UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)				
☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION	ON 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECU	RITIES EXCHANGE A	CT OF 1934	
	For the quarterly period end	led September 30, 2025		
	or			
☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION	ON 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECU For the transition period from _		ACT OF 1934 -	
	Commission File Nu	mber: 001-38534		
	AMER	ΛNT		
	Amerant Bar (Exact name of registrant as			
Florida			65-0032379	
(State or other jurisdict	tion of		(I.R.S. Employer	
incorporation or organi 220 Alhambra Cir			Identification No.)	
Coral Gables, Flo			33134	
(Address of principal execut	tive offices) (305) 460-	4728	(Zip Code)	
	(Registrant's telephone numb			
	N/A			
	(Former name, former address and former f	iscal year, if changed since last repo	ort)	
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:				
Title of each class	Trading Sy	mbol(s)	Name of exchange on which register	ed
Class A Common Stock			New York Stock Exchange	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports require required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requires		ecurities Exchange Act of 1934 dur	ring the preceding 12 months (or for s	uch shorter period that the registrant was
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically e such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes		mitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Reg	gulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth cor		a smaller reporting company, or	an emerging growth company. See t	he definitions of "large accelerated filer,
Large accelerated filer			erated filer	
Non-accelerated filer			er reporting company ging growth company	
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has the Exchange Act. \Box	s elected not to use the extended transition pe	_		
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined	d in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes \square	No ⊠		
Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of c	common stock, as of the latest practicable dat	e.		
Class			standing as of October 29, 2025	
Class A Common Stock, \$0.10 p	par value per share	41,265,6	503 shares of Class A Common Stock	
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AMERANT BANCORP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

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Part 1. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets

Assets Cash and due from banks Interest earning deposits with banks Restricted cash Other short-term investments Cash and cash equivalents Securities Debt securities available for sale Trading securities Equity securities with readily determinable fair value not held for trading Federal Reserve Bank and Federal Home Loan Bank stock Securities Mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value	\$ 46,190 570,612 6,894 7,162 630,858 2,122,416 119,935 2,542 62,808 2,307,701	\$	39,197 519,853 24,365 6,944 590,359
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Federal Reserve Bank and Federal Home Loan Bank stock Securities	62,808		
Securities			2,477
•	2 207 701		58,278
Mortgage loans held for sale, at fair value	2,307,701		1,497,925
		_	42,911
Loans held for investment, gross	6,941,792		7,228,411
Less; allowance for credit losses	94,918		84,963
Loans held for investment, net	6,846,874		7,143,448
Bank owned life insurance	258,042		243,547
Premises and equipment, net	30,268		31,814
Deferred tax assets, net	46,881		53,543
Operating lease right-of-use assets	102,872		100,028
Goodwill	19,193		19,193
Accrued interest receivable and other assets	167,510		178,966
	\$ 10,410,199	\$	9,901,734
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		<u> </u>	7,772,77
Deposits			
Demand			
	\$ 1,768,764	S	1,504,755
Interest bearing	2,294,310	Ψ	2,229,467
Savings and money market	2,139,964		1,885,928
Time	2,097,931		2,234,445
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Total deposits Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	8,300,969 831,699		7,854,595 745,000
Senior notes	831,099		59.843
Subordinated notes	29,752		29,624
	64,178		64,178
Junior subordinated debentures held by trust subsidiaries			
Operating lease liabilities	109,726		106,071
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other liabilities	128,935		151,956
Total liabilities	9,465,259		9,011,267
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 11)			
Stockholders' equity			
Class A common stock, \$0.10 par value, 250 million shares authorized; 41,265,378 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2025 (42,127,316 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2024)	4,125		4,214
Additional paid in capital	327,205		343,828
Retained earnings	620,542		582,231
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(6,932)		(39,806)
Total stockholders' equity	944,940		890,467
	\$ 10,410,199	\$	9,901,734

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	Three Months	Ended September 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(in thousands)	 2025	2024	2025		2024	
Interest income	 					
Loans	\$ 121,414	\$ 129,752	\$ 364,601	\$	376,574	
Investment securities	26,737	17,127	68,868		50,168	
Interest earning deposits with banks and other interest income	4,592	4,758	16,777		15,929	
Total interest income	 152,743	151,637	450,246		442,671	
Interest expense						
Interest bearing demand deposits	10,892	15,345	32,913		49,860	
Savings and money market deposits	18,008	16,830	52,713		46,690	
Time deposits	20,950	27,260	67,093		79,355	
Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	7,316	8,833	21,746		21,357	
Senior notes	_	942	1,020		2,826	
Subordinated notes	362	361	1,084		1,083	
Junior subordinated debentures	1,063	1,067	3,141		3,176	
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	_	_	1		2	
Total interest expense	 58,591	70,638	179,711		204,349	
Net interest income	 94.152	80,999	270,535	-	238,322	
Provision for credit losses	14,600	19,000	39,106		50,550	
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	 79,552	61,999	231,429		187,772	
·	 77,002	01,777			107,772	
Noninterest income Deposits and service fees	5,056	5,046	15,161		14,652	
Brokerage, advisory and fiduciary activities	4,995	4,466	14,717		13,331	
Gain on early extinguishment of advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank, net	4,993	4,400	14,/1/		13,331	
Loan-level derivative income	2,372					
	,	3,515	7,084		6,338	
Change in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance	2,554	2,332	7,494		6,916	
Cards and trade finance servicing fees	1,321	1,430	4,517		3,984	
Derivative losses, net	(1,383)		(3,235)		(196)	
Securities gains (losses), net	1,203	(68,484)			(68,655)	
Other noninterest income	 1,173	4,012	7,810		9,666	
Total noninterest income (loss)	 17,291	(47,683)	56,594		(13,775)	
Noninterest expense						
Salaries and employee benefits	35,094	34,979	104,477		101,794	
Professional and other services fees	15,997	13,711	44,228		36,784	
Occupancy and equipment	5,211	5,891	16,838		21,408	
Telecommunication and data processing	3,155	2,991	9,559		9,256	
Advertising expenses	3,987	3,468	12,441		10,789	
FDIC assessments and insurance	2,549	2,863	8,681		8,643	
Depreciation and amortization	1,487	1,737	4,626		4,866	
Loan level derivative expense	1,834	1,802	3,307		2,386	
Other real estate owned and repossessed assets expense, net	215	5,535	980		5,033	
Losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value	881	_	881		1,258	
Other operating expenses	7,425	3,231	17,771		13,887	
Total noninterest expenses	77,835	76,208	223,789		216,104	
Income (loss) before income tax (expense) benefit	19,008	(61,892)	64,234		(42,107)	
Income tax (expense) benefit	(4,252)	13,728	(14,518)		9,474	
Net income (loss) attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	\$ 14,756	\$ (48,164)			(32,633)	

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

		Three Months E	nded S	September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(in thousands, except per share data)		2025		2024		2025		2024	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax									
Net unrealized holding gains on debt securities available for sale arising during the period	\$	18,553	\$	15,142	\$	33,029	\$	7,060	
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on cash flow hedges arising during the period		82		(205)		268		92	
Reclassification adjustment for items included in net income		(119)		51,017		(423)		50,683	
Other comprehensive income		18,516		65,954		32,874		57,835	
Comprehensive income	\$	33,272	\$	17,790	\$	82,590	\$	25,202	
Earnings Per Share (Note 13):									
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$	0.35	\$	(1.43)	\$	1.19	\$	(0.97)	
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$	0.35	\$	(1.43)	\$	1.19	\$	(0.97)	

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity (Unaudited)

Three and Nine Month Periods Ended September 30, 2025

	Comm	on Stoc	k						
	Shares Outstanding		ed Shares - Par Value	Additional Paid		Retained	Accumulated Other	Total Stockholders'	
(in thousands, except share data)	Cla	ss A		 in Capital	 Treasury Stock	Earnings	 Comprehensive loss	Equity	
Balance at December 31, 2024	42,127,316	\$	4,214	\$ 343,828	\$ — \$	582,231	\$ (39,806) \$	890,467	
Repurchase of Class A common stock	(215,427)		_	_	(5,000)	_	_	(5,000)	
Treasury stock retired	_		(22)	(4,978)	5,000	_	_	_	
Issuance of common shares for restricted stock unit vesting	71,839		7	(7)	_	_	_	_	
Restricted stock and restricted stock units surrendered	(26,320)		(3)	(596)	_	_	_	(599)	
Restricted stock forfeited	(4,818)		(1)	1	_	_	_	_	
Stock-based compensation expense	_		_	790	_	_	_	790	
Dividends paid	_		_	_	_	(3,885)	_	(3,885)	
Net income attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	_		_	_	_	11,958	_	11,958	
Other comprehensive income	_		_	_	_	_	12,532	12,532	
Balance at March 31, 2025	41,952,590	\$	4,195	\$ 339,038	\$ — \$	590,304	\$ (27,274) \$	906,263	
Repurchase of Class A common stock	(275,666)		_	_	(5,000)	_	_	(5,000)	
Treasury stock retired	_		(28)	(4,972)	5,000	_	_	_	
Restricted stock and restricted stock units surrendered	(6,241)		(1)	(252)	_	_	_	(253)	
Stock issued for employee stock purchase plan	34,347		3	586	_	_	_	589	
Issuance of common shares for restricted stock unit vesting	43,404		4	(4)	_	_	_	_	
Stock-based compensation expense	_		_	1,625	_	_	_	1,625	
Net income attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	_		_	_	_	23,002	_	23,002	
Dividends paid	_		_	_	_	(3,766)	_	(3,766)	
Other comprehensive income			<u> </u>		_		1,826	1,826	
Balance at June 30, 2025	41,748,434	\$	4,173	\$ 336,021	\$ — \$	609,540	\$ (25,448) \$	924,286	
Repurchase of Class A common stock	(487,657)		_	_	(10,000)	_	_	(10,000)	
Treasury stock retired	_		(49)	(9,951)	10,000	_	_	_	
Restricted stock and restricted stock units surrendered	(2,077)		_	(16)	_	_	_	(16)	
Restricted stock forfeited	(675)		_	_	_	_	_	_	
Issuance of common shares for restricted stock unit vesting	7,353		1	(1)	_	_	_	_	
Stock-based compensation expense	_		_	1,152	_	_	_	1,152	
Net income attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	_		_	_	_	14,756	_	14,756	
Dividends paid	_		_	_	_	(3,754)	_	(3,754)	
Other comprehensive income			_		_	_	18,516	18,516	
Balance at September 30, 2025	41,265,378	\$	4,125	\$ 327,205	\$ <u> </u>	620,542	\$ (6,932) \$	944,940	

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity (Unaudited)

Three and Nine Month Periods Ended September 30, 2024

	Commo	on Stock						
	Shares Outstanding	Issued Shares - Par Value	Additional Paid		Retained	Accumulated Other	Total Stockholders'	
(in thousands, except share data)	Cla	ss A	in Capital	Treasury Stock	Earnings	Comprehensive loss	Equity	
						(#0.#0.C) A		
Balance at December 31, 2023	33,603,242	\$ 3,361 \$	192,701 \$	— \$	610,802 \$	(70,796) \$	736,068	
Issuance of common shares for restricted stock unit vesting	77,615	8	(8)	_	_	_	_	
Issuance of common shares for performance shares unit vesting	125,271	13	(13)	_	_	_	_	
Restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance stock units surrendered	(92,830)	(9)	(2,078)	_	_	_	(2,087)	
Restricted stock forfeited	(3,903)	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Stock-based compensation expense	_	_	1,635	_	_	_	1,635	
Dividends paid	_	_	_	_	(3,011)	_	(3,011)	
Net income attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	_	_	_	_	10,568	_	10,568	
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	_	(5,088)	(5,088)	
Balance at March 31, 2024	33,709,395	\$ 3,373 \$	192,237 \$	— \$	618,359 \$	(75,884) \$	738,085	
Repurchase of Class A common stock	(200,652)	_	_	(4,448)	_	_	(4,448)	
Treasury stock retired	_	(20)	(4,428)	4,448	_	_	_	
Restricted stock and restricted stock units surrendered	(7,957)	(1)	(93)	_	_	_	(94)	
Stock issued for employee stock purchase plan	28,510	3	483	_	_	_	486	
Restricted stock forfeited	(15,043)	(2)	2	_	_	_	_	
Restricted stock units vested	48,503	4	(4)	_	_	_	_	
Stock-based compensation expense	_	_	1,404	_	_	_	1,404	
Net income attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	_	_	_	_	4,963	_	4,963	
Dividends paid	_	_	_	_	(3,023)	_	(3,023)	
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	_	(3,031)	(3,031)	
Balance at June 30, 2024	33,562,756	\$ 3,357 \$	189,601 \$	— \$	620,299 \$	(78,915) \$	734,342	
Repurchase of Class A common stock	(143,674)	_	_	(3,108)	_	_	(3,108)	
Common stock issuance	8,684,210	868	154,882	_	_	_	155,750	
Treasury stock retired	_	(14)	(3,094)	3,108	_	_	_	
Restricted stock and restricted stock units surrendered	(4,334)	_	(87)	_	_	_	(87)	
Restricted stock forfeited	(3,814)	(1)	_	_	_	_	(1)	
Restricted stock units vested	8,479	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Stock-based compensation expense	_	_	1,206	_	_	_	1,206	
Net loss attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	_	_	_	_	(48,164)	_	(48,164)	
Dividends paid	_	_	_	_	(3,004)	_	(3,004)	
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	_	65,954	65,954	
Balance at September 30, 2024	42,103,623	\$ 4,210 \$	342,508	— \$	569,131 \$	(12,961) \$	902,888	

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	Nine Months End	
(in thousands)	2025	2024
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income (loss)	\$ 49,716	\$ (32,633)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities		
Provision for credit losses	39,106	50,550
Net premium amortization on securities	1,757	4,049
Depreciation and amortization	4,626	4,866
Stock-based compensation expense	3,567	4,245
Change in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance	(7,494)	(6,916)
Securities (gains) losses, net	(3,046)	68,655
Derivative losses, net	3,235	196
Gains on sale of loans, net	(5,257)	(5,819)
Losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value	881	1,258
Deferred taxes and others	(1,103)	2,518
Gain on early extinguishment of advances from the FHLB, net	_	(189)
Proceeds from sales and repayments of loans held for sale (at fair value)	135,365	251,815
Originations and purchases of loans held for sale (at fair value)	(100,400)	(291,139)
Net changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accrued interest receivable and other assets	1,085	(34,459)
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other liabilities	(21,540)	(12,343)
Net cash provided by operating activities	100,498	4,654
Cash flows from investing activities	100,170	1,054
Purchases of investment securities:		
Available for sale	(794,586)	(242,229)
Trading securities	(118,444)	(242,229)
Federal Home Loan Bank stock		(45,910)
rederal nome Loan Bank stock	(8,330)	
	(921,360)	(288,139)
Maturities, sales, calls and paydowns of investment securities:	4.000	
Available for sale	151,860	228,933
Trading securities	1,555	9,622
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	3,800	32,600
	157,215	271,155
Proceeds from surrender of bank owned life insurance	_	62,741
Net decrease (increase) in loans	211,582	(788,643)
Proceeds from loan portfolio sales	58,340	469,934
Proceeds from sales of other real estate owned	2,661	_
Net purchases of premises and equipment and others	(2,534)	(6,609)
Proceeds from bank owned life insurance death benefit	_	1,232
Purchase of bank owned life insurance	(7,000)	_
Net cash used in investing activities	(501,096)	(278,329)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net increase in demand, savings and money market accounts	582,888	109,600
Net (decrease) increase in time deposits	(136,514)	106,481
Proceeds from advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	380,000	1,412,500
Repayments of advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank	(293,387)	(1,142,311)
Redemption of senior notes	(60,000)	
Repurchase of common stock - Class A	(20,000)	(7,556)
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock	(20,000)	155,750
Dividend paid	(11,405)	(9,038)
•	(11,403)	(1,782)
Disbursements arising from stock-based compensation, net	441,097	623,644
Net cash provided by financing activities		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash	40,499	349,969
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		
Beginning of period	590,359	321,872
End of period	\$ 630,858	\$ 671,841

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited) (continued)

	Nine Months Ended September					
(in thousands)	 2025		2024			
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information						
Cash paid:						
Interest	\$ 184,259	\$	207,389			
Income taxes	6,077		4,821			
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new lease obligations	6,999		_			
Noncash investing activities:						
Transfer from debt securities held to maturity to debt securities available for sale	_		216,560			
Mortgage loans held for sale (at fair value) transferred to loans held for investment	8,868		28,115			
Loans transferred to other assets	1,893		_			
Loans held for sale (at lower of cost or fair value) transferred to loans held for investment	40,597		_			
Loans held for investment (at lower of cost or fair value) transferred to loans held for sale	40,597		560,161			
Premises and equipment transferred to other assets	_		11,405			
Right-of-use assets transferred to other assets	_		15,368			

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries

Notes to Interim Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

1. Business, Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a) Business

Amerant Bancorp Inc. (the "Company") is a Florida corporation incorporated in 1985, which has operated since January 1987. The Company is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 ("BHC Act"), as a result of its 100% ownership of Amerant Bank, N.A. (the "Bank"). The Company's principal office is in the City of Coral Gables, Florida. The Bank is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta ("Federal Reserve") and the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta ("FHLB"). The Bank is a national bank subject to regulation and regular examinations by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency ("OCC"). Amerant Investments, Inc., a securities broker-dealer ("Amerant Investments") is an operating subsidiary of the Bank.

Elant Bank & Trust Ltd., a Grand-Cayman based trust company (the "Cayman Bank") is a subsidiary of the Bank. The Company is executing a plan for the dissolution of the Cayman Bank and, as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Cayman Bank no longer had any trust relationships, many of which were transferred to the Bank. The dissolution of the Cayman Bank is expected to be completed in 2025, once regulatory approval from the applicable regulatory agency is received.

Amerant Mortgage, LLC, a mortgage lending company domiciled in Florida ("Amerant Mortgage") is another subsidiary of the Bank. In April 2025, considering its strategic decision to focus on Florida, the Company announced it would transition its mortgage business from a national mortgage originator model to in-footprint focused approach, emphasizing mortgage lending that supports the Company's retail and private banking customers. Since April 2025 and throughout the early part of the fourth quarter of 2025, the Company has progressively reduced the mortgage-focused FTE count from 77 FTEs to 17. All but 5 of the 17 remaining FTEs have been transferred to the Bank. In addition, loans owned are expected to be transferred into the Bank's core platform, and existing vendor contracts are expected to be terminated or modified. The Company is also in the process of assessing strategic alternatives for an eventual wind-down or sale of Amerant Mortgage, which it currently expects to complete in the first half of 2026.

Sale of Houston Banking Operations

During the second quarter of 2024, the Bank entered into a Purchase and Assumption Agreement with MidFirst Bank ("MidFirst") pursuant to which MidFirst agreed to purchase certain assets and assume certain liabilities (the "Houston Sale Transaction") of the banking operations and six branches in the Houston, Texas metropolitan statistical area. In the first nine months of 2024, the Company recorded non-routine expenses in connection with the Houston Sale Transaction totaling approximately \$5.5 million as follows: (i) \$3.4 million in market value adjustments for two branches owned based on third party appraisals; (ii) \$1.3 million in loan valuation allowance due to deferred loan costs; (iii) \$0.5 million for legal and investment banking fees; and (iv) \$0.3 million in intangible write-off. For complete details of the Houston Sale Transaction, see the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024 filed on March 5, 2025 (the "2024 Form 10-K") for more information.

Public Offering and Securities Repositioning

During the third quarter of 2024, the Company completed a public offering of 8,684,210 shares of its Class A voting common stock, at a price to the public of \$19.00 per share, which included 784,210 shares issued upon the exercise in full by the underwriters of their option to purchase additional shares of common stock (the "Public Offering"). The total gross proceeds from the offering were approximately \$165 million, with net proceeds of approximately \$155.8 million after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by the Company.

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Upon successfully completing the Public Offering, the Company initiated a repositioning of the Company's securities portfolio (the "Securities Repositioning"). The Securities Repositioning consisted of the following actions: (i) transfer at their fair value (which was below their amortized cost) of all of the Company's debt securities previously classified as held to maturity and carried at amortized cost to the available for sale category; (ii) sale of all corporate notes and subordinated debt; and (iii) sale of all other debt securities classified as available for sale (including those previously classified as held to maturity) with a book yield of less than 2.75%. As a result of the Securities Repositioning, the Company recorded a total pre-tax loss of approximately \$68.5 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024. For complete details of the Public Offering and Securities Repositioning, see the 2024 Form 10-K for more information.

Senior Notes

On April 1, 2025, the Company redeemed \$60.0 million in aggregate principal amount of its 5.75% Senior Notes that were due June 30, 2025 (the "Senior Notes"). The Senior Notes were redeemed in full at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Senior Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest. The aggregate redemption price, including accrued interest, totaled approximately \$60.9 million.

Segment Information

Determination of the CODM

The Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM") is its Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO makes the overall decisions about the Company's resource allocation and assesses the performance of the Company.

<u>Determination and Identification of operating segments</u>

The CODM manages the Company as one operating segment: the consolidated Company as one entity. All decisions regarding the allocation of financial, operational, and other resources are managed under this one segment. As part of the determination for the allocation of resources, the CODM regularly reviews net income as the measure of profit or loss. In addition, as part of the CODM's assessment of the performance of the consolidated entity, the CODM also reviews the consolidated financial statements for significant expenses which include both cash and noncash items, such as amortization and depreciation and stock-based compensation. For more information on the significant components of net income or any significant cash or noncash items, refer to our accompanying consolidated financial statements or the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contained within. The measure of assets is reported on the consolidated balance sheet as total consolidated assets.

Segment results

As the Company's consolidated financial information as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024 conform with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP) and the Company is managed on a single operating business segment, we collectively refer to the accompanying consolidated financial statements for the Segment Results for the measures of consolidated profit or loss, as well as consolidated total assets.

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Stock Repurchase Program

On December 19, 2022, the Company announced that the Board of Directors authorized a new repurchase program pursuant to which the Company may purchase, from time to time, up to an aggregate amount of \$25 million of its shares of Class A common stock (the "Stock Repurchase Program"). On December 6, 2023, the Board approved to extend the expiration date of the Stock Repurchase Program that was set to expire on December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2024. On December 11, 2024, the Company announced that the Board approved to extend the expiration date to December 31, 2025. As of December 11, 2024, there was approximately \$12.4 million available for repurchases under the Stock Repurchase Program. On May 28, 2025, the Company announced that the Board of Directors approved an increase in the amount available for repurchases of the Company' shares of Class A common stock under the Stock Repurchase Program to \$25 million.

In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 487,657 and 978,750 shares of Class A common stock, respectively, at a weighted average price of \$20.51 and \$20.43 per share, respectively, under the Stock Repurchase Program. The aggregate purchase price for these transactions was \$10.0 million and \$20.0 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025, respectively, including transaction costs. In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2024, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 143,674 shares of Class A common stock at a weighted average price of \$21.59 per share, and 344,326 shares of Class A common stock at a weighted average price of \$21.94 per share. The aggregate purchase price for these transactions was \$3.1 million and \$7.6 million in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2024, respectively, including transaction costs.

In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the cancellation of all shares of Class A common stock previously repurchased. As of September 30, 2025 and 2024, there were no shares of Class A common stock held as treasury stock.

Dividends

Set forth below are the details of dividends declared and paid by the Company in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024:

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payment Date	Dividend Per Share	Dividend Amount
07/23/2025	08/15/2025	08/29/2025	\$0.09	\$3.8 million
04/23/2025	05/15/2025	05/30/2025	\$0.09	\$3.8 million
01/22/2025	02/14/2025	02/28/2025	\$0.09	\$3.8 million
07/24/2024	08/15/2024	08/30/2024	\$0.09	\$3.0 million
04/24/2024	05/15/2024	05/30/2024	\$0.09	\$3.0 million
01/17/2024	02/14/2024	02/29/2024	\$0.09	\$3.0 million

On October 22, 2025, the Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.09 per share of common stock. The dividend is payable on November 28, 2025, to shareholders of record on November 14, 2025.

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b) Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("GAAP") for interim financial information and the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required for a fair statement of financial position, results of operations and cash flows in conformity with GAAP. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods presented. These adjustments are of a normal, recurring nature. Interim period operating results may not be indicative of the operating results for a full year or any other period. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2024 and the accompanying footnote disclosures for the Company, which are included in the 2024 Form 10.6 K

In the second quarter of 2025, the Company changed its policy for charging off unsecured consumer loans when balances are past-due 120 days or more. Previously, the Company charged-off these loan types when balances were 90 days past due. The Company believes this change is in line with regulatory guidance. There was no material impact to Company's consolidated financial statements as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2025 as a result of this change in policy.

For a complete summary of our significant accounting policies, see Note 1 to the Company's audited consolidated financial statements in the 2024 Form 10-K.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Significant estimates made by management include: (i) the determination of the allowance for credit losses; (ii) the fair values of loans, securities and derivative contracts; (iii) the cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance; and (iv) the determination of whether the amount of deferred tax assets will more likely than not be realized. Management believes that these estimates are appropriate. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

c) Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Issued and Not Yet Adopted

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2024-03 and 2025-01 Income Statement—Reporting Comprehensive Income—Expense Disaggregation Disclosures (Subtopic 220-40): Disaggregation of Income Statement Expenses, and Clarifying the Effective Date. This new guidance is intended to improve the disclosures a public company makes with respect to its expenses and seeks to address requests from financial statement users for more detailed information about the types of expenses in common captions. This new guidance is effective for public business entities for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2026, and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2027. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact of this guidance on its consolidated financial statements when adopted.

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New Guidance on Income Taxes

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09—Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures which amended guidance that requires entities to provide additional income tax disclosures on an annual basis. This includes the disclosure of more detailed information on income tax reconciliations and income tax paid. In addition, the amendments remove certain existing disclosure requirements related to uncertain tax positions and unrecognized deferred tax liabilities. For public business entities, the amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. The Company intends to adopt this guidance prospectively and we expect to expand our disclosures around income taxes in our 2025 Form 10-K. We believe that the adoption of this ASU will not have any other significant impacts on the Company's financial statements.

For a description of other recently issued accounting pronouncements, see Note 1 to the Company's audited consolidated financial statements in the 2024 Form 10-K.

d) Subsequent Events

The effects of significant subsequent events, if any, have been recognized or disclosed in these unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

On October 21, 2025, the Company entered into a Wind-down and Settlement Agreement (the "Wind-down Agreement") with a commercial borrower to resolve an existing loan participation agreement. Under the Wind-down Agreement, the Company assumes the risk of future credit losses under the participation agreement, up to a cumulative cap of \$7.7 million through June 30, 2026 (the "Loss Cap"). If actual credit losses are below the Loss Cap as of that date, the Company will pay the difference to the borrower by June 30, 2026. The Company is currently unable to estimate the difference between the actual credit losses that may be incurred through June 30, 2026 and the Loss Cap. As of September 30, 2025, the amount remaining to be covered towards the "Loss Cap" was \$5.9 million. As part of the Wind-down Agreement, the borrower has agreed to irrevocably and unconditionally guarantee the full and timely payment of all amounts due to the Company under the loan participation agreement that exceed the Loss Cap, up to a maximum of \$13.9 million.

On October 24, 2025, the Company collected \$11.8 million on a commercial loan that had been previously charged off. The collection of this loan resulted in a loan recovery of \$8.7 million and interest income recovery of \$0.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2025.

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2. Interest Earning Deposits with Banks, Other Short-Term Investments and Restricted Cash

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, interest earning deposits with banks are mainly comprised of deposits with the Federal Reserve and other U.S. banks of approximately \$571 million and \$520 million, respectively. At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the average interest rate on these deposits was approximately 4.41% and 5.31%, respectively. These deposits have no stated maturity dates.

As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company held US Treasury Bills classified as part of other short-term investments in the Company's consolidated balance sheets. At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company held \$7.2 million and \$6.9 million, respectively, with an average yield of 4.22% and 5.07%, respectively, related to these investments. These other short-term investments have a stated maturity of 90 days or less and as such are deemed cash and cash equivalents.

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had restricted cash balances of \$6.9 million and \$24.4 million, respectively. These balances include cash pledged as collateral, by other banks to us, to secure derivatives' margin calls. This cash pledged as collateral also represents an obligation, by the Bank, to repay according to margin requirements. At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, this obligation was \$5.9 million and \$23.5 million, respectively, which is included as part of other liabilities in the Company's consolidated balance sheets. In addition, we have cash balances pledged as collateral to secure the issuance of letters of credit by other banks on behalf of our customers.

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3. Securities

a) Debt Securities

Debt securities available for sale

The Company's investments in debt securities primarily consist of mortgage-backed securities ("MBS"). The following tables present granular information such as amortized cost, allowance for credit losses and approximate fair values of all debt securities available for sale:

	September 30, 2025										
	Amortized	Gross Unrealized				Allowance for Credit		Estimated			
(in thousands)	Cost	Gains			Losses	Losses			Fair Value		
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$ 2,492	\$	_	\$	_	\$ -	_	\$	2,492		
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS	1,951,732		15,551		(23,574)	_	_		1,943,709		
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise commercial MBS	156,846		941		(2,797)	_	_		154,990		
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise obligations	12,760		3		(292)	_	_		12,471		
Non-agency commercial MBS (1)	7,320		_		(176)	_	_		7,144		
Municipal Bonds (2)	1,732		_		(122)	_	_		1,610		
Total debt securities available for sale (3)	\$ 2,132,882	\$	16,495	\$	(26,961)	\$ -		\$	2,122,416		

Issued by a financial institution.
 Includes MBS securities with a fair value of \$1.6 million and amortized cost of \$1.7 million.
 Excludes accrued interest receivable of \$8.0 million as of September 30, 2025, which is included as part of accrued interest receivable and other assets in the Company's consolidated balance sheet. The Company did not record any write offs on accrued interest receivable related to these securities in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025.

		December 31, 2024										
	A	mortized		Gross U	Inrealized		Allowance for Credit		Estimated			
(in thousands)		Cost		Gains		Losses	Losses		Fair Value			
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$	1,932	\$	1	\$	_	\$	\$	1,933			
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS		1,310,419		758		(48,537)	_		1,262,640			
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise commercial MBS		148,338		137		(5,937)	_		142,538			
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise obligations		17,060		10		(388)	_		16,682			
Non-agency commercial MBS (1)		12,517		_		(725)	_		11,792			
Municipal Bonds (2)		1,732		_		(147)	_		1,585			
Total debt securities available for sale (3)	\$	1,491,998	\$	906	\$	(55,734)	\$	\$	1,437,170			

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There were no investments in foreign corporate bonds available for sale at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024. At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had no foreign sovereign or foreign government agency debt securities available for sale. Investments in foreign corporate debt securities available for sale, if any, are denominated in U.S. Dollars.

In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, there were no sales, calls or redemptions of debt securities available for sale.

In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2024, proceeds from sales, redemptions and calls, gross realized gains, and gross realized losses of debt securities available for sale were as follows:

	Three Month	s Ended September 30,	Nine Mo	onths Ended September 30,
(in thousands)		2024		2024
Proceeds from sales, redemptions and calls of debt securities available for sale	\$	139,886	\$	142,766
Gross realized gains	\$	_	\$	_
Gross realized losses		(6,753)		(6,873)
Realized loss, net	\$	(6,753)	\$	(6,873)

The Company's investment in debt securities available for sale with unrealized losses aggregated by the length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, are summarized below:

				Septembe	er 30, 2025			
_	Less	Than 12 Months		12 N	Months or More		Total	
(in thousands, except securities count)	Number of Securities	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Number of Securities	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Loss
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS	10 \$	56,483 \$	(249)	315 \$	490,929 \$	(23,325) \$	547,412 \$	(23,574)
Non-agency commercial MBS	_	_	_	1	7,144	(176)	7,144	(176)
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise commercial MBS	2	16,971	(51)	31	72,463	(2,746)	89,434	(2,797)
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise obligations	3	213	(1)	42	12,071	(291)	12,284	(292)
Municipal bonds	_	_	_	3	1,610	(122)	1,610	(122)
_	15 \$	73,667 \$	(301)	392 \$	584,217 \$	(26,660) \$	657,884 \$	(26,961)

Issued by a financial institution

⁽²⁾ Includes MBS securities with a fair value of \$1.6 million and amortized cost of \$1.7 million.

⁽³⁾ Excludes accrued interest receivable of \$5.7 million as of December 31, 2024, which is included as part of accrued interest receivable and other assets in the Company's consolidated balance sheet. The Company did not record any write offs on accrued interest receivable related to these securities in 2024.

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•		Less Than 12 Month	hs		12 Months or More	Total			
(in thousands, except securities count)	Number of Securities	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Number of Securities	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS	133	\$ 717,487	\$ (13,555)	324	\$ 407,841	\$ (34,982)	\$ 1,125,328	\$ (48,537)	
Non-agency commercial MBS	_	_	_	1	11,792	(725)	11,792	(725)	
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise commercial MBS	13	63,468	(1,261)	30	64,606	(4,676)	128,074	(5,937)	
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise obligation	2	228	(1)	47	15,982	(387)	16,210	(388)	
Municipal Bonds	_	_	_	3	1,585	(147)	1,585	(147)	
	148	\$ 781,183	\$ (14,817)	405	\$ 501,806	\$ (40,917)	\$ 1,282,989	\$ (55,734)	

U.S. Government Sponsored Enterprise Debt Securities and U.S. Government Agency Debt Securities

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company held certain debt securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government and U.S. government-sponsored entities and agencies. The Company evaluates these securities for credit losses by reviewing current market conditions, the extent and nature of changes in fair value, credit ratings, default and delinquency rates and current analysts' evaluations. The Company believes the decline in fair value on these debt securities below their amortized cost basis is attributable to changes in interest rates and investment securities markets, generally, and not credit quality. As a result, the Company did not record an Allowance for Credit Losses, or ACL, on these securities as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024. Additionally, the Company does not intend to sell these debt securities and it considers it is more likely than not that it will not be required to sell the securities before their anticipated recovery.

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Contractual maturities

Contractual maturities of debt securities at September 30, 2025 are as follows:

	Available for Sale					
(in thousands)	 Amortized Cost		Estimated Fair Value			
Within 1 year	\$ 1,994	\$	1,993			
After 1 year through 5 years	51,763		51,527			
After 5 years through 10 years	49,654		48,456			
After 10 years	2,029,471		2,020,440			
	\$ 2,132,882	\$	2,122,416			

Trading Securities

Trading securities are used to support the Company's liquidity management activities and reported on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet at fair value. Our trading portfolio is entirely composed of U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS with a fair value of \$119.9 million at September 30, 2025. Changes in the fair value of trading securities are recorded in securities gains/losses on the Company's consolidated statements of income. The Company did not have any debt securities classified as trading securities at December 31, 2024.

Changes in the fair value of trading securities for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024 are as follows:

	-	Three Months Ended Sep	tember 30]	Nine Months En	ded Septe	mber 30	
(in thousands)		2025	2	024		2025		2024
Net gains recognized during the period on trading securities	\$	1,185	\$	_	\$	2,962	\$	_
Less: Net gains and losses recognized during the period on trading securities sold during the period		_		_		_		_
Unrealized gains recognized during the reporting period on trading securities still held at the reporting date	\$	1,185	\$		\$	2,962	\$	_

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b) Equity securities with readily available fair value not held for trading

As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had an equity security with readily available fair value not held for trading with an original cost of \$2.5 million and a fair value of \$2.5 million. These equity securities have no stated maturities. There were no significant unrealized gains and losses related to these equity securities in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024.

c) Securities Pledged

As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had \$60.3 million and \$135.7 million, respectively, in securities pledged as collateral. These securities were pledged to secure public funds, advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank and for other purposes as permitted by law.

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4. Loans

a) Loans held for investment

Loans held for investment consist of the following loan classes:

(in thousands)	September 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Real estate loans		
Commercial real estate		
Nonowner occupied	\$ 1,656,180	\$ 1,678,473
Multi-family residential	361,650	336,229
Land development and construction loans	544,727	483,210
	2,562,557	2,497,912
Single-family residential	1,550,724	1,528,080
Owner occupied	900,596	1,007,074
	5,013,877	5,033,066
Commercial loans	1,519,778	1,751,902
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances	164,974	170,435
Consumer loans and overdrafts	243,163	273,008
Total loans held for investment, gross (1)	\$ 6,941,792	\$ 7,228,411

⁽¹⁾ Excludes accrued interest receivable.

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, loans with outstanding principal balances of \$1.8 billion and \$2.0 billion, respectively, were pledged as collateral to secure advances from the FHLB.

The amounts above include loans under syndication facilities of approximately \$368.3 million and \$393.7 million at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively, which include Shared National Credit facilities and agreements to enter into credit agreements with other lenders (club deals) and other agreements.

International loans included above were \$34.9 million and \$40.7 million at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively, mainly comprised of single-family residential loans. These loans are generally secured by real estate properties located in the U.S.

There were no significant purchases of loans held for investment in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company purchased single-family residential loans totaling \$6.7 million and \$17.9 million, respectively.

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The age analyses of the loan portfolio by class as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, are summarized in the following tables:

		September 30, 2025													
	т	otal Loans,			Past Due										
(in thousands) Real estate loans	Net of Unearned Income			Current		30-59 Days		60-89 Days	Greater than 90 Days			Total Past Due			
Commercial real estate															
Non-owner occupied	\$	1,656,180	\$	1,654,893	\$	265	\$	_	\$	1,022	\$	1,287			
Multi-family residential		361,650		354,566		7,084		_		_		7,084			
Land development and construction loans		544,727		519,727		25,000		_		_		25,000			
		2,562,557		2,529,186		32,349				1,022		33,371			
Single-family residential		1,550,724		1,525,544		18,418		1,817		4,945		25,180			
Owner occupied		900,596		886,047		10,350		325		3,874		14,549			
		5,013,877		4,940,777		61,117		2,142		9,841		73,100			
Commercial loans		1,519,778		1,474,516		22,021		7,882		15,359		45,262			
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances		164,974		164,974		_		_		_		_			
Consumer loans and overdrafts		243,163		233,215		8,596		627		725		9,948			
	\$	6,941,792	\$	6,813,482	\$	91,734	\$	10,651	\$	25,925	\$	128,310			

	December 31, 2024												
		Total Loans,		Past Due									
(in thousands) Real estate loans		Net of Unearned Income		Current				60-89 Days	Greater than 90 Days		_	Total Past Due	
Commercial real estate													
Nonowner occupied	\$	1,678,473	\$	1,676,816	\$	361	\$	1,296	\$	_	\$	1,657	
Multi-family residential		336,229		335,984		245		_		_		245	
Land development and construction loans		483,210		479,091		4,119		_		_		4,119	
		2,497,912		2,491,891		4,725		1,296		_		6,021	
Single-family residential		1,528,080		1,512,536		2,816		4,668		8,060		15,544	
Owner occupied		1,007,074		995,443		6,196		336		5,099		11,631	
		5,033,066		4,999,870		13,737		6,300		13,159		33,196	
Commercial loans		1,751,902		1,732,409		12,608		1,362		5,523		19,493	
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances		170,435		170,435		_		_		_		_	
Consumer loans and overdrafts		273,008		269,761		1,984		1,255		8		3,247	
	\$	7,228,411	\$	7,172,475	\$	28,329	\$	8,917	\$	18,690	\$	55,936	

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Nonaccrual status

The following tables present the amortized cost basis of loans on nonaccrual status and loans past due over 90 days and still accruing as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

	As of September 30, 2025										
(in thousands)		Nonaccrual Loans With No Related Allowance		onaccrual Loans With Related Allowance	Total Nonaccrual Loans	Loans Past Due Over 90 Days and Still Accruing					
Real estate loans											
Commercial real estate											
Nonowner occupied	\$	4,109	\$	265	\$ 4,374	\$ —					
Multi-family residential		7,018		_	7,018	_					
Land development and construction loans		19,577		_	19,577	_					
		30,704		265	30,969	_					
Single-family residential		3,115		5,723	8,838	_					
Owner occupied		12,737		2,550	15,287	_					
		46,556		8,538	55,094						
Commercial loans		31,667		35,414	67,081	1,392					
Consumer loans and overdrafts		725		_	725						
Total	\$	78,948	\$	43,952	\$ 122,900	\$ 1,392					

	As of December 31, 2024										
(in thousands)		Nonaccrual Loans With No Related Allowance		rual Loans With ted Allowance Total	Nonaccrual Loans	Loans Past Due Over 90 Days and Still Accruing					
Real estate loans											
Commercial real estate											
Land development and construction loans	\$	4,119	\$	— \$	4,119	\$					
		4,119		_	4,119	_					
Single-family residential		73		8,067	8,140	1,201					
Owner occupied		21,710		1,481	23,191	837					
		25,902		9,548	35,450	2,038					
Commercial loans		46,822		17,750	64,572	2,033					
Consumer loans and overdrafts		_		_	_	8					
Total	\$	72,724	\$	27,298 \$	100,022	\$ 4,079					

The Company did not recognize any interest income on nonaccrual loans during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024.

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b) Loans held for sale

Loans held for sale consist of the following loan classes:

(in thousands)	September 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Mortgage loans held for sale at fair value		
Land development and construction loans	_	10,768
Single-family residential	<u> </u>	32,143
Total mortgage loans held for sale at fair value (1)(2)		42,911

⁽¹⁾ Loans held for sale in connection with Amerant Mortgage's ongoing business.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the Company transferred a \$40.6 million commercial loan from held for investment to held for sale and transferred it back to held for investment. The Company sold this loan in September 2025 and recognized a loss on sale of \$0.9 million. Additionally, in the first nine months of 2025, the Company transferred approximately \$6.9 million in construction mortgage loans and \$2.0 million in single family residential mortgage loans from held for sale to held for investment.

c) Concentration of risk

While seeking diversification of our loan portfolio, the Company is dependent mostly on the economic conditions that affect South Florida, the greater Tampa, Houston and the five New York City boroughs. At September 30, 2025, our commercial real estate loans held for investment based in Florida, Houston, New York and other regions were \$2.0 billion, \$152 million, \$157 million and \$232 million, respectively.

d) Accrued interest receivable on loans

Accrued interest receivable on total loans, including loans held for investment and held for sale, was \$29.7 million and \$40.4 million as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Excludes accrued interest receivable.

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5. Allowance for Credit Losses

The analyses by loan segment of the changes in the Allowance for Credit Losses, or ACL, for loans for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024 is summarized in the following tables:

		Three	e Mo	onths Ended September 30,	, 2025		
(in thousands)	Real Estate	Commercial		Financial Institutions		Consumer and Others	Total
Balance at beginning of the period	\$ 23,056	\$ 40,048	\$	_	\$	23,415	\$ 86,519
Provision for (reversal of) credit losses - loans	2,519	12,778		_		(47)	15,250
Loans charged-off	(1,268)	(6,244)		_		(2,024)	(9,536)
Recoveries	77	1,876		_		732	2,685
Balance at end of the period	\$ 24,384	\$ 48,458	\$	_	\$	22,076	\$ 94,918

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025												
(in thousands)	Real Estate		Commercial		Financial Institutions		Consumer and Others		Total				
Balance at beginning of the period	\$ 16,668	\$	44,732	\$	_	\$	23,563	\$	84,963				
Provision for credit losses - loans	8,889		22,907		_		4,210		36,006				
Loans charged-off	(1,268)		(24,701)		_		(7,526)		(33,495)				
Recoveries	 95		5,520				1,829		7,444				
Balance at end of the period	\$ 24,384	\$	48,458	\$		\$	22,076	\$	94,918				

	Three months ended September 30, 2024												
(in thousands)	Real Estate		Commercial		Financial Institutions		Consumer and Others		Total				
Balance at beginning of the period	\$ 19,064	\$	52,143	\$		\$	23,193	\$	94,400				
(Reversal of) provision for credit losses - loans	(2,126)		16,234		_		3,762		17,870				
Loans charged-off	_		(31,416)		_		(4,175)		(35,591)				
Recoveries	15		1,944		_		1,252		3,211				
Balance at end of the period	\$ 16,953	\$	38,905	\$	_	\$	24,032	\$	79,890				

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024

(in thousands)	 Real Estate	Commercial	Financial Institutions	Consumer and Others	Total
Balance at beginning of the period	\$ 25,876	\$ 41,809	\$ _	\$ 27,819	\$ 95,504
(Reversal of) provision for credit losses - loans	(8,383)	41,465	_	14,838	47,920
Loans charged-off	(591)	(47,294)	_	(21,122)	(69,007)
Recoveries	51	2,925	_	2,497	5,473
Balance at end of the period	\$ 16,953	\$ 38,905	\$ _	\$ 24,032	\$ 79,890

The ACL was determined utilizing a reasonable and supportable forecast period. The ACL was determined using a weighted-average of various economic scenarios provided by a third-party and incorporated qualitative components. There have not been material changes in our policies and methodology to estimate the ACL in the nine months ended September 30, 2025.

The ACL increased by \$10.0 million, or 11.7% at September 30, 2025, compared to December 31, 2024. The ACL as a percentage of total loans held for investment was 1.37% at September 30, 2025 compared to 1.18% at December 31, 2024. The increase in the ACL during the period included a provision for credit losses on loans in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, which was partially offset by net charge-offs.

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In the third quarter of 2025, the provision for credit losses on loans was comprised of \$7.8 million in additional specific reserves, \$8.9 million to cover charge-offs, and \$3.6 million due to credit quality and macro-economic factors. This was partially offset by a release of \$2.3 million due to the reduction in loan balances and \$2.7 million due to recoveries.

In the first nine months of 2025, the provision for credit losses on loans included \$21.9 million for specific reserves, \$18.8 million to cover net charge-offs, and \$4.7 million due to model adjustments for macroeconomic factors, and \$2.5 million due to credit quality and other macroeconomic updates. This was partially offset by releases of \$4.6 million due to lower loan balances and \$7.5 million due to recoveries.

The following is a summary of net proceeds from sales of loans held for investment by portfolio segment:

	Three Months Ended September 30,													
(in thousands)	 Real Estate		Commercial		Financial Institutions		Consumer and others		Total					
2025	\$ _	\$	30,493	\$	_	\$	3,264	\$	33,757					
2024	\$ 28,656	\$	6,960	\$	_	\$	_	\$	35,616					

	 Nine Months Ended September 30,												
(in thousands)	Real Estate		Commercial		Financial Institutions		Consumer and others		Total				
2025	\$ 4,025	\$	43,168	\$	_	\$	11,147	\$	58,340				
2024	\$ 30,424	\$	72,588	\$	_	\$		\$	103,012				

In the third quarter of 2025, the Company sold one Substandard owner occupied loan with an outstanding balance of \$30.4 million at the time of sale and recognized a loss of \$0.9 million in connection with the transaction.

In the second quarter of 2025, the Company sold a participation in a Quick Service Restaurant ("QSR")-related loan with carrying value of \$6.9 million and ACL of \$4.8 million as of March 31, 2025. Proceeds from the sale were \$2.2 million which resulted in a charge off against the ACL of \$4.8 million in the second quarter 2025.

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Loan Modifications to Borrowers Experiencing Financial Difficulty

The Company modifies loans related to borrowers experiencing financial difficulties by providing multiple types of concessions. Typically, one type of concession, such as a term extension, is granted initially. If the borrower continues to experience financial difficulty, another concession, such as principal forgiveness, may be granted.

The Company had no new loan modifications to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024. There were no modified loans that defaulted in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024 and had been modified within the 12 months preceding the payment default.

As of September 30, 2025, there were no outstanding balances related to loan modifications to borrowers experiencing financial difficulties compared to \$9.4 million as of December 31, 2024. The \$9.4 million as of December 31, 2024 was related to one commercial nonaccrual loan that was paid off in the second quarter of 2025.

Credit Risk Quality

The sufficiency of the ACL is reviewed at least quarterly by the Deputy Chief Credit Officer and the Chief Financial Officer. The Board of Directors considers the ACL as part of its review of the Company's consolidated financial statements. As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company believes the ACL to be sufficient to absorb expected credit losses in the loans portfolio in accordance with GAAP.

Loans may be classified but not considered collateral dependent due to one of the following reasons: (1) the Company has established minimum dollar amount thresholds for individual assessment of expected credit losses, which results in loans under those thresholds being excluded from individual assessment of expected credit losses; and (2) classified loans may be considered in the assessment because the Company expects to collect all amounts due.

As part of the on-going monitoring of the credit quality of the Company's loan portfolio, management tracks certain credit quality indicators including trends related primarily to (i) the risk rating of loans, (ii) the loan payment status, (iii) net charge-offs, (iv) nonperforming loans and (v) the general economic conditions in the main geographies where the Company's borrowers conduct their businesses. The Company considers the views of its regulators as to loan classification and in the process of estimating expected credit losses.

The Company utilizes an internal risk rating system to identify the risk characteristics of each of its loans, or group of homogeneous loans such as consumer loans. Internal risk ratings are updated on a continuous basis on a scale from 1 (worst credit quality) to 10 (best credit quality). Loans are then grouped in five master risk categories for purposes of monitoring rising levels of potential loss risks and to enable the activation of collection or recovery processes as defined in the Company's Credit Risk Policy. Internal risk ratings are considered the most meaningful indicator of credit quality for commercial loans. Generally, internal risk ratings for commercial real estate loans and commercial loans with balances over \$3 million are updated at least annually and more frequently if circumstances indicate that a change in risk rating may be warranted. For consumer loans, single-family residential loans and smaller commercial loans under \$3 million, risk ratings are updated based on the loans past due status. The following is a summary of the master risk categories and their associated loan risk ratings, as well as a description of the general characteristics of the master risk category:

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	Loan Risk Rating
Master risk category	
Nonclassified	4 to 10
Classified	1 to 3
Substandard	3
Doubtful	2
Loss	1

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Nonclassified

This category includes loans considered as Pass (5-10) and Special Mention (4). A loan classified as Pass is considered of sufficient quality to preclude a lower adverse rating. These loans are generally well protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the borrower or by the value of any collateral received. Special Mention loans are defined as having potential weaknesses that deserve management's close attention which, if left uncorrected, could potentially result in further credit deterioration. Special Mention loans may include loans originated with certain credit weaknesses or that developed those weaknesses since their origination.

Classified

This classification indicates the presence of credit weaknesses which could make loan repayment unlikely, such as partial or total late payments and other contractual defaults.

Substandard

A loan classified substandard is inadequately protected by the sound worth and paying capacity of the borrower or the collateral pledged. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Company will sustain some loss if the credit weaknesses are not corrected. Loss potential, while existing in the aggregate amount of substandard loans, does not have to exist in individual assets.

Doubtful

These loans have all the weaknesses inherent in a loan classified as substandard with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions, and values, highly questionable and improbable. These are poor quality loans in which neither the collateral, if any, nor the financial condition of the borrower presently ensure collection in full in a reasonable period of time. As a result, the possibility of loss is extremely high.

Loss

Loans classified as loss are considered uncollectible and of such little value that the continuance as bankable assets is not warranted. This classification does not mean that the assets have absolutely no recovery or salvage value, but not to the point where a write-off should be deferred even though partial recoveries may occur in the future. This classification is based upon current facts, not probabilities. As a result, loans in this category should be promptly charged off in the period in which they are determined to be uncollectible.

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Loans held for investment by Credit Quality Indicators

The following tables present Loans held for investment by credit quality indicators and year of origination as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

	September 30, 2025													
			Term Amortized Cost Basi	Loans s by Origination Yea	r									
(in thousands)	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	Prior	Revolving Loans Amortized Cost Basis	Total						
Real estate loans				-	_			•						
Commercial real estate														
Nonowner occupied														
Credit Risk Rating:														
Nonclassified														
Pass	\$ 245,368	\$ 317,985	\$ 114,196	\$ 116,367	\$ 309,234	\$ 345,866	\$ 111,474	\$ 1,560,490						
Special Mention		19,855				28,033	5,396	53,284						
Classified														
Substandard	_	3,087	1,022	27,383	_	10,914	_	42,406						
Doubtful	_				_		_							
Loss	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_						
Total Nonowner occupied	245,368	340,927	115,218	143,750	309,234	384,813	116,870	1,656,180						
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Multi-family residential														
Credit Risk Rating:														
Nonclassified	10.002	15 (22	1.400	(()	00.022	117.177	22.022	222.020						
Pass	18,902	15,639	1,492	66,975	80,023	116,166	33,023	332,220						
Special Mention	_	_	_	_	_	_	_							
Classified														
Substandard	_	22,413	_	_	_	7,017	_	29,430						
Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_						
Loss														
Total Multi-family residential	18,902	38,052	1,492	66,975	80,023	123,183	33,023	361,650						
Land development and construction loans														
Credit Risk Rating:														
Nonclassified														
Pass	112,573	199,453	43,362	_	3,109	34,474	128,220	521,191						
Special Mention		3,959		_				3,959						
Classified								· ·						
Substandard	_	_	19,577	_	_	_	_	19,577						
Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_	_	_							
Loss	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_						
Total land development and construction loans	112,573	203,412	62,939	_	3,109	34,474	128,220	544,727						
		,	. ,		-,		-, -	. ,						
Single-family residential														
Credit Risk Rating:														
Nonclassified	110.072	200.057	204.240	2// 71/	120 717	120 114	210.452	1.541.260						
Pass	110,073	290,857	204,340	366,716	120,717	130,114	318,452	1,541,269						
Special Mention	_	_	_	_	738	_	_	738						
Classified		1.101	1.040	2.245	40.4	2.245	1.654	0.515						
Substandard	_	1,101	1,048	2,245	404	2,245	1,674	8,717						
Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_	_	=	_						
Loss														
Total Single-family residential	110,073	291,958	205,388	368,961	121,859	132,359	320,126	1,550,724						
Owner occupied														
Credit Risk Rating:														
Nonclassified														
Pass	78,650	161,425	93,596	145,408	183,284	121,659	36,124	820,146						
Special Mention	_	27,101		3,616	3,802	10,846	_	45,365						
Classified														
Substandard	_	18,046	760	12,461	836	492	2,490	35,085						
Doubtful	_		_		_	_	´-							
Loss	_	_	_	_	_	_		_						
Total owner occupied	78,650	206,572	94,356	161,485	187,922	132,997	38,614	900,596						
10ml 0 mer occupied	73,030	200,372	, ,,,,,,,,	101,703	107,722	132,771	30,014	,00,570						

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September 30, 2025	
igination Year	

	Term Loans Amortized Cost Basis by Origination Year														
(in thousands)		2025		2024 202		2023	2023 2022			2021 Prior				Revolving Loans Amortized Cost Basis	Total
Non-real estate loans															
Commercial Loans															
Credit Risk Rating:															
Nonclassified															
Pass	\$	162,743	\$	288,602	\$	132,158	\$	67,035	\$	8,006	\$	27,144	\$	607,188	\$ 1,292,876
Special Mention		16,503		59,371		5,854		6,758		61		_		32,450	120,997
Classified															
Substandard		2,276		4,658		30,495		16,432		14,877		4,028		33,139	105,905
Doubtful		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Loss		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Total commercial Loans		181,522		352,631		168,507		90,225		22,944		31,172		672,777	1,519,778
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances															
Credit Risk Rating:															
Nonclassified															
Pass		4,981		107,789		_		_		_		_		52,204	164,974
Special Mention		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Classified															
Substandard		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Doubtful		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	
Loss		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Total loans to financial institutions and acceptances		4,981		107,789		_		_		_		_		52,204	164,974
Consumer loans															
Credit Risk Rating:															
Nonclassified															
Pass		7,796		18,360		10,031		48,014		6,536		766		150,935	242,438
Special Mention												_			
Classified															
Substandard		_		_		75		589		61		_		_	725
Doubtful		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Loss		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Total consumer loans and overdrafts		7,796		18,360		10,106		48,603		6,597		766		150,935	243,163
Total loans held for investment, gross	\$	759,865	\$	1,559,701	\$	658,006	S	879,999	\$	731,688	\$	839,764	\$	1,512,769	\$ 6,941,792

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December 31, 2024

Term Loans

(in thousands)	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	Prior	Revolving Loans Amortized Cost Basis	Total
Real estate loans								
Commercial real estate								
Nonowner occupied								
Credit Risk Rating:								
Nonclassified								
Pass	\$ 372,893 \$	145,462	\$ 183,099	\$ 373,673	\$ 31,878	\$ 448,365	\$ 101,312 \$	1,656,682
Special Mention			_		_	361		361
Classified								
Substandard	_	_	_	21,430	_	_	_	21,430
Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Loss	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total Nonowner occupied	372,893	145,462	183,099	395,103	31,878	448,726	101,312	1,678,473
Multi-family residential			<u> </u>	·	•	•		
Credit Risk Rating:								
Nonclassified								
Pass	45,528	1,832	69,729	83,120	5,804	129,559	657	336,229
Special Mention	45,526	1,032	0,,12)	05,120		127,557		550,227
Classified								
Substandard	_	_	_	_	_		_	_
Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Loss								
Total Multi-family residential	45,528	1,832	69,729	83,120	5,804	129,559	657	336,229
·	43,326	1,032	09,729	65,120	3,004	129,339	657	330,229
Land development and construction loans								
Credit Risk Rating:								
Nonclassified								
Pass	177,239	86,527	4,288	37,596	9,469	26,974	136,998	479,091
Special Mention	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Classified								
Substandard	_	_	_	_	_	_	4,119	4,119
Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Loss		_	_	_	_			_
Total land development and construction loans	177,239	86,527	4,288	37,596	9,469	26,974	141,117	483,210
Single-family residential								
Credit Risk Rating:								
Nonclassified								
Pass	375,340	268,959	394,786	126,639	49,853	74,404	228,661	1,518,642
Special Mention	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Classified								
Substandard	_	742	4,575	_	43	1,287	2,791	9,438
Doubtful	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Loss	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total Single-family residential	375,340	269,701	399,361	126,639	49,896	75,691	231,452	1,528,080
Owner occupied								
Credit Risk Rating:								
Nonclassified								
Pass	214,385	123,111	165,681	228,801	24,751	165,873	14,549	937,151
Special Mention						5,047	-	5,047
Classified						-,/		-,-,,
Substandard	_	49,449	9,951	992	_	1,874	2,610	64,876
Doubtful	_				_	-,-/-	_,010	,070
Loss	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total owner occupied	214,385	172,560	175,632	229,793	24,751	172,794	17,159	1,007,074
Total office becapied	217,505	172,500	175,032	227,173	27,731	1/2,//9	17,139	1,007,074

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December 31, 2024 ortized Cost Basis by Origination Year

Reging the state of t		Term Loans Amortized Cost Basis by Origination Year													
Commercial Leans Commercial Leans Credit Risk Rating Capacital Cans Credit Risk Rating Capacital Cans Capacital Capacit	(in thousands)	 2024	2023		202	22	20	021		2020		Prior			Total
Credit Risk Rating		 		_									_		
Nonclassified Pass S S S S S S S S S															
Pass Sos,879 Sos,247 Sos,247															
Special Mention	-														
Classified	Pass	\$ 565,879	\$ 322	,047	\$	144,910	\$	43,603	\$	2,117	\$	34,807	\$	571,934	\$ 1,685,297
Substandard	Special Mention			_		_		_				_		_	_
Doubtful	Classified														
Closs Clos	Substandard	_	1	,561		16,566		91		94		9,463		32,830	66,605
Total commercial Loans 565,879 329,608 161,476 43,694 2,211 44,270 604,764 1,751,902 Loans to financial institutions and acceptances Credit Risk Rating: Pass 156,935 - - - 13,500 - 170,435 Special Mention - - - - - - - - Classified - - - - - - - Substandard - - - - - - - - Loss - - - - - - - Loss - - - - - - Total loans to financial institutions and acceptances 156,935 - - - - - - - Total special Rating: - - - - - - - - Total special Rating: - - - - - - - Total loans to financial institutions and acceptances 156,935 - - - - - - - - Total special Rating: - - - - - - - - Pass Special Mention - - - - - - - - - Pass Special Mention - - - - - - - - -	Doubtful	_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
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Special Mention	Nonclassified														
Classified Substandard		156,935		_		_		_		_		13,500		_	170,435
Substandard		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
Doubtful															
Loss		_		_		_		_		_		_		_	_
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Special Mention — — — — — — — — — — — — 8 B —	Nonclassified														
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	Total loans held for investment, gross	\$ 1,976,496	\$ 1,022	,061	\$ 1,	,082,086	\$	933,502	\$	126,613	\$	911,514	\$	1,176,139	\$ 7,228,411

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The following tables present gross charge-offs by year of origination for the periods presented:

			Term	Loans Charge-	offs by	Origination Y	ear			_		
(in thousands)	2025	2024		2023		2022	2021	Prior	Revolving Charge		-	Total
Quarter-To-Date Gross Charge-offs										_		
Real estate loans												
Commercial real estate												
Nonowner occupied	\$ _	s —	\$	_	\$	_	\$	\$	\$	_	\$	_
Multi-family residential	_	_		_		_	_	1,268		_		1,268
Land development and construction loans	_	_		_		_	_	_		_		_
						_		1,268		_		1,268
Single-family residential	_	_		_		33	_	_		_		33
Owner occupied	_	_		_		_	_	_		_		_
						33		1,268		_		1,301
Commercial loans	_	1,779		1,611		62	123	2,669		_		6,244
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances	_	_		_		_	_	_		_		_
Consumer loans and overdrafts	188	_		96		1,088	542	77		_		1,991
Total Quarter-To-Date Gross Charge-Offs	\$ 188	\$ 1,779	\$	1,707	\$	1,183	\$ 665	\$ 4,014	\$	_	\$	9,536

		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025														
(in thousands)		Term Loans Charge-offs by Origination Year														
		2025		2024		2023		2022	2021		Prior		Revolving Loans Charge-Offs			Total
Year-To-Date Gross Charge-offs																
Real estate loans																
Commercial real estate																
Nonowner occupied	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Multi-family residential		_		_		_		_		_		1,268		_		1,268
Land development and construction loans		_		_		_		_		_		_		_		_
		_										1,268		_		1,268
Single-family residential		_		_		141		55		15		38		_		249
Owner occupied		_		_		_		_		_		130		_		130
	<u> </u>			_		141		55		15		1,436		_		1,647
Commercial loans		_		2,058		6,732		11,960		386		3,435		_		24,571
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances		_		_		_		_		_		_		_		_
Consumer loans and overdrafts		476		8		693		4,605		1,284		211		_		7,277
Total Year-To-Date Gross Charge-Offs	\$	476	\$	2,066	\$	7,566	\$	16,620	\$	1,685	\$	5,082	\$	_	\$	33,495

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Three Months Ended September 30, 2024 Term Loans Charge-offs by Origination Year Revolving Loans Charge-Offs 2023 Prior (in thousands) 2024 2022 2021 2020 Total Quarter-To-Date Gross Charge-offs Real estate loans Commercial real estate \$ \$ Nonowner occupied Multi-family residential Land development and construction loans Single-family residential Owner occupied Commercial loans 5,345 15,046 68 36 10,921 31,416 Loans to financial institutions and acceptances 51 2,876 741 28 4,175 358 121 Consumer loans and overdrafts Total Quarter-To-Date Gross Charge-Offs 51 5,703 17,922 809 157 10,949 35,591

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024														
(in thousands)		Term Loans Charge-offs by Origination Year													
	2024		2023		2022	2022		2020	Prior	Revolving Loans Charge-Offs		Total			
Year-To-Date Gross Charge-offs															
Real estate loans															
Commercial real estate															
Nonowner occupied	\$	_	\$	— §		\$	_	s —	s —	\$ —	\$	_			
Multi-family residential		_		_	_		_	_	591	_		591			
Land development and construction loans		_		_	_		_	_	_	_		_			
		_		_			_		591	_		591			
Single-family residential		_		_	_		_	_	_	_		_			
Owner occupied		_		_	_		_	_	_	_		_			
		_		_	_				591			591			
Commercial loans		173	6	,133	29,327		305	157	11,199	_		47,294			
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances		_		_	_		_	_	_	_					
Consumer loans and overdrafts		185		943	14,300		4,669	680	345	_		21,122			
Total Year-To-Date Gross Charge-Offs	\$	358	\$ 7	,076 \$	43,627	\$	4,974	\$ 837	\$ 12,135	\$ —	\$	69,007			

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Collateral - Dependent Loans

Loans are considered collateral-dependent when the repayment of the loan is expected to be provided by the sale or operation of the underlying collateral. The Company performs an individual evaluation as part of the process of calculating the allowance for credit losses related to these loans. The following tables present the amortized cost basis of collateral dependent loans related to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty by type of collateral as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

As of September 30, 2025 Collateral Type

			рс			
Commer	cial Real Estate	Residenti	al Real Estate	Other	Total	Specific Reserves
\$	42,141	\$	_ 5	\$	\$ 42,141	\$ —
	29,430		_	_	29,430	_
	19,590			<u> </u>	19,590	
	91,161		_	_	91,161	_
	_		_	_	_	_
	29,218		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	29,218	
	120,379		_	_	120,379	_
	5,386		_	29,578	34,964	4,793
\$	125,765	\$	_ 9	\$ 29,578	\$ 155,343	\$ 4,793
	6	29,430 19,590 91,161 — 29,218 120,379 5,386	\$ 42,141 \$ 29,430	\$ 42,141 \$ — \$ 29,430 — 19,590 — 91,161 — — — — 29,218 — 120,379 — 5,386 —	\$ 42,141 \$ - \$ - 29,430 19,590 91,161 29,218 120,379 5,386 - 29,578	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

⁽¹⁾ Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 85.5% at September 30, 2025.

As of December 31, 2024

(in thousands)	Commercial Real Estate		Residential	Real Estate	Other		Other		Specific Reserves	
Real estate loans			·							
Commercial real estate										
Nonowner occupied (1)	\$	21,430	\$	_	\$	4,992	\$	26,422	\$	_
Land development and construction loans (2)		4,121		_		_		4,121		_
		25,551				4,992		30,543		_
Single-family residential (3)		_		67		_		67		_
Owner occupied (4)		63,111		_		_		63,111		_
		88,662		67		4,992		93,721		_
Commercial loans		_		_		62,572		62,572		2,105
Total	\$	88,662	\$	67	\$	67,564	\$	156,293	\$	2,105

⁽¹⁾ Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 64.8% at December 31, 2024.

Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 49.1% at September 30, 2025.
 Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 32.1% at September 30, 2025.

⁽⁴⁾ Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 52.8% at September 30, 2025.

⁽²⁾ Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 67.0% at December 31, 2024.

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- (3) Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 22.3% at December 31, 2024.
- (4) Weighted-average loan-to-value was approximately 67.5% at December 31, 2024.

Collateral dependent loans are evaluated on an individual basis for purposes of determining expected credit losses. For collateral-dependent loans where the borrower is experiencing financial difficulty and the Company expects repayment of the financial asset to be provided substantially through the operation or sale of the collateral, the ACL is measured based on the difference between the fair value of the collateral and the amortized cost basis of the loan as of the measurement date. When repayment is expected to be from the operation of the collateral, expected credit losses are calculated as the amount by which the amortized cost basis of the loan exceeds the present value of expected cash flows from the operation of the collateral. When repayment is expected to be from the sale of the collateral, expected credit losses are calculated as the amount by which the amortized cost basis of the loan exceeds the fair value of the underlying collateral less estimated costs to sell. The ACL may be zero if the fair value of the collateral at the measurement date exceeds the amortized cost basis of the loan.

Other Individually Evaluated Loans

As of September 30, 2025, as part of the process of calculating the ACL, in addition to collateral dependent loans, the Company evaluated individually \$72.6 million and \$2.5 million in commercial and owner occupied loans, respectively, primarily in the restaurant, transportation, healthcare, real estate industries, in addition to collateral dependent loans (\$7.2 million in a commercial loan in the restaurant industry as of December 31, 2024). As of September 30, 2025, the ACL on these loans was \$7.8 million. As of December 31, 2024, the ACL on the \$7.2 million commercial loan was not significant.

6. Time Deposits

Time deposits in denominations of \$100,000 or more amounted to approximately \$1.3 billion at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. Time deposits in denominations of more than \$250,000 amounted to approximately \$746 million and \$731 million at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, brokered time deposits amounted to \$550 million and \$702 million, respectively.

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Large Time Deposits by Maturity

The following table sets forth the maturities of our time deposits with individual balances equal to or greater than \$100,000 as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

	September	r 30, 2025	Decemb	er 31, 2024
(in thousands, except percentages)				
Less than 3 months	\$ 513,088	40.1 %	\$ 386,857	30.4 %
3 to 6 months	366,766	28.7 %	349,673	27.5 %
6 to 12 months	336,339	26.3 %	464,812	36.6 %
1 to 3 years	48,426	3.8 %	53,745	4.2 %
Over 3 years	 14,850	1.1 %	15,386	1.3 %
Total	\$ 1,279,469	100.0 %	\$1,270,473	100.0 %

7. Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had outstanding advances from the FHLB as follows:

				Outstanding Balance							
Year of Maturity	Interest Rate	Interest Rate Type	Se	ptember 30, 2025		December 31, 2024					
				(in tho	usands)	_					
2025	4.33%	Variable	\$	20,000	\$	_					
2025	4.44%	Fixed		_		30,000					
2026	3.78% to 4.90%	Fixed		80,000		10,000					
2027	3.77% to 4.89%	Fixed		20,000		200,000					
2028	4.05% to 4.40%	Fixed		206,699		_					
2029	3.54% to 4.45%	Fixed		505,000		505,000					
Total (1)			\$	831,699	\$	745,000					

⁽¹⁾ As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, includes advances from the FHLB with quarterly callable features totaling \$435.0 million, with fixed interest rates ranging from 3.54% to 3.76%, and maturing in 2029.

In the third quarter of 2025, the Company restructured \$210.0 million of its fixed-rate FHLB advances. This restructuring consisted of changing the original maturity at lower interest rates. The new maturity for each contract was approximately 3 years, consistent with their original maturity. The Company incurred an early termination and modification penalty of \$3.4 million which was deferred and is being amortized over the term of the new advances, as an adjustment to the yields. In each of the third quarter and first nine months of 2025, the Company recognized \$0.1 million, included as part of interest expense, as a result of this amortization. The modifications were not considered a substantial modification in accordance with GAAP.

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8. **Derivative Instruments**

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the notional amounts and fair values of the Company's derivative instruments were as follows:

		September 3	0, 2025		December 31, 2024							
(in thousands)	Number of contracts	Notional Amounts	Other Assets	Other Liabilities	Number of contracts	Notional Amounts	Other Assets	Other Liabilities				
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments												
Interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges	6	\$ 114,178	\$ 423	\$ —	6	\$ 114,178	\$ 137	\$ 81				
Customer Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments												
Interest rate swaps:												
Customers	149	1,463,303	19,669	19,937	131	1,309,781	4,300	42,194				
Third party broker	149	1,463,303	19,937	19,669	131	1,309,781	42,194	4,300				
	298	2,926,606	39,606	39,606	262	2,619,562	46,494	46,494				
Credit risk participation agreements	13	157,096			11	112,010						
Interest rate caps:												
Customers	6	104,109	_	291	7	131,251	_	932				
Third party broker	6	104,109	291	_	7	131,251	932	_				
	12	208,218	291	291	14	262,502	932	932				
Economic hedges:												
Forward to be announced (MBS)	2	118,700	508					_				
Mortgage derivatives:												
Forward to be announced (MBS)	_	_	_	_	1	25,000	_	59				
Interest rate lock commitments	_	_	_	_	60	30,081	301	46				
Mortgage loan forward contracts	_	_	_	_	16	29,000	147	3				
_	_				77	84,081	448	108				
Total derivatives not designated as hedging instruments	325	\$ 3,410,620	\$ 40,405	\$ 39,897	364	\$ 3,078,155	\$ 47,874	\$ 47,534				
Total derivative instruments	331	\$ 3,524,798	\$ 40,828	\$ 39,897	370	\$ 3,192,333	\$ 48,011	\$ 47,615				

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Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments

Interest Rate Swaps On Debt Instruments

The Company enters into interest rate swap contracts on debt instruments which the Company designates and qualifies as cash flow hedges. These interest rate swaps are designed as cash flow hedges to manage the exposure that arises from differences in the amount of the Company's known or expected cash receipts and the known or expected cash payments on designated debt instruments. These interest rate swap contracts involve the Company's payment of fixed-rate amounts in exchange for the Company receiving variable-rate payments over the life of the contracts without exchange of the underlying notional amount.

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had five interest rate swap contracts with notional amounts totaling \$64.2 million. These contracts were designated as cash flow hedges to manage the exposure of variable rate interest payments on all of the Company's outstanding variable-rate junior subordinated debentures with principal amounts at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024 totaling \$64.2 million. The Company expects these interest rate swaps to be highly effective in offsetting the effects of changes in interest rates on cash flows associated with the Company's variable-rate junior subordinated debentures. The Company recognized unrealized gains of \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and unrealized gains of \$0.2 million and \$0.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, in connection with these interest rate swap contracts, which were included as part of interest expense on junior subordinated debentures in the Company's consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive income.

In the third quarter of 2025, two of the five interest rate swap contracts disclosed above, with a total notional amount of \$41.3 million, matured and were renewed. Additionally, in October 2025, two contracts with a total notional amount of \$14.7 million matured and were renewed. Furthermore, in October 2025, the remaining contract, with a notional amount of \$8.2 million, matured and was redesignated. The new maturity of each contract is 4 years. The redesignation of the \$8.2 million contract in October 2025 had no material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In 2019, the Company terminated 16 interest rate swaps that had been designated as cash flow hedges of variable rate interest payments on the outstanding and expected rollover of variable-rate advances from the FHLB. The Company is recognizing the contracts' cumulative net unrealized gains of \$8.9 million in earnings over the remaining original life of the terminated interest rate swaps ranging between one month and seven years. The Company recognizes a reduction of interest expense on FHLB advances as a result of this amortization. As of September 30, 2025, the remaining cumulative net unrealized gains related to these interest rate swaps was \$0.7 million.

Interest Rate Swaps On Loans

As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had one interest rate swap contract with a notional amount of \$50.0 million. In the second quarter of 2025, this contract matured and was renewed for another 2 years. The Company designates this interest rate swap contract as a cash flow hedge to manage interest rate risk exposure on variable rate interest receipts on the first \$50 million principal balance of a pool of loans. This interest rate swap contract involves the Company's payment of variable-rate amounts in exchange for the Company receiving fixed-rate payments over the life of the contract without exchange of the underlying notional amount. Unrealized losses on these instruments are included as part of interest income on loans in the Company's consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive income.

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Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

a) Customer related positions

The Company offers certain derivatives products, including interest rate swaps and caps, directly to qualified commercial banking customers to facilitate their risk management strategies. The Company partially offsets its exposure to interest rate swaps and caps by entering similar derivative contracts with various third-party brokers.

Interest Rate Swaps

Interest rate swap contracts involve the Company's payment of variable-rate amounts to customers in exchange for the Company receiving fixed-rate payments from customers over the life of the contracts without exchange of the underlying notional amount.

The Company enters into swap participation agreements with other financial institutions to manage the credit risk exposure on certain interest rate swaps with customers. Under these agreements, the Company, as the beneficiary or guarantor, will receive or make payments from/to the counterparty if the borrower defaults on the related interest rate swap contract. The notional amount of these agreements is based on the Company's pro-rata share of the related interest rate swap contracts.

Interest Rate Caps

Interest rate cap contracts involve the Company making payments if an interest rate exceeds the agreed strike price.

b) Economic Hedges

The Company enters into forward sale contracts to effectively offset changes in market valuation on the trading securities portfolio. These forward sale contracts are the commitment to sell To-Be-Announced ("TBA") mortgage-backed securities on a specific future date. At December 31, 2024, there were no derivatives classified as economic hedges. In each of the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, the net unrealized loss on these instruments was \$1.4 million and \$3.2 million, respectively. This amount was included in derivative losses, net in the Company's consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive income.

c) Mortgage Derivatives

The Company enters into interest rate lock commitments and forward sale contracts to manage the risk exposure in the mortgage banking area. Interest rate lock commitments guarantee the funding of residential mortgage loans originated for sale, at specified interest rates and times in the future. Forward sale contracts consist of commitments to deliver mortgage loans, originated and/or purchased, in the secondary market at a future date. A separate type of forward sale contracts are the commitment to sell To-Be-Announced ("TBA") mortgage-backed securities on a specific future date. In the three months ended September 30, 2025, the change in fair value of these instruments was not significant. In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the change in the fair value of these instruments was an unrealized loss of \$0.3 million. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the change in the fair value of these instruments was unrealized gain of \$0.3 million and \$0.7 million, respectively. These amounts were recorded as part of other noninterest income in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income.

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Credit Risk-Related Contingent Features

Some agreements may require the Company to pledge securities as collateral when the valuation of the interest rate swap derivative contracts fall below a certain amount. At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, there were \$9.2 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, in securities pledged as collateral for interest rate swaps in a liability position. Additionally, most of our derivative arrangements with counterparties require the posting of collateral upon meeting certain net exposure thresholds. As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had cash held as collateral for derivatives margin calls of \$5.9 million and \$23.5 million, respectively. *See* Note 2 "Interest Earning Deposits with Banks, Other Short-Term Investments and Restricted Cash" for additional information about cash held as collateral.

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9. Income Taxes

The Company uses an estimated annual effective tax rate method in computing its interim tax provision. This effective tax rate is based on forecasted annual consolidated pre-tax income, permanent tax differences and statutory tax rates. Under this method, the tax effect of certain items that do not meet the definition of ordinary income or expense are computed and recognized as discrete items when they occur.

The effective combined federal and state tax rates for the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024 were 22.60% and 22.50%, respectively. Effective tax rates differ from the statutory rates mainly due to the impact of forecasted permanent non-taxable interest and other income, forecasted permanent non-deductible expenses, and the effect of corporate state taxes.

Legislative Developments

On July 4, 2025, federal legislation generally referred to as H.R. 1 - One Big Beautiful Bill Act (the "Act") was signed into law. The Act includes a variety of tax provisions including permanently extending and modifying certain key aspects of existing tax law. U.S. GAAP requires the effects of changes in tax laws and rates to be recognized in its financial statements in the period in which legislation is enacted. The Company evaluated the impact of the Act on its consolidated financial statements and determined there is not a material impact resulting from the Act.

10. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss/Income ("AOCL/AOCI"):

The components of AOCL/AOCI are summarized as follows using applicable blended average federal and state tax rates for each period:

			eptember 30, 2025		December 31, 2024							
(in thousands)	I	Before Tax Amount		Tax Effect		Net of Tax Amount		Before Tax Amount		Tax Effect		Net of Tax Amount
Net unrealized holding losses on debt securities available for sale	\$	(10,466)	\$	2,673	\$	(7,793)	\$	(54,828)	\$	14,006	\$	(40,822)
Net unrealized holding gains on interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges		1,155		(294)		861		1,364		(348)		1,016
Total AOCL	\$	(9,311)	\$	2,379	\$	(6,932)	\$	(53,464)	\$	13,658	\$	(39,806)

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The components of other comprehensive income for the periods presented are summarized as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,										
			2025						2024		
(in thousands)	Before Tax Tax Net of Tax Amount Effect Amount					Before Tax Amount			Tax Effect		Net of Tax Amount
Net unrealized holding gains on debt securities available for sale:											
Change in fair value arising during the period	\$ 24,921	\$	(6,368)	\$	18,553	\$	20,411	\$	(5,269)	\$	15,142
Reclassification adjustment for net losses included in net income	_		_		_		68,564		(17,332)		51,232
	\$ 24,921	\$	(6,368)	\$	18,553	\$	88,975	\$	(22,601)	\$	66,374
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges:									<u> </u>		
Change in fair value arising during the period	109		(27)		82		(278)		73		(205)
Reclassification adjustment for net interest income included in net income	(160)		41		(119)		(287)		72		(215)
	(51)		14		(37)		(565)		145		(420)
Total other comprehensive income	\$ 24,870	\$	(6,354)	\$	18,516	\$	88,410	\$	(22,456)	\$	65,954

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						Nine Months End	led S	eptember 30,			
				2025						2024	
(in thousands)		Before Tax Amount		Tax Effect		Net of Tax Amount		Before Tax Amount	Tax Effect		Net of Tax Amount
Net unrealized holding gains on debt securities available for sale:											
Change in fair value arising during the period	\$	44,362	\$	(11,333)	\$	33,029	\$	9,554	\$	(2,494)	\$ 7,060
Reclassification adjustment for net losses included i net income	n	_		_		_		68,684		(17,362)	51,322
	\$	44,362	\$	(11,333)	\$	33,029	\$	78,238	\$	(19,856)	\$ 58,382
Net unrealized holding losses on interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges:											
Change in fair value arising during the period		359		(91)		268		120		(28)	92
Reclassification adjustment for net interest income included in net income		(568)		145		(423)		(855)		216	(639)
		(209)		54		(155)		(735)		188	(547)
Total other comprehensive income	\$	44,153	\$	(11,279)	\$	32,874	\$	77,503	\$	(19,668)	\$ 57,835

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11. Commitments and Contingencies

From time to time the Company and its subsidiaries may be exposed to loss contingencies. In the ordinary course of business, those contingencies may include, known but unasserted claims, and legal/regulatory inquiries or examinations. The Company records these loss contingencies as a liability when the likelihood of loss is probable and an amount or range of loss can be reasonably estimated. In the opinion of management, the Company maintains a liability that is in an estimated amount sufficient to cover said loss contingencies, if any, at the reporting dates.

Financial instruments whose contract amount represents off-balance sheet credit risk at September 30, 2025 are generally short-term and are as follows:

(thousands)	Approximate Contract Amount
Commitments to extend credit	\$ 1,633,799
Standby letters of credit	178,428
Commercial letters of credit	 _
	\$ 1,812,227

The following table summarizes the changes in the allowance for credit losses for off-balance sheet credit risk exposures for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024:

(in thousands)	Three	Months En	ded Se	eptember 30,	Nine Months E	Nine Months Ended September 3			
		2025 2024		2025		2024			
Balances at beginning of period	\$	9,692	\$	4,602 \$	5,942	\$	3,102		
(Reversal of) provision for credit losses - off balance sheet exposures		(650)		1,130	3,100		2,630		
Balances at end of period	\$	9,042	\$	5,732 \$	9,042	\$	5,732		

Amerant Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiaries Notes to Interim Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

12. Fair Value Measurements

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below:

	September 30, 2025										
(in thousands)		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Third-Party Models with Observable Market Inputs (Level 2)		Internal Models with Unobservable Market Inputs (Level 3)		Total Carrying Value in the Consolidated Balance Sheet			
Assets		(=====)	_	(=0.012)	_	(==::==)					
Cash and Cash equivalents											
Other short-term investments	\$	_	\$	7,162	\$	_	\$	7,162			
Securities	•		_	., .	·			., .			
Trading securities		_		119,935		_		119,935			
Debt securities available for sale		_	_	<u> </u>				<u> </u>			
U.S Treasury Securities		_		2,492		_		2,492			
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS		_		1,941,018		_		1,941,018			
U.S. government agency and sponsored enterprise commercial MBS		_		157,681		_		157,681			
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise obligations		_		12,471		_		12,471			
Non-agency commercial MBS		_		7,144		_		7,144			
Municipal Bonds		_		1,610		_		1,610			
		_		2,122,416		_		2,122,416			
Equity securities with readily determinable fair values not held for trading		2,542		<u> </u>		_		2,542			
		2,542		2,242,351		_		2,244,893			
Mortgage loans held for sale (at fair value)		_		_		_		_			
Bank owned life insurance		_		258,042		_		258,042			
Other assets											
Mortgage servicing rights (MSRs)		_		_		1,362		1,362			
Derivative instruments		_		40,828		_		40,828			
	\$	2,542	\$	2,548,383	\$	1,362	\$	2,552,287			
Liabilities	_										
Other liabilities											
Derivative instruments	\$	<u> </u>	\$	39,897	\$		\$	39,897			

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December 31, 2024 Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Internal Models Third-Party Total Models with Observable Market Carrying Value in the Consolidated with Unobservable Market Assets (Level 1) Inputs (Level 2) Inputs (Level 3) Balance (in thousands) Sheet Assets Cash and Cash equivalents Other short-term investments 6,944 \$ 6,944 Securities Debt securities available for sale U.S Treasury Securities 1,933 1,933 U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS 1,262,640 1,262,640 U.S. government agency and sponsored enterprise commercial MBS 142,538 142,538 U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise obligations 16,682 16,682 11,792 11,792 Non-agency commercial MBS 1,585 1,585 Municipal Bonds 1,437,170 1,437,170 Equity securities with readily determinable fair values not held for trading 2,477 2,477 1,437,170 2,477 1,439,647 Mortgage loans held for sale (at fair value) 42,911 42,911 Bank owned life insurance 243,547 243,547 Other assets Mortgage servicing rights (MSRs) 1,491 1,491 48,011 48,011 Derivative instruments 2,477 1,782,551 1,778,583 1,491 Liabilities Other liabilities 47,615 \$ Derivative instruments 47,615

The Company had no trading securities as of December 31, 2024.

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Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

The following tables present the major categories of assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

			September 30, 2025		
(in thousands)	Carrying Amount	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total Write Downs
Description					
Loans held for investment measured for credit deterioration using the fair value of the collateral (1)	38,833	_	_	38,833	12,650
Other Real Estate Owned (2)	15,606	_	_	15,606	1,872
	\$ 54,439	\$	\$	\$ 54,439	\$ 14,522

⁽¹⁾ Includes loans with specific reserves of \$4.8 million total write downs of \$12.6 million at September 30, 2025.

⁽²⁾ Includes \$14.0 million and \$1.6 million in commercial and residential real estate property, respectively.

					December 31	, 2024			
(in thousands)	Carrying Am	ount	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Signific Othe Observ Inpu (Level	er able ts	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total	Write Downs
Description									
Loans held for investment measured for credit deterioration using the fair value of the collateral (1)(2)		23,265		_		_	23,265		11,889
Other Real Estate Owned (3)		18,074		_		_	18,074		5,672
	\$	41,339	\$		\$	_	\$ 41,339	\$	17,561

⁽¹⁾ Includes commercial and owner-occupied loans with a carrying amount of \$23.0 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, at December 31, 2024.

⁽²⁾ Includes loans with specific reserves of \$2.5 million and total write downs of \$5.1 million at December 31, 2024.

⁽³⁾ Includes \$17.7 million and \$0.4 million in commercial and residential real estate property, respectively.

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The following table presents the significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) used in the valuation of assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis.

Financial Instrument	Unobservable Inputs	Valuation Methods	Discount Range	Typical Discount
Collateral dependent loans	Discount to fair value	Appraisal value, as adjusted	0-30%	6-7%
		Inventory	0-100%	50-75%
		Accounts receivables	0-100%	35-50%
		Equipment	0-100%	20-30%
Other Real Estate Owned	Discount to fair value	Appraisal value, as adjusted	N/A	6-7%

There were no other significant assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

Loans Held for Sale, at Lower of Cost or Fair Value

For loans held for sale that are carried at the lower of cost or fair value, the fair value is generally based on quoted market prices of similar loans less estimated cost to sell and is considered to be Level 3.

Collateral Dependent Loans Measured For Expected Credit Losses

The carrying amount of collateral dependent loans is typically based on the fair value of the underlying collateral. The Company primarily uses third party appraisals to assist in measuring expected credit losses on collateral dependent loans. The Company also uses third party appraisal reviewers for loans with an outstanding balance of \$1 million and above. These appraisals generally use the market or income approach valuation technique and use market observable data to formulate an opinion of the fair value of the loan's collateral. However, the appraiser uses professional judgment in determining the fair value of the collateral or properties and may also adjust these values for changes in market conditions subsequent to the appraisal date. When current appraisals are not available for certain loans, the Company uses judgment on market conditions to adjust the most current appraisal. The sales prices may reflect prices of sales contracts not closed and the amount of time required to sell out the real estate project may be derived from current appraisals of similar projects. As a consequence, the fair value of the collateral is considered a Level 3 valuation.

OREO

The Company values Other Real Estate Owned (OREO), at the lower of cost or fair value of the property, less cost to sell. The fair value of the property is generally based upon recent appraisal values of the property, less cost to sell. The Company primarily uses third party appraisals to assist in measuring the valuation of OREO. Period revaluations are classified as Level 3 as the assumptions used may not be observable. The Company had OREO balances of \$15.6 million and \$18.1 million as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. In the first nine months of 2025, the Company sold two OREO properties for an aggregate of \$2.7 million and recognized a total net loss on sale \$0.8 million in connection with these transactions.

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Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The estimated fair value of financial instruments where fair value differs from carrying value are as follows:

	September 30	0, 2025	December 31	2024
(in thousands)	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value
Financial assets:				
Loans	2,662,372	2,648,917	3,187,223	3,113,807
Financial liabilities:				
Time deposits	1,547,743	1,546,330	1,532,563	1,532,002
Advances from the FHLB	831,699	850,491	745,000	743,910
Senior notes	_	_	59,843	59,714
Subordinated notes	29,752	27,688	29,624	28,481
Junior subordinated debentures	64,178	63,818	64,178	63,255

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13. Earnings Per Share

The following table shows the calculation of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share:

	Three Months	Ended Se	eptember 30,	Nine Months Er	ded Sep	otember 30,
(in thousands, except share data and per share amounts)	 2025		2024	2025		2024
Numerator:						
Net income attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	\$ 14,756	\$	(48,164)	\$ 49,716	\$	(32,633)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 14,756	\$	(48,164)	\$ 49,716	\$	(32,633)
Denominator:	 					
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	41,590,201		33,784,999	41,802,195		33,635,439
Dilutive effect of share-based compensation awards	183,900		_	141,051		_
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	 41,774,101		33,784,999	41,943,246		33,635,439
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.35	\$	(1.43)	\$ 1.19	\$	(0.97)
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.35	\$	(1.43)	\$ 1.19	\$	(0.97)

As of September 30, 2025, potential dilutive instruments consisted of unvested shares of restricted stock, restricted stock units ("RSUs") and performance share units totaling 558,172 (restricted stock and RSUs totaling 399,920 as of September 30, 2024). In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 potential dilutive instruments were included in the diluted earnings per share computation because, when the unamortized deferred compensation cost related to these shares was divided by the average market price per share in those periods, fewer shares would have been purchased than restricted shares assumed issued. Therefore, in those periods, such awards resulted in higher diluted weighted average shares outstanding than basic weighted average shares outstanding, and had a dilutive effect on per share earnings. In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2024, potential dilutive instruments were excluded from the diluted earnings per share computation because the Company reported a net loss and their inclusion would have an anti-dilutive effect in per share earnings in those periods.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis is designed to provide a better understanding of various factors related to Amerant Bancorp Inc.'s (the "Company," "Amerant," "our" or "we") results of operations and financial condition and its subsidiaries, including its principal subsidiary, Amerant Bank, N.A. (the "Bank"). Amerant Investments, Inc., a securities broker-dealer ("Amerant Investments") is an operating subsidiary of the Bank. For an update on the strategic focus of our mortgage business and Amerant Mortgage, LLC, a mortgage lending company domiciled in Florida ("Amerant Mortgage"), see "Amerant Mortgage Updates" below.

This discussion is intended to supplement and highlight information contained in the accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and related footnotes included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (the "Form 10-Q"), as well as the information contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024 filed on March 5, 2025 (the "2024 Form 10-K").

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Various of the statements made in this Form 10-Q, including information incorporated herein by reference to other documents, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of, and subject to, the protections of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

All statements other than statements of historical fact are statements that could be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements with respect to our beliefs, plans, objectives, goals, expectations, anticipations, assumptions, estimates, intentions and future performance and condition. Examples of forward-looking statements include but are not limited to: our future operating or financial performance, including revenues, expenses, expense savings, income or loss and earnings or loss per share, and other financial items; statements regarding expectations, plans or objectives for future operations, products or services, and our expectations on our securities repositioning and loan recoveries or reaching positive resolutions on problem loans. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, which may be beyond our control, and which may cause the actual results, performance, achievements, or financial condition of the Company to be materially different from future results, performance, achievements, or financial condition expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. You should not expect us to update any forward-looking statements, except as required by law. These forward-looking statements should be read together with the "Risk Factors" included in the 2024 Form 10-K, and in our other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), which are available at the SEC's website www.sec.gov.

All statements other than statements of historical fact are statements that could be forward-looking statements. You can identify these forward-looking statements through our use of words such as "may," "will," "anticipate," "seek," "should," "indicate," "would," "believe," "contemplate," "consider", "expect," "estimate," "continue," "plan," "point to," "project," "could," "intend," "target" and other similar words and expressions of the future. These forward-looking statements may not be realized due to a variety of factors, including, without limitation:

- Liquidity risks could affect our operations and jeopardize our financial condition and certain funding sources could increase our interest rate expense;
- We may not be able to develop and maintain a strong core deposit base or other low-cost funding sources;
- We may elect or be compelled to seek additional capital in the future, but that capital may not be available when it is needed or on acceptable terms;
- Our ability to receive dividends from our subsidiaries could affect our liquidity and our ability to pay dividends;
- Our profitability is subject to interest rate risk;

- Our allowance for credit losses may prove inadequate;
- Our concentration of CRE loans could result in increased loan losses;
- Many of our loans are to commercial borrowers, which have unique risks compared to other types of loans;
- Our valuation of securities and the determination of a credit loss allowance in our investment securities portfolio are subjective and, if changed, could materially adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition;
- Nonperforming and similar assets take significant time to resolve and may adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows;
- We are subject to environmental liability risk associated with lending activities;
- · Weakness in the demand for mortgage loans or in the secondary market for residential mortgage loans can adversely affect us.
- Many of our major systems depend on and are operated by third-party vendors, and any systems failures or interruptions could adversely affect our operations and the services we provide to our customers;
- Our information systems are exposed to cybersecurity threats and may experience interruptions and security breaches that could adversely affect our business and reputation;
- Our strategic plan and growth strategy may not be achieved as quickly or as fully as we seek;
- Defaults by or deteriorating asset quality of other financial institutions could adversely affect us;
- New lines of business, new products and services, or strategic project initiatives may subject us to additional risks;
- We are susceptible to operational risks in general and fraudulent risk in particular;
- We may not have the ability or resources to keep pace with rapid technological changes in the financial services industry or implement new technology effectively;
- Conditions in Venezuela could adversely affect our operations;
- We are subject to environmental, social and governance, or ESG, risks, many of which are outside of our control, that could harm our reputation, our business, operations, financial condition, and/or the price of our common stock;
- We may be unable to attract and retain key people to support our business;
- Severe weather, natural disasters, global pandemics, acts of war or terrorism, theft, civil unrest, government expropriation or other external events could have significant effects on our business;
- Any failure to protect the confidentiality of customer information could adversely affect our reputation and subject us to financial sanctions and other costs that could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows;
- We could be required to write down our goodwill or other intangible assets;
- We have a net deferred tax asset that may or may not be fully realized;
- We may incur losses due to minority investments in fintech and specialty finance companies;
- We are subject to risks associated with sub-leasing portions of our corporate headquarters building;
- Our success depends on our ability to compete effectively in highly competitive markets;
- Potential gaps in our risk management policies and internal audit procedures may leave us exposed to unidentified or unanticipated risk, which could negatively affect our business:
- Any failure to maintain effective internal control over financial reporting could impair the reliability of our financial statements, which in turn could harm our
 business, impair investor confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports and our access to the capital markets and cause the price of our common
 stock to decline and subject us to regulatory penalties;
- Changes in accounting standards could materially impact our financial statements;

- Material and negative developments adversely impacting the financial services industry at large and causing volatility in financial markets and the economy may have materially adverse effects on our liquidity, business, financial condition and results of operations;
- Our business may be adversely affected by economic conditions in general and by conditions in the financial markets;
- · We are subject to extensive regulation that could limit or restrict our activities and adversely affect our earnings;
- There is uncertainty surrounding the potential legal, regulatory and policy changes by the presidential administration in the United States that may directly affect financial institutions;
- Changes in federal, state or local tax laws, or audits from tax authorities, could negatively affect our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows;
- Litigation and regulatory investigations are increasingly common in our businesses and may result in significant financial losses and/or harm to our reputation;
- We are subject to capital adequacy and liquidity standards, and if we fail to meet these standards, whether due to losses, growth opportunities or an inability to raise additional capital or otherwise, our business, financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows would be adversely affected;
- Increases in FDIC deposit insurance premiums and assessments could adversely affect our financial condition;
- Federal banking agencies periodically conduct examinations of our business, including our compliance with laws and regulations, and our failure to comply with any regulatory actions, if any, could adversely impact us;
- The Federal Reserve may require us to commit capital resources to support the Bank;
- We may face higher risks of noncompliance with the Bank Secrecy Act and other anti-money laundering statutes and regulations than other financial institutions;
- Failures to comply with the fair lending laws, CFPB regulations or the Community Reinvestment Act, or CRA, could adversely affect us;
- Our principal shareholders and management own a significant percentage of our shares of voting common stock and will be able to exert significant control over matters subject to shareholder approval;
- The rights of our common shareholders are subordinate to the holders of any debt securities that we have issued or may issue from time to time;
- The stock price of financial institutions, like Amerant, may fluctuate significantly;
- We can issue additional equity securities, which would lead to dilution of our issued and outstanding Class A common stock;
- Certain provisions of our amended and restated articles of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws, Florida law, and U.S. banking laws could have anti-takeover effects;
- We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service all of our debt, including the Subordinated Notes and the Debentures;
- We are a holding company with limited operations and depend on our subsidiaries for the funds required to make payments of principal and interest on the Subordinated Notes and the Debentures;
- We may incur a substantial level of debt that could materially adversely affect our ability to generate sufficient cash to fulfill our obligations under the Subordinated Notes and the Debentures; and
- The other factors and information included in the 2024 Form 10-K and other filings that we make with the SEC under the Exchange Act and Securities Act. See "Risk Factors" in the 2024 Form 10-K.

The foregoing factors should not be construed as exhaustive and should be read together with the other cautionary statements included in the 2024 Form 10-K. Because of these risks and other uncertainties, our actual future financial condition, results, performance or achievements, or industry results, may be materially different from the results indicated by the forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q. In addition, our past results of operations are not necessarily indicative of our future results of operations. You should not rely on any forward-looking statements as predictions of future events.

Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made, and we do not undertake any obligation to update, revise or correct any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as required by law. All written or oral forward-looking statements that are made by us or are attributable to us are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary notice, together with those risks and uncertainties described in "Risk Factors" in the 2024 Form 10-K, and in our other filings with the SEC, which are available at the SEC's website www.sec.gov.

OVERVIEW

Our Company

We are a bank holding company headquartered in Coral Gables, Florida. We provide individuals and businesses a comprehensive array of deposit, credit, investment, wealth management, retail banking, mortgage services, and fiduciary services. We serve customers in our United States markets and select international customers. These services are offered through its main subsidiary, Amerant Bank, which is also headquartered in Coral Gables, Florida, as well as its other subsidiary, Amerant Investments. Fiduciary, investment, wealth management and mortgage lending services are provided by the Bank and the Bank's securities broker-dealer, Amerant Investments. The Bank's primary markets are South Florida, where we are headquartered and operate 20 banking centers in Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties; and Tampa, Florida where we have a regional headquarters office and currently operate two banking centers.

The Cayman Bank is a subsidiary of the Bank. The Company is executing a plan for the dissolution of the Cayman Bank and, as of the end of the third quarter of 2024, the Cayman Bank no longer had any trust relationships, many of which were transferred to the Bank. The dissolution of the Cayman Bank, is expected to be completed in 2025, once regulatory approval from the applicable regulatory agency is received.

Business Developments

For more information on the progress of our business strategy and strategic initiatives in 2024, see Item 1. Business section included in the 2024 Form 10-K.

People and Channels

In July 2025, we hired our new Head of Credit of C&I. Additionally, in the third quarter of 2025, we hired a new Head of Loan Syndications and Sales, who we expect will also contribute with our loan growth agenda across the business. Subsequent to quarter-end, we also hired a managing executive director for our Miami-Dade market and promoted our Tampa Market president to interim Head of Commercial Banking.

In April 2025, we opened our new regional headquarters office and our new banking center in West Palm Beach. In July 2025, the Company received regulatory approval for the opening of a new banking center in St Petersburg, Florida which we currently expect to open in mid-2026. In September 2025, we opened a new banking center in Miami Beach, as previously announced, with plans to open a second one later this year. Lastly, in October 2025, we opened a second banking center in downtown Tampa, FL.

Amerant Mortgage Updates

In April 2025, considering its strategic decision to focus on Florida, the Company announced it would transition its mortgage business from national mortgage originator model to in-footprint mortgage focused approach, emphasizing mortgage lending that supports the Company's retail and private banking customers. Since April 2025 and throughout the early part of the fourth quarter of 2025, the Company has progressively reduced the mortgage-focused FTE count from 77 FTEs to 17. All but 5 of the 17 remaining FTEs have been transferred to the Bank. In addition, loans owned are expected to be transferred into the Bank's core platform, and existing vendor contracts are expected to be terminated or modified. The Company is also in the process of assessing strategic alternatives for an eventual wind-down or sale of Amerant Mortgage, which it currently expects to complete in the first half of 2026.

We believe these strategic actions will support our ongoing efforts in becoming the bank of choice in the markets we serve.

Macroeconomic Outlook

The economy is currently experiencing heightened uncertainty, primarily due to market reactions to changes in tariff policies. Tariffs have the potential to exacerbate inflationary pressures, although the duration of their impact—whether temporary or prolonged—remains uncertain.

Throughout the third quarter of 2025, the Federal Reserve cut rates by 25 basis points marking its first cut since December 2024. Additionally, on October 29, 2025, the Federal Reserve announced an additional rate cut of 25 basis points.

In terms of employment, data shows a sharp deceleration in job growth, as job reports showed negative job growth in the third quarter of 2025. Federal Reserve officials, including Chairman Powell, have indicated a willingness to exercise patience at current levels of inflation and unemployment to better understand how policy changes affect economic indicators.

Overall, the economic data presents a mixed picture. While the manufacturing sector continues to contract, the services sector is expanding, albeit at a slower pace compared to the previous two quarters. Additionally, consumer spending in the United States appears to be decelerating. Historical data suggests signs of an economic slowdown are emerging. While recession odds have decreased from earlier highs in 2025, they remain somewhat elevated compared to the long-term average.

This macroeconomic environment has contributed to volatility across the banking industry and other sectors. Consequently, we continuously face challenges in executing our business strategy. These include expanding our balance sheet (especially loans and deposits) amid fierce competition, adapting to fluctuating interest rates, and complying with evolving regulatory requirements.

While these are widespread challenges for the banking industry, the Company has not experienced a material impact to its business, financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

On July 4, 2025, federal legislation generally referred to as H.R. 1 - One Big Beautiful Bill Act (the "Act") was signed into law. The Act includes a variety of tax provisions including permanently extending and modifying certain key aspects of existing tax law. U.S. GAAP requires the effects of changes in tax laws and rates to be recognized in its financial statements in the period in which legislation is enacted. The Company evaluated the impact of the Act on its consolidated financial statements and determined there is not a material impact resulting from the Act.

Primary Factors Used to Evaluate Our Business

Results of Operations. In addition to net income or loss, the primary factors we use to evaluate and manage our results of operations include net interest income, noninterest income and expenses, and indicators of financial performance including return on assets ("ROA") and return on equity ("ROE"). We also use certain non-GAAP financial measures in the internal evaluation and management of our businesses.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income represents interest income less interest expense. We generate interest income from interest, dividends and fees received on interest-earning assets, including loans and investment securities we own. We incur interest expense from interest paid on interest-bearing liabilities, including interest-bearing deposits, and borrowings such as advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta ("FHLB") and other borrowings such as repurchase agreements, notes, debentures and other funding sources we may have from time to time. Net interest income typically is the most significant contributor to our revenues and net income. To evaluate net interest income, we measure and monitor: (i) yields on our loans and other interest-earning assets; (ii) the costs of our deposits and other funding sources; (iii) our net interest spread; (iv) our net interest margin, or NIM; and (v) our provisions for credit losses. Net interest spread is the difference between rates earned on interest-earning assets and rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities. NIM is calculated by dividing net interest income for the period by average interest-earning assets during that same period. Because noninterest-bearing sources of funds, such as noninterest-bearing deposits and stockholders' equity, also fund interest-earning assets, NIM includes the benefit of these noninterest-bearing sources of funds. Non-refundable loan origination fees, net of direct costs of originating loans, as well as premiums or discounts paid on loan purchases, are deferred and recognized over the life of the related loan as an adjustment to interest income in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP").

Changes in market interest rates and the interest we earn on interest-earning assets, or which we pay on interest-bearing liabilities, as well as the volumes and the types of interest-earning assets, interest-bearing and noninterest-bearing liabilities and stockholders' equity, usually have the largest impact on periodic changes in our net interest spread, NIM and net interest income. We measure net interest income before and after the provision for credit losses.

Noninterest Income. Noninterest income consists of, among other revenue streams: (i) service fees on deposit accounts; (ii) income from brokerage, advisory and fiduciary activities; (iii) benefits from and changes in cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance, or BOLI, policies; (iv) card and trade finance servicing fees; (v) securities gains or losses; (vi) net gains and losses on early extinguishment of FHLB advances which we may execute from time to time as part of asset/liability management activities; (vii) income from derivative transactions with customers; (viii) derivative gains or losses; and (ix) other noninterest income which includes mortgage banking revenue and gains or losses on the sale of loans originated for investment.

Our income from service fees on deposit accounts is affected primarily by the volume, growth and mix of deposits we hold and volume of transactions initiated by customers (i.e. wire transfers). These are affected by prevailing market pricing of deposit services, interest rates, our marketing efforts and other factors.

Our income from brokerage, advisory and fiduciary activities consists of brokerage commissions related to our customers' trading volume, fiduciary and investment advisory fees generally based on a percentage of the average value of assets under management and custody ("AUM"), and account administrative services and ancillary fees during the contractual period.

Income from changes in the cash surrender value of our BOLI policies represents the amounts that may be realized under the contracts with the insurance carriers, which are nontaxable.

Interchange fees, other fees and revenue sharing are recognized when earned. Trade finance servicing fees, which primarily include commissions on letters of credit, are generally recognized over the service period on a straight line basis. Card servicing fees include credit and debit card interchange fees and other fees. We have also entered into referral arrangements with recognized U.S.-based card issuers, which permit us to serve our customers and earn referral fees and share interchange revenue without exposure to credit risk

Our gains and losses on sales of securities are derived from sales from our securities portfolio and are primarily dependent on changes in U.S. Treasury interest rates and asset liability management activities. Generally, as U.S. Treasury rates increase, our securities portfolio decreases in market value, and as U.S. Treasury rates decrease, our securities portfolio increases in value. We also recognize unrealized gains or losses on changes in the valuation of our trading securities portfolio and our marketable equity securities not held for trading.

Our fee income generated on customer interest rate swaps and other loan level derivatives is primarily dependent on the volume of transactions completed with customers and are included in noninterest income.

Derivatives unrealized net gains and derivatives unrealized net losses are primarily derived from fair market value changes in the derivative position of our economic hedges on trading.

Other noninterest income includes mortgage banking income/loss generated through our subsidiary, Amerant Mortgage, and consists of gain on sale of loans, gain on loans market valuation, other fees and smaller sources of income. Mortgage banking loss was \$0.4 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to mortgage banking income of \$2.8 million in the same period last year. In the first nine months of 2025 and 2024, mortgage banking income was \$0.8 million and \$5.8 million, respectively. Other income in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025, includes approximately \$0.1 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, of net gain on sale of loans originated for investment.

Non-routine noninterest income items include other non-routine noninterest income which include the effect of items such as derivative losses, securities gains and losses, gains on sale of loans, amongst other items non-recurrent in nature. See "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information on non-routine noninterest income items.

Noninterest Expense. Noninterest expenses generally increase as our business grows and whenever necessary to implement or enhance policies and procedures for regulatory compliance, and other purposes.

Noninterest expense consists of: (i) salaries and employee benefits; (ii) occupancy and equipment expenses; (iii) professional and other services fees; (iv) loan-level derivative expenses; (v) FDIC deposit and business insurance assessments and premiums; (vi) telecommunication and data processing expenses; (vii) depreciation and amortization; (viii) advertising and marketing expenses; (ix) other real estate and repossessed assets, net; (x) losses on sale of assets, and (xi) other operating expenses.

Salaries and employee benefits include compensation (including severance expenses which we generally consider non-routine), employee benefits and employer tax expenses for our personnel. Salaries and employee benefits are partially offset by costs directly related to the origination of loans, which are deferred and amortized over the life of the related loans as adjustments to interest income in accordance with GAAP.

Occupancy expense consists of lease expense on our leased properties, including right-of-use or ROU asset impairment charges, and other occupancy-related expenses. Equipment expense includes furniture, fixtures and equipment related expenses. Rental income associated with subleasing portions of the Company's headquarters building and the subleasing of the New York office space, primarily, is included as a reduction to rent expense under lease agreements under occupancy and equipment cost.

Professional and other services fees include the cost of outsourced services, including technology infrastructure and banking processing services from our new technology provider, and other professional consulting fees associated with our transition to a new core banking platform, legal, accounting and related consulting fees, card

processing fees, director's fees, regulatory agency fees, such as OCC examination fees, and other fees related to our business operations.

Loan-level derivative expenses are incurred in back-to-back derivative transactions with commercial loan clients and with brokers. The Company pays a fee upon inception of the back-to-back derivative transactions, corresponding to the spread between a wholesale rate and a retail rate.

Advertising expenses include the costs of promoting the Amerant brand, as well as the costs associated with promoting the Company's products and services to create positive awareness, or consideration to buy the Company's products and services. These costs include expenses to produce, deliver and communicate advertisements using available media and technologies, primarily streaming and other digital advertising platforms. Advertising expenses are expensed as incurred, except for media production costs which are expensed upon the first airing of the advertisement.

FDIC deposit and business insurance assessments and premiums include deposit insurance, net of any credits applied against these premiums, corporate liability and other business insurance premiums.

Telecommunication and data processing expenses include expenses paid to our third-party data processing system providers and other telecommunication and data service providers.

Depreciation and amortization expense includes the value associated with the depletion of the value on our owned properties and equipment, including leasehold improvements made to our leased properties.

OREO and repossessed assets expense includes expenses and revenue (rental income) from the operation of foreclosed property/assets as well as fair value adjustments and gains/losses from the sale of OREO and repossessed assets.

Other operating expenses include earnings credits, business development expenses, community engagement, charitable contributions, mortgage loan origination and servicing expenses, postage and courier expenses, debits which mirror the valuation income on the investment balances held in the non-qualified deferred compensation plan in order to adjust the liability to participants of the deferred compensation plan, and other small operational expenses. Earnings credits are provided to certain commercial depositors primarily in the mortgage banking industry to help offset deposit service charges incurred.

Non-routine noninterest expense items include other non-routine noninterest expenses which include the effect of items such as OREO and loans held for sale valuation allowances, sale of repossessed assets, impairment of investments, losses on sale of loans, amongst other items non-recurrent in nature. *See* "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information on non-routine noninterest expense items.

Primary Factors Used to Evaluate Our Financial Condition

The primary factors we use to evaluate and manage our financial condition include asset quality, capital and liquidity.

Asset Quality. We manage the diversification and quality of our assets based upon factors that include the level, distribution and risks in each category of assets. Problem assets may be categorized as classified, delinquent, nonaccrual, and nonperforming assets. We also manage the adequacy of our allowance for credit losses, or the allowance, the diversification and quality of loan and investment portfolios, the extent of counterparty risks, credit risk concentrations and other factors.

Capital. Financial institution regulators have established minimum capital ratios for banks and bank holding companies. We manage capital based upon factors that include: (i) the level and quality of capital and our overall financial condition; (ii) the trend and volume of problem assets; (iii) the adequacy of reserves; (iv) the level and quality of earnings; (v) the risk exposures in our balance sheet under various scenarios, including stressed conditions; (vi) the Tier 1 capital ratio, the total capital ratio, the Tier 1 leverage ratio, and the CET1 capital ratio; (vii) the tangible common equity ratio; and (viii) other factors, including market conditions.

Liquidity. Our deposit base consists primarily of personal and commercial accounts maintained by individuals and businesses in our primary markets and select international core depositors. The Company is focused on relationship-driven core deposits. The Company may also use third party providers of domestic sources of deposits as part of its balance sheet management strategies. We define core deposits as total deposits excluding all time deposits. This definition of core deposits differs from the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council's (the "FFIEC") Uniform Bank Performance Report (the "UBPR") definition of "core deposits," which exclude brokered time deposits and retail time deposits of more than \$250,000. See "Core Deposits" discussion for more details.

We manage liquidity based upon factors that include the amount of core deposit relationships as a percentage of total deposits, the level of diversification of our funding sources, the allocation and amount of our deposits among deposit types, the short-term funding sources used to fund assets, the amount of non-deposit funding used to fund assets, the availability of unused funding sources, off-balance sheet obligations, the amount of cash and liquid securities we hold, the availability of assets readily convertible into cash without undue loss, the characteristics and maturities of our assets when compared to the characteristics of our liabilities and other factors.

Seasonality. Our loan production, generally, is subject to seasonality, with the lowest volume typically in the first quarter of each year.

Summary Results

The summary results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025 include the following:

- Total assets were \$10.4 billion at September 30, 2025, up \$508.5 million, or 5.1%, compared to \$9.9 billion at December 31, 2024.
- Total gross loans, which includes all loans held for sale, were \$6.9 billion at September 30, 2025, down \$329.5 million, or 4.5%, compared to \$7.3 billion at December 31, 2024.
- Cash and cash equivalents were \$630.9 million, up \$40.5 million or 6.9%, compared to \$590.4 million at December 31, 2024.
- Total deposits were \$8.3 billion at September 30, 2025, up \$446.4 million, or 5.7%, compared to \$7.9 billion at December 31, 2024.
- Total advances from the FHLB were \$831.7 million, up \$86.7 million or 11.6%, compared to \$745.0 million as of December 31, 2024. The Bank had an aggregate borrowing capacity of \$3.0 billion from the Federal Reserve or FHLB as of September 30, 2025.
- Net Interest Margin ("NIM") increased to 3.92% in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to 3.49% in the three months ended September 30, 2024. NIM increased to 3.83% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 from 3.52% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Average yield on loans decreased to 6.93% in the three months ended September 30, 2025 from 7.08% in the three months ended September 30, 2024. Average yield on loans decreased to 6.89% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to 7.08% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Average cost of total deposits decreased to 2.41% in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to 2.99% in the three months ended September 30, 2024. Average cost of total deposits decreased to 2.51% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to 2.99% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Loan to deposit ratio was 83.6% at September 30, 2025 compared to 92.6% at December 31, 2024.
- Asset Quality and Allowance for Credit Losses:
 - Total non-performing assets were \$139.9 million at September 30, 2025, up \$17.7 million, or 14.5%, compared to \$122.2 million at December 31, 2024.
 As of September 30, 2025, non-performing assets consist of \$124.3 million in non-performing loans and \$15.6 million in other real estate owned.
 - The allowance for credit losses ("ACL") as of September 30, 2025 was \$94.9 million, up \$10.0 million, or 11.7%, compared to \$85.0 million as of December 31, 2024.
- Assets Under Management and custody ("AUM") totaled \$3.2 billion, as of September 30, 2025, up \$279.5 million, or 9.7%, from \$2.9 billion as of December 31, 2024.

- Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss ("AOCL") as of September 30, 2025 decreased to \$6.9 million, an improvement of \$32.9 million, or 82.6%, compared to \$39.8 million as of December 31, 2024.
- Pre-provision net revenue ("PPNR")⁽¹⁾ was \$33.6 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$76.5 million, or 178.4%, compared to negative \$42.9 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. PPNR⁽¹⁾ was \$103.3 million, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$94.9 million, or 1124.0%, compared to \$8.4 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Net Interest Income ("NII") was \$94.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, up \$13.2 million, or 16.2%, from \$81.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. NII was \$270.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, up \$32.2 million, or 13.5%, compared to \$238.3 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Provision for credit losses was \$14.6 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, down \$4.4 million, or 23.16% compared to \$19.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. Provision for credit losses was \$39.1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, down \$11.4 million, or 22.6%, compared to \$50.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Non-interest income was \$17.3 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, up \$65.0 million or 136.3%, from negative \$47.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. Non-interest income was \$56.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, up \$70.4 million, or 510.9%, compared to negative \$13.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Non-interest expense was \$77.8 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, up \$1.6 million, or 2.1%, from \$76.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. Non-interest expense was \$223.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, up \$7.7 million, or 3.6%, compared to \$216.1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- The efficiency ratio was 69.8% in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to 228.7% in the three months ended September 30, 2024. The efficiency ratio was 68.41% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to 96.24% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Return on average Assets ("ROA") was 0.57% in the three months ended September 30, 2025, compared to negative 1.92% in the three months ended
 September 30, 2024, ROA was 0.65% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to negative 0.44% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.
- Return on average equity ("ROE") was 6.21% in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to negative 24.98% in the three months ended September 30, 2024. ROE was 7.20% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to negative 5.79% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

¹Non-GAAP measure, see "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information and for a reconciliation to GAAP.

Results of Operations - Comparison of Results of Operations for the Three and Nine Month Periods Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

Net income

The table below sets forth certain results of operations data for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024:

	Three Months En	ded !	September 30,	Char	ige	Nine Months En	ded S	eptember 30,	Ch	ange
(in thousands, except per share amounts and percentages)	2025		2024	2025 vs	2024	2025		2024	2025	vs 2024
Net interest income	\$ 94,152	\$	80,999	\$ 13,153	16.2 %	\$ 270,535	\$	238,322	\$ 32,213	13.5 %
Provision for credit losses	 14,600		19,000	 (4,400)	(23.2)%	39,106		50,550	(11,444)	(22.6)%
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	79,552		61,999	17,553	28.3 %	231,429		187,772	 43,657	23.3 %
Noninterest income (loss)	17,291		(47,683)	64,974	136.3 %	56,594		(13,775)	70,369	510.9 %
Noninterest expense	 77,835		76,208	 1,627	2.1 %	223,789		216,104	7,685	3.6 %
Income (loss) before income tax expense	19,008		(61,892)	80,900	130.7 %	64,234		(42,107)	106,341	252.6 %
Income tax (expense) benefit	(4,252)		13,728	(17,980)	(131.0)%	(14,518)		9,474	(23,992)	(253.2)%
Net income (loss) attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	\$ 14,756	\$	(48,164)	\$ 62,920	130.6 %	\$ 49,716	\$	(32,633)	\$ 82,349	252.4 %
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.35	\$	(1.43)	\$ 1.78	124.5 %	\$ 1.19	\$	(0.97)	\$ 2.16	222.7 %
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share (1)	\$ 0.35	\$	(1.43)	\$ 1.78	124.5 %	\$ 1.19	\$	(0.97)	\$ 2.16	222.7 %

⁽¹⁾ In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, potential dilutive instruments consisted of unvested shares of restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance share units. See Note 13 to our unaudited interim consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-Q for details on the dilutive effects of the issuance of restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance share units on earnings per share.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

In the three months ended September 30, 2025, net income attributable to the Company was \$14.8 million, or \$0.35 income per diluted share, compared to net loss of \$48.2 million, or \$1.43 loss per diluted share, in the same quarter of 2024. The increase of \$62.9 million, or 130.6%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 was primarily driven by (i) higher noninterest income in the three months ended September 30, 2025, as the three months ended September 30, 2024 had a net loss which included losses in securities as a result of the investment portfolio repositioning initiated during the same period, (ii) higher net interest income and (iii) lower provision for credit losses.

Net interest income was \$94.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$13.2 million, or 16.2%, from \$81.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. This was primarily driven by: (i) increases of \$660.4 million, or 50.3%, \$119.4 million, or 100.00% and \$69.1 million, or 20.05%, in the average balances of debt securities available for sale, securities held for trading, and deposits with banks, respectively, during the period; (ii) a decrease of \$125.2 million or 1.7%, in the average balance of total interest-bearing liabilities in the third quarter compared to the same period last year, mainly driven by lower average balances in FHLB advances as well as the redemption of Senior Notes in the second quarter of 2025; and (iii) lower cost of interest bearing liabilities which decreased by 60 basis points in the third quarter of 2025 compared to the same period one year ago. These improvements were partially offset by: (i) decreases of \$345.3 million, or 4.7%, \$206.0 million, or 100.0%, in the average balances of the loan portfolio and securities held to maturity, respectively, during the period; (ii) an increase of \$71.7 million, or 1.12% in total deposits; and (iii) a 17 basis points decrease in the average yield on total interest earning assets, mainly in loans and other short-term investments. Net interest margin was 3.92% in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of 43 basis points from 3.49% in the three months ended September 30, 2024.

Noninterest income was \$17.3 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to noninterest loss of \$47.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. The increase was mainly driven by: (i) higher securities gains; (ii) higher brokerage, advisory and fiduciary fees; and (iii) higher change in cash surrender value of BOLI. These increases were partially offset by: (i) lower other noninterest income; (ii) higher derivative losses; and (iii) lower loan-level derivative income. *See* "Noninterest Income" for more details.

In the three months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, noninterest income included certain non-routine income and loss items. See "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information on non-routine noninterest income items.

Noninterest expense was \$77.8 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$1.6 million, or 2.1%, compared to \$76.2 million in the same period in 2024. This increase was mainly due to: (i) higher other operating expenses; (ii) higher professional and other services fees; (iii) higher losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower cost or fair value; and (iv) higher advertising expenses. These increases were partially offset by: (i) lower OREO and repossessed assets expense; (ii) lower occupancy and equipment expenses; (iii) lower FDIC assessments and insurance expenses; and (iv) lower depreciation and amortization expenses. *See* "Noninterest Expense" for more details.

In the three months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, noninterest expense included total non-routine items of \$2.0 million and \$5.7 million, respectively. Non-routine items in noninterest expense in the three months ended September 30, 2025 includes loss on sale of \$0.9 million related to the sale of one Substandard owner-occupied loan with an outstanding balance of \$30.4 million at the time of sale, \$0.6 million in expenses related to the downsizing of Amerant Mortgage and \$0.5 million in net losses on sale and valuation expense on OREO. Other non-routine items in noninterest expense in the three months ended September 30, 2024, include \$5.7 million related to an OREO valuation expense. See "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information on non-routine noninterest expense items.

In the three months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, the Company incurred noninterest expenses of \$2.1 million and \$3.9 million, respectively, related to Amerant Mortgage which consists of salaries and employee benefits expense, mortgage lending costs and professional and other services fees. Amerant Mortgage had 5 full time equivalent employees ("FTEs") at September 30, 2025 compared to 80 at September 30, 2024.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, net income attributable to the Company was \$49.7 million, or \$1.19 income per diluted share, compared to net loss of \$32.6 million, or \$0.97 loss per diluted share, in the same period of 2024. The increase of \$82.3 million, or 252.4%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 was primarily driven by (i) higher noninterest income in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, as the nine months ended September 30, 2024 had a net loss with included losses on securities as a result of the investment portfolio repositioning initiated during the same period, (ii) higher net interest income, and (iii) lower provision for credit losses.

Net interest income was \$270.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$32.2 million, or 13.5%, from \$238.3 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024. This was primarily driven by an increase of \$466.8 million, or 36.6% and \$125.1 million or 33.2%, in the average balances of debt securities available for sale, and deposits with banks, respectively, during the period. Additionally, the cost of interest-bearing liabilities decreased 46 basis points in the current year compared to the same period last year. These improvements were partially offset by: (i) decreases of \$217.3 million, or 100.0%, and \$24.0 million or 0.3% in the average balance of debt securities held to maturity and the loan portfolio, respectively; (ii) a 17 basis points decrease in the average yield on total interest earning assets; and (iii) an increase of \$40.8 million, or 0.6%, in the average balance of total interest-bearing liabilities in the current year compared to the same period last year. Net interest margin was 3.83% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of 31 basis points from 3.52% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

Noninterest income was \$56.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to noninterest loss of \$13.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024. The increase was mainly driven by (i) higher securities gains; (ii) higher brokerage, advisory and fiduciary fees; (iii) higher loan-level derivative income; (iv) higher change in cash surrender value of BOLI; (v) higher cards and trade finance servicing fees; and (vi) higher deposits and service fees. These increases were partially offset by: (i) higher derivative losses; and (ii) lower other noninterest income. *See* "Noninterest Income" for more details.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, noninterest income included non-routine items of \$2.6 million and a loss of \$68.7 million. See "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information on non-routine noninterest income items.

Noninterest expense was \$223.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$7.7 million, or 3.6%, compared to \$216.1 million in the same period in 2024. This increase was mainly due to: (i) higher professional and other service fees; (ii) higher other operating expenses; (iii) higher salaries and employee benefits; (iv) advertising expenses; (v) higher loan-level derivative expenses; (vi) higher losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value; and (vii) higher telecommunications and data processing expenses. These increases were partially offset by: (i) lower occupancy and equipment expenses, and (ii) lower OREO and repossessed assets expense. See "Noninterest Expense" for more details.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, noninterest expense included total non-routine items of \$3.7 million and \$11.2 million, respectively. Non-routine items in noninterest expense in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 includes \$1.9 million in net losses on sale and valuation expense on OREO, \$1.0 million in expenses related to the downsizing of Amerant Mortgage, and loss on sale of \$0.9 million related to the sale of one Substandard owner-occupied loan with an outstanding balance of \$30.4 million at the time of sale. Non-routine items in noninterest expense in the nine months ended September 30, 2024, included: (i) \$5.7 million in OREO valuation expense, (ii) \$3.4 million in fixed assets impairment, (iii) a \$1.3 million loss on loans held for sale for valuation expense, (iv) \$0.6 million in legal and broker fees, and (v) \$0.3 million in goodwill and intangible asset impairment. Items (ii) through (iv) were all in connection with the Houston Sale Transaction completed in 2024. See "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information on non-routine noninterest expense items.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, the Company incurred noninterest expo Mortgage which consists of salaries and employee benefits expense, mortgage lending costs and pro equivalent employees ("FTEs") at September 30, 2025 compared to 80 at September 30, 2024.	, 1
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Average Balance Sheet, Interest and Yield/Rate Analysis

The following tables present average balance sheet information, interest income, interest expense and the corresponding average yields earned and rates paid for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024. The average balances for loans include both performing and non-performing balances. Interest income on loans includes the effects of discount accretion and the amortization of non-refundable loan origination fees, net of direct loan origination costs as well as the amortization of net premiums/discounts on loan purchases, accounted for as yield adjustments. Average balances represent the daily average balances for the periods presented.

	Three Months Ended September 30,											
			2	2025				:	2024			
(in thousands, except percentages)		Average Balances		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rates		Average Balances		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rates		
Interest-earning assets:												
Loan portfolio, net (1)(2)	\$	6,946,370	\$	121,414	6.93 %	\$	7,291,632	\$	129,752	7.08 %		
Debt securities available for sale (3) (4)		1,973,763		24,146	4.85 %		1,313,366		14,273	4.32 %		
Debt securities held to maturity (5)		_		_	—%		205,958		1,752	3.38 %		
Debt securities held for trading		119,429		1,665	5.53 %		_		_	— %		
Equity securities with readily determinable fair value not held for trading		2,528		20	3.14 %		2,525		19	2.99 %		
Federal Reserve Bank and FHLB stock		57,681		906	6.23 %		61,147		1,083	7.05 %		
Deposits with banks		413,522		4,516	4.33 %		344,469		4,670	5.39 %		
Other short-term investments		7,122		76	4.23 %		6,677		88	5.24 %		
Total interest-earning assets		9,520,415		152,743	6.37 %		9,225,774		151,637	6.54 %		
Total non-interest-earning assets (6)		723,510					760,198					
Total assets	\$	10,243,925				\$	9,985,972					

Three Months Ended September 30,

		20)25				20	24	
(in thousands, except percentages)	Average Balances		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rates		Average Balances		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rates
Interest-bearing liabilities:	 				_				
Checking and saving accounts									
Interest bearing DDA	\$ 2,240,617	\$	10,892	1.93 %	\$	2,294,323	\$	15,345	2.66 %
Money market	1,918,534		17,986	3.72 %		1,541,987		16,804	4.34 %
Savings	236,556		22	0.04 %		247,903		26	0.04 %
Total checking and saving accounts	4,395,707		28,900	2.61 %		4,084,213		32,175	3.13 %
Time deposits	2,084,940		20,950	3.99 %		2,324,694		27,260	4.67 %
Total deposits	6,480,647		49,850	3.05 %		6,408,907		59,435	3.69 %
Advances from the FHLB (7)	726,520		7,316	4.00 %		863,913		8,833	4.07 %
Senior notes	_		_	—%		59,725		942	6.27 %
Subordinated notes	29,731		362	4.83 %		29,561		361	4.86 %
Junior subordinated debentures	64,178		1,063	6.57 %		64,178		1,067	6.61 %
Total interest-bearing liabilities	7,301,076		58,591	3.18 %		7,426,284		70,638	3.78 %
Non-interest-bearing liabilities:								_	
Non-interest-bearing demand deposits	1,726,507					1,491,406			
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other liabilities	 273,921					301,373			
Total non-interest-bearing liabilities	2,000,428					1,792,779			
Total liabilities	 9,301,504					9,219,063			
Stockholders' equity	942,421					766,909			
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 10,243,925				\$	9,985,972			
Excess of average interest-earning assets over average interest-bearing liabilities	\$ 2,219,339				\$	1,799,490			
Net interest income		\$	94,152				\$	80,999	
Net interest rate spread				3.19 %					2.76 %
Net interest margin (8)				3.92 %					3.49 %
Cost of total deposits (8)				2.41 %					2.99 %
Ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities	130.40 %		-			124.23 %		-	
Average non-performing loans/ Average total loans	1.30 %					1.54 %			

Nine Months Ended September 30,

		2025						
Average Balances		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rates		Average Balances	Income/ Expense		Yield/ Rates
 	_			_				
\$ 7,078,705	\$	364,601	6.89 %	\$	7,102,716	\$	376,574	7.08 %
1,740,625		64,041	4.92 %		1,273,797		41,562	4.36 %
_		_	—%		217,272		5,597	3.44 %
60,075		2,008	4.47 %		_		_	— %
2,511		60	3.19 %		2,490		87	4.67 %
57,359		2,759	6.43 %		55,352		2,922	7.05 %
502,191		16,560	4.41 %		377,139		15,681	5.55 %
6,870		217	4.22 %		6,337		248	5.22 %
9,448,336		450,246	6.37 %		9,035,103		442,671	6.54 %
733,305					788,240		,	
\$ 10,181,641				\$	9,823,343			
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(in thousands, except percentages)		Average Balances		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rates		Average Balances		Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rates	
Interest-bearing liabilities:											
Checking and saving accounts											
Interest bearing DDA	\$	2,221,543	\$	32,913	1.98 %	\$	2,382,548	\$	49,860	2.80 %	
Money market		1,884,975		52,651	3.73 %		1,462,034		46,611	4.26 %	
Savings		237,764		62	0.03 %		254,661		79	0.04 %	
Total checking and saving accounts		4,344,282		85,626	2.64 %		4,099,243		96,550	3.15 %	
Time deposits		2,153,720		67,093	4.17 %		2,291,539		79,355	4.63 %	
Total deposits		6,498,002		152,719	3.14 %		6,390,782		175,905	3.68 %	
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		35		1	3.82 %		41		2	6.52 %	
Advances from the FHLB (7)		722,493		21,746	4.02 %		749,195		21,357	3.81 %	
Senior notes		19,742		1,020	6.91 %		59,646		2,826	6.33 %	
Subordinated notes		29,689		1,084	4.88 %		29,519		1,083	4.90 %	
Junior subordinated debentures		64,178		3,141	6.54 %		64,178		3,176	6.61 %	
Total interest-bearing liabilities		7,334,139		179,711	3.28 %		7,293,361		204,349	3.74 %	
Non-interest-bearing liabilities:											
Non-interest-bearing demand deposits		1,636,816					1,459,325				
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other liabilities		287,021					318,273				
Total non-interest-bearing liabilities		1,923,837					1,777,598				
Total liabilities		9,257,976					9,070,959				
Stockholders' equity		923,665					752,384				
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	10,181,641	_			\$	9,823,343				
Excess of average interest-earning assets over average interest-bearing liabilities	\$	2,114,197				\$	1,741,742				
Net interest income	-		\$	270,535				\$	238,322		
Net interest rate spread					3.09 %			_		2.80 %	
Net interest margin (8)				_	3.83 %				_	3.52 %	
Cost of total deposits (8)				_	2.51 %				-	2.99 %	
Ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities		128.83 %	_	-			123.88 %		=		
Average non-performing loans/ Average total loans		1.36 %					0.93 %				

⁽¹⁾ Includes loans held for investment net of the allowance for credit losses, and loans held for sale. The average balance of the allowance for credit losses was \$88.1 million and \$92.1 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 and September 30, 2025 and September 30, 2024, respectively, and \$88.8 million and \$93.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. The average balance of total loans held for sale was \$8.9 million and \$612.9 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$36.1 million and \$352.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024 respectively.

⁽²⁾ Includes average non-performing loans of \$91.2 million and \$113.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2025 and September 30, 2024, respectively, and \$97.5 million and \$66.3 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively.

⁽³⁾ Includes the average balance of net unrealized gains and losses in the fair value of debt securities available for sale. The average balance includes average net unrealized losses of \$32.7 million and \$89.4 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 and September 30, 2024, respectively, and \$41.0 million and \$102.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes nontaxable securities with average balances of \$54.2 million and \$19.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2025 and September 30, 2024, respectively, and \$54.6 million and \$19.9 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. The tax equivalent yield for these nontaxable securities was 4.60% and 4.33% for the three months ended September 30, 2025 and September 30, 2024, respectively, and 4.68% and 4.28% for the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively. In 2025 and 2024, the tax equivalent yields were calculated assuming a 21% tax rate and dividing the actual yield by 0.79.

⁽⁵⁾ We had no average held to maturity balances in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025. Includes nontaxable securities with average balances of \$44.5 million and \$47.8 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. The tax

equivalent yield for these nontaxable securities were 4.43% and 4.23% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. In 2024, the tax equivalent yield was calculated assuming a 21% tax rate and dividing the actual yield by 0.79.

(6) Excludes the allowance for credit losses.

(7) The terms of the FHLB advance agreements require the Bank to maintain certain investment securities or loans as collateral for these advances.

(8) Net interest margin, or NIM: defined as net interest income, or NII, divided by average interest-earning assets, which are loans, securities, deposits with banks and other financial assets which yield interest or similar income.. Cost of total deposits: calculated based upon the average balance of total noninterest bearing and interest bearing deposits, which includes time deposits.

Net Interest Income

Three Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

The Company was able to reprice the cost of its interest-bearing deposits to offset lower yields on the loan portfolio we recorded during the third quarter of 2025 compared to the same period last year. Additionally, we continued investing in higher-yielding, fixed rate, debt securities available for sale, and maintaining a high average balance in funds at the Federal Reserve. See discussions further below for more details.

Net interest income in the three months ended September 30, 2025, was \$94.2 million, an increase of \$13.2 million, or 16.2%, from \$81.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024. This was primarily driven by: (i) increases of \$660.4 million, or 50.28%, \$119.4 million, or 100.00% and \$69,053, or 20.05%, in the average balances of debt securities available for sale, securities held for trading, and deposits with banks, respectively, during the period; (ii) a decrease of \$125.2 million or 1.7%, in the average balance of total interest-bearing liabilities in the third quarter compared to the same period last year, mainly driven by lower average balances in FHLB advances as well as the redemption of Senior Notes in the second quarter of 2025; and (iii) lower cost of interest bearing liabilities which decreased by 60 basis points in the third quarter of 2025 compared to the same period one year ago. These improvements were partially offset by: (i) decreases of \$345.3 million, or 4.7%, \$206.0 million, or 100.0%, in the average balances of the loan portfolio and securities held to maturity, respectively, during the period; (ii) an increase of \$71.7 million, or 1.12% in total deposits; and (iii) a 17 basis points decrease in the average yield on total interest earning assets, mainly in loans and other short-term investments. Net interest margin was 3.92% in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of 43 basis points from 3.49% in the three months ended September 30, 2024. See discussions further below for more details.

Interest Income

Total interest income was \$152.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$1.1 million, or 0.7%, compared to \$151.6 million for the same period of 2024. The increase was driven by: increases of \$660.4 million, or 50.3%, \$119.4 million, or 100.00%, and \$69.1 million or 20.0%, in the average balances of debt securities available for sale, securities held for trading, and deposits with banks, respectively, during the period. These were partially offset by: (i) a decrease of \$345.3 million, or 4.7%, and \$206.0 million, or 100.0%, in the average balances of loans and debt securities held to maturity; and (ii) a 17 basis points decrease in the average yield on total interest earning assets, mainly in loans and other short-term investments.

Interest income on loans in the three months ended September 30, 2025 was \$121.4 million, a decrease of \$8.3 million, or 6.4%, compared to \$129.8 million in the same period last year, primarily due to a 15 basis points decrease in average yields. The decrease in interest income on loans was also due to the decreases in the average balance of the total loan portfolio during the quarter compared to the same period in 2024. *See* "-Average Balance Sheet, Interest and Yield/Rate Analysis" for detailed information.

Interest income on debt securities available for sale was \$24.1 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$9.9 million, or 69.2%, compared to \$14.3 million in the same period of 2024. This was mainly due to an increase of \$660.4 million, or 50.3% in the average balance of these securities as well as an increase of 53 basis points in average yields, primarily as a result of the investment portfolio repositioning that was completed in October 2024 as well as additional purchases of higher-yielding, fixed rate investments during the quarter. In the three months ended September 30, 2025, the average balance of accumulated net unrealized loss included in the carrying value of these securities was \$32.7 million compared to \$89.4 million in the same period last year.

Interest income on debt securities held for trading was \$1.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$1.7 million or 100.0%, which was mainly due to the increase \$119.4 million in the average balances of these securities compared to having none in the same period of 2024.

As of September 30, 2025, floating rate investments, which are entirely comprised of available for sale debt securities, represent 15.4% of our total investment portfolio compared to 14.3% at September 30, 2024. In addition, the expected overall duration decreased to 4.4 years at September 30, 2025 from 4.9 years at September 30, 2024 due to higher estimated prepayment assumptions and investment portfolio mix of larger proportion of floating rate securities that have a lower duration versus fixed rate securities.

Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$58.6 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, a decrease of \$12.0 million or 17.1%, compared to \$70.6 million in the same period of 2024. This was primarily due to a decrease of 60 basis points in average rates on total interest-bearing liabilities, mainly due to a decrease of 64 basis points in the average rates paid on total deposits, and the redemption of Senior Notes in the second quarter of 2025. These decreases were partially offset by higher average balance of total deposits, mainly money market deposit accounts.

Interest expense on interest-bearing deposits was \$49.9 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, a decrease of \$9.6 million, or 16.1%, compared to \$59.4 million for the same period of 2024. This was mainly driven by a decrease of 64 basis points in the average rates paid on total deposits, partially offset by an increase of \$71.7 million, or 1.1%, in their average balance. *See* below for a detailed explanation of changes by major deposit category:

- *Time deposits*. Interest expense on total time deposits decreased \$6.3 million, or 23.1%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024. This was mainly due to a decrease of 68 basis points in the average cost of total time deposits. In addition, there was a decrease of \$239.8 million, or 10.3%, in the average balance of these deposits, which includes a \$82.1 million decrease in the average balance of customer CDs and a \$157.7 million decrease in the average balance of brokered time deposits.
- Interest bearing checking and savings accounts. Interest expense on checking and savings accounts decreased \$3.3 million, or 10.2% in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period one year ago. This was mainly due to a decrease of 52 basis points in the average costs on these deposits coupled with decreases of \$53.7 million, or 2.3%, and \$11.3 million, or 4.6%, in the average balances of interest bearing demand deposits and savings accounts, respectively. This was partially offset by an increase of \$376.5 million, or 24.4%, in the average balance of money market deposit accounts in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024.

Interest expense on advances from the FHLB decreased \$1.5 million, or 17.2%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period of 2024, primarily driven by a decrease of 7 basis points in average rates paid. In the first nine months of 2025, the Company borrowed \$380.0 million and repaid \$293.4 million of advances from the FHLB. In addition, the Company restructured \$210.0 million of its fixed-rate FHLB advances. This restructuring consisted of changing the original maturity at lower interest rates. See "Capital Resources and Liquidity Management" for more details on the repayment and restructuring of advances from the FHLB.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

The Company was able to reprice the cost of its interest-bearing deposits to offset lower yields on the loan portfolio we recorded during the first nine months of 2025 compared to the same period last year. Additionally, we continued investing in higher-yielding, fixed rate, debt securities available for sale, and maintaining a high average balance in funds at the Federal Reserve. *See* discussions further below for more details

Net interest income in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, was \$270.5 million, an increase of \$32.2 million, or 13.5%, from \$238.3 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2024. This was primarily driven by an increase of \$466.8 million, or 36.6% and \$125.1 million or 33.2%, in the average balances of debt securities available for sale, and deposits with banks, respectively, during the period. Additionally, the cost of interest-bearing liabilities decreased 46 basis points in the current year compared to the same period last year. These improvements were partially offset by: (i) decreases of \$217.3 million, or 100.0%, and \$24.0 million or 0.3% in the average balance of debt securities held to maturity and the loan portfolio, respectively; (ii) a 17 basis points decrease in the average yield on total interest earning assets; and (ii) an increase of \$40.8 million or 0.6%, in the average balance of total interest-bearing liabilities in the current year compared to the same period last year. Net interest margin was 3.83% in the nine months ended September 30, 2024. See discussions further below for more details.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2025, we had higher average balance of debt securities available for sale compared to the same period last year. In addition, we had no debt securities held to maturity at September 30, 2025, compared to an average balance of \$217.3 million at September 30, 2024.

Interest Income

Total interest income was \$450.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$7.6 million, or 1.7%, compared to \$442.7 million for the same period of 2024. This was primarily driven by an increase of \$466.8 million, or 36.6%, and \$125.1 million or 33.2%, in the average balances of debt securities available for sale and deposits with banks, respectively, during the period. These increases were partially offset by: (i) a 17 basis points decrease in the average yield on total interest earning assets, and (ii) decreases of \$217.3 million, or 100.0%, \$24.0 million, or 0.3% in the average balance of debt securities held to maturity and the loan portfolio, respectively.

Interest income on loans in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 was \$364.6 million, a decrease of \$12.0 million, or 3.2%, compared to \$376.6 million in the same period last year, primarily due to a 19 basis points decrease in average yields. The decrease in interest income on loans was also due to the decrease of \$24.0 million or 0.3%, in the average balances of the loan portfolio compared to the same period 2024. *See* "-Average Balance Sheet, Interest and Yield/Rate Analysis" for detailed information.

Interest income on debt securities available for sale was \$64.0 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$22.5 million, or 54.1%, compared to \$41.6 million in the same period of 2024. This was mainly due to new purchases at higher rates in 2025, which primarily drove the increase of \$466.8 million, or 36.6% in the average balance of these securities as well as an increase of 56 basis points in average yields. In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the average balance of accumulated net unrealized losses included in the carrying value of these securities was \$41.0 million compared to \$102.2 million in the same period last year.

Interest income on debt securities held for trading was \$2.0 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, an increase of \$2.0 million or 100.00%, which was mainly due to the increase of \$60.1 million, or 100.00% in the average balances of these securities compared to having none in the same period of 2024.

Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$179.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, a decrease of \$24.6 million or 12.06%, compared to \$204.3 million in the same period of 2024. This was primarily due to: (i) decreases of \$39.9 million, or 66.90%, and \$26.7 million, or 3.56%, in the average balances of the Senior Notes and FHLB advances, respectively, and (ii) a decrease of 46 basis points in the average rates paid on total interest-bearing liabilities. These decreases were partially offset by a higher average balance of total deposits mainly in money market accounts.

Interest expense on interest-bearing deposits was \$152.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, a decrease of \$23.2 million, or 13.18%, compared to \$175.9 million for the same period of 2024. This was mainly driven by a decrease of 54 basis points in the average rates paid on total deposits. These decreases were partially offset by an increase of \$107.2 million, or 1.7%, in their average balance. *See* below for a detailed explanation of changes by major deposit category:

- Time deposits. Interest expense on total time deposits decreased \$12.3 million, or 15.5%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024. This was mainly due to a decrease of 46 basis points in the average cost of total time deposits. In addition, there was a decrease of \$137.8 million, or 6.0%, in the average balance of these deposits, which includes a decrease of \$68.7 million in the average balance of customer CDs and a decrease of \$69.1 million in the average balance of brokered time deposits.
- Interest bearing checking and savings accounts. Interest expense on checking and savings accounts decreased \$10.9 million, or 11.3% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period one year ago, mainly due to a decrease of 51 basis points in the average costs on these deposits. In addition, there was a decrease of \$161.0 million, or 6.8%, and \$16.9 million, or 6.6%, in the average balances of interest bearing demand deposits and savings accounts, respectively. The decreases in interest bearing demand deposits and savings accounts were partially offset by an increase of \$422.9 million, or 28.9%, in the average balance of money market accounts in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024.

Interest expense on advances from the FHLB increased \$0.4 million, or 1.8%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period of 2024, primarily driven by an increase of 21 basis points in average rates paid, this was partially offset by a decrease of \$26.7 million in the average balance during the period.

$Analysis\ of\ the\ Allowance\ for\ Credit\ Losses$

Set forth in the table below are the changes in the allowance for credit losses for each of the periods presented.

	Th	Three Months Ended September 30,					Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(in thousands)		2025		2024		2025		2024			
Balance at the beginning of the period	\$	86,519	\$	94,400	\$	84,963	\$	95,504			
Charge-offs	·										
Real estate loans											
Commercial Real Estate (CRE)											
Multi-family residential		(1,268)		_		(1,268)		(591)			
Single-family residential		(33)		_		(249)		_			
Owner occupied		_		_		(130)		_			
	·	(1,301)		_		(1,647)		(591)			
Commercial		(6,244)		(31,416)		(24,571)		(47,294)			
Consumer and others		(1,991)		(4,175)		(7,277)		(21,122)			
Total Charge-offs	\$	(9,536)	\$	(35,591)	\$	(33,495)	\$	(69,007)			
Recoveries											
Real estate loans											
Commercial Real Estate (CRE)											
Non-Owner occupied	\$	67	\$	_	\$	67	\$	_			
Land development and construction loans		10		15		28		51			
		77		15		95		51			
Single-family residential		3		12		3		36			
Owner occupied		_		_		40		17			
		80		27		138		104			
Commercial		1,876		1,944		5,480		2,908			
Consumer and others		729		1,240		1,826		2,461			
Total Recoveries	\$	2,685	\$	3,211	\$	7,444	\$	5,473			
Net charge-offs		(6,851)		(32,380)	-	(26,051)		(63,534)			
Provision for credit losses - loans		15,250		17,870		36,006		47,920			
Balance at the end of the period	\$	94,918	\$	79,890	\$	94,918	\$	79,890			
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Three Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

The Company recorded a provision for credit losses on loans of \$15.3 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025, compared to \$17.9 million in the same period last year. In the third quarter of 2025, the provision for credit losses on loans was comprised of \$7.8 million in additional specific reserves, \$8.9 million to cover charge-offs, and \$3.6 million due to credit quality and macro-economic factors. This was partially offset by a release of \$2.3 million due to the reduction in loan balances and \$2.7 million due to recoveries.

During the three months ended September 30, 2025, charge-offs decreased \$26.1 million, or 73.2%, compared to the same period of the prior year. In the three months ended September 30, 2025, charge-offs included: (i) \$4.1 million related to two commercial loans, (ii) \$1.8 million related to several small business commercial loans, (iii) \$1.3 million related to one commercial real estate loan, (iv) \$1.8 million related to purchased indirect consumer loans, and (v) \$0.5 million related to other smaller balance loans, including retail and business banking and consumer loans. This was partially offset by \$2.7 million in recoveries.

In the three months ended September 30, 2024, charge-offs included: (i) \$28.8 million related to six commercial loans; (ii) \$4.1 million in consumer loans, primarily purchased indirect consumer loans, and (iii) \$2.7 million in multiple smaller balance commercial and consumer loans. Charge-offs in the third quarter of 2024 were partially offset by \$3.2 million in recoveries, which include \$1.6 million related to one commercial loan and \$1.6 million related to multiple commercial and consumer loan recoveries

The ratio of net charge-offs over the average total loan portfolio held for investment was 0.39% in the third quarter of 2025, compared to 1.90% in the third quarter of 2024.

On October 24, 2025, the Company collected \$11.8 million on a commercial loan that had been previously charged off. The collection of this loan resulted in a loan recovery of \$8.7 million and interest income recovery of \$0.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2025.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

The Company recorded a provision for credit losses on loans of \$36.0 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to \$47.9 million in the same period last year. During this period, the provision for credit losses on loans includes \$21.9 million for specific reserves for commercial loans, \$18.8 million to cover net charge-offs, \$4.7 million due to model adjustments for macroeconomic factors, and \$2.5 million due to credit quality and other macroeconomic updates, partially offset by releases of \$4.6 million due to lower loan balances and \$7.5 million due to recoveries.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2025, charge-offs decreased \$35.5 million, or 51.5%, compared to the same period of the prior year. In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, charge-offs included: (i) \$19.9 million related to five commercial loans; (ii) \$6.8 million related to purchased indirect consumer loans; (iii) \$4.7 million related to several small business commercial loans; (iv) \$1.3 million related to one commercial real estate loan and (v) \$0.8 million related to other smaller balance loans, including retail and business banking and consumer loans. This was partially offset by \$7.4 million in recoveries.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2024, charge-offs included: (i) \$38.7 million related to seven commercial loans; (ii) \$21.1 million related to multiple consumer and overdraft loans, primarily purchased indirect consumer loans, and (iii) \$9.2 million in connection with multiple smaller commercial and real estate loans. Charge-offs in the nine months ended September 30, 2024 were partially offset by \$5.2 million in recoveries, which include \$2.7 million of a commercial loan and \$2.4 million related to multiple commercial and consumer loan recoveries. The downgrades were not concentrated in a specific industry or geography.

In the second quarter of 2025, the Company sold a participation in a Quick Service Restaurant ("QSR")-related loan with carrying value of \$6.9 million and ACL of \$4.8 million as of March 31, 2025. Proceeds from the sale were \$2.2 million which resulted in a charge off against the ACL of \$4.8 million in the second quarter 2025.

The ratio of net charge-offs over the average total loan portfolio held for investment was 0.49% in the first nine months of 2025, compared to 1.24% in the first nine months of 2024.

On October 24, 2025, the Company collected \$11.8 million on a commercial loan that had been previously charged off. The collection of this loan resulted in a loan recovery of \$8.7 million and interest income recovery of \$0.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2025.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, consistent with the Company's applicable policy, the Company has requested independent third-party collateral valuations on all real estate securing non-performing loans with existing valuations older than 12-months and outstanding balances in excess of \$1.0 million. As of September 30, 2025, there were three loans recently downgraded totaling \$19.6 million with appraisals older than 12 months, for which new appraisals have been ordered. No additional provision for credit losses was deemed necessary in both periods as a result of these valuations.

We continue to proactively and carefully monitor the Company's credit quality practices, including examining and responding to patterns or trends that may arise across certain industries or regions.

Noninterest Income (loss)

The table below sets forth a comparison for each of the categories of noninterest income (loss) for the periods presented.

			Three Months En		Change					
		20	25	20	024		2025 vs 2024			
(in thousands, except percentages)		Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount		%		
Deposits and service fees	S	5,056	29.2 %	\$ 5,046	10.6 %	\$	10	0.2 %		
Brokerage, advisory and fiduciary activities		4,995	28.9 %	4,466	9.4 %		529	11.9 %		
Change in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance ("BOLI") (1)		2,554	14.8 %	2,332	4.9 %		222	9.5 %		
Loan-level derivative income (2)		2,372	13.7 %	3,515	7.4 %		(1,143)	(32.5)%		
Cards and trade finance servicing fees		1,321	7.6 %	1,430	3.0 %		(109)	(7.6)%		
Derivative losses, net (3)		(1,383)	(8.0)%	_	—%		(1,383)	N/M		
Securities gains (losses), net (4)		1,203	7.0 %	(68,484)	(143.6)%		69,687	N/M		
Other noninterest income (5)		1,173	6.8 %	4,012	8.3 %		(2,839)	(70.8)%		
Total noninterest income	\$	17,291	100.0 %	\$ (47,683)	(100.0)%	\$	64,974	136.3 %		

		Nine Months En	Cha	nge		
		2025		2024	2025 v	s 2024
(in thousands, except percentages)	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
Deposits and service fees	15,16	26.8 %	14,652	106.4 %	509	3.5 %
Brokerage, advisory and fiduciary activities	14,71	7 26.0 %	13,331	96.8 %	1,386	10.4 %
Change in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance ("BOLI") (1)	7,49	13.2 %	6,916	50.2 %	578	8.4 %
Loan-level derivative income (2)	7,08	12.5 %	6,338	46.0 %	746	11.8 %
Cards and trade finance servicing fees	4,51	8.0 %	3,984	28.9 %	533	13.4 %
Gain on early extinguishment of FHLB advances, net	_	- %	189	1.4 %	(189)	(100.0)%
Derivative losses, net (3)	(3,23:	(5.7)%	(196)	(1.4)%	(3,039)	N/M
Securities gains (losses), net (4)	3,04	5.4 %	(68,655)	(498.4)%	71,701	N/M
Other noninterest income (5)	7,81	13.8 %	9,666	70.1 %	(1,856)	(19.2)%
Total noninterest income	\$ 56,59	100.00 %	\$ (13,775)	(100.00)%	\$ 70,369	510.85 %

⁽¹⁾ Changes in cash surrender value of BOLI are not taxable.

⁽²⁾ Income from interest rate swaps and other derivative transactions with customers. The Company incurs expenses related to derivative transactions with customers which are included as part of noninterest expenses under loan-level derivative expense. See Noninterest Expense section for more details.

⁽³⁾ In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025, includes net unrealized losses in connection with TBA MBS derivative contracts. We enter into these contracts to economically offset changes in market valuation on the trading securities portfolio. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, amounts are in connection with net unrealized gains and losses on uncovered interest rate caps with clients.

⁽⁴⁾ In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, amounts are primarily in connection with gains on market valuation of trading securities. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, includes a total net loss of \$68.5 million as a result of the investment portfolio repositioning initiated during the third quarter of 2024.

⁽⁵⁾ Includes mortgage banking loss of \$0.4 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 and mortgage banking income of \$2.8 million in the three months ended September 30, 2024, and \$0.8 million and \$5.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, primarily consisting of net gains/losses on sale, valuation and derivative transactions associated with mortgage loans held for sale activity, and other smaller sources of income related to the operations of Amerant Mortgage. In addition, includes \$0.5 million BOLI death benefits received in the nine months ended September 30, 2024. Other sources of income in the periods shown include net gains/(losses) on sales of loans that are originated for investment, foreign currency exchange transactions with customers and valuation income on the investment balances held in the non-qualified deferred compensation plan.

N/M - Not Meaningful

Three Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

Total noninterest income increased \$65.0 million, or 136.3%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period last year, mainly due to: (i) higher securities gains; (ii) higher brokerage, advisory and fiduciary fees; and (iii) higher change in cash surrender value of BOLI. These increases were partially offset by: (i) lower other noninterest income; (ii) higher derivative losses; and (iii) lower loan-level derivative income.

Securities gains in the three months ended September 30, 2025, were \$1.2 million, which were mainly unrealized gains on market valuation of the trading securities portfolio, in comparison to the three months ended September 30, 2024 having securities losses of \$68.5 million related to the investment portfolio repositioning. Securities gains in the third quarter of 2025 were offset by derivatives losses of \$1.4 million which consisted of net losses on the TBA MBS derivative contracts.

Brokerage, advisory and fiduciary fees increased \$0.5 million, or 11.9%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period one year ago. This was mainly driven by higher fees from equity and structured product trading in the third quarter of 2025 compared to the third quarter of 2024.

Our AUMs totaled \$3.17 billion at September 30, 2025, an increase of \$279.5 million, or 9.7%, from \$2.89 billion at December 31, 2024, primarily driven by higher market valuations.

Other noninterest income decreased \$2.8 million, or 70.8%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024, primarily driven by a decrease in mortgage banking income of \$3.2 million and a decrease in the gain on sale of loans of approximately \$0.3 million. This was partially offset by a combined increase in other smaller sources of income of approximately \$0.4 million, and a \$0.3 million gain on the sale of operating lease equipment.

Loan-level derivative income decreased \$1.1 million, or 32.5%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024, mainly driven by fewer new swap contracts during the period compared to the same period last year.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

Total noninterest income increased \$70.4 million, or 510.9%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2024 mainly due to: (i) higher securities gains; (ii) higher brokerage, advisory and fiduciary fees; (iii) higher loan-level derivative income; (iv) higher change in cash surrender value of BOLI; (v) higher cards and trade finance servicing fees; and (vi) higher deposits and service fees. These increases were partially offset by: (i) higher derivative losses and (ii) lower other noninterest income.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, securities gains were \$3.0 million, mainly unrealized gains on market valuation of the trading securities portfolio, compared to a \$68.7 million loss in the same period in 2024. In the nine months ended September 30, 2024, these losses were primarily related to the investment portfolio repositioning. Securities gains in the first nine months of 2025 were offset by derivatives losses of \$3.2 million which consisted of net losses on the TBA MBS derivative contracts.

Brokerage, advisory and fiduciary fees increased \$1.4 million, or 10.4%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period in 2024. This was mainly driven by higher fees from equity and structured product trading in the first nine months of 2025 versus the first nine months of 2024, as well as higher fiduciary fees.

Loan-level derivative income increased \$0.7 million, or 11.8%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024, mainly driven by new swap contracts during the period compared to the same period last year.

Cards and trade finance servicing fees increased \$0.5 million, or 13.4% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2024, mainly driven by higher commissions from the issuance of letters of credits. This increase was partially offset by a decrease in cards fee income.

Deposits and service fees increased \$0.5 million, or 3.5%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period in 2024, primarily driven by an increase in statement fees on business accounts and higher digital payment fees which were partially offset by lower wire transfer service fees.

Other noninterest income decreased \$1.9 million, or 19.2%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024, primarily driven by a decrease of \$5.0 million in mortgage banking income and a combined decrease of \$0.2 million in other smaller sources of income, offset by a \$3.3 increase in the net gain on sale of loans.

Noninterest Expense

The table below presents a comparison for each of the categories of noninterest expense for the periods presented.

		Three Months En	Change					
	 2025				2024	2025 vs 2024		
(in thousands, except percentages)	Amount	%		Amount	%	Amount	%	
Salaries and employee benefits (1)	\$ 35,094	45.1 %	\$	34,979	45.9 %	\$ 115	0.3 %	
Professional and other services fees	15,997	20.6 %		13,711	18.0 %	2,286	16.7 %	
Occupancy and equipment (3)	5,211	6.7 %		5,891	7.7 %	(680)	(11.5)%	
Telecommunications and data processing	3,155	4.1 %		2,991	3.9 %	164	5.5 %	
Depreciation and amortization	1,487	1.9 %		1,737	2.3 %	(250)	(14.4)%	
FDIC assessments and insurance	2,549	3.3 %		2,863	3.8 %	(314)	(11.0)%	
Losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value	881	1.1 %		_	-%	881	100.0 %	
Advertising expenses	3,987	5.1 %		3,468	4.6 %	519	15.0 %	
Loan-level derivative expense (5)	1,834	2.4 %		1,802	2.4 %	32	1.8 %	
Other real estate owned and repossessed assets expense (income), net (6)	215	0.3 %		5,535	7.3 %	(5,320)	(96.1)%	
Other operating expenses(7)	7,425	9.4 %		3,231	4.1 %	4,194	129.8 %	
Total noninterest expenses (8)	\$ 77,835	100.0 %	\$	76,208	100.0 %	\$ 1,627	2.1 %	

		Nine Months Ended	Change				
	2025	;	20:	24	2025 vs 2024		
(in thousands, except percentages)	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	
Salaries and employee benefits (1)	104,477	46.6 %	101,794	47.1 %	2,683	2.6 %	
Professional and other services fees (2)	44,228	19.7 %	36,784	17.0 %	7,444	20.2 %	
Occupancy and equipment (3)	16,838	7.4 %	21,408	9.9 %	(4,570)	(21.4)%	
Telecommunications and data processing	9,559	4.1 %	9,256	4.3 %	303	3.3 %	
Depreciation and amortization	4,626	2.1 %	4,866	2.3 %	(240)	(4.9)%	
FDIC assessments and insurance	8,681	3.8 %	8,643	4.0 %	38	0.4 %	
Losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value (4)	881	1.1 %	1,258	0.6 %	(377)	(30.0)%	
Advertising expenses	12,441	5.5 %	10,789	5.0 %	1,652	15.3 %	
Loan-level derivative expense (5)	3,307	1.5 %	2,386	1.1 %	921	38.6 %	
Other real estate owned and repossessed assets expense (income), net (6)	980	0.4 %	5,033	2.3 %	(4,053)	(80.5)%	
Other operating expenses(7)	17,771	7.8 %	13,887	6.4 %	3,884	28.0 %	
Total noninterest expenses (8)	\$ 223,789	100.0 % \$	216,104	100.0 %	\$ 7,685	3.6 %	

⁽¹⁾ In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, includes \$0.6 million and \$1.0 million, respectively, in expenses in connection with the Amerant Mortgage downsizing.

⁽²⁾ In the nine month period ended September 30, 2024, includes \$0.3 million in legal expenses in connection with the Houston Transaction. Additionally, includes recurring service fees in connection with the engagement of FIS in all periods shown.

(3) In the nine month period ended September 30, 2024, includes fixed assets impairment charge of \$3.4 million in

connection with the Houston Transaction.

(4) In the nine month period ended September 30, 2024 amounts shown are in connection with the Houston Transaction.

(5) Includes service fees in connection with our loan-level derivative income generation activities.

- (6) Includes OREO valuation expense of \$0.5 million and \$5.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$1.1 million and \$5.7 million in the nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, and 2024, respectively. In addition, includes net loss on the sale of two OREO properties of \$0.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025. See Non-GAAP Financial Measures section for more information.
- (7) In the nine month period ended September 30, 2024, includes broker fees of \$0.3 million in connection with the
- Houston Transaction. Additionally, in all of the periods shown, see Primary Factors Used to Evaluate Our Business for more information on other operating expenses.
- (8) Includes \$2.1 million and \$3.9 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and \$8.3 million and \$10.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, respectively, related to Amerant Mortgage, primarily consisting of salaries and employee benefits, mortgage lending costs and professional and other services fees.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

Noninterest expense increased \$1.6 million, or 2.1%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024, mainly due to: (i) higher other operating expenses; (ii) higher professional and other services fees; (iii) higher losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower cost or fair value; and (iv) higher advertising expenses. These increases were partially offset by: (i) lower OREO and repossessed assets expense; (ii) lower occupancy and equipment expenses; (iii) lower FDIC assessments and insurance expenses; and (iv) lower depreciation and amortization expenses.

Other operating expenses increased \$4.2 million, or 129.8%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period a year ago, mainly driven by driven by: (i) earning credits of \$3.5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to no earnings credits in the three months ended September 30, 2024, and (ii) an increase in charitable contributions and donations compared to the same period last year. *See* Primary Factors Used to Evaluate Our Business section for more details on earnings credits.

Professional and other services fees increased \$2.3 million, or 16.7%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year. This was mainly driven by an overall increase in other professional fees related to outsourced core software and technology services and legal and consulting fees related to various projects.

Losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower cost or fair value increased \$0.9 million, or 100.0%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 as we recognized a loss on sale of one substandard loan during the period while we did not record any losses on loans held for sale in the same period last year.

Advertising expenses increased \$0.5 million, or 15.0%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year. This was mainly driven by higher expenses related to traditional media and marketing professional fees.

Other real estate owned and repossessed assets expenses decreased \$5.3 million, or 96.1%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period last year. In the three months ended September 30, 2025, we recorded a valuation allowance on a single family residential OREO property in Texas in the amount of \$0.5 million and other OREO expenses of approximately \$0.2 million, which were offset by \$0.5 million in OREO rental income, while in the three months ended September 30, 2024, we recorded a \$5.7 valuation allowance on an OREO property and other OREO expenses of \$0.3 million offset by approximately \$0.5 million in OREO rental income.

Occupancy and equipment expenses decreased \$0.7 million, or 11.5%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period one year ago mainly driven by lower lease expenses.

FDIC assessments and insurance expenses decreased \$0.3 million, or 11.0%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year mainly due to lower FDIC assessment rates.

Depreciation and amortization expenses decreased \$0.3 million, or 14.4%, in the three months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year mainly due to having less depreciable assets in the period.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025 and 2024

Noninterest expense increased \$7.7 million, or 3.6%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period in 2024, mainly due to:(i) higher professional and other service fees; (ii) higher other operating expenses; (iii) higher salaries and employee benefits; (iv) higher advertising expenses; (v) higher loan-level derivative expenses; and (vi) higher telecommunications and data processing expenses. These increases were partially offset by: (i) lower occupancy and equipment expenses; (ii) lower OREO and repossessed assets expense; (iii) lower losses on loans held for sale; and (iv) lower depreciation and amortization expenses.

Professional and other services fees increased \$7.4 million, or 20.2%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year. This was mainly driven by an overall increase in other professional fees related to outsourced core software and technology services, mortgage servicing expenses, accounting fees in connection with outsourced audit fees and consulting and legal fees related to various projects.

Other operating expenses increased \$3.9 million, or 28.0%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year. This was mainly driven by: (i) earning credits of \$7.4 million in the nine months September 30, 2025 compared to no earnings credits the nine months ended September 30, 2024; and (ii) increased expenses related to business development. These increases were partially offset by combined decreases in operating charge-offs, loan servicing and origination costs and other miscellaneous expenses. *See* Primary Factors Used to Evaluate Our Business section for more details on earnings credits.

Salaries and employee benefits increased \$2.7 million, or 2.6%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period one year ago, mainly driven by: (i) higher salary expense as a result of the new hires at higher rates; (ii) higher severance expenses related to the downsizing of Amerant Mortgage; and (iii) higher health insurance expenses. These increases were partially offset by lower bonus variable compensation attributable to lower performance, lower commissions due to lower loan production in connection with the Amerant Mortgage downsizing and lower expenses related to the long-term incentive program attributable to the effect of forfeitures during the period.

Advertising expenses increased \$1.7 million, or 15.3%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year. This was mainly driven by higher expenses related to traditional media and professional sports agreements, higher marketing professional fees, as well as higher expenses related to community engagement events.

Loan-level derivative expenses increased \$0.9 million, or 38.6% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period last year due to higher expenses during the period associated with payments for opening and terminations of new swaps and caps with clients.

Losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value decreased \$0.4 million, or 30.0%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period one year ago due to having lower losses during the period as we recorded a loss on sale of \$0.9 million related to the sale of one Substandard owner-occupied loan with an outstanding balance of \$30.4 million at the time of sale, while in the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the loss on sale of \$1.3 million was due to the transfer of approximately \$553.1 million in loans in connection with the Houston Transaction.

Telecommunication and data processing expenses increased \$0.3 million, or 3.3%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period one year ago primarily due to increases in computer expenses which were partially offset by a decrease in telephone usage and data infrastructure expenses.

Occupancy and equipment expenses decreased \$4.6 million, or 21.4%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period one year ago primarily due to: (i) the absence of a \$3.4 million fixed assets impairment charge in the nine months ended September 30, 2024 in connection with the Houston Transaction, (ii) fewer banking centers as a result of the Houston Sale Transaction, and (iii) an increase in sublease income from additional subleasing of portions of the headquarter building.

Other real estate owned and repossessed assets expenses decreased \$4.1 million, or 80.5%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period last year. In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, we recorded approximately \$1.0 million in combined OREO activity in comparison to \$5.0 million in combined OREO activity in the nine months ended September 30, 2024, mainly driven by a lower valuation allowance in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to the same period last year.

Depreciation and amortization expenses decreased \$0.2 million, or 4.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, compared to the same period last year mainly due to having less depreciable assets during the period.

Income Taxes

The table below sets forth information related to our income taxes for the periods presented.

	T	hree Months I	Ended	September 30,		Change Nine Months F					eptember 30,	Change	
		2025		2024		2025 vs 2024 2025 202		2024	2025 vs 2024				
(in thousands, except effective tax rates and percentages)													
Income (loss) before income tax expense	\$	19,008	\$	(61,892)	\$	80,900	130.7 %	\$	64,234	\$	(42,107)	\$ 106,341	252.6 %
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$	4,252	\$	(13,728)	\$	17,980	131.0 %	\$	14,518	\$	(9,474)	\$ 23,992	(253.2)%
Effective income tax rate		22.37 %		22.18 %		0.19 %	0.9 %		22.60 %		22.50 %	0.10 %	0.4 %

Income tax expense increased to \$4.3 million for the third quarter of 2025, compared to an income tax benefit of \$13.7 million for the same period in 2024. For the nine months ended September 30, 2025, income tax expense was \$14.5 million, compared to an income tax benefit of \$9.5 million for the first nine months of 2024. The increase in both periods was mainly driven by higher income before income taxes in 2025.

As of September 30, 2025, the Company's net deferred tax assets were \$46.9 million, a decrease of \$6.7 million, or 12.4%, compared to \$53.5 million as of December 31, 2024. This was primarily driven by a decrease of \$11.3 million in connection with \$44.4 million in net unrealized holding gains on debt securities available for sale during the period, partially offset by the tax effect of an increase in the allowance for credit losses.

On July 4, 2025, federal legislation generally referred to as H.R. 1 - One Big Beautiful Bill Act (the "Act") was signed into law. The Act includes a variety of tax provisions including permanently extending and modifying certain key aspects of existing tax law. U.S. GAAP requires the effects of changes in tax laws and rates to be recognized in its financial statements in the period in which legislation is enacted. The Company evaluated the impact of the Act on its consolidated financial statements and determined there is not a material impact resulting from the Act.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The Company supplements its financial results that are determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") with non-GAAP financial measures, such as "pre-provision net revenue (PPNR)", "core pre-provision net revenue (Core PPNR)", "core noninterest income", "tangible common equity ratio", "tangible stockholders' equity (book value) per common share", and "core noninterest expense". This supplemental information is not required by, or is not presented in accordance with GAAP. The Company refers to these financial measures and ratios as "non-GAAP financial measures".

We use certain non-GAAP financial measures, including those mentioned above, both to explain our results to shareholders and the investment community and in the internal evaluation and management of our business. Management believes that these supplementary non-GAAP financial measures and the information they provide are useful to investors since these measures permit investors to view our performance using the same tools that our management uses to evaluate our past performance and prospects for future performance. These non-GAAP financial measures have been adjusted for the effect of non-core banking activities such as the sale of loans and securities and other repossessed assets, the Amerant Mortgage downsizing, the Houston Transaction, the valuation of securities, derivatives, loans held for sale and other real estate owned and repossessed assets, the early repayment of FHLB advances, and other non-routine actions intended to improve customer service and operating performance. While we believe that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful in evaluating our performance, this information should be considered as supplemental and not as a substitute for or superior to the related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, these non-GAAP financial measures may differ from similar measures presented by other companies.

The following table is a reconciliation of the Company's PPNR, Core PPNR, core noninterest income and core noninterest expense, non-GAAP financial measures, as of the dates presented:

		Three Months l	Ended Sep	ptember 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(in thousands)		2025		2024		2025	-	2024
Net income (loss) attributable to Amerant Bancorp Inc.	\$	14,756	\$	(48,164)	\$	49,716	s	(32,63
Plus: provision for credit losses (1)	Ψ	14,600	Ψ	19,000	y .	39,106	Ψ	50,55
Plus: provision for income tax expense		4,252		(13,728)		14,518		(9,474
Pre-provision net revenue (PPNR)	_	33,608		(42,892)		103.340		8,44
Plus: non-routine noninterest expense items		1,977		5,672		3,703		11,23
Less: non-routine noninterest income items		180		68,484		(2,610)		68,662
Core pre-provision net revenue (Core PPNR)	\$	35,765	\$	31,264	\$	104,433	\$	88,339
		15.001		(45.600)	_	56.504		(12.55
Total noninterest income	\$	17,291	\$	(47,683)	\$	56,594	\$	(13,775
Less: Non-routine noninterest income items:		(1.202)				(2.225)		(10)
Derivatives losses, net (2) Securities gain (losses), net (3)		(1,383) 1,203		(68,484)		(3,235)		(68,65)
Gain on sale of loans (4)		1,203		(08,484)		2,799		(08,03.
Gains on early extinguishment of FHLB advances, net		_				2,199		18
Total non-routine noninterest income (loss) items	\$	(180)	S	(68,484)	\$	2,610	S	(68,66
Core noninterest income	\$	17,471	\$	20,801	\$	53,984	\$	54,88
Core nonmerest meonic	-		_				_	•
Total noninterest expenses	\$	77,835	\$	76,208	\$	223,789	\$	216,104
Less: non-routine noninterest expense items								
Other non-routine noninterest expense items:								
Losses on loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value (5)		881		_		881		1,25
Goodwill and intangible assets impairment (5)		_		_		_		30
Legal and broker fees (5)		_		_		_		56
Net losses on sale and valuation expense on other real estate owned (6)		516		5,672		1,872		5,67
Amerant Mortgage Downsize costs (7)		580		_		950		_
Fixed assets impairment (5)(8)		_		_		_		3,443
Total non-routine noninterest expense items	\$	1,977	\$	5,672	\$	3,703	\$	11,23
Core noninterest expenses	\$	75,858	\$	70,536	\$	220,086	\$	204,87

- (1) Includes provision for credit losses on loans and provision for loan contingencies.
- (2) In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025, includes net unrealized losses in connection with to-be-announced (TBA) mortgage back-securities (MBS) derivative contracts. We enter into these contracts to economically offset changes in market valuation on the trading securities portfolio. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, amounts are related to uncovered interest rate caps with clients.
- (3) In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025, amounts are primarily in connection with unrealized gains on market valuation of trading securities. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, includes losses as a result of the investment portfolio repositioning. See Noninterest Income section for more details.
- (4) In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, includes gain on sale of \$3.2 million, related to the sale of a loan that had been charged off in prior periods.
- (5) In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2024, amounts shown are in connection with the sale of the Company's Houston franchise which were disclosed on a Form 8-K on April 17, 2024 (the "Houston Transaction").
- (6) In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, includes a net loss on the sale of two OREO properties of \$0.8 million. Also, includes an OREO valuation expense of \$0.5 million in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, and \$5.7 million in the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2024.

 (7) In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, includes salaries and employee benefit expenses in connection with Amerant Mortgage downsizing costs.
- (8) Related to Houston branches and included as part of occupancy and equipment expenses.

The following table is a reconciliation of the Company's tangible common equity and tangible assets, non- GAAP financial measures, to total equity and total assets, respectively, as of the dates presented:

(in thousands, except percentages, share data and per share amounts)	As of September	30, 2025	As of	December 31, 2024
Stockholders' equity	\$	944,940	\$	890,467
Less: goodwill and other intangibles (1)		(23,784)		(24,314)
Tangible common stockholders' equity	\$	921,156	\$	866,153
Total assets		10,410,199		9,901,734
Less: goodwill and other intangibles (1)		(23,784)		(24,314)
Tangible assets	\$	10,386,415	\$	9,877,420
Common shares outstanding		41,265,378		42,127,316
Tangible common equity ratio		8.87 %		8.77 %
Stockholders' book value per common share	\$	22.90	\$	21.14
Tangible stockholders' equity book value per common share	\$	22.32	\$	20.56

⁽¹⁾ At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, other intangible assets consist primarily of naming rights of \$1.6 million and \$2.0 million, respectively, and mortgage servicing rights ("MSRs") of \$1.4 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, at the end of each period.

Financial Condition - Comparison of Financial Condition as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024

Assets. Total assets were \$10.4 billion as of September 30, 2025, an increase of \$508.5 million, or 5.1%, compared to \$9.9 billion at December 31, 2024. This result was primarily driven by increases of: (i) \$809.8 million, or 54.1%, in total securities, mainly debt securities available for sale and trading securities; (ii) \$40.5 million, or 6.9%, in cash and cash equivalents; (iii) \$14.5 million, or 6.0%, in BOLI mainly driven by a newly purchased policy and the change in cash surrender values during the first nine months of 2025. The increases were partially offset by decreases of: (i) \$339.5 million, or 4.7%, in total loans held for investment and loans held for sale, net of the ACL, (ii) decrease in deferred tax assets of \$6.7 million, or 12.4%, resulting from tax-effect of improvements in the valuation of securities available for sale, and (iii) \$11.5 million, or 6.4%, in accrued interest receivable and other assets. See "-Average Balance Sheet, Interest and Yield/Rate Analysis" for detailed information, including changes in the composition of our interest-earning assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents increased to \$630.9 million at September 30, 2025 from \$590.4 million at December 31, 2024, primarily as a result of an increase in interest earning cash balances.

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, interest earning deposits with banks, mainly cash balances held at the Federal Reserve, were \$570.6 million and \$519.9 million, respectively. In addition, at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company's cash and cash equivalents included restricted cash of \$6.9 million and \$24.4 million, respectively, which was held primarily to cover margin calls on derivative transactions with certain brokers. Furthermore, at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company's cash and cash equivalents included other short-term investments of \$7.2 million and \$6.9 million, respectively, which consist of US Treasury Bills that mature in 90 days or less.

Cash and cash equivalents provided by operating activities were \$100.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, mainly driven by: (i) net sales over originations and purchases of \$35.0 million in loans held for sale at a fair value; (ii) a non-cash adjustment of \$39.1 million for the provision for credit losses, and (iii) net income of \$49.7 million. These results were partially offset by a net decrease of \$20.5 million in operating assets and liabilities and other non-cash adjustments of \$2.8 million.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$501.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2025, mainly driven by: (i) purchases of investment securities totaling \$921.4 million, mainly comprised of debt securities available for sale and trading securities; and (ii) purchases of BOLI of \$7.0 million. These disbursements were partially offset by: (i) a net decrease in loans originated for investment of \$211.6 million; (ii) maturities, sales, calls and paydowns of investment securities totaling \$157.2 million, and (iii) proceeds from the sale of loans originated for investment of \$58.3 million.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, net cash provided by financing activities was \$441.1 million, mainly due to: (i) a net increase in total demand, savings and money market deposit balances of \$582.9 million, and (ii) net proceeds from advances from the FHLB of \$86.6 million. This was partially offset by: (i) a net decrease of \$136.5 million in time deposits; (ii) the redemption of \$60.0 million of senior notes that were due June 30, 2025; (iii) an aggregate of \$20.0 million of Class A common stock repurchased in the nine months ended September 30, 2025; and (iv) \$11.4 million of dividends declared and paid by the Company in the nine months ended September 30, 2025. *See* "-Capital Resources and Liquidity Management" for more details on changes in FHLB advances and common stock transactions in the nine months ended September 30, 2025.

Loans

Loans are our largest component of interest-earning assets. The table below depicts the trend of loans as a percentage of total assets and the allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans for the periods presented.

		September 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
(in thousands, except percentages)			
Total loans, gross (1)	\$	6,941,792 \$	7,271,322
Total loans, gross / total assets		66.7 %	73.4 %
Allowance for credit losses	¢.	04.019	94.062
	Þ	94,918 \$	84,963
Allowance for credit losses / total loans held for investment, gross (1)(2)		1.37 %	1.18 %
Total loans, net (3)	\$	6,846,874 \$	7,186,359
Total loans, net / total assets		65.8 %	72.6 %

⁽¹⁾ Total loans, gross is the principal balance of outstanding loans, including loans held for investment, loans held for sale at the lower of cost or fair value, and mortgage loans held for sale, net of unamortized deferred nonrefundable loan origination fees and loan origination costs, and unamortized premiums paid on purchased loans, excluding the allowance for credit losses on loans. There were no loans held for sale as of September 30, 2025 while as of December 31, 2024 we had \$42.9 million in mortgage loans held for sale carried at fair value in connection with the Company's mortgage banking activities.

⁽²⁾ See Note 5 of our audited consolidated financial statements included in the 2024 Form 10-K and our unaudited interim consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-Q for more details on our credit loss estimates.

⁽³⁾ Total loans, net is the principal balance of outstanding loans, including loans held for investment, loans held for sale carried at the lower of cost or fair value, and mortgage loans held for sale, net of unamortized deferred nonrefundable loan origination fees and loan origination costs, and unamortized premiums paid on purchased loans, excluding the allowance for credit losses.

The table below summarizes the composition of our loans held for investment by type of loan as of the end of each period presented. International loans include transactions in which the debtor or customer is domiciled outside the U.S., even when the collateral is U.S. property. All international loans are denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars.

(in thousands)	Sep	tember 30, 2025	December 31, 2024		
Domestic Loans:					
Real Estate Loans					
Commercial real estate (CRE)					
Non-owner occupied	\$	1,656,180	\$	1,678,473	
Multi-family residential		361,650		336,229	
Land development and construction loans		544,727		483,210	
	'	2,562,557		2,497,912	
Single-family residential		1,517,192		1,489,121	
Owner occupied		900,596		1,007,074	
		4,980,345		4,994,107	
Commercial loans		1,519,778		1,751,602	
Loans to financial institutions and acceptances		164,974		170,435	
Consumer loans and overdrafts (1)		241,823		271,586	
Total Domestic Loans		6,906,920		7,187,730	
International Loans:					
Real Estate Loans					
Single-family residential (2)		33,532		38,959	
Commercial loans		_		300	
Consumer loans and overdrafts (3)		1,340		1,422	
Total International Loans (4)		34,872		40,681	
Total Loans held for investment	\$	6,941,792	\$	7,228,411	

⁽¹⁾ Includes customers' overdraft balances totaling \$1.7 million and \$4.4 million as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Secured by real estate properties located in the U.S.

 ⁽³⁾ International customers' overdraft balances were de minimis at each of the dates presented.
 (4) Mainly consist of loans for which the country of risk is Venezuela.

The composition of our CRE loan portfolio held for investment by industry segment at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024 is depicted in the following table:

(in thousands)	September 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Retail (1)	\$ 621,178	\$ 718,869
Multifamily	361,650	336,229
Office Space	485,284	446,747
Specialty (2)	185,065	145,290
Land and Construction	544,727	483,210
Hospitality	286,707	288,788
Industrial and Warehouse	77,946	78,779
Total CRE Loans Held for Investment (3)	\$ 2,562,557	\$ 2,497,912

⁽¹⁾ Includes loans generally granted to finance the acquisition or operation of non-owner occupied properties such as retail shopping centers, free-standing single-tenant properties, and mixed-use properties primarily dedicated to retail, where the primary source of repayment is derived from the rental income generated from the use of the property by its tenants.

The Company had no loans held for sale as of September 30, 2025. The table below summarizes the composition of our loans held for sale by type of loan as of December 31, 2024:

(in thousands)	September 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
Mortgage loans held for sale at fair value		
Land development and construction loans	_	10,768
Single-family residential		32,143
Total mortgage loans held for sale at fair value (1)(2)	_	42,911
Total loans held for sale	<u> </u>	\$ 42,911

As of December 31, 2024, mortgage loans held for sale were in connection with Amerant Mortgage's ongoing business.

Includes marinas, nursing and residential care facilities, and other specialty type CRE properties.

Includes loans held for investment in the NY loan portfolio, which were \$197.0 million at September 30, 2025 and \$221.8 million at December 31, 2024.

All loans remained in accrual status as of December 31, 2024.

As of September 30, 2025, total loans held for investment were \$6.9 billion, down \$286.6 million, or 4.0%, compared to December 31, 2024. Domestic loans held for investment decreased \$280.8 million, or 3.9%, as of September 30, 2025, compared to December 31, 2024. The decrease in total domestic loans held for investment includes: (i) \$231.8 million, or 13.2%, in domestic commercial loans, mainly driven by prepayments and paydowns during the period; (ii) \$106.5 million, or 10.6%, in domestic owner occupied loans; (iii) \$29.8 million, or 11.0%, in domestic consumer loans, mainly purchased indirect consumer loans as the Company discontinued purchases of these loans in 2023 and this portfolio is set to runoff over time; and (iv) \$5.5 million, or 3.2% in loans to financial institutions and acceptances. The decrease in domestic owner occupied loans in the first nine months of 2025 includes the sale of one loan classified as Substandard, which had an outstanding balance of \$30.4 million at the time of sale. These decreases were partially offset by net increases of \$64.6 million, or 2.6% in domestic CRE loans and \$28.1 million, or 1.9% in domestic single-family residential loans.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the Company added approximately \$94.9 million in single-family residential and construction loans through Amerant Mortgage, which includes loans originated and purchased from different channels.

Loans to international customers, primarily from Venezuela and other customers in Latin America decreased \$5.8 million, or 14.3%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, mainly driven by repayments totaling \$5.3 million to existing single family residential loans.

As of September 30, 2025, loans under syndication facilities, included in loans held for investment, were \$368.3 million, a decrease of \$25.4 million, or 6.5%, compared to \$393.7 million at December 31, 2024. This was mainly driven by the paydown of five commercial loans totaling \$45.3 million, net balance paydowns of \$22.8 partially offset by an increase of two commercial loan and three construction loans totaling \$23.6 million and \$19.1 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, there were no SNC loans that financed highly leveraged transactions.

Loan Quality

Allocation of Allowance for Credit Losses

In the following table, we present the allocation of the ACL by loan segment at the end of the periods presented. The amounts shown in this table should not be interpreted as an indication that charge-offs in future periods will occur in these amounts or percentages. These amounts represent our best estimates of expected credit losses to be collected throughout the life of the loans, at the reported dates, derived from historical events, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts at the dates reported. Our allowance for credit losses is established using estimates and judgments, which consider the views of our regulators in their periodic examinations. Re-evaluation of the ACL estimate in future periods, in light of changes in composition and characteristics of the loan portfolio, changes in the reasonable and supportable forecast and other factors then prevailing may result in material changes in the amount of the ACL and credit loss expense in those future periods. We also show the percentage of each loan class, which includes loans in nonaccrual status.

	Septo	ember 30, 2025	Dec	cember 31, 2024
	 Allowance	% of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans Held for Investment	Allowance	% of Loans in Each Category to Total Loans Held for Investment
(in thousands, except percentages)				
Total Loans				
Real estate (1)	\$ 24,384	40.1 %	\$ 16,668	38.2 %
Commercial	48,458	35.2 %	44,732	38.3 %
Financial institutions (2)	_	— %	_	0.2 %
Consumer and others (3)	22,076	24.7 %	23,563	23.3 %
Total Allowance for Credit Losses	\$ 94,918	100.0 %	\$ 84,963	100.0 %
% of Total Loans held for investment	 1 37 %		1 18 %	

⁽¹⁾ Includes transactions in which the debtor or customer is domiciled outside the U.S. and all collateral is located in the U.S.

The ACL was determined utilizing a reasonable and supportable forecast period. The ACL was determined using a weighted-average of various macroeconomic scenarios provided by a third-party, and incorporated qualitative components. During the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the Company enhanced certain of its modeled macroeconomic factors to improve the stability of the model.

⁽²⁾ Excludes loans to non-depository financial institutions evaluated under Real Estate or Commercial allowance models.

⁽³⁾ Includes (i) indirect consumer loans purchased, and (ii) mortgage loans for and secured by single-family residential properties located in the U.S.

Non-Performing Assets

In the following table, we present a summary of our non-performing assets by loan class, which includes non-performing loans by portfolio segment, both domestic and international, and other real estate owned, or OREO and other repossessed assets, at the dates presented. Non-performing loans consist of: (i) nonaccrual loans where the accrual of interest has been discontinued; and (ii) accruing loans 90 days or more contractually past due as to interest or principal.

Sentember 30, 2025

December 31, 2024

	Septe	mber 30, 2025	December 31, 2024
(in thousands)			
Non-Accrual Loans			
Real Estate Loans			
Commercial and and (CDE)			
Commercial real estate (CRE)	ø	4 274	,
Non-owner occupied	\$	4,374 \$	· _
Multi-family residential		7,018	4 110
Land development and construction loans		19,577	4,119
		30,969	4,119
Single-family residential		8,838	8,140
Owner occupied		15,287	23,191
		55,094	35,450
Commercial loans		33,074	55,450
Commercial loans		67,081	64,572
Consumer loans and overdrafts		725	´—
Total Non-Accrual Loans	\$	122,900 \$	5 100,022
Past Due Accruing Loans			
Real Estate Loans			
Single-family residential	\$	— \$	1,201
Owner occupied		_	837
Commercial		1,392	2,033
Consumer loans and overdrafts (1)		_	8
Total Past Due Accruing Loans (2)		1,392	4,079
Total Non-Performing Loans	\$	124,292 \$	5 104,101
OREO and other repossessed assets		15,606	18,074
Total Non-Performing Assets	\$	139,898 \$	
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⁽¹⁾ In the second quarter of 2025, the Company changed its charge-off policy for unsecured consumer loans from 90 days to 120 days past due. This change in policy had no material impact to the Company's consolidated financial statements in the first nine months of 2025.

⁽²⁾ Loans past due 90 days or more but still accruing.

The following table presents the activity of non-performing assets by type of loan in the nine months ended September 30, 2025:

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025

(in thousands)	Commercial Real Estate	Single-family Residential	Owner-occupied	Commercial	Financial Institutions	Consumer and Others	OREO and Other Repossessed Assets	Total
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 4,119	\$ 9,341	\$ 24,028 \$	66,605 \$	- \$	8	\$ 18,074 \$	122,175
Plus: loans placed in nonaccrual status	32,237	14,176	5,881	71,322	_	7,942	_	131,558
Less: nonaccrual loan charge-offs	(1,268)	(249)	(130)	(24,571)	_	(7,277)	_	(33,495)
Less: nonaccrual loans sold, net of charge offs	(4,119)	(8,339)	(1,075)	(2,100)	_	_	_	(15,633)
Less: nonaccrual loan collections and others	_	(2,956)	(12,042)	(42,142)	_	60	_	(57,080)
Less: net decrease in past-due accruing loans	_	(1,201)	(837)	(641)	_	(8)	_	(2,687)
Loans returned to accrual status	_	(41)	(538)	_	_	_	_	(579)
Transferred from Loans to OREO	_	(1,893)	_	_	_	_	1,893	_
OREO sales and write downs	_	_	_	_	_	_	(4,361)	(4,361)
Balances at end of period	\$ 30,969	8,838	\$ 15,287 \$	68,473 \$	— \$	725	\$ 15,606 \$	139,898

The increase in nonperforming assets during the nine months ended September 30, 2025 was primarily due to downgrades based on receipt of recent borrower financial information as well as missed contractual milestones and CRE properties with debt coverage below contractual terms. This was partially offset by loan charge offs, repayments and sales. The Company also sold two OREO properties in the period.

All non-performing loans are rated Classified. See discussion on Classified and Special Mention Loans below for more details, including details about new loans downgraded during period.

We recognized no interest income on nonaccrual loans during the nine months ended September 30, 2025 and 2024.

The Company's loans by credit quality indicators are summarized in the following table. We have no purchased-credit-impaired loans.

		September 30	December 31, 2024										
(in thousands)	Speci	ial Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total (1)	SI	pecial Mention		Substandard		Doubtful		Total (1)
Loans held for investment													
Real Estate Loans													
Commercial Real Estate (CRE)													
Non-owner occupied	\$	53,284	\$ 42,406	\$ _	\$ 95,690	\$	361	\$	21,430	\$	_	\$	21,791
Multi-family residential		_	29,430	_	29,430		_		_		_		_
Land development and construction													
loans		3,959	19,577		23,536				4,119				4,119
		57,243	91,413	_	148,656		361		25,549		_		25,910
Single-family residential		738	8,717	_	9,455		_		9,438		_		9,438
Owner occupied		45,365	35,085	_	80,450		5,047		64,876		_		69,923
		103,346	135,215		238,561		5,408		99,863				105,271
Commercial loans		120,997	105,905	_	226,902		_		66,605		_		66,605
Consumer loans and overdrafts		_	725	_	725		_		8		_		8
Total	\$	224,343	\$ 241,845	\$ 	\$ 466,188	\$	5,408	\$	166,476	\$		\$	171,884

⁽¹⁾ There are no loans categorized as a "Loss" as of the dates presented.

Classified Loans. Classified loans include substandard and doubtful loans. The following table presents the activity of classified loans in the nine months ended September 30, 2025:

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025 (in thousands) Commercial Real Estate Single-family Residential Financial Institutions Consumer and Others Owner-occupied Commercial Total Balance at beginning of period 25.549 \$ 9.438 \$ 64 876 \$ 66.605 \$ 8 \$ 166,476 \$ Plus: loans downgraded to substandard and doubtful 115,061 13,203 24,873 109.897 7.940 270,974 Less: classified loan charge-offs (1.268)(249)(130)(24.571)(7,277)(33.495)Less: classified loans sold, net of charge offs (4,119)(8,339) (31,509)(2,100)(46,067) (3,174) Less: classified loan collections and others (43,810) (43 804) 54 (22,461)(113,195)Less: loans upgraded (269)(564)(122)(955)Less: Transferred from Loans to OREO (1,893)(1,893)91,413 \$ 35,085 \$ 105 905 \$ 725 \$ 8,717 \$ 241,845 Balances at end of period

Classified loans increased \$75.4 million, or 45.3%, primarily due to: (i) five CRE loans totaling \$91.6 million downgraded to substandard accrual, (ii) 11 commercial loans downgraded to non-performing totaling \$55.9 million, (iii) six commercial loans downgraded to substandard accrual totaling \$48.3 million, (iv) one construction loan totaling \$19.5 million downgraded to non-performing, (v) two Owner-Occupied loans downgraded to substandard accrual totaling \$19 million, (vi) two Owner-Occupied loans downgraded to non-performing totaling \$2.7 million, and (vii) one residential loan downgraded to non-performing totaling \$5.9 million. The remaining downgrades included other smaller classified loans. The downgrades of the CRE loans were primarily due to the loss of tenants, missed contractual milestones or debt coverage below contractual terms, while the downgrades to commercial loans were primarily due to the receipt of updated borrowers' financial information or missed contractual milestones.

Composition of Classified Loans at September 30, 2025

Classified loans include 20 large balance loans totaling \$178.4 million that remain in accruing status. Classified accruing loans include: (i) 1 CRE loan to a customer in the hospitality service sector in Florida totaling \$27.1 million; (ii) 2 CRE properties in Florida totaling \$25.5 million; (iii) 2 CRE properties in New York totaling \$17.9 million; (iv) 1 Land and Construction loan in Texas; and (v) 14 commercial and owner-occupied loans totaling \$88.3 million diversified in several industries.

New downgrades to Substandard Accrual and Subsequent activity

In July 2025, the Company downgraded to substandard accrual a total of \$55.6 million, which included one CRE loan from Pass, one CRE loan from Special Mention, and two commercial loans from Pass. Additionally, the Company collected a total of \$53.0 million in full satisfaction, which included two CRE accruing loans and one commercial non-performing loan. There were no additional charges as a result of this activity.

In the first quarter of 2025, the Company downgraded a \$40.6 million owner-occupied loan to a customer in the restaurant services sector in Florida to Substandard accrual status. In February 2025, the Company decided to sell the loan. As a result, the loan was transferred from loans held for investment to loans held for sale at the lower of cost or fair value. At the time of transfer, we determined that no valuation allowance was required. In April 2025, the Company decided not to proceed with the sale and reclassified the loan back to its held-for-investment portfolio. Subsequently, in the third quarter of 2025, we collected a partial payment of \$10.1 million and sold the remaining balance of \$30.4 million. The Company recognized a loss of \$0.9 million in connection with this transaction in the third quarter and the first nine months of 2025.

Special Mention Loans. The following table presents the activity of special mention loans by type of loan in the nine months ended September 30, 2025:

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2025 Commercial Real Estate Single-family Residential Consumer and Others (in thousands) Owner-occupied Commercial Total Balance at beginning of period 361 5,047 \$ 5,408 Downgrades to Special Mention 116,551 738 44,730 180,891 342,910 Upgrades to Pass Downgrades to Substandard (40,221) (1,545)(26,852)(68,618)Payoffs/Paydowns (19,448)(2,867)(33,042)(55,357)Balances at end of period 57,243 \$ 738 \$ 45,365 \$ 120,997 \$ 224,343

All special mention loans remained current at September 30, 2025.

The increase in Special Mention loans was mainly driven by 10 Commercial loans and 5 owner-occupied loans in multiple industries totaling \$178.7 million and \$44.7 million, respectively. These loans were downgraded based on receipt of recent financial information, or missed contractual milestones. In addition, the increase in special mention loans include eight CRE loans totaling \$117.3 million. While certain milestones were missed by the borrowers, there are acceptable mitigating factors in place, such as adequate loan-to-value, interest reserves or other structural enhancements. These increases were partially offset by \$55.4 million in payoffs and \$68.6 million in downgrades to Substandard.

Potential problem loans, which are accruing loans classified as substandard and are less than 90 days past due, at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, are as follows:

(in thousands)	Se	ptember 30, 2025	December	31, 2024
Real estate loans				
Commercial real estate (CRE)				
Non-owner occupied	\$	38,032	\$	21,430
Multi-family residential		22,413		_
		60,445		21,430
Single-family residential (1)		_		227
Owner occupied		19,799		40,847
		80,244		62,504
Commercial loans		38,824		_
	\$	119,068	\$	62,504

⁽¹⁾ Corresponds to both domestic and international single-family residential loans.

At September 30, 2025 total potential problem loans increased to \$119.1 million compared to \$62.5 million at December 31, 2024. This was primarily driven by the downgrade to substandard of two CRE retail loans totaling \$33.3 million, two CRE multifamily loans totaling \$30.7 million, one hotel loan totaling \$27.1 million, three owner-occupied loans totaling \$19.8 million, and seven commercial loans totaling \$48.5 million across the transportation, construction, and restaurant industries. These downgrades were partially offset by paydowns of three CRE loans totaling \$43.4 million, one commercial loan totaling \$1.3 million, and the partial payoff and sale of an owner-occupied loan totaling \$39.6 million, in addition to further downgrades of other loans.

Securities

The following table sets forth the book value and percentage of each category of securities at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024. The book value for trading securities, debt securities classified as available for sale and equity securities with readily determinable fair value not held for trading represents fair value. The Company determined that an ACL on its debt securities available for sale at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024 was not required. There are no debt securities held to maturity as of September 30, 2025.

	Septemb	er 30, 2025	December 31, 2024			
	Amount	%		Amount	%	
(in thousands, except percentages)						
Debt securities available for sale:						
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$ 2,492	0.1 %	\$	1,933	0.1 %	
U.S. Government Agency and Sponsored Enterprise Residential MBS	1,943,709	84.3 %		1,262,640	84.3 %	
U.S. Government Agency and Sponsored Enterprise Commercial MBS	154,990	6.7 %		142,538	9.5 %	
U.S. Government Agency and Sponsored Enterprise Obligations	12,471	0.5 %		16,682	1.1 %	
Non-Agency Commercial MBS (1)	7,144	0.3 %		11,792	0.8 %	
Municipal bonds	1,610	0.1 %		1,585	0.1 %	
	\$ 2,122,416	92.0 %	\$	1,437,170	95.9 %	
Equity securities with readily determinable fair value not held for trading (2)	\$ 2,542	0.1 %	\$	2,477	0.2 %	
Trading securities (3)	\$ 119,935	5.2 %	\$	_	— %	
Other securities (4):	\$ 62,808	2.7 %	\$	58,278	3.9 %	
	\$ 2,307,701	100.0 %	\$	1,497,925	100.0 %	

⁽¹⁾ Issued by a financial institution.

As of September 30, 2025, total securities increased \$809.8 million, or 54.1%, to \$2.31 billion compared to \$1.50 billion at December 31, 2024. The increase in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 was mainly driven by: (i) purchases of debt securities held for sale, trading securities and FHLB stock totaling \$921.4 million; and (ii) net pre-tax unrealized gains of \$44.4 million on debt securities available for sale primarily attributable to changes in market interest rates during the current period. This increase was partially offset by maturities, sales, calls and pay downs, totaling \$157.2 million.

⁽²⁾ In 2023, the Company purchased an investment in an open-end fund incorporated in the U.S. with an original cost of \$2.5 million. The Fund's objective is to provide a high level of current income consistent with the preservation of capital and investments deemed to be qualified under the Community Reinvestment Act.

⁽³⁾ In 2025, the Company began participating in trading of MBS as part of its investment portfolio strategy.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes investments in FHLB and Federal Reserve stock. Amounts correspond to original cost at the date presented. Original cost approximates fair value because of the nature of these investments.

Debt securities available for sale had net unrealized holding losses of \$27.0 million and net unrealized holding gains of \$16.5 million at September 30, 2025, compared to December 31, 2024 when net unrealized holding losses were \$55.7 million and net unrealized holding gains were \$0.9 million. The Company does not intend to sell these debt securities and it is more likely than not that it will not be required to sell the securities before their anticipated recovery. The Company believes these securities are not credit-impaired because the change in fair value is attributable to changes in interest rates and investment securities markets, generally, and not credit quality. As a result, the Company did not record an ACL on these securities as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

The Company does not have any debt securities classified as held to maturity at September 30, 2025.

The following tables set forth the book value, scheduled maturities and weighted average yields for our securities portfolio at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024. Similar to the table above, the book value for securities available for sale, trading securities and equity securities with readily determinable fair value not held for trading is equal to fair market value.

							Septemb	er 30, 2025									
(in thousands, except	Total			Less than a	a year		One to five	e years		Five to ten	years		Over ten yea	ars		No mat	ırity
percentages)	Amount	Yield		Amount	Yield		Amount	Yield		Amount	Yield		Amount	Yield	Aı	mount	Yield
Debt securities available for sale																	
Non agency commercial MBS	\$ 7,144	3.81 %	\$	_	-%	\$	_	—%	\$	_	-%	\$	7,144	3.81 %	\$	_	—%
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise obligations	12,471	5.17 %		_	%		2,680	5.25 %		1,049	5.57 %		8,742	5.10 %		_	%
Municipal bonds	1,610	2.46 %		_	-%			-%		356	1.92 %		1,254	2.61 %		_	—%
U.S. Treasury Securities	2,492	4.10 %		1,993	4.22 %		499	3.63 %		_	-%			-%		_	—%
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise commercial MBS	154,990	4.19 %		_	-%		47,500	3.56 %		41,020	3.90 %		66,470	4.81 %		_	-%
U.S. Government agency and sponsored enterprise residential MBS	1,943,709	4.97 %		_	-%		848	5.38 %		6,031	4.56 %		1,936,830	4.97 %		_	-%
	\$ 2,122,416	4.92 %	\$	1,993	4.22 %	\$	51,527	3.68 %	\$	48,456	4.00 %	\$	2,020,440	4.96 %	\$	_	— %
Equity securities with readily determinable fair value not held for trading	2,542	3.41 %	_	<u> </u>	— %	_	<u> </u>	%		<u> </u>	%		<u> </u>	—%		2,542	3.41 %
Trading securities	119,935	5.52 %		<u> </u>	-%	_	_	-%	_	_	-%	_	119,935	5.52 %			—%
Other securities	\$ 62,808	6.46 %	\$		—%	\$		%	\$		—%	\$		—%	\$	62,808	6.46 %
	\$ 2,307,701	4.99 %	\$	1,993	4.22 %	\$	51,527	3.68 %	\$	48,456	4.00 %	\$	2,140,375	4.99 %	\$	65,350	6.34 %

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(in thousands, except		al	Less than	a year	One to fiv	ve years	Five to te	n years	Over ten	years	No maturity		
percentages)	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	
•													
Debt securities available for sale													
Non-Agency Commercial MBS	\$ 11,792	3.51 %	s —	-%	s –	—%	s –	-%	\$ 11,792	3.51 %	s –	—%	
U.S. Government Agency and Sponsored Enterprise Obligations	16,682	5.45 %	11	-%	2,146	5.42 %	2,346	5.59 %	12,179	5.41 %		-%	
Municipal Bonds	1,585	2.38 %		— % — %	2,140	— %	343	1.79 %	1,242	2.54 %		— % — %	
U.S. Treasury Securities	1,933	4.22 %	1,933	4.22 %	_	- %	_	- %	-,	- %	_	 %	
U.S. Government Agency and Sponsored Enterprise Commercial MBS	142,538	4.17 %	206	2.87 %	37,972	3.70 %	43,051	3.72 %	61,309	4.77 %	_	-%	
U.S. Government Agency and Sponsored Enterprise Residential MBS	1,262,640	4.86 %	\$ 42	3.10 %	1,154	5.42 %	6,844	4.61 %	1,254,600	4.86 %	_	- %	
	\$ 1,437,170	4.78 %	\$ 2,192	4.05 %	\$ 41,272	3.84 %	\$ 52,584	3.91 %	\$ 1,341,122	4.85 %	s —	— %	
Equity securities with readily determinable fair value not held for													
trading	2,477	3.03 %		—%		-%		-%		-%	2,477	3.03 %	
Other securities	\$ 58,278	6.95 %	\$ —	-%	s –	-%	s –	-%	s –	-%	\$ 58,278	6.95 %	
	\$ 1,497,925	4.87 %	\$ 2,192	4.05 %	\$ 41,272	3.84 %	\$ 52,584	3.91 %	\$ 1,341,122	4.85 %	\$ 60,755	6.79 %	

The investment portfolio's weighted expected average effective duration decreased to 4.4 years at September 30, 2025 compared to 5.2 years at December 31, 2024, due to higher prepayment assumptions due to projections of lower market rates that result in a lower weighted average duration.

Liabilities

Total liabilities were \$9.47 billion at September 30, 2025, an increase of \$454.0 million, or 5.0%, compared to \$9.0 billion at December 31, 2024. This was primarily driven by an increase of \$446.4 million, or 5.7%, in total deposits, mainly due to an increase in core deposits, and (ii) \$86.7 million, or 11.6%, in advances from the FHLB. This increase was partially offset by: (i) the redemption in April 2025 of \$60 million of senior notes that were due June 30, 2025; and (ii) \$23.0 million, or 15.1%, in accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other liabilities. *See* "Capital Resources and Liquidity Management" and "Deposits" for more details on the changes in advances from the FHLB and total deposits. *See* "Our Company- Business Developments" for additional information.

Deposits

We continue with our efforts in growing our deposits. Our efforts include the additions of new team members to our business development teams across South Florida and Tampa in the first nine months of 2025.

Total deposits were \$8.30 billion at September 30, 2025, an increase of \$446.4 million, or 5.7%, compared to December 31, 2024. The increase in deposits in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 was mainly due to a increase of: (i) \$264.0 million, or 17.5%, in noninterest bearing demand deposits, (ii) \$254.0 million, or 13.5%, in savings and money market deposits, and (iii) \$64.8 million, or 2.9%, in interest-bearing deposits. These increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$136.5 million, or 6.1%, in time deposits.

The \$136.5 million, or 6.1%, net decrease in time deposits includes a decrease of \$151.7 million, or 21.6%, in brokered time deposits, which was partially offset by an increase of \$15.2 million, or 1.0% in customer CDs.

As of September 30, 2025 total brokered deposits were \$550.2 million, a decrease of \$151.6 million, or 21.6%, compared to \$701.9 million at December 31, 2024.

Deposits by Country of Domicile

The following table shows deposits by country of domicile of the depositor as of the dates presented and the changes during the period.

				Ch	ange
(in thousands, except percentages)	Sep	tember 30, 2025	December 31, 2024	Amount	%
Deposits	·		_		
Domestic (1)	\$	5,732,799	\$ 5,278,289	\$ 454,510	8.6 %
Foreign:		_			
Venezuela (2)		1,881,871	1,889,331	(7,460)	(0.4)%
Others (3)		686,299	686,975	(676)	(0.1)%
Total foreign		2,568,170	2,576,306	(8,136)	(0.3)%
Total deposits	\$	8,300,969	\$ 7,854,595	\$ 446,374	5.7 %

⁽¹⁾ Includes brokered deposits of \$550.2 million and \$701.9 million at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Based upon the diligence we customarily perform to "know our customers" for anti-money laundering, OFAC and sanctions purposes, we believe that the U.S. economic embargo on certain Venezuelan persons will not adversely affect our Venezuelan customer relationships, generally.

⁽³⁾ Our other foreign deposits do not include deposits from Venezuelan resident customers.

Our domestic deposits increased \$454.5 million, or 8.6%, in the nine months ended September 30, 2025, primarily driven by increases of: (i) \$243.5 million in domestic noninterest bearing accounts; (ii) \$233.5 million in savings and money market accounts; and (iii) \$141.8 million in domestic interest-bearing accounts. These increases were partially offset by decreases of: (i) \$161.7 million in domestic brokered time deposits; and (iii) \$2.6 million in domestic customer time deposits.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2025, total foreign deposits decreased \$8.1 million, or 0.3%, primarily driven by decreases in interest-bearing deposits from customers domiciled in Venezuela and other foreign counties. The decreases were partially offset by increases in time deposits, savings and money market deposits as well as noninterest bearing deposits from both customers domiciled in Venezuela and other foreign countries.

Core Deposits

Our core deposits were \$6.2 billion and \$5.6 billion as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. Core deposits represented 74.7% and 71.6% of our total deposits at those dates, respectively. The increase of \$582.9 million, or 10.4%, in core deposits in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 was mainly driven by increases in noninterest bearing demand deposits, savings and money market deposits, as well as interest bearing demand deposits. We define "core deposits" as total deposits excluding all time deposits.

Brokered Deposits

We utilize brokered deposits primarily as an asset/liability management tool. As of September 30, 2025, we had \$550.2 million in brokered deposits, which represented 6.6% of our total deposits at that date (8.9% as of December 31, 2024). As of September 30, 2025, brokered deposits decreased \$151.6 million, or 21.6%, compared to \$701.9 million as of December 31, 2024, mainly resulting from our planned strategy of reducing these high-cost deposits. As of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, brokered deposits included time deposits of \$550.2 million and \$701.9 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2025, brokered non-time deposits were not significant, while there were no brokered non-time deposits as of December 31, 2024. The Company has not historically sold brokered CDs in individual denominations over \$100,000.

Large Fund Providers

Large fund providers consist of third party relationships with balances over \$20 million. At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, our large fund providers included 18 and 20 deposit relationships, respectively, with total balances of \$1.1 billion and \$942.3 million, respectively. The increase in balances from large fund providers in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 was mainly driven by an increase in large deposits from commercial customers as the Company continues its focus on depository relationships.

Large Time Deposits by Maturity

The following table sets forth the maturities of our time deposits with individual balances equal to or greater than \$100,000 as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

	September 30, 2	025	December 31, 2024			
(in thousands, except percentages)		,				
Less than 3 months	\$ 513,088	40.1 % \$	386,857	30.4 %		
3 to 6 months	366,766	28.7 %	349,673	27.5 %		
6 to 12 months	336,339	26.3 %	464,812	36.6 %		
1 to 3 years	48,426	3.8 %	53,745	4.2 %		
Over 3 years	14,850	1.1 %	15,386	1.3 %		
Total	\$ 1,279,469	100.0 %	\$1,270,473	100.0 %		

Short-Term Borrowings

In addition to deposits, we use short-term borrowings from time to time, such as advances from the FHLB and borrowings from other banks, as a source of funds to meet the daily liquidity needs of our customers and fund growth in earning assets. Short-term borrowings have maturities of 12 months or less as of the reported period-end.

Short-term borrowings outstanding at September 30, 2025 totaled \$100 million, wherein \$20 million matured in the fourth quarter of 2025, \$20 million will mature in the first quarter of 2026 and \$60 million will mature in the third quarter of 2026. Balance outstanding at December 31, 2024 matured in January 2025. All of our outstanding short-term borrowings at December 31, 2024 corresponded to advances from the FHLB. There were no other borrowings or repurchase agreements outstanding at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

The following table sets forth information about the outstanding amounts of our short-term borrowings at the close of, and for the three months ended September 30, 2025 and for the year ended December 31, 2024.

	September 30, 2025				
(in thousands, except percentages)	 		<u> </u>		
Outstanding at period-end	\$ 100,000	\$	30,000		
Average amount	17,778		2,500		
Maximum amount outstanding at any month-end	100,000		30,000		
Weighted average interest rate:					
During period	4.20 %		4.44 %		
End of period	3.94 %		4.44 %		

Return on Equity and Assets

The following table shows annualized return on average assets, return on average equity, and average equity to average assets ratio for the periods presented:

	Three Months En	ded Sep	tember 30,		tember 30,		
	 2025		2024		2025		2024
(in thousands, except percentages and per share data)							
Net income (loss) attributable to the Company	\$ 14,756	\$	(48,164)	\$	49,716	\$	(32,633)
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	0.35		(1.43)		1.19		(0.97)
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share (1)	0.35		(1.43)		1.19		(0.97)
Average total assets	\$ 10,243,925	\$	9,985,972	\$	10,181,641	\$	9,823,343
Average stockholders' equity	942,421		766,909		923,665		752,384
Net income attributable to the Company / Average total							
assets (ROA)	0.57 %		(1.92)%		0.65 %		(0.44)%
Net income attributable to the Company / Average							
stockholders' equity (ROE)	6.21 %		(24.98)%		7.20 %		(5.79)%
Average stockholders' equity / Average total assets ratio	9.20 %		7.68 %		9.07 %		7.66 %

⁽¹⁾ In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, potential dilutive instruments consisted of unvested shares of restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance share units. See Note 13 to our unaudited interim consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-Q for details on the dilutive effects of the issuance of restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance share units on earnings per share for the nine month periods ended September 30, 2025 and 2024.

During the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, basic and diluted earnings per share increased compared to the same period one year ago, primarily driven by improved net income in the current periods compared to the same periods last year. These results were partially offset by an increase in the weighted average number of shares as a result of the Company's public offering of its Class A common stock that was completed in September 2024.

Capital Resources and Liquidity Management

Capital Resources

Stockholders' equity is influenced primarily by earnings, dividends, if any, and changes in accumulated other comprehensive income or loss (AOCI/AOCL) caused primarily by fluctuations in unrealized holding gains or losses, net of taxes, on debt securities available for sale and derivative instruments. AOCI or AOCL are not included in stockholders' equity for purposes of determining our capital for bank regulatory purposes.

Total stockholders' equity was \$944.9 million as of September 30, 2025, an increase of \$54.5 million, or 6.1%, compared to \$890.5 million as of December 31, 2024. This increase was primarily driven by: (i) a net income of \$49.7 million in the first nine months of 2025, and (ii) \$32.9 million of other comprehensive income in the first nine months of 2025. This was partially offset by: (i) an aggregate of \$20.0 million of Class A common stock repurchased in the first nine months of 2025, and (ii) \$11.4 million of dividends declared and paid by the Company in the first nine months of 2025.

Common Stock Transactions

In the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2025, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 487,657 and 978,750 shares, respectively, of Class A common stock at a weighted average price of \$20.51 and \$20.43 per share, under the 2023 Class A Common Stock Repurchase Program. The aggregate purchase price for these transactions was \$10.0 million and \$20.0 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2025, including transaction costs.

Dividends

Set forth below are the details of dividends declared and paid by the Company for the first nine months ended September 30, 2025:

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payment Date	Dividend Per Share	Dividend Amount
07/23/2025	08/15/2025	08/29/2025	\$0.09	\$3.8 million
04/23/2025	05/15/2025	05/30/2025	\$0.09	\$3.8 million
01/22/2025	02/14/2025	02/28/2025	\$0.09	\$3.8 million

On October 22, 2025, the Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.09 per share of the Company's common stock. The dividend is payable on November 28, 2025, to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 14, 2025.

Liquidity Management

We manage our liquidity based on several factors that include the amount of core deposit relationships as a percentage of total deposits, the level of diversification of our funding sources, the allocation and amount of our deposits among deposit types, the short-term funding sources used to fund assets, the amount of non-deposit funding used to fund assets, the availability of unused funding sources, off-balance sheet obligations, the amount of cash and liquid securities we hold, the availability of assets readily convertible into cash without undue loss, the characteristics and maturities of our assets when compared to the characteristics of our liabilities and other factors.

Liquidity risk management is a relevant element of our asset/liability management. Our contingency funding plan is constantly monitored by our Assets and Liabilities

Committee and serves as the basis to identify our liquidity needs. The contingency funding plan models several liquidity stress scenarios to evaluate different potential liquidity outflows or funding gaps resulting from economic disruptions and volatility in the financial markets, among other factors.

Customer deposits have been our principal source of funding, supplemented by our investment securities portfolio, our short-term and long-term borrowings as well as loan repayments and amortizations. The Company's liquidity position includes cash and cash equivalents of \$630.9 million at September 30, 2025, compared to \$590.4 million at December 31, 2024.

At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the Company had \$831.7 million and \$745.0 million, respectively, of outstanding advances from the FHLB. At September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, we had an additional \$2.1 billion and \$1.6 billion, respectively, of remaining borrowing capacity with the FHLB. This additional borrowing capacity is determined by the FHLB. In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the Company borrowed \$380.0 million and repaid \$293.4 million in advances from the FHLB. In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the Company had no significant gains or losses on the repayments of the advances from the FHLB. These repayments are part of the Company's asset/liability management strategies. In the third quarter of 2025, the Company restructured \$210.0 million of its fixed-rate FHLB advances. This restructuring consisted of changing the original maturity at lower interest rates. The new maturity for each contract was approximately three years, consistent with their original maturity. The Company incurred an early termination and modification penalty of \$3.4 million which was deferred and is being amortized over the term of the new advances, as an adjustment to the yields. In each of the third quarter and first nine months of 2025, the Company recognized \$0.1 million, included as part of interest expense, as a result of this amortization. The modifications were not considered a substantial modification in accordance with GAAP.

There were no other borrowings as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

We also have available uncommitted federal funds lines with several banks. We had no outstanding borrowings under uncommitted federal funds lines with banks at September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

Holding Company

We are a corporation separate and apart from the Bank and, therefore, must provide for our own liquidity. Historically, our main source of funding has been dividends declared and paid to us by the Bank. The Company is the obligor and guarantor on our junior subordinated debt and the guarantor of the Subordinated Notes.

The Company held cash and cash equivalents mainly at the Bank of \$34.7 million as of September 30, 2025 in funds available to service Subordinated Notes and junior subordinated debt and for general corporate purposes, as a separate stand-alone entity (\$99.5 million as of December 31, 2024 in funds available to service Subordinated Notes, Senior Notes and junior subordinated debt and for general corporate purposes).

On April 1, 2025, the Company redeemed \$60.0 million in aggregate principal amount of its 5.75% Senior Notes that were due June 30, 2025. The Notes were redeemed in full at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest. The aggregate redemption price, including accrued interest, totaled approximately \$60.9 million.

Subsidiary Dividends

There are statutory and regulatory limitations that affect the ability of the Bank to pay dividends to the Company. These limitations exclude the effects of AOCI/AOCL. Management believes that these limitations will not affect the Company's ability to meet its ongoing short-term cash obligations. See "Supervision and Regulation" in the 2024 Form 10-K.

In July 2025, the Board of Directors of the Bank approved the payment of a cash dividend of \$40.0 million by the Bank to the Company.

Based on our current outlook, we believe that net income, advances from the FHLB, available other borrowings and any dividends paid to us by the Bank will be sufficient to fund liquidity requirements for the foreseeable future.

Regulatory Capital Requirements

The Company's consolidated regulatory capital amounts and ratios are presented in the following table:

	Actual			Required for Capital A	dequacy Purposes	R	Regulatory Minimums To be Well Capitalized		
(in thousands, except percentages)		Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio		Amount	Ratio	
September 30, 2025									
Total capital ratio	\$	1,130,070	13.89 %	\$ 650,700	8.00 %	\$	813,374	10.00 %	
Tier 1 capital ratio		998,618	12.28 %	488,025	6.00 %		650,700	8.00 %	
Tier 1 leverage ratio		998,618	9.73 %	410,510	4.00 %		513,138	5.00 %	
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1)		937,999	11.53 %	366,018	4.50 %		528,693	6.50 %	
December 31, 2024									
Total capital ratio	\$	1,096,882	13.43 %	\$ 653,446	8.00 %	\$	816,807	10.00 %	
Tier 1 capital ratio		976,360	11.95 %	490,084	6.00 %		653,446	8.00 %	
Tier 1 leverage ratio		976,360	9.66 %	404,480	4.00 %		505,600	5.00 %	
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1)		915,658	11.21 %	367,563	4.50 %		530,925	6.50 %	

The Bank's consolidated regulatory capital amounts and ratios are presented in the following table:

	Actual				Required for Capital Ac	lequacy Purposes	Regulatory Minimums to be Well Capitalized			
(in thousands, except percentages)		Amount	Ratio		Amount	Ratio		Amount	Ratio	
September 30, 2025										
Total capital ratio	\$	1,079,242	13.29 %	\$	649,458	8.00 %	\$	811,823	10.00 %	
Tier 1 capital ratio		977,733	12.04 %		487,094	6.00 %		649,458	8.00 %	
Tier 1 leverage ratio		977,733	9.57 %		408,574	4.00 %		510,717	5.00 %	
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1)		977,733	12.04 %		365,320	4.50 %		527,685	6.50 %	
December 31, 2024										
Total capital ratio	\$	1,047,759	12.84 %	\$	645,644	8.00 %	\$	815,805	10.00 %	
Tier 1 capital ratio		956,861	11.73 %		489,483	6.00 %		652,644	8.00 %	
Tier 1 leverage ratio		956,861	9.50 %		402,892	4.00 %		503,615	5.00 %	
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1)		956,861	11.73 %		367,112	4.50 %		530,273	6.50 %	

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The following table shows the outstanding balance of financial instruments whose contracts represent off-balance sheet credit risk as of the end of the periods presented. Except as disclosed below, we are not involved in any other off-balance sheet contractual relationships that are reasonably likely to have a current or future material effect on our financial condition, a change in our financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources. For more details on the Company's off-balance sheet arrangements, *see* Note 19 to our audited consolidated financial statements included in the 2024 Form 10-K.

(in thousands)	September 30, 2025			December 31, 2024
Commitments to extend credit	\$	1,633,799	\$	1,389,894
Letters of credit		178,428		149,029
	\$	1,812,227	\$	1,538,923

Contractual Obligations

In the normal course of business, we and our subsidiaries enter into various contractual obligations that may require future cash payments. Significant commitments for future cash obligations include capital expenditures related to operating leases, certain binding agreements we have entered into for services including outsourcing of technology services, advertising and other services, and other borrowing arrangements which are not material to our liquidity needs. We currently anticipate that our available funds, credit facilities, and cash flows from operations will be sufficient to meet our operational cash needs for the foreseeable future. Other than the changes discussed herein, there have been no material changes to the contractual obligations previously disclosed in the 2024 Form 10-K.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the Company redeemed \$60.0 million in aggregate principal amount of its 5.75% senior notes that were due June 30, 2025.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, the Company borrowed \$380.0 million and repaid \$293.4 million of FHLB advances.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2025, total time deposits decreased \$136.5 million, or 6.1%. See "Deposits" for additional information.

On October 21, 2025, the Company entered into a Wind-down and Settlement Agreement (the "Wind-down Agreement") with a commercial borrower to resolve an existing loan participation agreement. Under the Wind-down Agreement, the Company assumes the risk of future credit losses under the participation agreement, up to a cumulative cap of \$7.7 million through June 30, 2026 (the "Loss Cap"). If actual credit losses are below the Loss Cap as of that date, the Company will pay the difference to the borrower by June 30, 2026. The Company is currently unable to estimate the difference between the actual credit losses that may be incurred through June 30, 2026 and the Loss Cap. As of September 30, 2025, the amount remaining to be covered towards the "Loss Cap" was \$5.9 million. As part of the Wind-down Agreement, the borrower has agreed to irrevocably and unconditionally guarantee the full and timely payment of all amounts due to the Company under the loan participation agreement that exceed the Loss Cap, up to a maximum of \$13.9 million.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

For our critical accounting policies and estimates disclosure, see the 2024 Form 10-K where such matters are disclosed for the Company's latest fiscal year ended December 31, 2024.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements. For a description of recently issued accounting pronouncements, see Note 1 to the Company's audited consolidated financial statements in the 2024 Form 10-K.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We believe interest rate and price risks are the most significant market risks impacting us. We monitor and evaluate these risks using sensitivity analyses to measure the effects on earnings, equity and the available for sale portfolio mark-to-market exposure, of changes in market interest rates. Exposures are managed to a set of limits previously approved by our Board of Directors and monitored by management. See discussions below for material changes in our market risk exposure as compared to those discussed in our 2024 Form 10-K, Part II, Item 7A, "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk".

Earnings Sensitivity

The following table shows the sensitivity of our net interest income as a function of modeled interest rate changes:

	Change in earnings (1)								
	-	September 3	30,		1,				
(in thousands, except percentages)		2025			2024				
Change in Interest Rates (Basis points)	<u></u>								
Increase of 200	\$	25,930	7.4 %	\$	24,427	6.8 %			
Increase of 100		22,212	6.3 %		19,262	5.3 %			
Decrease of 100		(15,657)	(4.4)%		(13,550)	(3.8)%			
Decrease of 200		(33,715)	(9.6)%		(30,120)	(8.3)%			

⁽¹⁾ Represents the change in net interest income, and the percentage that change represents of the base scenario net interest income. The base scenario assumes (i) flat interest rates over the next 12 months, (ii) that total financial instrument balances are kept constant over time and (iii) that interest rate shocks are instant and parallel to the yield curve, for the various interest rates and indices that affect our net interest income.

Net interest income in the base scenario decreased to approximately \$352.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2025 compared to \$361.0 million as of December 31, 2024. This decrease is mainly driven by prepayments of higher-yielding loans in the first nine months of 2025, which were replaced with lower yielding debt securities available for sale. The decrease was partially offset by a reduction in the cost of funds as the model includes an assumption of lower level of short term rates for the next 12 months.

The Company periodically reviews the scenarios used for earnings sensitivity to reflect market conditions.

Economic Value of Equity (EVE) Analysis

The following table shows the sensitivity of our EVE as a function of interest rate changes as of the periods presented:

	Change in equity (1)				
·	September 30,	December 31,			
	2025	2024			
Change in Interest Rates (Basis points)	_	_			
Increase of 200	(13.21)%	(13.61)%			
Increase of 100	(3.49)%	(4.86)%			
Decrease of 100	2.06 %	3.82 %			
Decrease of 200	(0.30)%	4.50 %			

⁽¹⁾ Represents the percentage of equity change in a static balance sheet analysis assuming interest rate shocks are instant and parallel to the yield curves for the various interest rates and indices that affect our net interest income

During the periods reported, the modeled effects on the EVE remained within established Company risk limits.

Available for Sale Portfolio mark-to-market exposure

The Company measures the potential change in the market price of its investment portfolio, and the resulting potential change on its equity for different interest rate scenarios. This table shows the result of this test as of September 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

	Change in market value (1)			
	 September 30,	December 31,		
(in thousands)	2025	2024		
Change in Interest Rates				
(Basis points)				
Increase of 200	\$ (161,371)	\$ (150,674)		
Increase of 100	(78,829)	(72,777)		
Decrease of 100	76,540	68,177		
Decrease of 200	144,074	122,109		

⁽¹⁾ Represents the amounts by which the investment portfolio mark-to-market would change assuming rate shocks are instant and parallel to the yield curves for the various interest rates and indices that affect our net interest income.

The estimated average effective duration of our investment portfolio decreased to 4.4 years at September 30, 2025 compared to 5.2 years at December 31, 2024, due to higher prepayment assumptions due to projections of lower market rates that result in a lower weighted average duration.

Additionally, the floating rate portfolio decreased to 15.4% at September 30, 2025 from 16.8% at December 31, 2024.

The following table sets forth information regarding our interest rate sensitivity due to the maturities of our interest bearing assets and liabilities as of September 30, 2025. This information may not be indicative of our interest rate sensitivity position at other points in time.

				Septembe	er 30, 2	2025			
(in thousands except percentages)	 Total	Less than one year		One to three years	F	our to Five Years	Me	ore than five years	Non-rate
Earning Assets	 								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 630,858	\$ 570,612	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 60,246
Securities:									
Trading securities	119,935	7,286		27,520		22,824		62,305	_
Debt available for sale, at fair value	2,122,416	527,014		409,751		322,522		863,129	_
Federal Reserve and FHLB stock	62,808	46,722		_		_		_	16,086
Marketable equity securities	2,542	2,542		_		_		_	_
Loans held for investment-performing (1)	6,817,500	4,798,766		950,814		458,938		608,982	_
Earning Assets	\$ 9,756,059	\$ 5,952,942	\$	1,388,085	\$	804,284	\$	1,534,416	\$ 76,332
Liabilities									
Interest bearing demand deposits	2,294,310	2,294,310		_		_		_	_
Saving and money market	2,139,964	2,139,964		_		_		_	_
Time deposits	2,097,931	1,704,740		348,130		44,565		496	_
FHLB advances	831,699	100,000		226,699		505,000		_	_
Subordinated Notes	29,752	_		_		_		29,752	_
Junior subordinated debentures	64,178	64,178		_		_		_	_
Interest bearing liabilities	 7,457,834	6,303,192		574,829		549,565		30,248	
Interest rate sensitivity gap		(350,250)		813,256		254,719		1,504,168	76,332
Cumulative interest rate sensitivity gap		(350,250)		463,006		717,725		2,221,893	2,298,225
Earnings assets to interest bearing liabilities (%)		94.4 %	ı	241.5 %)	146.3 %		5,072.8 %	N/M

^{(1) &}quot;Loan held for investment-performing" excludes \$124.3 million of non-performing loans (non-accrual loans and loans 90 days or more past-due and still accruing). N/M Not meaningful

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company maintains a set of disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. The CEO and the CFO, with assistance from other members of management, have evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of September 30, 2025, and, based on their evaluation, have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of such date.

Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls and Procedures

In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance of achieving the desired control objectives. In addition, the design of disclosure controls and procedures must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints and that management is required to apply judgment in evaluating the benefits of possible controls and procedures relative to their costs.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rule 13a-15(d) and 15d-15(d) of the Exchange Act that occurred during the period covered by this Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

In the normal course of business, we become involved in litigation and other legal proceedings arising from the banking, financial, and other activities we conduct. Based on the information presently available, and after consultation with legal counsel, management believes that the ultimate outcome in such litigation and legal proceedings, in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on our business, our financial condition, or the results of our operations. Where appropriate, reserves for these various matters of litigation and/or other legal proceedings are established, under FASB ASC Topic 450, Contingencies, based in part upon management's judgment and the advice of legal counsel.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

For detailed information about certain risk factors that could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results see "Risk Factors" in Part I, Item 1A of the 2024 Form 10-K. There have been no material changes to the risk factors previously disclosed in the 2024 Form 10-K.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The following table provides information regarding repurchases of the Company's common stock by the Company during the three months ended September 30, 2025:

	(a)	(b) (c)		(d)	
Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs ⁽¹⁾	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Current Program ⁽²⁾	
July 1 - July 31	10,000	20.02	10,000	22,799,779	
August 1 - August 31	205,534	19.95	205,534	18,698,841	
September 1 - September 30	272,123	20.94	272,123	13,000,012	
Total	487,657	20.51	487,657	13,000,012	

⁽¹⁾ On December 19, 2022, the Company announced that the Board of Directors authorized a repurchase program pursuant to which the Company may purchase, from time to time, up to an aggregate amount of \$25 million of its shares of Class A common stock (the "Stock Repurchase Program"). On December 15, 2023, the Company announced that on December 6, 2023, the Board approved to extend the expiration date of the Stock Repurchase Program that was set to expire on December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2024. As of the date the extension of the Stock Repurchase Program was approved, the Company had approximately \$20 million available for repurchases under the program. On December 11, 2024, the Company announced that the Board approved to extend the expiration date to December 31, 2025. As of the date of the extension approval, the Company had approximately \$12.4 million available for repurchases under the program. In the three months ended September 30, 2025, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 487,657 shares of Class A common stock at a weighted average price of \$20.51 per share, under the Stock Repurchase Program.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

⁽²⁾ On May 28, 2025, the Company announced that the Board of Directors approved an increase in the amount available for repurchases of the Company' shares of Class A common stock under the Stock Repurchase Program to \$25 million.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

Securities Trading Plans of Directors and Executive Officers

Our directors and executive officers may from time to time enter into plans or other arrangements for the purchase or sale of our shares that are intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c) or may represent a non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement under the Exchange Act. During the quarter ended September 30, 2025, none of the Company's directors or officers (as defined in Rule 16a-1(f)) adopted or terminated any contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of Company securities that was intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c) or any "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement".

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
10.1	Form of Change in Control Agreement EMC members - Approved September 2025
10.2	Separation Agreement and General Release, dated September 23, 2025 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K/A filed on September 26, 2025).*
31.1	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, As Adopted Pursuant To Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, by Gerald P. Plush, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. **
31.2	Certification Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, As Adopted Pursuant To Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, by Sharymar Calderon, Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer. **
32.1	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant To Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, by Gerald P. Plush, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. **
32.2	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant To Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, by Sharymar Calderon, Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer. **
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data (embedded within XBRL documents)

^{*}An exhibit of the agreement has been omitted pursuant to Item 601(a)(5) of Regulation S-K. A copy of such omitted exhibit will be furnished supplementally to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission upon request; provided, however, that the parties may request confidential treatment pursuant to Rule 24b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, for any document so furnished. Additionally, portions of this agreement have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(10)(iv) of Regulation S-K because such portions are (i) not material and (ii) are the type of information the registrant customarily and actually treats as private or confidential.

^{**} Furnished herewith

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

AMERANT BANCORP INC. (Registrant)

Date: October 31, 2025 By: /s/ Gerald P. Plush

Gerald P. Plush

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: October 31, 2025 By: /s/ Sharymar Calderon

Sharymar Calderon

Senior Executive Vice-President, Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

FORM CHANGE IN CONTROL AGREEMENT

This Severance and Change in Control Agreement (the "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between ("Executive") (as defined in the signature page) and Amerant Bank, N.A., a national banking association (the "Bank") and Amerant Bancorp, Inc. ("Amerant Bancorp") (the Bank and Amerant Bancorp collectively hereinafter shall be referred to as the "Company"), as of the Effective Date (as defined in the signature page).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, The Board of Directors of Amerant Bancorp and the Bank (the "Board") has determined that it is in the best interests of the Company to assure that the Company will incentivize the Executive to continue his/her dedicated employment with the Company, notwithstanding other opportunities, the possibility, threat or occurrence of a termination of employment or the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined herein) of the Company;

WHEREAS, The Board believes that it is important to provide Executive with certain severance benefits upon Executive's termination of employment and with certain additional benefits following a Change in Control to encourage the Executive to remain with the Company, notwithstanding the possibility of a Change in Control; and

WHEREAS, The Company and Executive wish to terminate any and all rights and obligations the Company and/or Executive had under any prior employment, severance or change in control agreement, plan or practice in exchange for this Agreement.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Company and Executive (each, the "Party," and together, the "Parties") hereto agree as follows:

- 1. Term of Agreement. The Initial Term of this Agreement will begin on the Effective Date and continue for two (2) years (the "Initial Term"), unless sooner terminated pursuant to Section 3 of this Agreement. The term of this Agreement shall renew automatically for successive one-year periods after the Initial Term (the "Renewal Terms"), unless and until non-renewed by either the Company or Executive upon not less than ninety (90) days' prior written notice given by either party prior to the end of the Initial Term or any Renewal Term, as applicable. The Initial Term and all Renewal Terms, if any, shall constitute the "Term." Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of the consummation of a "Change in Control" of the Company (as defined below), the Term shall be the one-year period following the consummation of such Change in Control.
- 2. At-Will Employment. The Company and Executive acknowledge that Executive's employment is and will continue to be at-will, as defined under applicable law. If Executive's employment terminates for any reason, including (without limitation) any termination of employment not set forth in Section 3, Executive will not be entitled to any payments, benefits, damages, awards or compensation other than the payment of accrued but unpaid wages, as required by law, and any unreimbursed reimbursable expenses or pursuant to written agreements with the Company, including equity award agreements.

3. Severance Benefits upon Change in Control.

 a) <u>Compensation/Benefits</u>. Except as expressly provided in this Section 3, Executive shall have no right to receive any compensation or other benefits under this Agreement.

- b) Termination Without Cause, or Resignation for Good Reason in Connection with a Change in Control. If, during a Change-in-Control Period, (x) the Company terminates Executive's employment with the Company without Cause, or (y) Executive resigns from such employment for Good Reason, then, subject to the terms of this Agreement, Executive will receive the following severance benefits from the Company:
 - i. Severance Payments. Executive will receive severance in an amount equal to twenty four (24) months of Executive's base salary as in effect immediately prior to the date of Executive's termination of employment payable in substantially equal consecutive installments, no less frequently than monthly, in accordance with Section 3(f). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company or its successor in its sole and absolute discretion may accelerate any installment payment or portion thereof to be paid on any date prior to the date the installment payment would otherwise be paid, subject to the limitations of Section 6.
 - ii. Termination Bonus Payments. Executive will receive: (a) if three (3) or more annual bonuses have been paid to the Executive, a lump sum severance payment equal to the average of Executive's annual bonus amounts paid for the three (3) full fiscal years preceding the year of the Change in Control; if only two (2) years of annual bonuses have been paid to the Executive, Executive will receive a lump sum equal to the average of Executive's annual bonus amounts paid for the two (2) full fiscal years; if one (1) year of annual bonus has been paid to the Executive, Executive will receive a lump sum equal to that annual bonus for the full fiscal year; or, "if less than one (1) year of annual bonuses has been paid to Executive, Executive will receive a lump sum equal to Executive's target annual bonus in effect for the full year in which Executive's termination of employment occurs, and (b) an amount equal to the bonus incentive amount due the Executive under the normal course of business pro-rated through the date of termination. Average bonus calculations shall be based on the number of full fiscal years during the calculation period. If Executive has been employed by the Company for less than a full fiscal year at the time of termination during any three (3) year employment period, Executive's average bonus calculation shall be calculated based on the Executive's full target annual cash incentive bonus opportunity for such partial fiscal year (i.e. any proration shall be ignored for purposes of performing this calculation). Annual bonuses shall be considered paid for a fiscal year if paid or payable in the next calendar year for performance in the applicable (prior) calendar year. Such amounts shall be paid following Executive's termination of employment, but in no event later than March 15th of the year following the year of Executive's termination of employment.
 - iii. Continued Group Health Benefits. COBRA Continuation Benefit. If Executive timely and properly elects COBRA continuation coverage, the Company shall reimburse the Executive for the portion of the Executive's monthly COBRA payment that is equal to the amount that the Company paid as a monthly premium for Executive and any of the Executive's dependents' participation in such plan immediately prior to the Qualifying Termination (the "COBRA Continuation Benefit"). Subject to compliance with Section 6, the Bank shall make any such reimbursement within thirty (30) days following receipt of evidence from Executive of Executive's payment of the COBRA Continuation Benefit. Executive shall be eligible to receive such COBRA Continuation Benefit until the earliest of: (a) the eighteen (18) month anniversary of Executive's termination of employment; (b) the date Executive is no longer eligible to receive COBRA Coverage; or (c) the date on which Executive otherwise becomes eligible to receive substantially similar coverage from another employer. The Company reserves the right to modify or terminate the COBRA Continuation Benefit provided hereunder to the extent necessary to comply with applicable law.

- c) Termination Due to Executive's Death or Disability, Termination by the Company for Cause or Voluntary Termination by Executive Without Good Reason. Except to the extent Other Vested Benefits apply to the Executive, if, during the Term, the Executive's employment is terminated: (1) by reason of Executive's death or Disability; (2) by the Company for Cause; or (3) voluntarily by Executive without Good Reason, the Company's obligations to Executive shall be limited to the payment of the Accrued Obligations, as defined below, and the timely payment or provision of the Other Vested Benefits, as defined below. The Accrued Obligations shall be paid to Executive or his/her estate or beneficiary in the event of his/her death, as applicable, in a lump sum in cash within thirty (30) days of the date of termination. Other than the Accrued Obligations and Other Vested Benefits, Executive shall have no right to receive any compensation or other benefits as a result of or in connection with the termination of his/her employment with the Company due to the Executive's death or Disability, by the Company for Cause, or by resignation by Executive without Good Reason.
- d) <u>Cessation of Payments and Benefits</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the obligation of the Company to pay or provide the benefits under this Section 3 shall automatically and immediately terminate upon a breach by Executive of this Agreement, including without limitation a breach of Executive's obligations under Section 5, other than an immaterial and inadvertent breach of any provision other than those set forth in Section 5 that is discontinued and/or remedied (to the extent subject to cure) by Executive promptly to the Company's satisfaction.
- e) Accrued Obligations and Other Vested Benefits. Upon Executive's separation of employment for any reason, the Company shall pay: (1) Executive's accrued and unpaid Base Salary through the date of termination, to the extent not theretofore paid (the "Accrued Obligations"), which payments shall not be subject to the Release (as defined below) and shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the date of termination; and (2) any other benefits that are otherwise required to be provided to Executive or to which Executive is otherwise eligible to receive through the date of termination under the terms of the applicable Company plan shall be provided to Executive consistent with the terms of the applicable Company plan (the "Other Vested Benefits"). Such payment of the Other Vested Benefits shall not be subject to the Executive's execution of the Release unless otherwise called for in the applicable governing Company plan.
- f) Timing of Payments. Subject to any specific timing provisions in this Section 3 or Section 7, as applicable, payment of severance under this Section 3 shall be made or commence to be made within sixty (60) days following Executive's termination of employment in accordance with the Company's general policies and procedures for the payment of salaries to its executive officers. If such sixty (60) day period spans two (2) calendar years, Executive shall not have the right to designate the calendar year of payment or commencement of payment.
- g) <u>Full Settlement</u>. If the Executive receives benefits under Section 3(b) of this Agreement and the Company has other programs or plans in place during the Term, Executive shall be eligible for benefits under any such programs or plans only to the extent such programs or plans payout a higher amount and only for said differential.
- **4. Conditions to Receipt of Severance.** Executive agrees that in order to be eligible to receive the benefits provided in Section 3 (as applicable, the "Severance Benefits"):
 - a) Executive must execute and not thereafter revoke his/her signature to a general release of all claims against the Company and its affiliates, successors, assigns and its related persons in a form provided by and acceptable to the Company (the "Release") by the deadline set by the Company for the return of the Release. The Company will set a deadline for return of the Release (the "Release")

Deadline") that will be no later than 60 days following the termination of employment. If the termination of employment occurs at a time during the calendar year where the Release Deadline could occur in the calendar year following the calendar year in which Executive's termination of employment occurs, then any severance payments or benefits under this Agreement that are not exempt from Section 409A of the Code ("Section 409A") will be paid on the first payroll date to occur during the calendar year following the calendar year in which such termination occurs, or such later time as required by (i) the payment schedule applicable to each payment or benefit as set forth in Section 3; (ii) the date the Release becomes effective; or (iii) Section 6, provided that the first payment shall include all amounts that would have been paid to Executive if payment had commenced on the date of Executive's termination of employment.

b) The Executive shall comply with requirements of Section 5 both during and after his/ her employment.

5. Non-Competition, Non-Solicitation, Confidential Information.

- a) Non-competition. The Parties agree that a condition precedent for the application of this Section 5.a) is the Executive receiving benefits under Section 3.b). During Executive's employment, Executive has and the Company agrees that Executive will continue to have access to Confidential Information. In order to protect Confidential Information and the goodwill of the Company and to help enforce non-disclosure obligations in this Agreement, Executive agrees that during the Executive's employment with the Company or any Affiliated Companies (as defined below) and for a period of twenty four (24) consecutive months after Executive is no longer employed by the Company or any Affiliated Companies, Executive shall not directly or indirectly, whether individually or as a shareholder or other owner, partner, member, director, officer, employee, independent contractor, creditor or agent of any person (other than for the Company), enter into, engage, or promote or assist (financially or otherwise), directly or indirectly, in the business of banking; fiduciary, trust and custody services; securities, insurance brokerage, investment management, advice and related services; payments; money transmissions; lending; extending credit and deposit taking; all of the foregoing, whether domestic, international or both, and all services related or incidental to any of the foregoing (collectively, "Competitive Services") anywhere in any county in which any of the Company or any Affiliated Companies operate banking offices (which includes but is not limited to branches, loan production offices, deposit production offices, operation centers, and any similar office used by the Company or any Affiliated Companies) (the "Restricted Territory"). The Restricted Territory shall be determined at the commencement of the Change-in-Control Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, ownership, for personal investment purposes only, of 3% or less of the outstanding capital stock of a publicly traded Company shall not constitute a violation hereof.
- b) Non-solicitation of Clients. During the Executive's employment with the Company or any Affiliated Companies (as defined below) and for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months after Executive is no longer employed by the Company or any Affiliated Companies, Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, whether individually or as a shareholder or other owner, partner, member, director, officer, employee, independent contractor, creditor or agent of any person (other than for the Company or any Affiliated Companies):
 - (i) Solicit or attempt in any manner to persuade any Client of the Company or any Affiliated Companies to cease to do business, to refrain from doing business or to reduce the amount of business that any Client has customarily done or contemplates doing with the Company or any of the Affiliated Companies; or

- (ii) Interfere with or damage (or attempt to interfere with or damage) any relationship between the Company or any Affiliated Companies and any Client.
- c) Non-solicitation of Employees; No Hire. During the Executive's employment with the Company or any Affiliated Companies (as defined below) and for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months after Executive is no longer employed by the Company or any Affiliated Companies, Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, whether individually or as a shareholder or other owner, partner, member, director, officer, employee, independent contractor, creditor or agent of any person (other than for the Company or any Affiliated Companies):
 - (i) Solicit any employee, officer, director, agent or independent contractor of the Company or any Affiliated Companies to terminate his/her relationship with, or otherwise refrain from rendering services to, the Company or any Affiliated Companies, or otherwise interfere or attempt to interfere in any way with the Company or any Affiliated Companies' relationship with any of its employees, officers, directors, agents or independent contractors; or
 - (ii) Hire, attempt to hire, employ or engage any person who, at any time within the one-year period immediately preceding such hire, or attempt to hire, employment or engagement, was an employee, officer or director of the Company or any Affiliated Companies.

d) Non-disclosure of Confidential Information.

- (i) During Executive's employment with Company or any Affiliated Companies and thereafter, Executive shall not communicate or divulge any Confidential Information to any person or entity other than Company or an Affiliated Company, their employees, and those designated by Company or an Affiliated Company, or use any Confidential Information except for the benefit of the Company or any Affiliated Companies, which Executive agrees is the exclusive property of the Company or applicable Affiliated Company. Executive agrees that Executive will not remove any hard copies of Confidential Information, from the Company's or any Affiliated Companies' premises, will not download, upload, or otherwise transfer copies of Confidential Information to any external storage media, cloud storage, personal email address of Executive, or email address that is not owned by the Company or an Affiliated Company.
- (ii) Immediately upon the termination of Executive's employment with Company or an Affiliated Company for any reason, or earlier upon demand by the Company, Executive shall return to Company or the applicable Affiliated Company all Confidential Information in Executive's possession, including but not limited to any and all copies, reproductions, notes, or extracts of Confidential Information in paper or electronic form, as well as all Company property in the possession of Executive. Upon service to Executive of any subpoena, court order or other legal process requiring Executive to disclose Confidential Information at any time, Executive shall immediately provide written notice to Company of such service and the content of any Confidential Information to be disclosed.
- (iii) Immunity Notice: Executive acknowledges that an individual shall not be held criminally or civilly liable under any Federal or State trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that: (i) is made in confidence to a Federal, State, or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney, and made solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or (ii) is made in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. Executive further acknowledges that an individual who files a lawsuit against an employer for retaliation for reporting a suspected violation of law may disclose the trade secret to the attorney

representing the individual and use the trade secret information in the court proceeding, if the individual: (a) files any document containing the trade secret under seal; and (b) does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

- e) Non-disparagement. Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, at any time (whether during Executive's employment or thereafter), make any public statement (oral or written), or take any other action, that is disparaging to the Company or any Affiliated Company. This Agreement shall not preclude Executive from making truthful statements to correct any false statements made by the Company, any Affiliated Company or any person acting on behalf thereof about Executive or prohibit Executive from reporting possible violations of federal law or regulations, including any possible securities laws violations, to any governmental agency or entity, including but not limited to bank regulatory agencies, the U.S. Department of Justice or the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or from participating in any investigation by such governmental agency or entity.
- Enforcement; Remedies; Reformation/Modification. Executive acknowledges that: (1) the provisions of this Section 5 are fundamental and essential for the protection of the Company's and the Affiliated Companies' legitimate business and proprietary interests, and the Affiliated Companies (other than the Company) are intended third-party beneficiaries of such provisions; (2) such provisions are reasonable and appropriate in all respects and impose no undue hardship on Executive; and (3) in the event of any violation by Executive of any of such provisions, the Company and, if applicable, the Affiliated Companies, will suffer irreparable harm and their remedies at law may be inadequate. In the event of any violation or attempted violation of any provision of this Section 5 by Executive, the Company and the Affiliated Companies, or any of them, as the case may be, shall be entitled to a temporary restraining order, temporary and permanent injunctions, specific performance, and other equitable relief, without any showing of irreparable harm or damage or the posting of any bond, in addition to any other rights or remedies that may then be available to them, including, without limitation, money damages and the cessation of the payments contemplated under Section 3. The parties agree that the applicable periods of noncompetition and/or non-solicitation of clients and employees, as described in in Sections 5(a)-(c) above, shall be extended by the length of time during which Executive is in breach of any of the covenants in this Section 5. If any of the covenants set forth in this Section 5 are finally held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable (whether in whole or in part), such covenant shall be deemed modified or reformed to the extent, but only to the extent, of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability, and the remaining such covenants shall not be affected thereby.

6. Section 409A.

- a) Although the Company does not guarantee the tax treatment of any payments under the Agreement, the intent of the Parties is that the payments and benefits under this Agreement be exempt from, or comply with, Section 409A and to the maximum extent permitted the Agreement shall be limited, construed and interpreted in accordance with such intent. In no event whatsoever shall the Company or its affiliates or their respective officers, directors, employees or agents be liable for any additional tax, interest or penalties that may be imposed on Executive by Section 409A or damages for failing to comply with Section 409A.
- b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, to the extent that any reimbursement of expenses constitutes "deferred compensation" under Section 409A, such reimbursement shall be provided no later than December 31 of the year following the year in which the expense was incurred. The amount of expenses reimbursed in one year shall not affect the

- amount eligible for reimbursement in any subsequent year. The amount of any in-kind benefits provided in one year shall not affect the amount of in-kind benefits provided in any other year.
- c) For purposes of Section 409A (including, without limitation, for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2)(iii)), the right to receive payments in the form of installment payments shall be treated as a right to receive a series of separate payments and, accordingly, each installment payment shall at all times be considered a separate and distinct payment. Whenever a payment under this Agreement may be paid within a specified period, the actual date of payment within the specified period shall be within the sole discretion of the Company.
- d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if at the time of Executive's separation from service (as defined in Section 409A), Executive is a "Specified Employee," then the Company will defer the payment or commencement of any nonqualified deferred compensation subject to, and not exempt from, Section 409A payable upon separation from service (without any reduction in such payments or benefits ultimately paid or provided to Executive) until the date that is six (6) months following separation from service or, if earlier, the earliest other date as is permitted under Section 409A (and any amounts that otherwise would have been paid during this deferral period will be paid in a lump sum on the day after the expiration of the six (6) month period or such shorter period, if applicable). Executive will be a "Specified Employee" for purposes of this Agreement if, on the date of Executive's separation from service, Executive is an individual who is, under the method of determination adopted by the Company designated as, or within the category of employees deemed to be, a "Specified Employee" within the meaning and in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(i). The Company shall determine in its sole discretion all matters relating to who is a "Specified Employee" and the application of and effects of the change in such determination.
- e) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or elsewhere to the contrary, a termination of employment shall not be deemed to have occurred for purposes of any provision of this Agreement providing for the payment of any amounts or benefits that constitute "non-qualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A upon or following a termination of the Executive's employment unless such termination is also a "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A and, for purposes of any such provision of this Agreement, references to a "termination," "termination of employment" or like terms shall mean "separation from service" and the date of such separation from service shall be the date of termination for purposes of any such payment or benefits.

7. Limitation on Payments Under Certain Circumstances.

- a) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, in the event the Qualified Firm (as defined below) shall determine that receipt of all Payments (as defined below) would subject Executive to the excise tax under Section 4999 of the Code ("Section 4999"), the Qualified Firm shall determine whether to reduce any of the Severance Benefits paid or payable pursuant to this Agreement so that the Parachute Value of all Payments, in the aggregate, equals the Safe Harbor Amount (as defined below). The Severance Benefits shall be so reduced only if the Qualified Firm determines that Executive would have a greater Net After-Tax Receipt (as defined below) of aggregate Payments if the Severance Benefits were so reduced. If the Qualified Firm determines that Executive would not have a greater Net After-Tax Receipt of aggregate Payments if the Severance Benefits were so reduced, Executive shall receive all Severance Benefits to which Executive is entitled hereunder.
- b) If the Qualified Firm determines that the aggregate Agreement Payments should be reduced so that the Parachute Value of all Payments, in the aggregate, equals the Safe Harbor Amount, the

Company shall promptly give Executive notice to that effect and a copy of the detailed calculation thereof. All determinations made by the Qualified Firm under this Section 7 shall be binding upon the Company and Executive and shall be made as soon as reasonably practicable and in no event later than thirty (30) days following the date of termination. For purposes of reducing the Severance Benefits so that the Parachute Value of all Payments, in the aggregate, equals the Safe Harbor Amount, only amounts payable under this Agreement (and no other payments) shall be reduced. The reduction of the amounts payable hereunder, if applicable, shall be made by reducing the payments and benefits under the following sections in the following order: (1) first, any payments under Section 3(b)(ii); (2) second, any payments under Section 3(b)(i); and (3) third, any payments under Section 3(b)(iii). If payments to be reduced are payable at different times, the amounts shall be reduced (but not below zero) on a pro rata basis. All fees and expenses of the Qualified Firm shall be borne solely by the Company.

- c) As a result of the uncertainty in the application of Section 4999 at the time of the initial determination by the Qualified Firm hereunder, it is possible that amounts will have been paid or distributed by the Company to or for the benefit of Executive pursuant to this Agreement that should not have been so paid or distributed ("Overpayment") or that additional amounts which will have not been paid or distributed by the Company to or for the benefit of Executive pursuant to this Agreement could have been so paid or distributed ("Underpayment"), in each case, consistent with the calculation of the Safe Harbor Amount hereunder. In the event that the Qualified Firm, based upon the assertion of a deficiency by the Internal Revenue Service against either the Company or Executive that the Qualified Firm believes has a high probability of success, determines that an Overpayment has been made, Executive shall promptly (and in no event later than sixty (60) days following the date on which the Overpayment is determined) pay any such Overpayment to the Company together with interest at the rate used to calculate present value under Section 280G of the Code ("Section 280G"); provided, however, that no amount shall be payable by Executive to the Company if and to the extent such payment would not either reduce the amount on which Executive is subject to tax under Sections 1 and 4999 or generate a refund of such taxes. If the Qualified Firm, based upon controlling precedent or substantial authority, determines that an Underpayment has occurred, any such Underpayment shall be paid promptly (and in no event later than sixty (60) days following the date on which the Underpayment is determined) by the Company to or for the benefit of Executive together with interest at the rate used to calculate present value under Section 280G. Executive shall have no right to any Underpayment unless and until the Qualified Firm determines that an Underpayment is due.
- d) The Company shall cooperate with Executive in good faith in valuing, and the Qualified Firm shall take into account the value of, services provided or to be provided by Executive (including without limitation Executive's agreeing to refrain from performing services pursuant to a covenant not to compete or similar covenant, including those set forth in Section 5 of this Agreement) before, on or after the date of a change in ownership or control of the Company (within the meaning of Q&A-2(b) of the final regulations under Section 280G), such that payments in respect of such services may be considered reasonable compensation within the meaning of Q&A-9 and Q&A-40 to Q&A-44 of the regulations under Section 280G of the Code and/or exempt from the definition of the term "parachute payment" within the meaning of Q&A-2(a) of the regulations under Section 280G in accordance with Q&A-5(a) of the regulations under Section 280G.
- e) <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Section, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

"Qualified Firm" shall mean a nationally recognized certified public accounting or consulting firm that is selected by the Company for purposes of making the applicable determinations under Section 7 and is reasonably acceptable to Executive, which firm shall

not, without Executive's consent, be a firm serving as accountant, auditor or consultant for the individual, entity or group effecting the change in control or ownership.

"Net After-Tax Receipt" shall mean the present value (as determined in accordance with Sections 280G(b)(2)(A)(ii) and 280G(d)(4) of the Code) of a Payment net of all taxes imposed on Executive with respect thereto under Sections 1 and 4999 of the Code and under applicable state and local laws, determined by applying the highest marginal rate under Section 1 of the Code, and under state and local laws which applied to Executive's taxable income for the immediately preceding taxable year, or such other rate(s) as the Qualified Firm determined to be likely to apply to Executive in the relevant tax year(s).

"Parachute Value" of a Payment means the present value as of the date of the change of control for purposes of Section 280G of the portion of such Payment that constitutes a "parachute payment" under Section 280G(b)(2) of the Code, as determined by the Qualified Firm for purposes of determining whether and to what extent the excise tax under Section 4999 will apply to such Payment.

"Payment" means any payment or distribution in the nature of compensation (within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(2) of the Code) to or for the benefit of Executive, whether paid or payable pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise.

"Safe Harbor Amount" means (1) 3.0 times Executive's "base amount," within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(3) of the Code, minus (2) \$1.00.

- **8. Defined Terms.** For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:
 - a) "Affiliated Companies" shall mean all of the Bank's and/or Amerant Bancorp's direct or indirect subsidiaries, and any other entities controlled by, controlling, or under common control with the Bank and/or Amerant Bancorp, including any successors thereof.
 - b) "Cause" shall mean, as determined in the sole discretion of the Company, any one or more of the following:
 - (i) (I) indictment of Executive, or plea of guilty or plea of nolo contendere by Executive, to a charge of an act constituting a felony under the federal laws of the United States, the laws of any state, or any other applicable law; (II) fraud, embezzlement, or misappropriation of assets; (III) or willful misfeasance, dishonesty, or other actions or criminal conduct that materially and adversely affects the business (including business reputation) or financial condition of the Company;
 - (ii) material violation by Executive of any law or regulation applicable to the business of the Company; or
 - (iii) violation by Executive of any material covenant or obligation under this Agreement.
 - c) "Change in Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events:
 - (i) any individual, entity or group (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) (a "Person") becomes the beneficial owner (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of 35% or more of the combined voting power of the then-outstanding voting securities (the "Outstanding Company Voting

Securities"); provided, however, that, for purposes of this definition, the following acquisitions shall not constitute a Change in Control: (1) any acquisition directly from the Company, (2) any acquisition by the Company which reduces the number of Outstanding Company Voting Securities and thereby results in any person acquiring beneficial ownership of more than 35% of the Outstanding Company Voting Securities; provided, that, if after such acquisition by the Company such person becomes the beneficial owner of additional Company voting securities that increases the percentage of Outstanding Company Voting Securities beneficially owned by such person, a Change in Control of the Company shall then occur, (3) any acquisition by any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company or any subsidiary, (4) an acquisition by an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to a bona fide public offering of such securities, (5) an acquisition pursuant to a Business Combination (as defined in paragraph (iii) below) (6) a transaction (other than the one described in paragraph (iii) below) in which Outstanding Company Voting Securities are acquired from the Company, if a majority of the members of the Incumbent Board (defined below) approve a resolution providing expressly that the acquisition pursuant to this clause (6) does not constitute a Change in Control of the Company under this paragraph (i), or (7) any acquisition pursuant to a transaction that complies with paragraph (iii) below;

- (ii) individuals who as of the Effective Date, constitute the Board (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board; provided, however, that any individual becoming a director subsequent to the Effective Date whose election, or nomination for election by the stockholders was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board (either by specific vote or by approval of the proxy statement of the Company in which such individual is named as a nominee for director, without objection to such nomination) shall be considered as though such individual was a member of the Incumbent Board, but excluding, for this purpose, any such individual whose initial assumption of office occurs as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of a Person other than the Board;
- (iii) consummation of a reorganization, merger, statutory share exchange or consolidation or similar transaction involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries, a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company in one or a series of transactions, or the acquisition of assets or securities of another entity by the Company or any of its subsidiaries (each a "Business Combination"), in each case unless, following such Business Combination, (I) all or substantially all of the individuals and entities that were the beneficial owners of the Outstanding Company Voting Securities immediately prior to such Business Combination beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the then-outstanding shares of voting common stock (or, for a non-corporate entity, equivalent securities) and the combined voting power of the then-outstanding voting securities, as the case may be, of the entity resulting from such Business Combination (including, without limitation, an entity that, as a result of such transaction, owns the Company or all or substantially all of the Company's assets either directly or through one or more subsidiaries) in substantially the same proportions as their ownership immediately prior to such Business Combination of the Outstanding Company Voting Securities, as the case may be, (II) no Person (excluding any entity resulting from such Business Combination or any employee benefit plan (or related trust) of the Company or such entity resulting from such Business Combination) beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 25% or more of, respectively, the then-outstanding shares of common stock (or, for a noncorporate entity, equivalent securities) of the entity resulting from such Business

Combination or the combined voting power of the then-outstanding voting securities of such entity, except to the extent that such ownership existed prior to the Business Combination, and (III) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors (or, for a non-corporate entity, equivalent governing body) of the entity resulting from such Business Combination were members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the execution of the initial agreement or of the Board providing for such Business Combination; or

(iv) approval by the stockholders of a complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

A Change in Control shall not occur unless such transaction constitutes a change in the ownership of the Company, a change in effective control of the Company, or a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the Company's assets under Code Section 409A.

- d) "Change-in-Control Period" shall mean the time period commencing immediately prior to a Change in Control (as determined in the sole discretion of the Company) and ending on the oneyear anniversary after the Change in Control.
- e) "Client" shall mean the customers or clients of the Company or any Affiliated Companies and shall include any and all individuals, organizations, or business entities that: (i) were actual customers or clients of the Company or any Affiliated Company during Executive's employment by the Company or any Affiliated Company, or which were prospective customers of the Company or any Affiliated Company during Executive's employment; and (ii) with which or whom Executive had contact, had responsibility for those employees who had such contact, or about whom Executive obtained Confidential Information during the Term from the Company or any Affiliated Company. For purposes of this definition, an individual, organization, or business entity is a "prospective" client or customer of the Company or any Affiliated Company if the Executive or any other the Company or any Affiliated Company employee, officer or manager took steps to obtain or secure the business of the individual, organization, or business entity.
- f) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- "Confidential Information" shall mean all trade secrets, proprietary data, and other confidential information of or relating to the Company and/or any Affiliated Company, including without limitation, unique selling, origination and servicing methods and business techniques; training, service and business manuals; promotional materials, and other training and instructional materials; vendor and product information; client, customer and prospective customer or client lists, other customer and prospective customer and client information; and other business information; financial information; proprietary computer programs, software, applications, directories, databases, passwords and access codes; marketing plans, materials, strategies and information; information regarding corporate opportunities; operating and business plans and strategies; research and development; policies and manuals; training materials; personnel information of employees that is private and confidential and is unrelated to wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment; and information concerning planned or pending acquisitions or divestitures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Confidential Information" shall not include information which: (i) was known by Executive prior to employment with the Company or Company Affiliate; (ii) becomes available to Executive from a source other than the Company or Company Affiliate, or third parties with whom the Company or Company Affiliates are not bound by a duty of confidentiality; or (iii) becomes generally available or known in the industry or by the public through lawful means (except where such public disclosure has been made by Executive without authorization).

- h) "Disability" or "Disabled" means, as determined in the sole discretion of the Company, that Executive is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or which has lasted, or can be expected to last, for a continuous period of not less than one (1) year.
- i) "Good Reason" means Executive's termination of employment within ninety (90) days following the expiration of any cure period (discussed below) following the occurrence, without Executive's consent, of one or more of the following:
 - (i) a material reduction in Executive's base compensation or incentive compensation opportunity; provided, that a reduction of less than five percent (5%) will not be considered a material reduction in such compensation;
 - (ii) a material reduction in the authority or responsibilities of Executive's position;
 - (iii) a change in the primary location at which Executive is required to perform duties of his/her employment to a location more than 50 miles from location at which his/her office is located on the Effective Date; or
 - (iv) A material breach by the Company of a material provision of this Agreement.

Executive will not be considered to have resigned for Good Reason unless executive provides the Company with written notice of the existence of the applicable good reason condition within sixty (60) days of the date the Executive believes the condition first arose, specifically identifying the acts or omissions constituting the grounds for Good Reason and a reasonable cure period of not less than thirty (30) days following the date of such notice during which such condition must not have been cured.

- j) "Section 409A" means Code Section 409A, and the final regulations and any guidance promulgated thereunder or any state law equivalent.
- k) "Solicit" shall mean any direct or indirect communication of any kind whatsoever, regardless of by whom initiated, inviting, advising, persuading, encouraging or requesting any person or entity, in any manner, to take or refrain from taking any action; provided, however, that the term "Solicit" shall not include general advertisements by an entity with which Executive is associated or other communications in any media not targeted specifically at any specific individual described in Section 5(b) or 5(c).

9. Successors.

a) Company Successors. Any successor to the Company (whether direct or indirect and whether by purchase, merger, consolidation, liquidation or otherwise) to all or substantially all of the Company's business and/or assets will assume the obligations under this Agreement and agree expressly to perform the obligations under this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent as the Company would be required to perform such obligations in the absence of a succession. The Company shall be permitted to assign this Agreement to a Company Affiliate in connection with a Change in Control without any consent of the Executive provided such assignment will not eliminate the application or potential trigger of a Change in Control as defined herein. For all purposes under this Agreement, the term "Company" will include any permitted Company assign hereunder or successor to the Company's business and/or assets which executes and delivers the assumption agreement described in this Section 9(a) or which becomes bound by the terms of this Agreement by operation of law.

b) Executive's Successors. The terms of this Agreement and all rights of Executive hereunder will inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, Executive's personal or legal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, heirs, distributees, devisees and legatees. Executive shall not be permitted to assign this Agreement.

10. Arbitration.

- a) Arbitration. Subject to the right of the Company and the Affiliated Companies to exercise the remedies described in Section 5 of this Agreement or the right of Executive to challenge, defend or contest same in any court having jurisdiction, the Parties agree that any and all controversies, claims, or disputes between Executive and the Company or any employee, officer, director, shareholder or benefit plan of the Company in their capacity as such or otherwise arising out of, relating to, or resulting from Executive's employment with the Company or termination thereof, including any breach of this Agreement, will be subject to binding arbitration under the then applicable Employment Dispute Resolution Rules of the American Arbitration Association. Claims subject to arbitration include but are not limited to claims under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Older Workers Benefit Protection Act, the Sarbanes Oxley Act, the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, the Family and Medical Leave Act, claims for breach of contract (express or implied), claims for violation of public policy or wrongful termination, and any other statutory or common law claim under federal or state law as permitted by law.
- b) Procedure. In any such arbitration, the arbitrators shall consist of a panel of three arbitrators, which shall act by majority vote and which shall consist of one arbitrator selected by each party subject to the arbitration and a third arbitrator selected by the two arbitrators so selected, who shall be either a certified public accountant or an attorney at law licensed to practice in the State of Florida and who shall act as chairman of the arbitration panel; provided that, if one party selects its arbitrator for the panel and the other party fails to so select its arbitrator within ten (10) business days after being requested by the first party to do so, then the sole arbitrator shall be the arbitrator selected by the first party. A decision in any such arbitration shall apply both to the particular question submitted and to all similar questions arising thereafter and shall be binding and conclusive upon both parties and shall be enforceable in any court having jurisdiction over the party to be charged. Each party shall bear the cost of its own attorney's fees. However, if any party prevails on a claim that, according to applicable law, affords the prevailing party attorney's fees, the arbitrator may award reasonable attorney's fees to the prevailing party. All other costs and expenses of arbitration shall be borne by the Company. All rights and remedies of each party under this Agreement are cumulative and in addition to all other rights and remedies that may be available to that party from time to time, whether under any other agreement, at law or in equity. Any arbitration under this Agreement shall be conducted in Miami Dade County, Florida, or virtually if otherwise agreed by the parties.
- c) Remedy. Except as otherwise provided by law or this Agreement, arbitration shall be the sole, exclusive, and final remedy for any dispute between Executive and the Company. Accordingly, except as otherwise provided by law or this Agreement, Executive and the Company hereby waive the right to seek remedies for any such disputes in court, including the right to a jury trial. Notwithstanding, the arbitrator will not have the authority to disregard or refuse to enforce any lawful Company policy, and the arbitrator will not order or require the Company to adopt a policy not otherwise required by law which the Company has not adopted.

11. Voluntary Nature of Agreement. Executive acknowledges and agrees that Executive is executing this Agreement voluntarily and without any duress or undue influence by the Company or anyone else. Executive further acknowledges and agrees that Executive has carefully read this Agreement and that Executive has asked any questions needed for Executive to understand the terms, consequences and binding effect of this Agreement and fully understands it, including that EXECUTIVE IS WAIVING EXECUTIVE'S RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL.

12. Notice.

- a) General. Notices and all other communications contemplated by this Agreement will be in writing and will be deemed to have been duly given when personally delivered or when mailed by U.S. registered or certified mail, return receipt requested and postage prepaid. In the case of Executive, mailed notices will be addressed to him or her at the home address which he or she most recently communicated to the Company in writing. In the case of the Company, mailed notices will be addressed to its corporate headquarters, and all notices will be directed to the attention of its chief legal officer.
- b) Notice of Termination. Any termination by the Company for Cause or by Executive for Good Reason will be communicated by a notice of termination to the other party hereto given in accordance with Section 12(a) of this Agreement. Such notice will indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon, will set forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination under the provision so indicated, and will specify the termination date (which will be not more than thirty (30) days after the giving of such notice). The failure by Executive or the Company to include in the notice any fact or circumstance which contributes to a showing of Good Reason or Cause, as applicable, will not affect the termination date or waive any right of Executive or the Company, as applicable, hereunder or preclude Executive or the Company, as applicable, from asserting such fact or circumstance in enforcing his/her or its rights hereunder, as applicable.

13. Miscellaneous Provisions.

- a) No Duty to Mitigate. Executive will not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment contemplated by this Agreement, nor will any such payment be reduced by any earnings that Executive may receive from any other source.
- b) Waiver. No provision of this Agreement will be modified, waived or discharged unless the modification, waiver or discharge is agreed to in writing and signed by Executive and by an authorized officer of the Company (other than Executive). No waiver by either party of any breach of, or of compliance with, any condition or provision of this Agreement by the other party will be considered a waiver of any other condition or provision or of the same condition or provision at another time.
- c) <u>Headings</u>. All captions and section headings used in this Agreement are for convenient reference only and do not form a part of this Agreement.
- d) Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties hereto and supersedes in their entirety all prior or contemporaneous representations, understandings, undertakings or agreements (whether oral or written and whether expressed or implied) of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, except that any restrictive covenants of Executive contained in any other agreements with the Company shall survive. Executive acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement encompasses all the rights of Executive to any severance payments and/or benefits based on the termination of Executive's employment and Executive hereby agrees

that he or she has no such rights except as stated herein. No waiver, alteration, or modification of any of the provisions of this Agreement will be binding unless in writing and signed by duly authorized representatives of the parties hereto and which specifically mention this Agreement.

- e) Prior Agreement. Executive acknowledges and agrees that the ______ Agreement dated _____ [insert date of agreement for each Executive] ("The Prior Agreement") shall terminate as of the Effective Date of this Agreement, and by execution of this Agreement, Executive intends to waive any right to entitlement to benefits under The Prior Agreement at such time. Executive also acknowledges and agrees that in no event would Executive be entitled to both payment or benefits under The Prior Agreement and to payments or benefits under this Agreement. [If not applicable, delete the above paragraph and replace with Intentionally left blank.]
- f) <u>Choice of Law</u>. The validity, interpretation, construction and performance of this Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Florida without giving effect to provisions governing the choice of law.
- g) <u>Severability</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision or provisions of this Agreement will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision hereof, which will remain in full force and effect.
- h) <u>Withholding</u>. All payments made pursuant to this Agreement will be subject to withholding of applicable income, employment and other taxes, and any other applicable deductions, as determined in the Company's reasonable judgment.
- Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an
 original, but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.
- Compliance with Applicable Law. The benefits paid and provided under this Agreement are subject to and conditioned upon compliance with applicable requirements of federal, state and local law and regulation, whether currently in effect or subsequently enacted, including without limitation, 12 U.S.C. Section 1828(k) and the regulations promulgated thereunder in 12 C.F.R. Part 359. Consistent with the foregoing, the Company shall have the right to defer, cancel or recoup any payment or refuse to provide any benefit under this Agreement in the event the Company determines in good faith, acting in its sole discretion, that making such payment or providing such benefit violates any applicable law or regulation. Further, benefits paid and provided under this Agreement may be subject to any clawback policy generally applicable to the executives of the Company (whether in existence as of the Effective Date or later adopted) or as may be required by applicable law or as may be established by the Company in its sole discretion. To the extent determined necessary to comply with the Guidance on Sound Incentive Compensation Policies issued by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Company and the Office of Thrift Supervision on June 21, 2010, as it may be implemented, modified and interpreted from time to time, the Executive and the Company mutually agree to amend the provisions of this Agreement and to cooperate in good faith with respect thereto.

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have executed and entered into this Agreement as of the Effective Date, as set forth below.

EXECUTIVE	AMERANT BANK, N.A. / AMERANT BANCORP, INC.		
Ву:	By:		
Name:	Name:		
Title:	Title:		
Date	"Effective Date"		

AMERANT BANCORP INC. EXHIBIT 31,1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULE 13a-14 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

CERTIFICATION

- I, Gerald P. Plush, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Amerant Bancorp Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f)) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 31, 2025

/s/ Gerald P. Plush Gerald P. Plush Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

AMERANT BANCORP INC. EXHIBIT 31,2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULE 13a-14 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

CERTIFICATION

- I, Sharymar Calderon, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Amerant Bancorp Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f)) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 31, 2025

/s/ Sharymar Calderon Sharymar Calderon Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

AMERANT BANCORP INC. EXHIBIT 32.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Amerant Bancorp Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2025, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as of the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Gerald P. Plush, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 31, 2025

/s/ Gerald P. Plush Gerald P. Plush Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

AMERANT BANCORP INC. EXHIBIT 32.2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Amerant Bancorp Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2025, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as of the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Sharymar Calderon, Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: October 31, 2025

/s/ Sharymar Calderon Sharymar Calderon Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer