020. (see "Non-GAAP Reconciliation" table at the end of this news release).

Non-Interest Expense

Total non-interest expense was \$54.9 million during the second quarter of 2021, \$82.8 million during the first quarter of 2021, and \$29.3 million during the second quarter of 2020. Excluding the impact of merger expenses and transaction costs, branch restructuring costs, severance expense, loss on extinguishment of debt, and amortization of other intangible assets, adjusted non-interest expense was \$48.5 million during the second quarter of 2021, compared to \$41.4 million during the first quarter of 2021, and \$24.3 million during the second quarter of 2020. (See "Non-GAAP Reconciliation" table at the end of this news release).

The ratio of non-interest expense to average assets was 1.72% during the first quarter of 2021, compared to 3.11% during the linked quarter and 1.84% for the first quarter of 2020. Excluding the impact of merger expenses and transaction costs, branch restructuring costs, severance expense, loss on extinguishment of debt, and amortization of other intangible assets, the ratio of adjusted non-interest expense to average assets was 1.52% during the second quarter of 2021, compared to 1.55% during the linked quarter and 1.52% for the second quarter of 2020. (see "Non-GAAP Reconciliation" table at the end of this news release).

The efficiency ratio was 44.7% during the second quarter of 2021, compared to 117.5% during the linked quarter and 56.5% during the second quarter of 2020. Excluding the impact of merger expenses and transaction costs, branch restructuring costs, severance expense, loss on extinguishment of debt, amortization of other intangible assets, gain on sale of PPP loans, the adjusted efficiency ratio was 47.5% during the second quarter of 2021, compared to 48.0% during the linked quarter and 49.9% during the second quarter of 2020. (see "Non-GAAP Reconciliation" table at the end of this news release).

Income Tax Expense

The reported effective tax rate for the second quarter of 2021 was 28.9%, compared to 25.2% for the first quarter of 2021, and 21.6% for the second quarter of 2020. The increase in the effective tax rate during the second quarter of 2021 was primarily the result of the increase in taxable income and non-deductible expenses during the period. The effective tax rate for the remainder of 2021 is expected to be approximately 27.5%.

Credit Quality

Non-performing loans at June 30, 2021 were \$28.3 million, or 0.30% of total loans. Non-performing loans, excluding acquired PCD loans, would have been \$18.5 million, or 0.20% of total loans excluding acquired PCD loans.

A credit loss recovery of \$4.2 million was recorded during the second quarter of 2021, compared to a credit loss provision of \$15.8 million during the first quarter of 2021, and a credit loss provision of \$6.1 million during the second quarter of 2020. The credit loss recovery of \$4.2 million for the second quarter of 2021 was primarily associated with the improvement in forecasted macroeconomic conditions.

The allowance for credit losses as a percentage of total loans was 0.97% at June 30, 2021 as compared to 0.93% at March 31, 2021 and 0.78% at June 30, 2020. Excluding PPP loans, the ratio of allowance for credit losses at June 30, 2021 would have been 1.02%.

Loans with Payment Deferrals

On a linked quarter basis, Principal and Interest ("P&I") deferrals declined by approximately 33% and represent 0.5% of the total loan portfolio.

⁽²⁾ Includes multifamily loans underlying cooperatives.

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Capital Management

The Company's regulatory capital ratios continued to be in excess of all applicable regulatory requirements.

Mr. O'Connor commented, "Given our strong balance sheet and the comfort provided by the detailed third-party reviews we conducted on our loan portfolio as part of the merger transaction, we resumed our share repurchase program in the month of May. In the second quarter we repurchased 403,121 shares, totaling \$13.8 million, and we continue to be active on the repurchase front into the third quarter."

Dividends per common share were \$0.24 during the second guarter of 2021.

Book value per common share was \$26.43 and tangible common book value per share (common equity less goodwill and other intangible assets divided by number of shares outstanding) (see "Non-GAAP Reconciliation" tables at the end of this news release) was \$22.41 at June 30, 2021.

Including the impact of the remaining unrecognized fees on PPP loans, net of tax, adjusted tangible common book value per share would have been \$22.46. See "Non-GAAP Reconciliation" tables at the end of this news release for details.

Earnings Call Information

The Company will conduct a conference call at 8:30 a.m. (ET) on July 30, 2021, during which CEO, Kevin M. O'Connor will discuss the Company's second quarter performance, with a question and answer session to follow. Dial-in information for the live call is 1-888-348-2672. Upon dialing in, request to be joined into Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. call with the conference operator.

The conference call will be simultaneously webcast (listen only), and archived for a period of one year, at https://services.choruscall.com/links/dcom210729.html. Dial-in information for the replay is 1-877-344-7529 using access code #10158072. Replay will be available July 30, 2021 (10:30 a.m.) through August 13, 2021 (11:59 p.m.).

ABOUT DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC.

Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. is the holding company for Dime Community Bank, a New York State-chartered trust company with over \$12.7 billion in assets and number one deposit market share among community banks on Greater Long Island⁽¹⁾.

(1) Aggregate deposit market share for Kings, Queens, Nassau & Suffolk counties for community banks less than \$20 billion in assets.

This news release contains a number of forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These statements may be identified by use of words such as "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "likely," "may," "outlook," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "should," "will," "would" and similar terms and phrases, including references to assumptions.

Forward-looking statements are based upon various assumptions and analyses made by the Company in light of management's experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors it believes are appropriate under the circumstances. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors (many of which are beyond the Company's control) that could cause actual results to differ materially from future results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on such statements. Factors that could affect our results include, without limitation, the following: the timing and occurrence or non-occurrence of events may be subject to circumstances beyond the Company's control; there may be increases in competitive pressure among financial institutions or from non-financial institutions; changes in the interest rate environment may reduce interest margins; changes in deposit flows, loan demand or real estate values may adversely affect the business of the Company and/or the Bank; unanticipated or significant increases in loan losses may negatively affect the Company's financial condition or results of operations; changes in accounting principles, policies or quidelines may cause the Company's financial condition to be perceived differently; changes in corporate and/or individual income tax laws may adversely affect the Company's financial condition or results of operations; general economic conditions, either nationally or locally in some or all areas in which the Company conducts business, or conditions in the securities markets or the banking industry may be less favorable than the Company currently anticipates; legislation or regulatory changes may adversely affect the Company's business; technological changes may be more difficult or expensive than the Company anticipates; there may be failures or breaches of information technology security systems; success or consummation of new business initiatives may be more difficult or expensive than the Company anticipates; litigation or other matters before regulatory agencies, whether currently existing or commencing in the future, may delay the occurrence or non-occurrence of events longer than the Company anticipates; Further, given its ongoing and dynamic nature, it is difficult to predict what effects the COVID-19 pandemic will have on our business and results of operations. The pandemic and related local and national economic disruption may, among other effects, result in a decline in demand for our products and services; increased levels of loan delinquencies, problem assets and foreclosures; branch closures, work stoppages and unavailability of personnel; and increased cybersecurity risks, as employees increasingly work remotely.

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DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (In thousands)

	 June 30, 2021	 March 31, 2021	December 31, 2020		
Assets:					
Cash and due from banks	\$ 1,184,183	\$ 676,723	\$	243,603	
Mortgage-backed securities available-for-sale, at fair value	863,239	846,529		426,979	
Investment securities available-for-sale, at fair value	398,549	305,964		111,882	
Marketable equity securities, at fair value	_	_		5,970	
Loans held for sale	29,335	23,704		5,903	
Loans held for investment, net:					
One-to-four family and cooperative/condominium apartment	704,489	696,415		184,989	

Multifamily residential and residential mixed-use (1)(2)		3,503,205		3,567,207		2,758,743
Commercial real estate ("CRE")		3,681,331		3,631,287		1,878,167
Acquisition, development, and construction ("ADC")		290,462		254,170		156,296
Total real estate loans		8,179,487		8,149,079		4,978,195
Commercial and industrial ("C&I")		878,331		898,533		319,626
Small Business Administration ("SBA") Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP")		•				
loans		465,538		1,434,077		321,907
Other loans		23,275		24,409		2,316
Allowance for credit losses		(92,760)		(98,200)		(41,461)
Total loans held for investment, net		9,453,871		10,407,898		5,580,583
Premises and fixed assets, net		51,127		53,829		19,053
Premises held for sale		2,799		_		_
Restricted stock		22,449		45,063		60,707
Bank Owned Life Insurance ("BOLI")		293,113		251,521		156,096
Goodwill		155,339		155,339		55,638
Other intangible assets		9,792		10,627		
Operating lease assets		69,189		69,094		33,898
Derivative assets		45,439		45,760		18,932
Accrued interest receivable		47,209		51,100		34,815
Other assets	_	78,052	_	75,477		27,551
Total assets	\$	12,703,685	\$	13,018,628	\$	6,781,610
Liabilities:	•	2 000 070	Ф	2 520 020	Ф	700 754
Non-interest-bearing checking	\$	3,689,072	\$	3,538,936	\$	780,751
Interest-bearing checking		1,101,038 1,305,028		1,023,164 1,078,687		290,300 414,809
Savings Money market		3,670,090		3,629,709		1,716,624
·		1,300,965		1,540,316		1,322,638
Certificates of deposit Total deposits		11,066,193		10,810,812	-	4,525,122
FHLBNY advances		25,000		533,865		1,204,010
Other short-term borrowings		1,841		126,763		120,000
Subordinated debt, net		197,188		197,234		114,052
Operating lease liabilities		72,170		71,249		39,874
Derivative liabilities		42,892		41,816		37,374
Other liabilities		94,125		64,065		40,082
Total liabilities		11,499,409		11,845,804		6,080,514
Stockholders' equity:		,,		,		
Preferred stock, Series A		116,569		116,569		116,569
Common stock		416		416		348
Additional paid-in capital		492,848		492,431		278,295
Retained earnings		613,791		574,297		600,641
Accumulated other comprehensive gain (loss), net of deferred taxes		4,576		531		(5,924)
Unearned equity awards		(8,529)		(10,107)		
Common stock held by the Benefit Maintenance Plan		_				(1,496)
Treasury stock, at cost		(15,395)		(1,313)		(287,337)
Total stockholders' equity		1,204,276		1,172,824		701,096
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	12,703,685	\$	13,018,628	\$	6,781,610

⁽¹⁾ Includes loans underlying multifamily cooperatives.

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Dollars in thousands except share and per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended						Six Months Ended				
	June 30, 2021			March 31, 2021		une 30, 2020		June 30, 2021	•	June 30, 2020	
Interest income:											
Loans	\$	94,288	\$	81,382	\$	54,142	\$	175,670	\$	108,319	
Securities		5,126		4,380		3,646		9,506		7,372	
Other short-term investments		987		993		846		1,980		1,848	
Total interest income		100,401		86,755		58,634		187,156		117,539	
Interest expense:								_		_	
Deposits and escrow		4,803		5,298		9,700		10,101		21,626	

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Borrowed funds		2,344		3,616		5,378		5,960	11,833
Total interest expense		7,147		8,914		15,078		16,061	33,459
Net interest income		93,254		77,841		43,556		171,095	 84,080
(Credit) provision for credit losses		(4,248)		15,779		6,060		11,531	14,072
Net interest income after (credit) provision		97,502		62,062		37,496		159,564	70,008
Non-interest income:									
Service charges and other fees		3,876		2,920		1,083		6,796	2,286
Title fees		688		433		- 1,000		1,121	2,200
Loan level derivative income		559		1.792		2.494		2,351	3,657
BOLI income		1,593		1,339		911		2,932	2,798
Gain on sale of SBA loans excluding PPP		973		164		_		1,137	164
Gain on sale of PPP loans		20,697		_		_		20,697	_
Gain on sale of residential loans		506		723		206		1,229	357
Net gain (loss) on equity securities		_		131		436		131	(36)
Net gain on sale of securities and other assets		20		710		3,134		730	3,142
Loss on termination of derivatives		_		(16,505)		_		(16,505)	_
Other		632		910		122		1,542	254
Total non-interest income (loss)		29,544		(7,383)		8,386	_	22,161	 12,622
Non-interest expense:			_	(1,000)	_		_		
Salaries and employee benefits		27,598		24,819		15,197		52,417	30,714
Severance		1,875		_		3,930		1,875	4,000
Occupancy and equipment		8,122		6,977		3,959		15,099	8,015
Data processing costs		5,031		3,528		2,007		8,559	4,031
Marketing		788		860		218		1,648	795
Professional services		2,538		1,865		264		4,403	1,778
Federal deposit insurance premiums		934		939		529		1,873	1,006
Loss on extinguishment of debt		157		1,594		_		1,751	_
Curtailment loss		_		1,543		_		1,543	_
Merger expenses and transaction costs		1,836		37,942		1,072		39,778	1,658
Branch restructuring costs		1,659		_		_		1,659	_
Amortization of other intangible assets		835		357		_		1,192	_
Other		3,509		2,381		2,170		5,890	 3,389
Total non-interest expense		54,882		82,805		29,346	_	137,687	55,386
Income (loss) income before taxes		72,164		(28,126)		16,536		44,038	27,244
Income tax expense (benefit)		20,886		(7,092)		3,570		13,794	5,886
Net income (loss)		51,278		(21,034)		12,966	_	30,244	 21,358
Preferred stock dividends		1,822		1,821		1,140		3,643	1,140
Net income (loss) available to common		,					_		
stockholders	\$	49,456	\$	(22,855)	\$	11,826	\$	26,601	\$ 20,218
Earnings per common share ("EPS"):									
Basic	\$	1.19	\$	(0.66)	\$	0.55	\$	0.70	\$ 0.92
Diluted	\$	1.19	\$	(0.66)	\$	0.55	\$	0.70	\$ 0.91
Average common shares outstanding for diluted EPS	4	0,981,585		34,262,005		21,541,918		37,640,404	22,028,192

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED SELECTED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

		At or Fo	r the 1		onths					
	June 30, 2021			larch 31, 2021	J	une 30, 2020		ıne 30, 2021		ine 30, 2020
Per Share Data:										
Reported EPS (Diluted)	\$	1.19	\$	(0.66)	\$	0.55	\$	0.70	\$	0.91
Cash dividends paid per common share		0.24		0.24		0.22		0.48		0.43
Book value per common share		26.43		25.43		26.35				
Tangible common book value per share ⁽¹⁾		22.41		21.43		23.75				
Common shares outstanding		41,160		41,536		21,442				
Dividend payout ratio		20.17 %	6	(36.36) %	6	40.00 %	6	68.57 9	6	47.25 %

Performance Ratios (Based upon Reported Net Income):					
Return on average assets	1.61 %	(0.79)	% 0.81	% 0.45	% 0.64 %
Return on average equity	17.22	(8.18)			
Return on average tangible common equity ⁽¹⁾	22.02	(11.58)	9.23	6.49	7.72
Net interest margin	3.12	3.14	2.86		=
Non-interest expense to average assets	1.72	3.11	1.84		
Efficiency ratio	44.7	117.5	56.5		
Effective tax rate	28.94	25.22	21.59	31.32	21.60
Balance Sheet Data:					
Average assets	\$ 12,756,909	\$ 10,666,619	\$ 6,389,768	\$ 11,717,336	\$ 6,298,859
Average interest-earning assets	11,990,107	10,057,598	6,091,545	11,029,192	6,020,454
Average tangible common equity (1)	908,747	781,355	512,371	845,298	523,983
Loan-to-deposit ratio at end of period	86.3	97.2	121.0	•	
Capital Ratios and Reserves - Consolidated: (3)					
Tangible common equity to tangible assets ⁽¹⁾	7.36 %	6.93	% 7.94	. %	
Tangible equity to tangible assets ⁽¹⁾	8.29	7.83	9.76	;	
Tier 1 common equity ratio	9.93	9.65	10.69)	
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	11.18	10.91	13.07	•	
Total risk-based capital ratio	14.26	14.04	16.29)	
Tier 1 leverage ratio	8.24	9.62	10.11		
CRE consolidated concentration ratio (2)	506	517	545	i	
Allowance for credit losses/ Total loans	0.97	0.93	0.78	}	
Allowance for credit losses/ Non-performing loans	327.94	276.24	276.23	}	

⁽¹⁾ See "Non-GAAP Reconciliation" table for reconciliation of tangible equity, tangible common equity, and tangible assets. Average balances are calculated using the ending balance for months during the period indicated.

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED AVERAGE BALANCES AND NET INTEREST INCOME

(Dollars in thousands)

								Three M	lon	ths Ended	d							
		Ju	ne 3	30, 2021				Mar	ch	31, 2021			June 30, 2020					
		Average Balance	ı	nterest	Aver Yie Co	ld/		Average Balance	ı	Interest	Yi	erage eld/ ost		erage ance	Ir	nterest	Avera Yield Cos	d/
Assets: Interest-earning assets:																		
Real estate loans Commercial and	\$	8,156,368	\$	74,437	;	3.66 %	\$	7,039,881	\$	66,144		3.81 %	\$ 4,8	67,970	\$	49,058	4.	.03 %
industrial loans		932,297		13,277		5.71		730,850		9,835		5.46	3	26,269		3,583	4.	.39
SBA PPP loans		1,282,347		6,174		1.93		1,020,910		5,049		2.01	1	92,730		1,488	3.	.09
Other loans		24,349		400	(6.59		17,509		354		8.20		870		13	5.	.98
Mortgage-backed securities		825,949		3,483		1.69		665,190		3,080		1.88	4	68,705		3,064	2.	.61
Investment securities		312,012		1,643	:	2.11		199,918		1,300		2.64		65,155		582	3.	.57
Other short-term investments		456,785		987	(0.87	_	383,340	_	993		1.05	1	69,846		846	1.	.99
Total interest- earning assets	_	11,990,107		100,401	;	3.36 %		10,057,598	_	86,755		3.50 %	6,0	91,545	_	58,634	3.	.85 %
Non-interest- earning assets		766,802						609,021					2	98,223				
Total assets	\$	12,756,909					\$	10,666,619					\$ 6,3	89,768				

Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:

⁽²⁾ The CRE concentration ratio is calculated using the sum of commercial real estate, excluding owner occupied commercial real estate, multifamily, and ADC, divided by consolidated capital. June 30, 2021 amounts are preliminary pending completion and filing of the Company's regulatory reports.
(3) June 30, 2021 amounts are preliminary pending completion and filing of the Company's regulatory reports.

Interest-bearing liabilities:									
Interest-bearing									
checking	\$ 1,067,043		0.19 %		\$ 351	0.21 %		\$ 212	0.38 %
Money market	3,712,344	1,9		2,893,723	1,987	0.28	1,656,394	2,495	0.60
Savings	1,189,460	2	12 0.07	863,409	207	0.10	404,389	305	0.30
Certificates of									
deposit	1,421,480	2,1	<u>49</u> 0.61	1,522,017	2,753	0.73	1,511,598	6,688	1.77
Total interest-	7 000 007	4.0		5.044.400	5 000	0.00	0.705.075	0.700	4.00
bearing deposits	7,390,327	4,8	0.26	5,941,422	5,298	0.36	3,795,075	9,700	1.02
FHLBNY	145,324	4	32 0.36	853,162	1,711	0.81	962,657	4.047	1.68
advances Subordinated	145,324	1.	0.36	000,102	1,711	0.61	902,007	4,047	1.00
debt, net	197,218	2,2	11 4.50	168,607	1,902	4.57	113,955	1,330	4.67
Other short-term	137,210	۷,۲	7.50	100,007	1,502	4.01	110,000	1,000	4.07
borrowings	5,514		1 0.07	15,021	3	0.08	2,747	1	0.15
Total borrowings	348,056	2,34		1,036,790	3,616	1.41	1,079,359	5,378	1.99
Total interest-			<u> </u>						1.00
bearing liabilities	7,738,383	7,1	47 0.37 %	6,978,212	8,914	0.52 %	4,874,434	15,078	1.24 %
Non-interest-			<u>—</u>						
bearing checking	3,652,482			2,494,630			618,107		
Other									
non-interest-				404.0=0			0.1= 000		
bearing liabilities	175,031			164,859			245,908		
Total liabilities	11,565,896			9,637,701			5,738,449		
Stockholders'	4 404 042			1 000 010			651 210		
equity	1,191,013			1,028,918			651,319		
Total liabilities and stockholders'									
equity	\$ 12,756,909			\$ 10,666,619			\$ 6,389,768		
Net interest	Ψ 12,700,000			ψ 10,000,010			Ψ 0,000,700		
income		\$ 93,2	54		\$ 77,841			\$ 43,556	
Net interest rate		. ,			, ,			, ,	
spread			2.99 %			2.98 %			2.61 %
Net interest									
margin			3.12 %			3.14 %			2.86 %
Deposits									
(including									
non-interest-									
bearing checking accounts)	\$ 11,042,809	\$ 4,8	0.17%	\$ 8,436,052	\$ 5,298	0.25 %	\$ 4,413,182	\$ 9,700	0.88 %

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED SCHEDULE OF NON-PERFORMING ASSETS (Dollars in thousands)

	At or For the Three Months Ended										
Asset Quality Detail		June 30, 2021	ı	March 31, 2021		June 30, 2020					
Non-performing loans (NPLs) (1)			-								
One-to-four family residential, including condominium and cooperative apartment	\$	4,933	\$	5,384	\$	819					
Multifamily residential and residential mixed-use	•	´ –	·	4,844	·	1,377					
CRE		9,152		10,595		3,003					
Acquisition, development, and construction ("ADC")		_		104		_					
C&I		14,109		14,523		10,176					
Other		92		99		2					
Total Non-accrual loans	\$	28,286	\$	35,549	\$	15,377					
Loans 90 days delinquent and accruing ("90+ Delinquent")											
One-to-four family residential, including condominium and cooperative											
apartment	\$	5,065	\$	45	\$	44					
Multifamily residential and residential mixed-use		157		2,871		1,480					
CRE				2,259		2,167					
ADC		_		_		_					
C&I		1,487		3,652		_					
Other		_		_		_					
90+ Delinquent	\$	6,709	\$	8,827	\$	3,691					

NPAs and 90+ Delinquent	\$ 34,995	\$ 44,376	\$ 19,068
NPAs and 90+ Delinquent / Total assets Net charge-offs (NCOs)	\$ 0.28% 918	\$ 0.34% 4,275	\$ 0.28% 31
NCOs / Average loans ⁽¹⁾	0.04%	0.19%	0.00%

(1) Excludes loans held for sale

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION

(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

The following tables below provide a reconciliation of certain financial measures calculated under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") (as reported) and non-GAAP. A non-GAAP financial measure is a numerical measure of historical or future financial performance, financial position or cash flows that excludes or includes amounts that are required to be disclosed in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP in the United States. The Company's management believes the presentation of non-GAAP financial measures provide investors with a greater understanding of the Company's operating results in addition to the results measured in accordance with GAAP. While management uses these non-GAAP measures in its analysis of the Company's performance, this information should not be viewed as a substitute for financial results determined in accordance with GAAP or considered to be more important than financial results determined in accordance with GAAP.

The following non-GAAP financial measures exclude pre-tax income and expenses associated with the Company's merger with Legacy Bridge.

	Three Months Ended						Six Months Ended							
	June 30, 2021		,		,		March 31, 2021		June 30, 2020		•	June 30, 2021	•	June 30, 2020
Reconciliation of Reported and Adjusted (non-GAAP) Net Income Available to Common Stockholders														
Reported net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$	49,456		\$	(22,855))	\$	11,826	\$	26,601	\$	20,218		
Adjustments to net income (loss) ^{(1):}														
Provision for credit losses - Non-PCD loans (double-count)		_			20,278			_		20,278		_		
Gain on sale of PPP loans		(20,697)			_			_		(20,697)		_		
Net gain on sale of securities and other assets		_			(710))		(3,134)		(710)		(3,142)		
Loss on termination of derivatives		_			16,505			_		16,505		_		
Severance		1,875			_			3,930		1,875		4,000		
Loss on extinguishment of debt		157			1,594			_		1,751		_		
Curtailment loss		_			1,543			_		1,543		_		
Merger expenses and transaction costs ⁽²⁾		1,836			37,942			1,072		39,778		1,658		
Branch restructuring costs		1,659			_			_		1,659		_		
Income tax effect of adjustments and other tax adjustments		4,852	_		(21,848)	<u> </u>		(445)	_	(16,996)		(552)		
Adjusted net income available to common stockholders (non-GAAP)	\$	39,138		\$	32,449		\$	13,249	\$	71,587	\$	22,182		
Adjusted Ratios (Based upon non-GAAP as calculated above)														
Adjusted EPS (Diluted)	\$	0.94		\$	0.94		\$	0.61	\$	1.88	\$	1.00		
Adjusted return on average assets		1.28	%		1.29	%		0.90 %)	1.28 %	Ď	0.74 %		
Adjusted return on average equity		13.76			13.32			8.84		13.55		7.30		
Adjusted return on average tangible common equity		17.48			16.74			10.34		17.13		8.47		
Adjusted non-interest expense to average assets		1.52			1.55			1.52		1.53		1.58		
Adjusted efficiency ratio		47.5			48.0			49.9		47.7		53.2		

⁽¹⁾ Adjustments to net income are taxed at the Company's statutory tax rate of approximately 31% unless otherwise noted.

The following table presents a reconciliation of net interest income, non-interest income, and non-interest expense to pre-tax pre-provision net revenue (non-GAAP) and adjusted pre-tax pre-provision net revenue (non-GAAP):

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2021						
Net interest income	\$	93,254					
Non-interest income		29,544					
Total revenues		122,798					
Non-interest expense		54,882					
Pre-tax pre-provision net revenue (non-GAAP) (1)	\$	67,916					

⁽²⁾ Certain merger expenses and transaction costs are non-taxable expense.

Adjusted pre-tax pre-provision net revenue (non-GAAP) (2)	\$ 52,746
Branch restructuring costs	 1,659
Merger expenses and transaction costs	1,836
Loss on extinguishment of debt	157
Severance	1,875
Net gain on sale of PPP loans	(20,697)
Adjustments:	

⁽¹⁾ The reported pre-tax pre-provision net revenue is a non-GAAP measure calculated by adding GAAP net interest income and GAAP non-interest loss less GAAP non-interest expense.

The following table presents a reconciliation of operating expense as a percentage of average assets (as reported) and adjusted operating expense as a percentage of average assets (non-GAAP):

	Th	ree Months Ended	Six Months	Ended	
	June 30, 2021	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020
Operating expense as a % of average assets - as reported	1.72 %	3.11 %	1.84 %	2.35 %	1.76 %
Loss on extinguishment of debt	_	(0.06)	_	(0.03)	_
Curtailment loss	_	(0.06)	_	(0.03)	_
Severance	(0.06)	_	(0.25)	(0.03)	(0.13)
Merger expenses and transaction costs	(0.06)	(1.43)	(0.07)	(0.68)	(0.05)
Branch restructuring costs	(0.05)	_	_	(0.03)	_
Amortization of other intangible assets Adjusted operating expense as a % of average	(0.03)	(0.01)		(0.02)	<u>_</u>
assets (non-GAAP)	1.52	1.55	1.52	1.53	1.58

The following table presents a reconciliation of efficiency ratio (non-GAAP) and adjusted efficiency ratio (non-GAAP):

	Three Months Ended					Six Months Ended								
	June 30, 2021			March 31, 2021			June 30, 2020			•	June 30, 2021		,	June 30, 2020
Efficiency ratio - as reported (non-GAAP) (1)		44.7	% _		117.5	%		56.5	%		71.2	%		57.3 %
Non-interest expense - as reported	\$	54,882	9	\$	82,805		\$	29,346		\$	137,687		\$	55,386
Less: Severance		(1,875)			_			(3,930)			(1,875)			(4,000)
Less: Merger expenses and transaction costs		(1,836)			(37,942)			(1,072)			(39,778)			(1,658)
Less: Branch restructuring costs		(1,659)			_			_			(1,659)			_
Less: Loss on extinguishment of debt		(157)			(1,594)			_			(1,751)			_
Less: Curtailment loss		_			(1,543)						(1,543)			
Less: Amortization of other intangible assets		(835)	_		(357)						(1,192)			
Adjusted non-interest expense (non-GAAP)	\$	48,520	9	\$	41,369		\$	24,344		\$	89,889		\$	49,728
Net interest income - as reported	\$	93,254	9	\$	77,841		\$	43,556		\$	171,095		\$	84,080
Non-interest income (loss) - as reported	\$	29,544	9	\$	(7,383)		\$	8,386		\$	22,161		\$	12,622
Less: Gain on sale of PPP loans Less: Net gain on sale of securities and other		(20,697)			_			_			(20,697)			_
assets		_			(710)			(3,134)			(710)			(3,142)
Less: Loss on termination of derivatives		_			16,505			· _			16,505			· <u> </u>
Adjusted non-interest income (non-GAAP)	\$	8,847	9	\$	8,412		\$	5,252		\$	17,259		\$	9,480
Adjusted total revenues for adjusted efficiency ratio (non-GAAP)	\$	102,101	9	\$	86,253		\$	48,808		\$	188,354		\$	93,560
Adjusted efficiency ratio (non-GAAP) (2)		47.5	% _		48.0	%		49.9	%		47.7	%		53.2 %

⁽¹⁾ The reported efficiency ratio is a non-GAAP measure calculated by dividing GAAP non-interest expense by the sum of GAAP net interest income and GAAP non-interest (loss) income.

The following table presents the tangible assets, tangible common equity, and adjusted tangible common book value per share calculation (non-GAAP):

	 June 30, 2021	 March 31, 2021	June 30, 2020		
Reconciliation of Tangible Assets:					
Total assets	\$ 12,703,685	\$ 13,018,628	\$	6,467,521	
Less:					

⁽²⁾ The adjusted pre-tax pre-provision net revenue is a non-GAAP measure calculated by adding pre-tax pre-provision net revenue less the net gain on sale of PPP loans, severance, loss on extinguishment of debt, merger expenses and transaction costs, and branch restructuring costs.

⁽²⁾ The adjusted efficiency ratio is a non-GAAP measure calculated by dividing adjusted non-interest expense by the sum of GAAP net interest income and adjusted non-interest income.

Goodwill Other intangible assets		155,339 9,792		155,339 10,627		55,638 —
Tangible assets (non-GAAP)	\$	12,538,554	\$	12,852,662	\$	6,411,883
Reconciliation of Adjusted Tangible Common Equity - Consolidated:						
Total stockholders' equity	\$	1,204,276	\$	1,172,824	\$	681,543
Less:						
Goodwill		155,339		155,339		55,638
Other intangible assets		9,792		10,627		
Tangible equity (non-GAAP)		1,039,145		1,006,858		625,905
Less:						
Preferred stock, net		116,569		116,569		116,569
Tangible common equity (non-GAAP)	\$	922,576	\$	890,289	\$	509,336
Add:	· ·		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Unamortized deferred fees on PPP loans, net of tax		1,979		16,901		6,191
Adjusted tangible common equity (non-GAAP)	\$	924,555	\$	907,190	\$	515,527
Common shares outstanding		41,160		41,536		21,442
Tangible common book value per share (non-GAAP)	\$	22.41	\$	21.43	\$	23.75
Adjusted tangible common book value per share (non-GAAP)	\$	22.46	\$	21.84	\$	24.04
Adjusted tangible definition book value per share (non-orani)	Ψ	22.70	Ψ	21.04	Ψ	24.04



Source: Dime Community Bancshares, Inc.