UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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	FORM 10-Q		
(Mark One)			
☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSU	ANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE	SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	
	For the quarterly period ended Mar	ch 31, 2025	
	OR		
☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSU	ANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE	SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	
	For the transition period from	_ to	
	Commission File Number 001-	36461	
	FIRST FOUNDATION	ON INC.	
	(Exact name of Registrant as specified	in its charter)	
Delaware (State or other jurisd of incorporation or orga		20-8639702 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)	
200 Crescent Court, Suite 14 (Address of principal exec		75201 (Zip Code)	
F	Registrant's telephone number, including area c	ode: (469) 638-9636	
	Securities registered pursuant to Section	n 12(b) of the Act:	
Title of each class Common Stock	Trading Symbol(s) FFWM	Name of each exchange on which registered New York Stock Exchange	d
Indicate by check mark whether the	registrant (1) has filed all reports required to ths (or for such shorter period that the registr	b be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exc ant was required to file such reports); and (2) has been	
		Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursu (or for such shorter period that the registrant was req	
	y. See the definitions of "large accelerated fil	elerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporter," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company,"	
Large accelerated filer □		Accelerated filer	X
Non-accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes □ No ☒

Emerging growth company

As of May 1, 2025, the registrant had 82,386,071 shares of common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, outstanding.

FIRST FOUNDATION INC.

QUARTERLY REPORT ON FORM 10-Q FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

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PART I — FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FIRST FOUNDATION INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

		March 31, 2025		December 31, 2024
AGGETTO		(unaudited)		
ASSETS	ф	1.012.055	Φ.	1.016.122
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,013,855	\$	1,016,132
Securities available-for-sale ("AFS"), at fair value (amortized cost of \$1,535,737 and \$1,335,225 at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024 respectively; net of allowance for credit losses of \$4,027 and \$4,134 at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024 respectively) Securities held-to-maturity ("HTM") (fair value of \$625,108 and \$636,840 at March 31, 2025 and		1,517,953		1,313,885
December 31, 2024, respectively)		691,931		712,105
Loans held for sale ("LHFS")		1,312,206		1,285,819
Loans held for investment		7,684,580		7,941,393
Less: Allowance for credit losses		(35,200)		(32,302)
Total loans held for investment, net		7,649,380		7,909,091
Investment in Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") stock		44,619		37,869
Accrued interest receivable		51,132		54,804
Deferred taxes		80,000		76,650
Premises and equipment, net		36,647		35,806
Real estate owned ("REO")		6,210		6,210
Bank owned life insurance		50,336		49,993
Core deposit intangibles		3,245		3,558
Derivative assets		205		5,086
Other assets		130,678		138,257
Total Assets	\$	12,588,397	\$	12,645,265
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Liabilities:				
Deposits	\$	9,561,645	\$	9,870,279
Borrowings		1,674,314		1,425,369
Subordinated debt		173,475		173,459
Derivative liabilities		10,453		_
Accounts payable and other liabilities		107,899		122,795
Total Liabilities		11,527,786		11,591,902
Shareholders' Equity Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 29,811 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024		87,649		87,649
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024; 82,386,071 shares and 82,365,388 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		82		82
Additional paid-in-capital		851,146		849,509
Retained earnings		131,935		125,038
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(10,201)		(8,915)
Total Shareholders' Equity		1,060,611		1,053,363
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$	12,588,397	\$	12,645,265

$\label{eq:first-foundation} \textbf{FIRST FOUNDATION INC.}$ CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS - UNAUDITED

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

		Three Months Ended March 31,					
	_	2025		2024			
Interest income:							
Loans	\$	106,500	\$	118,444			
Securities		21,095		19,774			
FHLB Stock, fed funds sold and interest-bearing deposits		14,147		12,235			
Total interest income		141,742		150,453			
Interest expense:							
Deposits		73,319		94,492			
Borrowings		14,934		15,870			
Subordinated debt		1,690		1,705			
Total interest expense		89,943		112,067			
Net interest income		51,799		38,386			
Provision for credit losses		3,417		577			
Net interest income after provision for credit losses		48,382		37,809			
Noninterest income:							
Asset management, consulting and other fees		8,919		8,614			
Gain on sale of loans		_		263			
Gain on sale of securities available-for-sale		4,702		221			
Capital market activities		2,831		836			
Gain on sale of REO		_		679			
Other income		3,150		2,070			
Total noninterest income		19,602		12,683			
Noninterest expense:							
Compensation and benefits		25,108		19,407			
Occupancy and depreciation		8,445		9,087			
Professional services and marketing costs		5,907		3,390			
Customer service costs		15,051		10,738			
Other expenses		7,210		7,987			
Total noninterest expense		61,721		50,609			
Income (loss) before income taxes		6,263		(117)			
Income tax benefit		(633)		(910)			
Net income	<u>\$</u>	6,896	\$	793			
Net income per share:							
Basic	\$	0.08	\$	0.01			
Diluted	\$	0.08	\$	0.01			
Shares used in computation:							
Basic		82,373,616		56,484,655			
Diluted		83,484,754		56,503,875			

FIRST FOUNDATION INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY - UNAUDITED

(In thousands, except share amounts)

	Common	Stock	Preferred	Stock	Convertible	Warrants	Additional		Accumulated Other			
	Number		Number		Number		Paid-in	Retained	Compreh			
	of Shares	Amount	of Shares A	mount	of Warrants	Amount	Capital	Earnings	Income (otal
Balance: December 31, 2023	56,467,623	\$ 56	— \$			_	\$ 720,899	\$ 218,575	\$	(14,187)	\$ 9	25,343
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	793		_		793
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_		2,700		2,700
Stock based compensation	_	_	_	_	_	_	605	_		_		605
Cash dividend	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(566)		_		(566)
Issuance of common stock:												
Stock grants – vesting of restricted												
stock units	62,262	_	_	_	_	_	_	_		_		_
Repurchase of shares from												
restricted shares vesting	(18,021)	_	_	_	_	_	(142)	_		_		(142)
Other		1										1
Balance: March 31, 2024	56,511,864	\$57	<u> </u>	_		s	\$ <u>721,362</u>	\$ 218,802	\$	(11,487)	\$_9	28,734
Balance: December 31, 2024	82,365,388	\$ 82	29,811 \$	87 640	6	\$ 51,004	\$ 798,505	\$ 125,038	S	(8,915)	¢ 10	53,363
Net income	62,303,366	J 02	29,011 \$	07,049	U	3 31,004	\$ 790,505	6,896	J	(0,913)	φ 1,0	6,896
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	0,890		(1,286)		(1,286)
Stock based compensation							1,637			(1,280)		1,637
Issuance of common stock:	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,037	_		_		1,037
Stock grants – vesting of restricted												
stock grants – vesting of restricted	28,312											
Repurchase of shares from	20,512					_	_					
restricted shares vesting	(7,629)					_						
Other	(7,027)							1				1
Balance: March 31, 2025	82,386,071	s 82	29,811 \$	87,649	6	s 51,004	\$ 800,142	\$ 131,935		(10,201)	e 1.0	060,611
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FIRST FOUNDATION INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) - UNAUDITED

(In thousands)

	Th	ree Months E	nded March 31, 2024		
Net income	\$	6,896	\$	793	
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:					
Unrealized holding gains (losses) on securities arising during the period		5,766		(2,248)	
Reclassification adjustment for gain included in net income		(3,327)		(156)	
Total change in unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-sale securities	_	2,439		(2,404)	
Unrealized (loss) gain on cash flow hedge arising during this period		(3,504)		5,790	
Reclassification adjustment for gain included in net income		<u> </u>		(592)	
Total change in unrealized (loss) gain on cash flow hedge		(3,504)		5,198	
Amortization of unrealized gain (loss) on securities transferred from available-for-sale to					
held-to-maturity		(221)		(94)	
Total other comprehensive (loss) income		(1,286)		2,700	
Total comprehensive income	\$	5,610	\$	3,493	

$\label{eq:first-foundation} \textbf{FIRST FOUNDATION INC.} \\ \textbf{CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS - UNAUDITED}$

(In thousands)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,								
	-	2025		2024					
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		<u> </u>							
Net income	\$	6,896	\$	793					
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:									
Provision (reversal) for credit losses - loans		3,736		1,037					
Provision (reversal) for credit losses - securities AFS		(107)		(309)					
Stock-based compensation expense		1,637		605					
Depreciation and amortization		1,124		1,190					
Deferred tax benefit		(2,982)		(3,429)					
Amortization of premium (discount) on securities		1,008		(10,658)					
Amortization of core deposit intangible		313		370					
Amortization of mortgage servicing rights - net		690		747					
Gain on sale of REO		_		(679)					
Gain on sale of loans		_		(263)					
Gain on sale of securities available-for-sale		(4,702)		(221)					
Gain from hedging activities				(836)					
Change in fair value of LHFS		(13,284)		_					
Amortization of OCI - securities transfer to HTM		(222)		(94)					
Decrease in accrued interest receivable and other assets		10,218		10,434					
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and other liabilities		(4,877)		8,524					
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(552)		7,211					
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:									
Net decrease in loans		243,307		87,232					
Proceeds from sale of loans		2.5,507		3,994					
Proceeds from sale of REO		_		2,850					
Purchase of premises and equipment		(1,965)		(1,285)					
Disposals of premises and equipment		(-,,)		1					
Purchases of securities AFS		(703,278)		(1,135,662)					
Proceeds from sale of securities available-for-sale		470,940		643,527					
Maturities of securities AFS		35,950		406,183					
Maturities of securities HTM		19,744		13,628					
Net increase in FHLB stock		(6,750)		(12,055)					
Net cash provided by investing activities		57,948		8,413					
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		37,710	_	0,115					
Decrease in deposits		(308,634)		(49,962)					
Proceeds from FHLB & FRB advances		250,000		1,443,075					
Repayments on FHLB & FRB advances		230,000		(1,158,665)					
Net increase in subordinated debt		16		16					
Net (decrease) increase in repurchase agreements		(1,055)		12,027					
Dividends paid		(1,055)		(566)					
Repurchase of stock		_		(142)					
		(59,673)		245,783					
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities									
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(2,277)		261,407					
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1,016,132	ф.	1,326,629					
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	1,013,855	\$	1,588,036					
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:									
Cash paid during the period for:									
Income taxes	\$	_	\$	_					
Interest		91,615		15,422					
Noncash transactions:									
Right of use lease assets and liabilities recognized		_		168					
Chargeoffs against allowance for credit losses - loans		403		493					

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Operations and Principles of Consolidation

First Foundation Inc. ("FFI") is a financial services holding company whose operations are conducted through its wholly owned subsidiaries: First Foundation Advisors ("FFA") and First Foundation Bank ("FFB" or the "Bank") and the wholly owned subsidiaries of FFB, First Foundation Public Finance ("FFPF"), First Foundation Insurance Services ("FFIS") and Blue Moon Management, LLC (collectively the "Company"). FFI also has two inactive wholly owned subsidiaries, First Foundation Consulting and First Foundation Advisors, LLC. In addition, FFA has set up a limited liability company, which is not included in these consolidated financial statements, as a private investment fund to provide an investment vehicle for its clients. FFI is incorporated in the state of Delaware. The corporate headquarters for FFI is located in Dallas, Texas. The Company provides a comprehensive platform of financial services to individuals, businesses and other organizations and has offices in California, Nevada, Florida, Texas, and Hawaii.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and prevailing practices within the banking industry. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the balance sheet and revenues and expenses for the period. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, and for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, and include all information and footnotes required for interim financial reporting presentation. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The results for the 2025 interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full year. These financial statements assume that readers have read the most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC which contains the latest available audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting and reporting policies of the Company are based upon GAAP and conform to predominant practices within the banking industry. We have not made any changes in our significant accounting policies from those disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024 filed with the SEC.

New Accounting Pronouncements

Recent Accounting Guidance Not Yet Effective

In December 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU 2023-09, *Income Taxes (Topic 740) – Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures*. The FASB issued this Update to enhance the transparency and decision usefulness of income tax disclosures. The amendments in this Update address investor requests for more transparency about income tax information through improvements to income tax disclosures primarily related to the rate reconciliation and income taxes paid. The amendments in this Update are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024, and are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 2: FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

Fair value is the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. Current accounting guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy, which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources, while unobservable inputs reflect the Company's estimates for market assumptions. These two types of inputs create the following fair value hierarchy:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date. An active market is a market in which transactions occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. A quoted price in an active market provides the most reliable evidence of fair value and shall be used to measure fair value whenever possible.

Level 2: Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect the Company's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. Valuations may be determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques.

The following tables show the recorded amounts of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of:

Fair Value Measurement Le											
(dollars in thousands)		Total		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3			
March 31, 2025:											
Investment securities available-for-sale:											
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	212,579	\$	_	\$	212,579	\$	_			
Agency mortgage-backed securities		1,125,778		_		1,125,778		_			
Municipal bonds		45,823		_		45,823		_			
SBA securities		8,271				8,271					
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		1,072		_		_		1,072			
Corporate bonds		123,443				123,443		_			
U.S. Treasury		987		987		_		_			
Total investment securities available for sale at fair value											
on a recurring basis	\$	1,517,953	\$	987	\$	1,515,894	\$	1,072			
			_								
Derivative assets:											
Cash flow hedge	\$	205	\$	_	\$	205	\$	_			
0											
Derivative liabilities:											
Interest rate swap	\$	10,453	\$	_	\$	10,453	\$	_			
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December 31, 2024:											
Investment securities available-for-sale:											
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	9,842	\$		\$	9,842	\$	_			
Agency mortgage-backed securities		1,121,626		_		1,121,626		_			
Municipal bonds		45,535		_		45,535		_			
SBA securities		9,145		_		9,145		_			
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		1,242		_				1,242			
Corporate bonds		125,817		14,100		111,717					
U.S. Treasury		678		678		· —		_			
Total investment securities available for sale at fair value			_								
on a recurring basis	\$	1,313,885	\$	14,778	\$	1,297,865	\$	1,242			
	_		_		_		_				
Derivatives assets:											
Cash flow hedge	\$	5,086	\$	_	\$	5,086	\$	_			

The decrease in Level 3 assets from December 31, 2024 was primarily due to securitization paydowns for the first three months of 2025.

Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

From time to time, we may be required to measure other assets at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. These nonrecurring fair value adjustments typically involve application of lower of cost or market accounting or write-downs of individual assets.

Loans. Loans measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis include collateral dependent loans held for investment. The specific reserves for these loans are based on collateral value, net of estimated disposition costs and other identified quantitative inputs. Collateral value is determined based on independent third-party appraisals or internally-

developed discounted cash flow analyses. Internal discounted cash flow analyses are also utilized to estimate the fair value of these loans, which considers internally-developed, unobservable inputs such as discount rates, default rates, and loss severity. When the fair value of the collateral is based on an observable market price or a current appraised value, we measure the impaired loan at nonrecurring Level 2. When an appraised value is not available, or management determines the fair value of the collateral is further impaired below the appraised value and there is no observable market price or a discounted cash flow has been used to determine the fair value, we measure the impaired loan at nonrecurring Level 3. Loans for which an appraised value is not available include commercial loans which are secured by non-real estate assets such as accounts receivable and inventory. To establish fair value for these loans, we apply a recovery factor against eligible receivables and inventory. This recovery factor may be either increased or decreased subject to additional support and analysis of the quality of receivables and the companies owning the receivables. The total collateral dependent loans were \$26.8 million and \$27.0 million at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. Specific reserves related to these loans were \$0.8 million and \$0.7 million at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

Real Estate Owned (REO). The fair value of REO is based on external appraised values that include adjustments for estimated selling costs and assumptions of market conditions that are not directly observable, resulting in a Level 3 classification. Real estate owned classified as Level 3 totaled \$6.2 million at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

Mortgage Servicing Rights. When mortgage loans are sold with servicing retained, servicing rights are initially recorded at fair value with the income statement effect recorded in gains on sales of loans. Fair value is based on a valuation model that calculates the present value of estimated future net servicing income, resulting in a Level 3 classification. Servicing rights are evaluated for impairment based upon the fair value of the rights as compared to carrying amount. Impairment is recognized through a valuation allowance for an individual grouping, to the extent that fair value is less than the carrying amount. If the Company later determines that all or a portion of the impairment no longer exists for a particular grouping, a reduction of the allowance may be recorded as an increase to income. All classes of servicing assets are subsequently measured using the amortization method which requires servicing rights to be amortized into noninterest income in proportion to, and over the period of, the estimated future net servicing income of the underlying loans. Significant assumptions in the valuation of these Level 3 mortgage servicing rights as of March 31, 2025 included prepayment rates ranging from 20% to 30% and a discount rate of 10%.

Loans Held for Sale. Loans held for sale are accounted for at the lower of amortized cost or fair value. The fair value for loans held for sale is based upon a discounted cash flow model which involves estimating the future cash flows from the loans in the portfolio and discounting to a present value. Contractual cash flows associated with the loans are adjusted to reflect certain assumptions, such as prepayment, default, and loss severity assumptions, to form expected prepayment and credit-adjusted expected cash flows. The expected cash flows are then discounted to present value at a rate of return which considers other costs and risks, such as market risk and liquidity. The carrying amount and fair value of loans held for sale were \$1.4 billion and \$1.3 billion, respectively at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

Significant assumptions in the valuation of these Level 3 loans held for sale as of March 31, 2025, included prepayment rates of 5% and 15% for fixed-rate and floating-rate loans, respectively; discount rates ranging from 2.25% to 5.90%; and annual expected loss assumption rate of 0.05%. These assumptions applied to 96.9% of the total principal balance of the loan portfolio. The remaining 3.1% of the principal balance of the loan portfolio consisted of twenty loans that were rated as substandard, and for which separate assumptions were used to account for the lower credit quality of the loans. Significant assumptions in the valuation of these Level 3 loans held for sale as of December 31, 2024, included prepayment rates of 5% and 15% for fixed-rate and floating-rate loans, respectively; discount rates ranging from 2.10% to 6.25%; and annual expected loss assumption rate of 0.05%. These assumptions applied to 97.4% of the total principal balance of the loan portfolio. The remaining 2.6% of the principal balance of the loan portfolio consisted of seventeen loans that were rated as substandard, and for which separate assumptions were used to account for the lower credit quality of the loans.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

FASB ASC 825-10, "Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments" requires disclosure of the fair value information about financial instruments, whether or not recognized in the balance sheet, for which it is practicable to estimate such value. The methodologies for estimating the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring and non-recurring basis are discussed above. The estimated fair value amounts have been determined by management using available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies and are based on the exit price notion set forth by ASU 2016-01. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other market value techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. In that regard, the derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, could not be realized in immediate settlement of the instrument. The aggregate fair value amounts presented below do not represent the underlying value of the Company.

Fair value estimates are made at a discrete point in time based on relevant market information and other information about the financial instruments. Because no active market exists for a significant portion of our financial instruments, fair value estimates are based in large part on judgments we make primarily regarding current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments, prepayment rates, and future expected loss experience. These estimates are subjective in nature and invariably involve some inherent uncertainties. Additionally, unexpected changes in events or circumstances can occur that could require us to make changes to our assumptions and which, in turn, could significantly affect and require us to make changes to our previous estimates of fair value.

In addition, the fair value estimates are based on existing on and off-balance sheet financial instruments without attempting to estimate the value of existing and anticipated future customer relationships and the value of assets and liabilities that are not considered financial instruments, such as premises and equipment and other real estate owned.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments:

Cash and Cash Equivalents. The fair value of cash and cash equivalents approximates its carrying value.

Interest-Bearing Deposits with Financial Institutions. The fair values of interest-bearing deposits maturing within ninety days approximate their carrying values. These financial instruments are classified as a component of cash and cash equivalents in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

Investment Securities Available-for-Sale. Investment securities available for sale are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Fair value measurement is based upon quoted prices, if available. If quoted prices are not available, fair values are measured using independent pricing models or other model-based valuation techniques such as the present value of future cash flows, adjusted for the security's credit rating, prepayment assumptions and other factors such as credit loss assumptions. When a market is illiquid or there is a lack of transparency around the inputs to valuation, the securities are classified as Level 3 and reliance is placed upon external third-party models, and management judgment and evaluation for valuation. Level 1 investment securities include those traded on an active exchange, such as the New York Stock Exchange, U.S. Treasury securities that are traded by dealers or brokers in active over-the-counter markets and money market funds. Level 2 investment securities include mortgage-backed securities issued by government sponsored entities, municipal bonds and corporate debt securities. Investment securities classified as Level 3 include beneficial interests in FHLMC securitizations. Significant assumptions in the valuation of these Level 3 investment securities as of March 31, 2025 included a prepayment rate of 20% and a discount rate of 6.81%. Significant assumptions used in the valuation of these Level 3 investment securities as of December 31, 2024 included a prepayment rate of 20% and a discount rate of 6.87%.

Investment Securities Held-to-Maturity. Investment securities held-to-maturity are carried at amortized cost, adjusted for premiums and discounts that are recognized in interest income using the interest method over the period to maturity. Investment securities held-to-maturity consist of agency mortgage-backed securities issued by government sponsored entities. Fair value is determined based upon the same independent pricing model utilized for valuation of Level 2 investment securities available-for-sale.

Investment in Equity Securities. The fair value on investment in equity securities is the carrying amount and is evaluated for impairment on an annual basis.

Loans Held for Investment. The fair value for loans with variable interest rates is the carrying amount. The fair value of fixed rate loans is derived by calculating the discounted value of future cash flows expected to be received by the various homogeneous categories of loans or by reference to secondary market pricing. All loans have been adjusted to reflect changes in credit risk.

Accrued Interest Receivable. The fair value of accrued interest receivable on loans and investment securities approximates the carrying value.

Derivative Assets (Cash Flow Hedge). The Bank entered into a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap agreement with a counterparty. This agreement was solely undertaken as a cash flow hedge of interest rate risk, specifically of the risk of changes in cash flows on interest payments associated with a stream of variable-rate, short-term borrowings for a corresponding amount that are attributable to changes in the future financing rates of each rolling maturity. We estimate the fair value of this agreement based on inputs from a third-party pricing model, which incorporates such factors as the Treasury curve, the secured overnight financial rate ("SOFR"), and the pay rate on the interest rate swaps. The fair value of this derivative asset is based on a discounted cash flow approach. The observable nature of the inputs used in deriving its fair value results in a Level 2 classification.

Derivative Liabilities (Interest Rate Swap). On January 29, 2025, the Bank entered into an interest rate swap agreement with an institutional counterparty to hedge the interest rate risk to earnings associated with fair value changes in the valuation allowance of loans held for sale. The hedging instrument is a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap agreement with a notional amount of \$1.0 billion that will amortize down to \$400 million over four years. We estimate the fair value of this agreement based on inputs from a third-party pricing model, which incorporates such factors as the Treasury curve, the secured overnight financial rate ("SOFR"), and the pay rate on the interest rate swaps. The fair value of this derivative asset is based on a discounted cash flow approach. The observable nature of the inputs used in deriving its fair value results in a Level 2 classification.

At March 31, 2025, the fair value of the hedge was \$10.5 million and is classified as derivative liabilities on the accompanying balance sheet.

Deposits. The fair value of demand deposits, savings deposits, and money market deposits is defined as the amounts payable on demand resulting in a Level 1 classification. The fair value of fixed maturity certificates of deposit is estimated based on the discounted value of the future cash flows expected to be paid on the deposits resulting in a Level 2 classification.

Borrowings. The fair value of borrowings is the carrying value of overnight FHLB advances and federal funds purchased that approximate fair value because of the short-term maturity of these instruments, resulting in a Level 2 classification. The fair value of borrowings in the form of FHLB putable advances also approximates fair value and are classified as Level 2 instruments.

Subordinated Debt. The fair value of term borrowings is derived by calculating the discounted value of future cash flows expected to be paid out by the Company resulting in a Level 3 classification.

Accrued Interest Payable. The fair value of accrued interest payable on deposits, borrowings, and subordinated debt approximates its carrying value.

The following table sets forth the estimated fair values and related carrying amounts of our financial instruments as of:

	Carrying				
(dollars in thousands)	Value	1	2	3	Total
March 31, 2025:					
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,013,855	\$ 1,013,855	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,013,855
Securities AFS, net	1,517,953	987	1,515,894	1,072	1,517,953
Securities HTM	691,931	_	625,108	_	625,108
Loans held for sale	1,312,206	_	_	1,312,206	1,312,206
Loans, net	7,649,380	_	44,424	7,354,335	7,398,759
Investment in equity securities	11,799	_	_	11,799	11,799
Accrued interest receivable	51,132	51,132	_	_	51,132
Derivative assets	205		205	_	205
Liabilities:					
Deposits	\$ 9,561,645	\$ 7,550,075	\$ 2,016,528	\$ —	\$ 9,566,603
Borrowings	1,674,314	_	1,697,348	_	1,697,348
Subordinated debt	173,475		_	153,776	153,776
Accrued interest payable	26,039	26,039	_	_	26,039
Derivative liabilities	10,453		10,453	_	10,453
December 31, 2024:					
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,016,132	\$ 1,016,132	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,016,132
Securities AFS, net	1,313,885	14,778	1,297,865	1,242	1,313,885
Securities HTM	712,105		636,840	_	636,840
Loans held for sale	1,285,819	_	_	1,285,819	1,285,819
Loans, net	7,909,091		16,663	7,595,925	7,612,588
Investment in equity securities	11,798	_	_	11,798	11,798
Accrued interest receivable	54,804	54,804		_	54,804
Derivative assets	5,086	_	5,086	_	5,086
Liabilities:					
Deposits	\$ 9,870,279	\$ 7,476,826	\$ 2,389,896	\$ —	\$ 9,866,722
Borrowings	1,425,369	_	1,430,337	_	1,430,337
Subordinated debt	173,459	_	_	142,631	142,631
Accrued interest payable	27,701	27,701	_	_	27,701

NOTE 3: SECURITIES

The following table provides a summary of the Company's securities AFS portfolio as of:

	Amortized Gross Unrea					lized		owance for	Estimated		
(dollars in thousands)		Cost		Gains Losses		Losses	Cr	edit Losses	_	Fair Value	
March 31, 2025:											
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	213,785	\$	95	\$	(1,301)	\$	_	\$	212,579	
Agency mortgage-backed securities		1,129,582		_		(3,804)		_		1,125,778	
Municipal bonds		48,830		_		(3,007)		_		45,823	
SBA securities		8,359		2		(90)		_		8,271	
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		4,433		_				(3,361)		1,072	
Corporate bonds		129,749		_		(5,640)		(666)		123,443	
U.S. Treasury		999		4		(16)		_		987	
Total	\$	1,535,737	\$	101	\$	(13,858)	\$	(4,027)	\$	1,517,953	
December 31, 2024:											
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	11,121	\$	_	\$	(1,279)	\$	_	\$	9,842	
Agency mortgage-backed securities		1,126,861		2,308		(7,543)		_		1,121,626	
Municipal bonds		48,921		_		(3,386)		_		45,535	
SBA securities		9,236		2		(93)		_		9,145	
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		4,619		_		_		(3,377)		1,242	
Corporate bonds		133,767		_		(7,193)		(757)		125,817	
U.S. Treasury		700		_		(22)				678	
Total	\$	1,335,225	\$	2,310	\$	(19,516)	\$	(4,134)	\$	1,313,885	

The following table provides a summary of the Company's securities HTM portfolio as of:

	Amortized		recognized	Allowance for	Estimated		
(dollars in thousands)	Cost	Gains	Losses	Credit Losses	Fair Value		
March 31, 2025:							
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$ 691,931	\$ —	\$ (66,823)	\$ —	\$ 625,108		
Total	\$ 691,931	\$ —	\$ (66,823)	\$ —	\$ 625,108		
			·				
December 31, 2024:							
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$ 712,105	\$ —	\$ (75,265)	\$ —	\$ 636,840		
Total	\$ 712,105	\$ —	\$ (75,265)	\$ —	\$ 636,840		

As of March 31, 2025, the tables above include \$405.8 million in agency mortgage-backed securities pledged as collateral to the state of Florida to meet regulatory requirements; \$2.0 million in U.S. Treasury and agency mortgage-backed securities pledged as collateral to various states to meet regulatory requirements related to the Bank's trust operations; \$261.3 million of agency mortgage-backed securities pledged as collateral as support for the Bank's obligations under loan sales and securitization agreements entered into from 2018 and 2021; and \$75.5 million in securities consisting of SBA securities, collateralized mortgage obligations, and agency mortgage-backed securities pledged as collateral for repurchase agreements obtained from a prior bank acquisition. A total of \$1.1 billion in SBA and agency mortgage-backed securities, collateralized mortgage obligations, corporate and municipal bonds are pledged as collateral to the Federal Reserve Bank's discount window from which the Bank may borrow.

As of December 31, 2024, the tables above include \$325.7 million in agency mortgage-backed securities pledged as collateral to the state of Florida to meet regulatory requirements; \$1.3 million in U.S. Treasury securities pledged as collateral to various states to meet regulatory requirements related to the Bank's trust operations; \$256.5 million of agency mortgage-backed securities pledged as collateral as support for the Bank's obligations under loan sales and securitization agreements entered into from 2018 and 2021; and \$77.3 million in securities consisting of SBA securities, collateralized mortgage obligations, and agency mortgage-backed securities pledged as collateral for repurchase agreements obtained from a prior bank acquisition. A total of \$916.8 million in SBA and agency mortgage-backed securities, collateralized mortgage obligations, corporate and municipal bonds are pledged as collateral to the Federal Reserve Bank's discount window from which the Bank may borrow.

We monitor the credit quality of these securities by evaluating various quantitative attributes. The credit quality indicators the Company monitors include, but are not limited to, credit ratings of individual securities and the credit rating of United States government-sponsored enterprises that guarantee the securities. Credit ratings express opinions about the credit quality of a security. Securities rated investment grade, as defined by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations ("NRSROS,") are generally considered by the rating agencies and market participants to be low credit risk. As of March 31, 2025, all of the Company's securities were either investment grade or were issued by a U.S. government agency or government-sponsored enterprise ("GSE") with an investment grade rating, with the exception of two corporate bonds having a combined market value of \$33.5 million which were below investment grade.

The tables below indicate the gross unrealized losses and fair values of our securities AFS portfolio, aggregated by investment category and length of time that the individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position.

			Securities	s wi	th Unrealize	ed Lo	ss at Marcl	h 31	, 2025		
	Less than 12 months				12 month	is or	more		Tot	al	-
	Fair	U	nrealized		Fair	U	nrealized		Fair	J	nrealized
(dollars in thousands)	Value		Loss		Value		Loss		Value		Loss
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ 46,327	\$	(161)	\$	6,887	\$	(1,140)	\$	53,214	\$	(1,301)
Agency mortgage-backed securities	963,342		(3,529)		4,044		(275)		967,386		(3,804)
Municipal bonds	2,137		(91)		43,685		(2,916)		45,822		(3,007)
SBA securities	831		(2)		6,933		(88)		7,764		(90)
Corporate bonds	_		_		104,109		(5,640)		104,109		(5,640)
U.S. Treasury	_		_		483		(16)		483		(16)
Total	\$ 1,012,637	\$	(3,783)	\$	166,141	\$	(10,075)	\$	1,178,778	\$	(13,858)

	Securities with Unrealized Loss at December 31, 2024												
	Less tha	n 12 n	nonths	12 months or more					Total				
	Fair	Unrealized		Fair		nrealized	Fair		Į	Unrealized			
(dollars in thousands)	Value		Loss		Value		Loss		Value		Loss		
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ 2,874	\$	(51)	\$	6,968	\$	(1,228)	\$	9,842	\$	(1,279)		
Agency mortgage-backed securities	719,329		(7,218)		4,280		(325)		723,609		(7,543)		
Municipal bonds	2,129		(101)		43,405		(3,285)		45,534		(3,386)		
SBA securities	614		(1)		7,739		(92)		8,353		(93)		
Corporate bonds	14,242		(758)		112,333		(6,435)		126,575		(7,193)		
U.S. Treasury	_		_		678		(22)		678		(22)		
Total	\$ 739,188	\$	(8,129)	\$	175,403	\$	(11,387)	\$	914,591	\$	(19,516)		

Unrealized losses in the securities AFS portfolio have not been recognized into income because the securities are either of high credit quality, management does not intend to sell, it is not more likely than not that management would be required to sell the securities prior to their anticipated recovery, or the decline in fair value is largely due to changes in

discount rates and assumptions regarding future interest rates. The fair value is expected to recover as the bonds approach maturity.

The tables below indicate the gross unrecognized losses and fair value of our securities HTM portfolio, aggregated by investment category and length of time that the individual securities have been in a continuous unrecognized loss position.

	Securities with Unrecognized Loss at March 31, 2025												
		Less than	ı 12 r	nonths		12 mont	hs o	r more	Total				
	Fair			Fair Unrecognized		Fair Unrecogni				Fair	Un	recognized	
(dollars in thousands)	Value			Loss	Value		Loss		Value			Loss	
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$	<u> </u>	\$	<u> </u>	\$	625,108	\$	(66,823)	\$	625,108	\$	(66,823)	
Total	\$	_	\$		\$	625,108	\$	(66,823)	\$	625,108	\$	(66,823)	
	_	Loss than	Securities v			with Unrecognized Loss at Decen 12 months or more							
	_	Fair		recognized	Fair Unrecognized				_	Fair	Total Unrecognized		
(dollars in thousands)		Value		Loss		Value		Loss		Value		Loss	
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$	15,440	\$	(61)	\$	621,400	\$	(75,204)	\$	636,840	\$	(75,265)	
Total	\$	15,440	\$	(61)	\$	621,400	\$	(75,204)	\$	636,840	\$	(75,265)	

During the quarter ended March 31, 2025, securities available-for-sale totaling \$466 million were sold, resulting in a gain on sale of securities available-for-sale of \$4.7 million. During the quarter ended March 31, 2024, securities available-for-sale totaling \$1.0 billion were sold or matured, resulting in a gain on sale of securities available-for-sale of \$221 thousand.

The following is a rollforward of the Company's allowance for credit losses related to investments for the following periods:

(dollars in thousands)		Beginning Balance		Provision (Reversal) for Credit Losses	Charge-offs		Recoveries	Ending Balance
Three Months Ended March 31, 2025:								
Beneficial interests in FHLMC								
securitization	\$	3,377	\$	(16)	\$ -	- :	\$	\$ 3,361
Corporate bonds		757		(91)				666
Total	\$	4,134	\$	(107)	\$ -	_ :	\$	\$ 4,027
	_							
Three Months Ended March 31, 2024:								
Beneficial interests in FHLMC								
securitization	\$	6,818	\$	(225)	\$ -	- :	\$	\$ 6,593
Corporate bonds		1,402		(84)				1,318
Total	\$	8,220	\$	(309)	\$ -	- :	\$	\$ 7,911
								
Year Ended December 31, 2024:								
Beneficial interests in FHLMC								
securitization	\$	6,818	\$	(311)	\$ (3,13	0)	\$	\$ 3,377
Corporate bonds		1,402		(645)		_		757
Total	\$	8,220	\$	(956)	\$ (3,13	0)	\$	\$ 4,134

During the three-month periods ending March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, the Company recorded reversals of its provision for credit losses of \$107 thousand and \$309 thousand, respectively.

On a quarterly basis, the Company engages with an independent third party to perform an analysis of expected credit losses for its municipal and corporate bond securities in order to supplement our own internal review. As of March 31, 2025, the analysis concluded and the Company concurred that fifteen corporate bonds were impacted by credit loss, for which \$91 thousand was recorded as reversal of provision to the allowance for credit losses ("ACL") related to available-for-sale securities and that no municipal bond securities were impacted by credit loss. For the three-month periods ended March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, there were no charge-offs recorded. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company recorded charge-offs of \$3.1 million related to several interest-only strip securities. The ACL related to available-for-sale securities totaled \$4.0 million and \$4.1 million as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities AFS by contractual maturity were as follows for the periods indicated:

(dollars in thousands)	1 Year or More than 1 Year through 5 Years			ore than 5 Years crough 10 Years	More than 10 Years			Total	
March 31, 2025									
Amortized Cost:									
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	_	\$ 216	\$	136	\$	213,433	\$	213,785
Agency mortgage-backed securities		11	2,757		_		1,126,814		1,129,582
Municipal bonds		2,599	18,285		26,315		1,631		48,830
SBA securities		_	432		234		7,693		8,359
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		_	4,433		_		_		4,433
Corporate bonds		_	59,965		64,260		5,524		129,749
U.S. Treasury		500	499		_		_		999
Total	\$	3,110	\$ 86,587	\$	90,945	\$	1,355,095	\$	1,535,737
Weighted average yield		1.91 %	5.43 %	_	3.05 %		5.33 %		5.20 %
Estimated Fair Value:									
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	_	\$ 203	\$	133	\$	212,243	\$	212,579
Agency mortgage-backed securities		11	2,675		_		1,123,092		1,125,778
Municipal bonds	:	2,590	17,526		24,407		1,300		45,823
SBA securities		_	430		233		7,608		8,271
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		_	4,433		_		_		4,433
Corporate bonds		_	59,129		60,616		4,364		124,109
U.S. Treasury		483	504				_		987
Total	\$	3,084	\$ 84,900	\$	85,389	\$	1,348,607	\$	1,521,980

(dollars in thousands)	1 Year or Less		More than 1 Year through 5 Years		More than 5 Years through 10 Years		More than 10 Years		Total
December 31, 2024						U			
Amortized Cost:									
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	_	\$	276	\$	154	\$	10,691	\$ 11,121
Agency mortgage-backed securities		48		2,992		_		1,123,821	1,126,861
Municipal bonds		2,594		14,874		29,218		2,235	48,921
SBA securities		_		418		388		8,430	9,236
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		_		4,619		_		_	4,619
Corporate bonds		_		61,961		66,282		5,524	133,767
U.S. Treasury		200		500		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	700
Total	\$	2,842	\$	85,640	\$	96,042	\$	1,150,701	\$ 1,335,225
Weighted average yield		1.99 %		5.83 %		3.01 %		5.50 %	5.34 %
Estimated Fair Value:									
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	_	\$	256	\$	150	\$	9,436	\$ 9,842
Agency mortgage-backed securities		47		2,882		_		1,118,697	1,121,626
Municipal bonds		2,573		14,120		27,065		1,777	45,535
SBA securities		_		416		388		8,341	9,145
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization		_		4,619		_		_	4,619
Corporate bonds		_		60,318		61,889		4,367	126,574
U.S. Treasury	_	200		478					678
Total	\$	2,820	\$	83,089	\$	89,492	\$	1,142,618	\$ 1,318,019

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities HTM by contractual maturity were as follows for the periods indicated:

(dollars in thousands) March 31, 2025	1 Year or Less		More than 1 Year through 5 Years		More than 5 Years through 10 Years		More than 10 Years			Total
Amortized Cost:										
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$	_	\$	4,682	\$	7,914	\$	679,335	\$	691,931
Total	\$		\$	4,682	\$	7,914	\$	679,335		691,931
Weighted average yield		<u> </u>		1.01 %	<u> </u>	1.63 %) =	2.36 %	=	2.34 %
Estimated Fair Value:										
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$	_	\$	4,447	\$	7,304	\$	613,357	\$	625,108
Total	\$		\$	4,447	\$	7,304	\$	613,357	\$	625,108
(dollars in thousands)	1 Yea <u>Le</u>		More than through 5		More than through 10		-	More than 10 Years		Total
December 31, 2024							-		_	<u>Total</u>
December 31, 2024 Amortized Cost:	Le		through 5	Years	through 10	Years		10 Years	_	
December 31, 2024 Amortized Cost: Agency mortgage-backed securities				Years 4,542		8,900	\$	10 Years 698,663	_	712,105
December 31, 2024 Amortized Cost:	Le		through 5	Years	through 10	Years		10 Years	_	
December 31, 2024 Amortized Cost: Agency mortgage-backed securities	Le		through 5	Years 4,542	through 10	8,900	\$	10 Years 698,663	_	712,105
December 31, 2024 Amortized Cost: Agency mortgage-backed securities Total	\$ \$	— —	through 5	4,542 4,542 0.99 %	through 10 \$ \$	8,900 8,900 1.58 %	\$	698,663 698,663 2.24 %	\$	712,105 712,105 2.22 %
December 31, 2024 Amortized Cost: Agency mortgage-backed securities Total Weighted average yield	Le	— —	through 5	4,542 4,542	through 10	8,900 8,900	\$	698,663 698,663	\$	712,105 712,105

NOTE 4: LOANS

The following is a summary of our loans held for investment as of:

(dollars in thousands)	March 31, 2025	D	ecember 31, 2024
Outstanding principal balance:			
Loans secured by real estate:			
Residential properties:			
Multifamily	\$ 3,301,295	\$	3,341,823
Single family	843,637		873,491
Total real estate loans secured by residential properties	 4,144,932		4,215,314
Commercial properties	852,006		904,167
Land and construction	44,741		69,246
Total real estate loans	5,041,679		5,188,727
Commercial and industrial loans	2,636,368		2,746,351
Consumer loans	1,368		1,137
Total loans	7,679,415		7,936,215
Premiums, discounts and deferred fees and expenses	5,165		5,178
Total	\$ 7,684,580	\$	7,941,393

The Company's loans held for investment portfolio is segmented according to loans that share similar attributes and risk characteristics. In addition, the Company's loans held for sale portfolio, which is not included in the table above, and consisting entirely of multifamily loans, totaled \$1.3 billion at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

Loans secured by real estate include those secured by either residential or commercial real estate properties, such as multifamily and single-family residential loans; owner occupied and non-owner occupied commercial real estate loans; and land and construction loans.

Commercial and industrial loans are loans to businesses where the operating cash flow of the business is the primary source of payment. This segment includes commercial revolving lines of credit and term loans, municipal finance loans, equipment finance loans and SBA loans.

Consumer loans include personal installment loans and line of credit, and home equity lines of credit. These loan products are offered as an accommodation to clients of our primary business lines.

Loans with a collateral value totaling \$172.7 million and \$176.0 million were pledged as collateral to secure borrowings with the Federal Reserve Bank at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. Loans with a market value of \$3.4 billion and \$4.1 billion were pledged as collateral to secure borrowings with the FHLB at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

There were no loan sales during the quarter ended March 31, 2025. During the quarter ended March 31, 2024, loans totaling \$3.7 million in unpaid principal balance were sold, resulting in a net gain on sale of loans of \$263 thousand.

The following table summarizes our delinquent and nonaccrual loans as of:

	Past Due and Still Accruing			Total Past									
(dollars in thousands)	20	50 Days	60	-89 Days		0 Days r More	NI.	onaccrual		Due and onaccrual		Current	Total
,	30	–59 Days	00	-69 Days	_0	r More	110	onaccruai	110	onaccruai	-	Current	Total
March 31, 2025:													
Real estate loans:	_		•				•						A
Residential properties	\$	1,011	\$	_	\$	_	\$	21,755	\$	22,766	\$	4,130,955	\$ 4,153,721
Commercial properties		698		_		_		7,940		8,638		842,920	851,558
Land and construction		_		_		_		_		_		44,687	44,687
Commercial and industrial loans		12,486		1,834		86		9,032		23,438		2,609,792	2,633,230
Consumer loans		_		_		_		_		_		1,384	1,384
Total	\$	14,195	\$	1,834	\$	86	\$	38,727	\$	54,842	\$	7,629,738	\$ 7,684,580
					_		_						
Percentage of total loans		0.18 %	ò	0.02 %		0.00 %		0.50 %)	0.71 %	ó		
December 31, 2024:													
Real estate loans:													
Residential properties	\$	7,083	\$	_	\$	_	\$	23,324	\$	30,407	\$	4,193,994	\$ 4,224,401
Commercial properties		7,944		428		12,900		7,946		29,218		874,463	903,681
Land and construction				_		_		_		_		69,134	69,134
Commercial and industrial loans		997		617		_		9,174		10,788		2,732,226	2,743,014
Consumer loans		_		_		_		_		_		1,163	1,163
Total	\$	16,024	\$	1,045	\$	12,900	\$	40,444	\$	70,413	\$	7,870,980	\$ 7,941,393
Percentage of total loans		0.20 %	,)	0.01 %	,	0.16 %	,	0.51 %)	0.89 %	ó		

The following table summarizes our nonaccrual loans as of:

(dollars in thousands)	wit	Ionaccrual h Allowance Credit Losses	with	Nonaccrual no Allowance Credit Losses
March 31, 2025:		Cituit Losses		Cituit Losses
Real estate loans:				
Residential properties	\$	2,208	\$	19,547
Commercial properties		590		7,350
Commercial and industrial loans		9,032		_
Total	\$	11,830	\$	26,897
December 31, 2024:				
Real estate loans:				
Residential properties	\$	1,420	\$	21,904
Commercial properties		3,449		4,497
Commercial and industrial loans		9,174		_
Total	\$	14,043	\$	26,401

The Company provides modifications to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty, which may include interest rate reduction, term extensions, principal forgiveness, other-than-insignificant payment delays, or a combination of any of these items. A loan modification or refinancing results in a new loan if the terms of the new loan are at least as favorable to the lender as the terms with customers with similar collection risks that are not refinancing or restructuring their loans and the modification to the terms of the loan are more than minor. If a loan modification or refinancing does not result in a new loan, it is classified as a loan modification.

The following table presents our loan modifications made to borrowers experiencing financial difficulty by type of modification for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, with related amortized cost balances, respective percentage share of the total class of loans, and the related financial effect:

			March 31, 20	025:
			Term Exten	sion
			% of Total Class of	
		mortized Cost Basis	Loans	Financial Effect
Commercial real estate loans	\$	411	0.05 %	1 loan with term extension of 6 months.
Commercial and industrial loans	\$	4,995 5,406	0.19 %	4 loans with various extensions of loan maturity ranging from 6 to 52 months; 3 loans with payment deferrals of either 2 or 3 months; 8 loans with \$100 monthly payments for either 2 or 3 months; 1 loan wit \$1,000 monthly payments for 3 months.
Total	<u>\$</u>	3,400		
			Combinati	on
	<u></u>		% of Total Class of	
	A	mortized Cost Basis	Loans	Financial Effect
Commercial and industrial loans	s	128	0.0 %	2 loans with extensions of loan maturity of 2 and 3 months and payment deferral.
Total	\$	128		
			Total	
		mortized Cost Basis	% of Total Class of Loans	
Commercial real estate loans	A	411	0.05 %	
Commercial and industrial loans		5,123	0.03 %	
Total		5,534	0.15 70	
		_		
			March 31, 20	
			Term Extens	sion
	A	mortized Cost Basis	% of Total Class of Loans	Financial Effect
Commercial real estate loans	<u> </u>	12.900	1.30 %	1 loan with term extension of 3 months.
Commercial real estate loans	3	12,900	1.50 70	10 loans with term extension of 3 months; 3 loans
				with term extensions of 10 months, 12 months and 60
Commercial and industrial loans	\$ <u></u>	736	0.03 %	months, respectively.
Total	\$	13,636		
			Combinati	on
			% of Total Class of	
	A	mortized Cost Basis	Loans	Financial Effect
				1 loan with term extension of 6 months and 5 month payment forbearance; 4 loans with term extensions of
Commercial and industrial loans	_	6,800	0.24 %	7 months and payment forbearance of 6 months.
Total	<u>\$</u>	6,800		
		Total	% of Total Class of	
	A	martized Cost Posis	% of Total Class of Loans	
Commercial real estate loans	_ <u>A</u>	mortized Cost Basis 12,900	1.30 %	
Commercial and industrial loans		7,536	0.27 %	
Total		20,436	0.27 70	
Total		, 150		

The following table presents the amortized cost basis of loans that had a payment default during the three months ended March 31, 2025 which were modified in the previous twelve-month period of April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025:

	March 31	, 2025:	·				
	Term Ext	Term Extension					
	# of Loans Defaulted		Amortized Cost Basis				
Commercial and industrial loans	2	\$	73				

Total		2	\$	73
		Combi	nation	
	# of Loa	ns Defaulted		Amortized Cost Basis
Commercial and industrial loans	·	3	\$	2,216
Total		3	\$	2,216
		To	tal	
	# of Loa	ns Defaulted		Amortized Cost Basis
Commercial and industrial loans	_	5	\$	2,289
Total		5	\$	2,289

None of the loans modified for the previous twelve-month period of April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 subsequently had a payment default during the three months ended March 31, 2024.

The following presents the payment status of our loan modifications made during the previous twelve-month periods ended April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025 and April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024, resepctively:

(dollars in thousands)		Current		89 Days st Due		- Days st Due	N	onaccrual		Total
March 31, 2025:										
Residential loans	\$	403	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	403
Commercial real estate loans		_		_		_		411		411
Commercial and industrial loans		2,879		_		_		6,443		9,322
Total	\$	3,282	\$	_	\$		\$	6,854	\$	10,136
	<u> </u>			-						
		_		89 Days		- Days				
(dollars in thousands)		Current	Pa	st Due	Pas	st Due	N	onaccrual	_	Total
March 31, 2024:										
Residential loans	\$	247	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	247
Commercial real estate loans		13,525		_		_		8,084		21,609
Commercial and industrial loans		13,968		_		_		_		13,968
Total	\$	27,740	\$		\$		\$	8,084	\$	35,824

NOTE 5: ALLOWANCE FOR CREDIT LOSSES

The Company accounts for ACL related to loans held for investment in accordance with ASU 2016-13, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, which requires the Company to record an estimate of current expected credit losses ("CECL") for loans at the time of origination. The ACL is maintained at a level deemed appropriate by management to provide for expected credit losses in the portfolio as of the date of the consolidated balance sheet.

The measurement of the ACL is performed by collectively pooling and evaluating loans with similar risk characteristics. The quantitative CECL model estimates credit losses by applying pool-specific probability of default ("PD") and loss given default ("LGD") rates to the expected exposure at default ("EAD") over the contractual life of the loans. A significant portion of the ACL is calculated and measured on a collective pool basis, representing \$7.4 billion or approximately 97.8% of the total blended loans held for investment portfolio as of March 31, 2025. Pooled loan segments consisted of multifamily, commercial, single-family, non-owner occupied commercial real estate, and construction loans. The remaining portion of the loan portfolio, representing \$143.9 million or approximately 1.9% of the total blended loan

portfolio, consisted of small homogeneous loan portfolios which has its quantitative reserve calculated separately based on historical loss factors for the respective portfolios or, if no historical loss is available, based on peer group historical losses. These loan portfolios include equipment finance, land, consumer and commercial small balance loans. In addition, collateral dependent loans totaling \$26.8 million or approximately 0.3% of the total blended portfolio are separately valued based on the fair value of the underlying collateral.

As of December 31, 2024, the ACL was calculated and measured on a collective pool basis, representing \$7.8 billion or approximately 97.6% of the total blended loans held for investment portfolio. Pooled loan segments consisted of multifamily, commercial, single-family, non-owner occupied commercial real estate, and construction loans. The remaining portion of the loan portfolio, representing \$164.7 million or 2.1% of the total blended loan portfolio, consisted of small homogeneous loan portfolios which has its quantitative reserve calculated separately based on historical loss factors for the respective portfolios or, if no historical loss is available, based upon peer group historical losses. These loan portfolios include equipment finance, land, consumer and commercial small balance loans. In addition, collateral dependent loans totaling \$27.0 million or 0.3% of the total blended portfolio were separately valued based on the fair value of the underlying collateral.

The measurement also incorporates qualitative components such as internal and external risk factors that may not be adequately assessed in the quantitative model. Qualitative adjustments primarily relate to segments of the loan portfolio deemed by management to be of a higher-risk profile or other factors where management believes the quantitative component of the ACL model may not be fully reflective of levels deemed adequate in the judgment of management. Qualitative adjustments may also relate to uncertainty as to future macroeconomic conditions and the related impact on certain loan segments. Management reviews the need for an appropriate level of quantitative adjustments on a quarterly basis, and as such, the amount and allocation of qualitative adjustments may change in future periods. Management applies a two-year time horizon in its ACL model at which there is a gradual reversion back to historical loss experience over a two year period.

For purposes of calculating the ACL, the Company has elected to include deferred loan fees and expenses in the loan balance and exclude accrued interest from loan balances.

The following is a rollforward of the allowance for credit losses related to loans held for investment for the following periods:

(dollars in thousands)	Seginning Balance	(Re	rovision versal) for dit Losses	Cl	harge-offs	F	Recoveries	 Ending Balance
Three Months Ended March 31, 2025:								
Real estate loans:								
Residential properties	\$ 7,216	\$	(678)	\$	_	\$	6	\$ 6,544
Commercial properties	6,683		(822)		_		_	5,861
Land and construction	61		(15)		_		_	46
Commercial and industrial loans	18,333		4,604		(403)		205	22,739
Consumer loans	9		1		_		_	10
Total	\$ 32,302	\$	3,090	\$	(403)	\$	211	\$ 35,200
Three Months Ended March 31, 2024:								
Real estate loans:								
Residential properties	\$ 9,921		(1,547)		_			\$ 8,374
Commercial properties	4,148		449		_		_	4,597
Land and construction	332		(266)		_			66
Commercial and industrial loans	14,796		1,797		(493)		151	16,251
Consumer loans	8		(2)		_		1	7
Total	\$ 29,205	\$	431	\$	(493)	\$	152	\$ 29,295

The Company maintained an allowance for unfunded loan commitments totaling \$1.8 million and \$1.3 million at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively, which is included in accounts payable and other liabilities. The allowance is calculated based mostly on loss rates for the type of loan/collateral in which the loan commitment relates with a drawdown probability applied to the available credit balance based on utilization rates for the prior year.

The Company's primary regulatory agencies periodically review the allowance for credit losses and such agencies may require the Company to recognize additions to the allowance based on information and factors available to them at the time of their examinations. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the Company will not recognize additional provisions for credit losses with respect to the loan portfolio.

A loan is considered collateral dependent when the borrower is experiencing financial difficulty and repayment of the loan is expected to be provided substantially through the operation or sale of the collateral. Collateral dependent loans are evaluated individually to determine expected credit losses and any ACL allocation is determined based upon the amount by which amortized costs exceed the estimated fair value of the collateral, adjusted for estimated selling costs (if applicable). The following table presents the amortized cost basis of collateral dependent loans and the related ACL allocated to these loans as of the dates indicated:

(dollars in thousands)	R	eal Estate	Cash	uipment/ ceivables	Total	A	ACL Allocation
March 31, 2025:						_	
Loans secured by real estate:							
Residential properties							
Multifamily	\$	_	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$	_
Single family		15,856	_	49	15,905		_
Commercial real estate loans		6,396	_	954	7,350		
Commercial loans		_	_	3,592	3,592		843
Total	\$	22,252	\$	\$ 4,595	\$ 26,847	\$	843
December 31, 2024:							
Loans secured by real estate:							
Residential properties							
Multifamily	\$	2,802	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 2,802	\$	_
Single family		15,856	_	_	15,856		_
Commercial real estate loans		4,497	_	_	4,497		_
Commercial loans				3,935	3,935		697
Total	\$	23,155	\$	\$ 3,935	\$ 27,090	\$	697

Credit Risk Management

The Company categorizes loans into risk categories based on relevant information about the ability of borrowers to service their debt such as current financial information, historical payment experience, collateral adequacy, credit documentation, and current economic trends, among other factors. The Company analyzes loans individually by classifying the loans as to credit risk. This analysis typically includes larger, non-homogeneous loans such as loans secured by multifamily or commercial real estate and commercial and industrial loans. This analysis is performed on an ongoing basis as new information is obtained. The Company uses the following definitions for risk ratings:

Pass: Loans classified as pass are strong credits with no existing or known potential weaknesses deserving of management's close attention.

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

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

Loans listed as pass include larger non-homogeneous loans not meeting the risk rating definitions above and smaller, homogeneous loans not assessed on an individual basis.

The following tables present risk categories of loans held for investment based on year of origination, and includes gross charge-offs in accordance with ASU 2022-02 as of the dates presented:

(dollars in thousands)		2025		2024		2023		2022		2021		Prior]	Revolving Loans		Total
March 31, 2025:																
Loans secured by real estate:																
Residential																
Multifamily	Ф	12 210	Ф	00.700	ф	50.6	ф	1 702 100	Ф	740,000	ф	550 465	ф		ф	2 127 027
Pass	\$	13,219	\$	89,700	\$	536	\$	1,703,198	\$	749,909 31,123	\$	570,465 30,520	\$	_	\$	3,127,027
Special mention Substandard		_		_		_		6.038		14,674		97,307				61,643 118,019
	e.	12 210	d.	90.700	¢	526	¢.	1,709,236	\$	795,706	¢	698,292	Ф		\$	3.306.689
Total	2	13,219	3	89,700	\$	536	\$	1,/09,236	_	/95,/06	\$	698,292	\$		_	3,306,689
Gross charge-offs	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Single family																
Pass	\$	624	\$	5,406	\$	9,420	\$	242,618	\$	249,744	\$	276,807	\$	40,893	\$	825,512
Special mention		_		_		_		_				20.020		527		527
Substandard	d)	(24	Ф	5.406	ф	0.420	Ф	242 (10	Ф	240.744	ф	20,920	Ф	73	ф	20,993
Total	\$	624	\$	5,406	\$ \$	9,420	\$ \$	242,618	\$	249,744	\$	297,727	\$	41,493	\$	847,032
Gross charge-offs	\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Commercial real estate																
Pass	\$	_	\$	3,150	\$	2,388	\$	218,099	\$	109,927	\$		\$	_	\$	820,704
Special mention		_		_		_		1,626		1,180		13,039				15,845
Substandard	_		_						_	3,137		11,872	_		_	15,009
Total	\$		\$	3,150	\$	2,388	\$	219,725	\$	114,244	\$	512,051	\$		\$	851,558
Gross charge-offs	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Land and construction																
Pass	\$	_	\$	124	\$	_	\$	34,003	\$	4,408	\$	6,007	\$	_	\$	44,542
Special mention		_		_		_		_		_		145		_		145
Substandard					_		_									
Total	\$		\$	124	\$ \$		\$	34,003	\$	4,408	\$	6,152	\$		\$	44,687
Gross charge-offs	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Commercial																
Pass	\$	1,426	\$	65,880	\$	140,364	\$	955,434	\$	221,767	\$	104,034	\$	1,075,311	\$	2,564,216
Special mention		_		659		4,484		9,342		23,923		790		20,522		59,720
Substandard		516		2,435	_	29	_	26	_	359	_	2,177	_	3,752		9,294
Total	\$	1,942	\$	68,974	\$	144,877	\$	964,802	\$	246,049	\$	107,001	\$	1,099,585	_	2,633,230
Gross charge-offs	\$		\$		\$	58	\$	147	\$	187	\$	11	\$	_	\$	403
Consumer																
Pass	\$	63	\$	_	\$	88	\$	_	\$	104	\$	47	\$	1,082	\$	1,384
Special mention		_		_		_		_		_		_		_		_
Substandard					_		_		_		_		_			
Total	\$	63	\$		\$	88	\$		\$	104	\$	47	\$	1,082	\$	1,384
Gross charge-offs	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	_	\$		\$	
Total loans																
Pass	\$	15,332	\$	164,260	\$	152,796	\$	3,153,352	\$	1,335,859	\$	1,444,500	\$	1,117,286	\$	7,383,385
Special mention		_		659		4,484		10,968		56,226		44,494		21,049		137,880
Substandard		516		2,435		29		6,064		18,170		132,276		3,825		163,315
Total	\$	15,848	\$	167,354	\$	157,309		3,170,384		1,410,255		1,621,270	\$	1,142,160	\$	7,684,580
Gross charge-offs	\$		\$		\$	58	\$	147	\$	187	\$	11	\$	_	\$	403

(dollars in thousands)		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		Prior		Revolving Loans		Total
December 31, 2024:																
Loans secured by real estate:																
Residential Multifamily																
Pass	\$	101,311	\$	539	\$	1,701,974	\$	749,864	\$	369,887	\$	241,935	\$	_	\$	3,165,510
Special mention	Ψ	101,511	Ψ	337	Ψ	1,701,774	Ψ	47,090	Φ	18,572	Ψ	8,623	Ψ		Ψ	74.285
Substandard		_		_		13,231				18,234		76,185		_		107,650
Total	\$	101,311	\$	539	\$	1,715,205	\$	796,954	\$	406,693	\$	326,743	\$	_	\$	3,347,445
Gross charge-offs	\$			_				_				657	_	_	\$	657
Single family																
Pass	\$	5,410	\$	9,441	\$	247,252	\$	255,096	\$	90,422	\$	203,116	\$	44,580	\$	855,317
Special mention Substandard						<u> </u>						21,104		510 25		510 21,129
Total	\$	5,410	\$	9,441	\$	247,252	\$	255,096	\$	90,422	\$	224,220	\$	45,115	\$	876,956
Gross charge-offs	\$							_		_	_		_		\$	
Commercial real estate	ф	2.704	ф	2 200	ф	217.027	ф	115 500	ф	126 414	ф	270 101	ф		ф	054 106
Pass Special mention	\$	3,784	\$	2,398	\$	217,827 1,637	\$	115,582 1,299	\$	136,414 7,966	\$	378,101 4,795	\$	_	\$	854,106 15,697
Special mention Substandard				12,900		1,037		1,299		845		20,133				33,878
Total	2	3,784	\$	15,298	\$	219,464	\$	116,881	2	145,225	\$	403,029	\$		\$	903,681
Gross charge-offs	\$	3,704	Ψ	13,270	Ψ	217,404	Ψ	110,001	Ψ	175,225	Ψ	964	Ψ		\$	964
Gross charge-ons	Ф	_		_		_		_				904			Ф	904
Land and construction																
Pass	\$	125	\$	24,970	\$	32,877	\$	4,444	\$	1,035	\$	5,683	\$	_	\$	69,134
Special mention		_		_		_		_		_		_		_		_
Substandard	_		_		_						_				_	
Total	\$	125	\$	24,970	\$	32,877	\$	4,444	\$	1,035	\$	5,683	\$		\$	69,134
Gross charge-offs	\$							_							\$	
Commercial																
Pass	\$	66,699	\$	151,580	\$		\$	234,062	\$	88,657	\$	27,220	\$	1,147,464	\$	2,687,793
Special mention		690		3,400		9,430		24,087		_		605		7,602		45,814
Substandard	ф	2,593	ф	31	ф	28	ф	422	Φ.	12	ф	2,218	ф	4,103	Ф	9,407
Total	\$	69,982	\$	155,011	\$		\$	258,571	\$	88,669	\$	30,043	\$	1,159,169	_	2,743,014
Gross charge-offs	\$	572		622		1,310		795		3,437		4,530		5,504	\$	16,770
Consumer																
Pass	\$	89	\$	5	\$	_	\$	107	\$	_	\$	49	\$	913	\$	1,163
Special mention Substandard		_		_		_		_		_		_		_		_
Total	\$	89	\$	5	\$		\$	107	\$	_	\$	49	\$	913	\$	1,163
Gross charge-offs	\$		_		_				_				_	23	\$	23
-6	Ţ														_	
Total loans																
Pass	\$	177,418	\$	188,933	\$	3,172,041	\$	1,359,155	\$	686,415	\$	856,104	\$	1,192,957	\$	7,633,023
Special mention		690		3,400		11,067		72,476		26,538		14,023		8,112		136,306
Substandard	¢.	2,593	ф	12,931	ø	13,259	ф	422	e e	19,091	Ф	119,640	¢.	4,128	ф	7 041 202
Total	\$	180,701	\$	205,264	\$	3,196,367	\$	1,432,053	\$	732,044	\$	989,767	\$	1,205,197	\$	7,941,393
Gross charge-offs	\$	572		622		1,310		795		3,437		6,151		5,527	\$	18,414

NOTE 6: CORE DEPOSIT INTANGIBLES

Core deposit intangibles are intangible assets having definite useful lives arising from whole bank acquisitions. Core deposit intangibles are amortized on an accelerated method over their estimated useful lives, ranging from 7 to 10 years. At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, core deposit intangible assets totaled \$3.2 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, and we recognized \$312 thousand and \$370 thousand in core deposit intangible amortization expense for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, respectively.

NOTE 7: DERIVATIVE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

On February 1, 2024, the Bank entered into an interest rate swap agreement with an institutional counterparty to hedge against our exposure to changes in interest rates as part of our overall interest rate risk management strategy. On the date the agreement was entered into, the derivative was designated as a cash flow hedge, as it was undertaken to manage the risk of changes in cash flows on interest payments associated with a stream of variable-rate, short-term borrowings for a corresponding amount that are attributable to changes in the future financing rates of each rolling maturity. At inception and on a quarterly basis thereafter, an assessment is performed to determine the effectiveness of the derivative at reducing the risk associated with the hedged exposure. A cash flow hedge designated as highly effective is carried at fair value on the balance sheet with the portion of change in fair value of the cash flow hedge considered highly effective recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI"). If the cash flow hedge becomes ineffective, the portion of the change in fair value of the cash flow hedge considered ineffective is reclassified from AOCI to earnings.

The hedging instrument is a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap agreement having a beginning notional amount of \$450 million. The Bank pays quarterly interest at a fixed rate of 3.583% and receives quarterly interest payments calculated at the Daily Simple SOFR over the same period. The original term of the agreement is five years, expiring on February 1, 2029. On March 28, 2024, the original hedge position notional amount was reduced by \$100 million, and a corresponding amount of the hedged item was simultaneously de-designated, resulting in the recording of a partial gain of \$0.8 million, classified as capital markets activities on the accompanying statements of operations.

At March 31, 2025, the fair value of the cash flow hedge was \$0.2 million and is classified as derivative assets with a corresponding amount classified as a component of AOCI on the accompanying balance sheet.

On January 29, 2025, the Bank entered into an interest rate swap agreement with an institutional counterparty to hedge the interest rate risk to earnings associated with fair value changes in the valuation allowance of loans held for sale. The hedging instrument is a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap agreement with a notional amount of \$1.0 billion that will amortize down to \$400 million over four years. The Bank will pay quarterly interest at a fixed rate of 4.03% and receive quarterly interest payments calculated at the Daily Simple SOFR over the same period. The original term of the agreement is four years, expiring on January 29, 2029. Since the fair value changes of the valuation allowance for loans held for sale already flow through earnings, the Bank has elected to not designate the hedge for hedge accounting to ensure that changes in the derivative's value are reported in current earnings each period.

At March 31, 2025, the fair value of the hedge was \$10.5 million and is classified as derivative liabilities on the accompanying balance sheet.

NOTE 8: LOAN SALES AND MORTGAGE SERVICING RIGHTS

The Company retained servicing rights for the majority of the loans sold and recognized mortgage servicing rights in connection with multifamily loan sale transactions that occurred in 2024 as well as 2021 and prior. As of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, mortgage servicing rights net of valuation allowance totaled \$5.7 million and \$6.4 million, respectively and is classified as a component of other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The amount

of loans serviced for others totaled \$1.3 billion at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024. Servicing fees collected for the first three months of 2025 and 2024 were \$0.8 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

There were no loan sale or purchase transactions that resulted in the recognition of mortgage servicing rights in the three months ended March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, respectively.

NOTE 9: DEPOSITS

The following table summarizes the outstanding balance of deposits and average rates paid thereon as of:

	March 3	31, 2025	December	· 31, 2024
(dollars in thousands)	Amount	Weighted	Amount	Weighted
Demand deposits:	Amount	Average Rate	Amount	Average Rate
Demand deposits.				
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 2,037,299	_	\$ 1,956,628	
Interest-bearing	1,900,022	3.04 %	1,995,397	3.29 %
Money market and savings	3,612,753	3.58 %	3,524,801	3.60 %
Certificates of deposit	2,011,571	4.62 %	2,393,453	4.72 %
Total	\$ 9,561,645	2.93 %	\$ 9,870,279	3.09 %

The following table provides the remaining maturities of certificate of deposit accounts of greater than \$250,000 as of:

	Ma	rch 31, 2025	Dec	cember 31, 2024
Large Denomination Certificates of Deposit Maturity Distribution		(dollars in	thousand	ds)
3 months or less	\$	46,631	\$	76,691
Over 3 months through 6 months		59,755		44,619
Over 6 months through 12 months		96,316		92,960
Over 12 months		5,437		13,417
Total	\$	208,139	\$	227,687

Large depositor relationships, consisting of deposit relationships which exceed 2% of total deposits, accounted for, in the aggregate, 18.8% and 19.7% of our total deposits as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. The composition of our large depositor relationships includes mortgage servicing clients who have maintained long-term depository relationships with us. The balances in these depository accounts are subject to seasonal inflows and outflows, common in the mortgage servicing industry.

Accrued interest payable on deposits, which is included in accounts payable and other liabilities, was \$23.0 million and \$27.7 million at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

NOTE 10: BORROWINGS

The Bank has established secured and unsecured lines of credit under which it may borrow funds from time to time on a term or overnight basis from the FHLB, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (the "Federal Reserve Bank"), and other institutions. At March 31, 2025, our borrowings consisted of \$1.0 billion in FHLB putable advances at the Bank, \$650 million of FHLB term advances at the Bank, and \$24 million in repurchase agreements at the Bank. At December 31, 2024, our borrowings consisted of \$1.0 billion in FHLB putable advances at the Bank, \$400 million of FHLB term advances at the Bank, and \$25 million in repurchase agreements at the Bank.

FHLB Advances

The FHLB putable advances outstanding at March 31, 2025 had a weighted average remaining life of 6.0 years and a weighted average interest rate of 3.74%. The putable advances can be called quarterly until maturity at the option of the FHLB at various put dates. \$700 million of the total will be eligible for exercising beginning in June 2025 and an additional \$300 million attained its first quarterly put date in March 2025, for which the put was not exercised.

The FHLB term advances outstanding at March 31, 2025 consist of the following:

\$250 million in a three-month fixed-rate advance maturing on June 12, 2025 at an interest rate of 4.55%.

\$300 million in a three-year fixed-rate advance maturing on May 28, 2027 at an interest rate of 4.95%.

\$100 million in a five-year fixed rate advance maturing on June 28, 2028 at an interest rate of 4.21%.

FHLB advances are collateralized primarily by loans secured by single family, multifamily, and commercial real estate properties with a market value of \$3.4 billion as of March 31, 2025. The Bank's total unused borrowing capacity from the FHLB as of March 31, 2025 was \$918 million. As of March 31, 2025, the Bank had in place \$69 million in letters of credit from the FHLB, \$59 million of which is used as collateral for the 2024 multifamily loan sale/securitization, and \$10 million of which is used as collateral for public fund deposits.

The FHLB putable advances outstanding at December 31, 2024 had a weighted average remaining life of 6.25 years and a weighted average interest rate of 3.74%. The FHLB term advances outstanding at December 31, 2024 consisted of: \$300 million in a three-year fixed rate advance maturing on May 28, 2027 at an interest rate of 4.95%, and \$100 million in a five-year fixed rate advance maturing on June 28, 2028 at an interest rate of 4.21%. FHLB advances outstanding at December 31, 2024 were collateralized primarily by loans secured by single family, multifamily, and commercial real estate properties with a market value of \$4.1 billion. The Bank's total unused borrowing capacity from the FHLB at December 31, 2024 was \$1.7 billion. The Bank had in place \$69 million in letters of credit from the FHLB, \$59 million of which is used as collateral for the 2024 multifamily loan sale/securitization, and \$10 million of which is used as collateral for public fund deposits.

Federal Reserve Bank Borrowings

The Bank has a secured line of credit with the Federal Reserve Bank including the secured borrowing capacity through the Federal Reserve Bank's Discount Window, and Borrower-in-Custody ("BIC") programs. Borrowings under the BIC program are overnight advances with interest chargeable at the primary credit borrowing rate. At March 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, the Bank did not have any borrowings outstanding under any of the Federal Reserve Bank programs. The Bank had secured unused borrowing capacity under this agreement of \$1.2 billion and \$1.1 billion as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

Uncommitted Credit Facilities:

The Bank has a total of \$240 million in borrowing capacity through unsecured federal funds lines, ranging in size from \$20 million to \$100 million, with six correspondent financial institutions. At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, there were no balances outstanding under these arrangements.

Holding Company Line of Credit:

FFI has entered into a loan agreement with an unaffiliated lender that provides for a revolving line of credit for up to \$20 million maturing in June 2025. The loan bears an interest rate of Prime rate, plus 50 basis points (0.50%). FFI's obligations under the loan agreement are secured by, among other things, a pledge of all of its equity in the Bank. As of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, there were no balances outstanding under this agreement.

Repurchase Agreements:

The repurchase agreements are treated as overnight borrowings with the obligations to repurchase securities sold reflected as a liability. The investment securities underlying these agreements remain in the Company's securities AFS portfolio. As of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the repurchase agreements are collateralized by investment securities with a fair value of approximately \$75.5 million and \$77.3 million, respectively.

NOTE 11: SUBORDINATED DEBT

At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, FFI had two issuances of subordinated notes outstanding with an aggregate carrying value of \$173 million. At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, FFI was in compliance with all covenants under its subordinated debt agreements. The following table summarizes the outstanding subordinated notes as of the dates indicated:

		Current	Current	Carry	ving Value
(dollars in thousands)	Stated Maturity	Interest Rate	Principal Balance	March 31 2025	December 31, 2024
Subordinated notes					
Subordinated notes due 2032, 3.50% per annum until February 1, 2027,	February				
3-month SOFR + 2.04% thereafter.	1, 2032	3.50 %	\$ 150,000	\$ 148,358	\$ 148,298
Subordinated notes due 2030, 6.0% per annum until June 30, 2025, 3-	June 30,				
month SOFR + 5.90% thereafter.	2030	6.00 %	24,165	25,117	25,161
Total			\$ 174,165	\$ 173,475	\$ 173,459

NOTE 12: INCOME TAXES

For the three months ended March 31, 2025, the Company recorded an income tax benefit of \$633 thousand and had an effective tax rate of -10.1%. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company recorded an income tax benefit of \$910 thousand and had an effective tax rate of 777.8%. The changes in the effective tax rate were predominately due to the changes in pretax income. The effective tax rates differ from the combined federal and state statutory rates for the Company of 27.8% due primarily to various permanent tax differences, including tax-exempt income, tax credits from low-income housing tax credit investments, and other items that impact our effective tax rate.

The Company accounts for income taxes by recognizing deferred tax assets and liabilities based upon future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. The Company has experienced cumulative losses over the past three years, primarily due to the significant increase in market rates experienced since 2022 and the mark-to-market adjustment related to the transfer of approximately \$1.9 billion of multifamily loans from loans held for investment to loans held for sale in the third quarter of 2024. However, the Company has not recorded a valuation allowance against its deferred tax assets, as it has implemented a tax planning strategy that is expected to generate sufficient taxable income to realize these assets. This strategy includes dispositioning the aforementioned multifamily loans transferred to loans held for sale. Removing these relatively low-yielding assets from the balance sheet will improve profitability, either through the reduction of high-cost funding or reinvestment of proceeds into higher-yielding assets. Management has evaluated the feasibility of this strategy under current tax laws and considers it both prudent and objectively verifiable. The Company will continue to monitor its performance and reassess the need for a valuation allowance if necessary.

Deferred tax assets totaled \$80.0 million and \$76.7 million at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

NOTE 13: SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

FFI is a holding company and does not have any direct operating activities. Any future cash flow needs of FFI are expected to be met by its existing cash and cash equivalents and dividends from its subsidiaries. The Bank is subject to various laws and regulations that limit the amount of dividends that a bank can pay without obtaining prior approval from bank regulators. Additionally, under the terms of the holding company line of credit agreement, FFI may only declare and pay a dividend if the total amount of dividends and stock repurchases during the current twelve months does not exceed 50% of FFI's net income for the same twelve-month period. FFI's cash and cash equivalents totaled \$9.1 million and \$7.7 million at March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

On July 8, 2024, the Company raised approximately \$228 million of gross proceeds in an equity capital raise ("July 2024 Capital Raise") with certain investors. In the July 2024 Capital Raise, the Company sold and issued to the investors: (a) 11,308,676 shares of common stock at a purchase price per share of \$4.10 (on July 1, 2024, the day before the announcement of the July 2024 Capital Raise, the closing price of the common stock was \$6.47); (b) 29,811 shares of a new series of preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company designated as Series A Noncumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series A Preferred Stock"), at a price per share of \$4,100, and each share of which is convertible into 1,000 shares of common stock, and all of which shares of Series A Preferred Stock represent the right (on an as converted basis) to receive approximately 29,811,000 shares of common stock; (c) 14,490 shares of a new series of preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company designated as Series B Noncumulative Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred Stock"), at a price per share of \$4,100, each share of which is convertible into 1,000 shares of common stock, and all of which shares of Series B Preferred Stock represent the right (on an as converted basis) to receive approximately 14,490,000 shares of common stock; and (d) Issued Warrants, affording the holder thereof the right, until the seven-year anniversary of the issuance of such Issued Warrant, to purchase for \$5,125 per share, 22,239 shares of Series C non-voting, common-equivalent preferred stock (the "Series C NVCE Stock"). Each share of Series C NVCE Stock is convertible into 1,000 shares of common stock, all of which shares of Series C NVCE Stock, upon issuance, will represent the right (on an as converted basis) to receive approximately 22,239,000 shares of common stock. The investors were subject to a 180-day lock-up period with respect to the securities purchased. Net proceeds from the July 2024 Capital Raise of \$214.5 million, consisting of the \$228 million gross proceeds less issuance costs of \$13.5 million, were allocated amongst the newly issued equity instruments under the relative fair value method. Under the relative fair value method, each equity instrument was allocated a portion of the net proceeds based on the proportion of its fair value to the sum of the fair values of all of the equity instruments covered in the allocation.

On September 30, 2024, stockholders approved and adopted an amendment to the Company's certificate of incorporation, as amended, to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 100,000,000 shares to 200,000,000 shares, and also approved the issuance of shares of common stock in connection with the July 2024 Capital Raise pursuant to NYSE listing rules. As a result of these approvals, all of the issued and outstanding shares of the Series B Preferred Stock automatically converted into shares of common stock as of the close of business on October 2, 2024, in accordance with the terms of the Certificate of Designation for the Series B Preferred Stock. In addition, the quarterly non-cumulative cash dividend (annual rate of 13%) and liquidation preference rights of the Series A Preferred Stock ceased to apply. Shares of Series A Preferred Stock (a) are now entitled to receive dividends at the same time and on the same terms as shares of common stock in accordance with the Certificate of Designation for the Series A Preferred Stock, and (b) rank as equal to shares of common stock in any liquidation of the Company. Furthermore, the Company will not be required to issue any cash-settled warrants to the investors who participated in the July 2024 Capital Raise. At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, there were no declared dividends outstanding with respect to the Series A Preferred Stock.

NOTE 14: EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share ("EPS") excludes dilution and is computed by dividing net income or loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock that would then share in earnings. As part of the aforementioned July 2024 Capital Raise, the Company issued warrants (See Note 13: Shareholders' Equity) which are considered for potential dilution. In addition to the warrants, other contingent shares issuable include restricted stock units issued by the Company under its equity incentive plans.

For the three months ended March 31, 2025, the average common share price was above the \$5.125 per share exercise price (on an as-converted basis) of the warrants, and therefore 1,093,819 shares are included in diluted shares outstanding. In addition, 17,319 in restricted stock units are included in diluted shares outstanding as of March 31, 2025. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, 19,220 in restricted stock units are included in diluted shares outstanding.

There were no stock options outstanding as of March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, respectively.

The following table sets forth the Company's unaudited earnings per share calculations for the three months ended March 31:

		Three Mo March				ded 4		
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)		Basic	I	Diluted]	Basic	D	iluted
Net (loss) income	\$	6,896	\$	6,896	\$	793	\$	793
Weighted average basic common shares outstanding Dilutive effect of options, restricted stock, warrants, and contingent	82	2,373,616	82	2,373,616	56	,484,655	56	5,484,655
shares issuable				1,111,138				19,220
Diluted common shares outstanding			83	3,484,754			56	5,503,875
Net (loss) income per share	\$	0.08	\$	0.08	\$	0.01	\$	0.01

NOTE 15: SEGMENT REPORTING

For the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, the Company had two reportable business segments: Banking (FFB) and Wealth Management (FFA). The results of FFI and any elimination entries are included in the column labeled Other. The reportable segments are determined by products and services offered and the corporate structure. Business segment earnings before taxes are the primary measure of the segment's performance as evaluated by management. Business segment earnings before taxes include direct revenue and expenses of the segment as well as corporate and inter-company cost allocations. Allocations of corporate expenses, such as finance and accounting, data processing and human resources are calculated based on estimated activity or usage levels. The management accounting process measures the performance of the operating segments based on the Company's management structure and is not necessarily comparable with similar information for other financial services companies. If the management structures and/or the allocation process changes, allocations, transfers, and assignments may change.

In accordance with ASU 2023-07 "Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures", the significant expenses shown in the tables below are those that are regularly provided to the chief operating decision maker (CODM) who regularly uses them, along with other information in assessing the segments' performance and in decisions regarding the allocation of resources. With respect to ASU 2023-07, the CODM for the Company is the

Chief Executive Officer. The following tables show key operating results for each of our business segments used to arrive at our consolidated totals for the following periods:

(dollars in thousands)	 Banking	М	Wealth anagement	 Other	Total
Three Months Ended March 31, 2025:					
Interest income	\$ 141,742	\$	_	\$ _	\$ 141,742
Interest expense	88,253			 1,690	 89,943
Net interest income	53,489		_	(1,690)	51,799
Provision for credit losses	3,417		_	_	3,417
Noninterest income	12,410		7,549	(357)	19,602
Noninterest expense					
Compensation and benefits	20,826		5,722	(1,440)	25,108
Customer service costs	15,051		_	_	15,051
Professional services and marketing costs	4,495		1,109	303	5,907
Other	14,754		624	277	15,655
(Loss) income before income taxes	7,356		94	(1,187)	 6,263
Income tax (benefit) expense	(373)		39	(299)	(633)
Net (loss) income	\$ 7,729	\$	55	\$ (888)	\$ 6,896
		_			
Three Months Ended March 31, 2024:					
Interest income	\$ 150,453	\$	_	\$ _	\$ 150,453
Interest expense	110,362		_	1,705	112,067
Net interest income	40,091		_	(1,705)	38,386
Provision for credit losses	577		_		577
Noninterest income	5,683		7,349	(349)	12,683
Noninterest expense					
Compensation and benefits	15,172		4,095	140	19,407
Customer service costs	10,738		_	_	10,738
Professional services and marketing costs	2,532		901	(43)	3,390
Other	16,098		680	296	17,074
Income (loss) before income taxes	657		1,673	(2,447)	(117)
Income tax (benefit) expense	(711)		487	(686)	(910)
Net income (loss)	\$ 1,368	\$	1,186	\$ (1,761)	\$ 793

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

The following discussion and analysis is intended to facilitate the understanding and assessment of significant changes and trends in our businesses that accounted for the changes in our results of operations in the three months ended March 31, 2025 as compared to our results of operations in the three months ended March 31, 2024; and our financial condition at March 31, 2025 as compared to our financial condition at December 31, 2024. This discussion and analysis is based on and should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes thereto contained elsewhere in this report and our audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the notes thereto, which are set forth in Item 8 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K which we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 17, 2025.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained in this report that are not historical facts or that discuss our expectations, beliefs or views regarding our future financial performance or future financial condition, or financial or other trends in our business or in the markets in which we operate, constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning 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"). Forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. Often, they include words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "estimate," "project," "forecast" or words of similar meaning, or future or conditional verbs such as "will," "would," "should," "could," or "may." Such forward-looking statements are based on current information that is available to us, and on assumptions that we make, about future events or economic or financial conditions or trends over which we do not have control. In addition, our businesses and the markets in which we operate are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. As a result of those risks and uncertainties, our actual financial results in the future could differ, possibly materially, from those expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this report and could cause us to make changes to our future plans.

The principal risks and uncertainties to which our businesses are subject are discussed in this Item 2 and under the heading "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Therefore, you are urged to read not only the information contained in this Item 2, but also the risk factors and other cautionary information contained under the heading "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, which qualify the forward-looking statements contained in this report.

Also, our actual results in the future may differ from those currently expected due to additional risks and uncertainties of which we are not currently aware or which we do not currently view as, but in the future may become, material to our business or operating results. Due to these risks and uncertainties, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements contained in this report and not to make predictions about our future financial performance based solely on our historical financial performance. We also disclaim any obligation to update forward-looking statements contained in this report or in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, except as may otherwise be required by applicable law or government regulations.

Critical Accounting Policies

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP and accounting practices in the banking industry. Certain of those accounting policies are considered critical accounting policies because they require us to make estimates and assumptions regarding circumstances or trends that could materially affect the value of those assets, such as economic conditions or trends that could impact our ability to fully collect our loans or ultimately realize the carrying value of certain of our other assets. Those estimates and assumptions are made based on current information available to us regarding those economic conditions or trends or other circumstances. If changes were to occur in the events, trends or other circumstances on which our estimates or assumptions were based, or other unanticipated events were to occur that might affect our operations, we may be required under GAAP to adjust our earlier estimates and to reduce the carrying values of the affected assets on our balance sheet, generally by means of charges against income, which could also affect our results of operations in the fiscal periods when those charges are recognized. Management has identified

our most critical accounting policies and accounting estimates as: allowance for credit losses – investment securities, allowance for credit losses – loans held for investment, and deferred income taxes.

Allowance for Credit Losses – Investment Securities – The ACL on investment securities is determined for both held-to-maturity and available-for-sale classifications of the investment portfolio in accordance with ASC 326, and is evaluated on a quarterly basis. The ACL for held-to-maturity investment securities is determined on a collective basis, based on shared risk characteristics, and is determined at the individual security level when we deem a security to no longer possess shared risk characteristics. Under ASC 326-20, for investment securities where we have reason to believe the credit loss exposure is remote, such as those guaranteed by the U.S. government or government sponsored entities, a zero loss expectation is applied and a company is not required to estimate and recognize an ACL.

For securities available-for-sale ("AFS") in an unrealized loss position, we first evaluate whether we intend to sell, or whether it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before recovery of its amortized cost basis. If either of these criteria regarding intent or requirement to sell is met, the security amortized cost basis is written down to fair value through income. If neither criteria is met, we are required to assess whether the decline in fair value has resulted from credit losses or noncredit-related factors. In determining whether a security's decline in fair value is credit related, we consider a number of factors including, but not limited to: (i) the extent to which the fair value of the investment is less than its amortized cost; (ii) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer; (iii) downgrades in credit ratings; (iv) payment structure of the security; and (v) the ability of the issuer of the security to make scheduled principal and interest payments. If, after considering these factors, the present value of expected cash flows to be collected is less than the amortized cost basis, a credit loss exists, and an allowance for credit loss is recorded through income as a component of provision for credit loss expense. If the assessment indicates that a credit loss does not exist, we record the decline in fair value through other comprehensive income, net of related income tax effects. We have elected to exclude accrued interest receivable on securities from the estimate of credit losses and report accrued interest separately on the consolidated balance sheets. Changes in the allowance for credit losses are recorded as provision for (or reversal of) credit loss expense. Losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a security is confirmed or when either of the criteria regarding intent or requirement to sell is met. See Note 3: Securities in the consolidated financial statements for additional information related to our allowance for credit losses on securities AFS.

Allowance for Credit Losses – Loans Held for Investment. Our ACL for loans held for investment is established through a provision for credit losses charged to expense and may be reduced by a recapture of previously established loss reserves, which are also reflected in the statement of income. Loans are charged against the ACL when management believes that collectability of the principal is unlikely. The ACL represents management's estimate of current expected credit losses over the remaining expected life of the loans held for investment. The ACL involves significant judgment on a number of matters including assessment of key credit risk characteristics, assignment of credit ratings, valuation of collateral, the determination of remaining expected life, incorporation of historical default and loss experience, and a development and weighting of macroeconomic forecasts. The Company reviews baseline and alternative economic scenarios from Moody's and quarterly projections of federal funds target rates from the FOMC for consideration as quantitative factors and applies a two-year time horizon prior to gradually reverting to our historical loss experience, which continues to be deemed reasonable and supportable. While we use the best information available to make this evaluation, future adjustments to our ACL may be necessary if there are significant changes in economic or other conditions that can affect the collectability in full of loans in our loan portfolios. See Note 5: Allowance for Credit Losses, in the consolidated financial statements for additional information related to the Company's allowance for credit losses on loans.

Deferred Income Taxes. We record as a "deferred tax asset" on our balance sheet an amount equal to the tax credit and tax loss carryforwards and tax deductions (collectively "tax benefits") that we believe will be available to us to offset or reduce income taxes in future periods. Under applicable federal and state income tax laws and regulations, tax benefits related to tax loss carryforwards will expire if they cannot be used within specified periods of time. Accordingly, the ability to fully use our deferred tax asset related to tax loss carryforwards to reduce income taxes in the future depends on the amount of taxable income that we generate during those time periods. At least once each year, or more frequently, if warranted, we make estimates of future taxable income that we believe we are likely to generate during those future periods. If we conclude, on the basis of those estimates and the amount of the tax benefits available to us, that it is more likely than not that we will be able to fully utilize those tax benefits prior to their expiration, we recognize the deferred tax asset in full on our balance sheet. On the other hand, if we conclude on the basis of those estimates and the amount of the tax

benefits available to us that it has become more likely than not that we will be unable to utilize those tax benefits in full prior to their expiration, then we would establish a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred tax asset on our balance sheet to the amount with respect to which we believe it is still more likely than not that we will be able to use to offset or reduce taxes in the future. The establishment of such a valuation allowance, or any increase in an existing valuation allowance, would be effectuated through a charge to the provision for income taxes or a reduction in any income tax credit for the period in which such valuation allowance is established or increased.

For complete discussion and disclosure of other accounting policies, see Note 1: *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies* of the Company's consolidated financial statements in both this quarterly filing as well as our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024.

We have two business segments, "Banking" and "Investment Management and Wealth Planning" ("Wealth Management"). Banking includes the operations of FFB, FFIS, FFPF, and Blue Moon Management LLC and Wealth Management includes the operations of FFA. The financial position and operating results of the stand-alone holding company, FFI, are included under the caption "Other" in certain of the tables that follow, along with any consolidation elimination entries.

Overview

For the quarter ended March 31, 2025, the Company reported net income of \$6.9 million, compared to a net loss of \$14.1 million and net income of \$793 thousand for the quarters ended December 31, 2024 and March 31, 2024, respectively. Net interest income after provision for credit losses totaled \$48.4 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, compared to \$30.7 million and \$37.8 million for the quarters ended December 31, 2024 and March 31, 2024, respectively. Net interest margin ("NIM") was 1.67% for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, compared to 1.58% and 1.17% for the quarters ended December 31, 2024 and March 31, 2024, respectively. Provision for credit losses totaled \$3.4 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, compared to \$20.6 million and \$577 thousand for the quarters ended December 31, 2024 and March 31, 2024, respectively. Noninterest income totaled \$19.6 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, compared to \$13.4 million and \$12.7 million for the quarters ended December 31, 2024 and March 31, 2024, respectively. Noninterest expense totaled \$61.7 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, compared to \$67.0 million and \$50.6 million for the quarters ended December 31, 2024, respectively.

At March 31, 2025, the Company had total assets of \$12.6 billion, including \$9.0 billion of total loans, net of deferred fees and allowance for credit losses, \$1.0 billion of cash and cash equivalents, \$1.5 billion in investment securities available-for-sale, and \$0.7 billion in investment securities held-to-maturity. This compares to total assets of \$12.6 billion, including \$9.2 billion of total loans, net of deferred fees and allowance for credit losses, \$1.0 billion of cash and cash equivalents, \$1.3 billion in investment securities available-for-sale, and \$0.7 billion in investment securities held-to-maturity at December 31, 2024. Cash and cash equivalents represented approximately 8.1% of total assets at March 31, 2025, essentially unchanged from December 31, 2024. Total assets remained essentially unchanged, with a \$0.2 billion increase in total investment securities offset by a \$0.2 billion decrease in total loans.

At March 31, 2025, the Company had total liabilities of \$11.5 billion, including \$9.6 billion in deposits, \$1.7 billion in borrowings, \$173 million in subordinated debt, and \$118.4 million in other liabilities. This compares to total liabilities of \$11.6 billion, including \$9.9 billion in deposits, \$1.4 billion in borrowings, \$173 million in subordinated debt, and \$123 million in other liabilities at December 31, 2024. Deposits decreased by \$0.3 billion, largely the result of a \$0.4 billion decrease in higher-cost brokered deposits, offset by a \$71 million increase in combined retail, specialty, and digital banking deposit balances. Borrowings increased by \$0.3 billion, with the addition of \$0.3 billion in FHLB advances. Our loan to deposit ratio was 94.1% as of March 31, 2025 compared to 93.5% as of December 31, 2024.

At March 31, 2025, the Company had total shareholders' equity of \$1.06 billion, compared to \$1.05 billion at December 31, 2024. During the three months ended March 31, 2025, shareholder's equity activity included \$6.9 million in net income, offset by a \$1.3 million increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss. The increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss was due to a \$3.5 million loss associated with derivitave assets, offset by \$2.2 million in holding gains on the investment securities portfolio arising during the period.

Results of Operations

The primary sources of revenue for Banking are net interest income, fees from its deposits and trust services, gains on the sale of loans and investment securities available-for-sale, certain loan fees, and consulting fees. The primary sources of revenue for Wealth Management are asset management fees assessed on the balance of assets under management ("AUM").

The following table shows key operating results for each of our business segments for the quarter ended March 31:

	Wealth							7F 4 1	
(dollars in thousands) 2025:	_	Banking	Ma	nagement	_	Other	_	Total	
	Ф	141 740	¢.		¢.		d)	141.740	
Interest income	\$	141,742	\$	_	\$		\$	141,742	
Interest expense		88,253				1,690		89,943	
Net interest income		53,489		_		(1,690)		51,799	
Provision for credit losses		3,417		_		_		3,417	
Noninterest income		12,410		7,549		(357)		19,602	
Noninterest expense		55,126		7,455		(860)		61,721	
Income (loss) income before income taxes		7,356		94		(1,187)		6,263	
Income tax (benefit) expense		(373)		39		(299)		(633)	
Net income (loss)	\$	7,729	\$	55	\$	(888)	\$	6,896	
2024:									
Interest income	\$	150,453	\$	_	\$	_	\$	150,453	
Interest expense		110,362		_		1,705		112,067	
Net interest income		40,091		_		(1,705)		38,386	
Provision for credit losses		577		_		_		577	
Noninterest income		5,683		7,349		(349)		12,683	
Noninterest expense		44,540		5,676		393		50,609	
Income (loss) before income taxes		657		1,673		(2,447)		(117)	
Income tax (benefit) expense		(711)		487		(686)		(910)	
Net income (loss)	\$	1,368	\$	1,186	\$	(1,761)	\$	793	

First Quarter of 2025 Compared to First Quarter of 2024

Combined net income for the first quarter of 2025 was \$6.9 million, compared to \$793 thousand for the first quarter of 2024. Combined net income before income taxes for the first quarter of 2025 was \$6.3 million, compared to combined net loss before taxes of \$117 thousand for the first quarter of 2024. The \$6.4 million increase in combined net income before taxes from the year-ago quarter was primarily due to an increase in net income before taxes in the Banking segment of \$6.7 million. The increase in net income in the Banking segment was the result of increases in net interest income (\$13.4 million) and noninterest income (\$6.7 million), offset by increases in noninterest expense (\$10.6 million), and provision for credit losses (\$2.8 million). Net interest income, noninterest income, and noninterest expense are discussed in more detail in the tables that follow. The decrease in Wealth Management net income before taxes of \$1.6 million was primarily due to a \$1.8 million increase in noninterest expense. Combined income tax benefit for the first quarter of 2025 was \$633 thousand, compared to \$910 thousand for the first quarter of 2024.

Net Interest Income. The principal component of the Company's earnings is net interest income, which is the difference between the interest and fees earned on loans and investments (interest-earning assets) and the interest paid on deposits and borrowed funds (interest-bearing liabilities). Net interest margin is net interest income as a percentage of average interest-earning assets for the period. The level of interest rates and the volume and mix of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities impact net interest income and net interest margin. The net interest rate spread is the yield on average interest-earning assets minus the cost of average interest-earning liabilities. Our net interest income, net interest rate spread, and net interest margin are sensitive to general business and economic conditions. We manage net interest

income through affecting changes in the mix of interest-earning assets as well as the mix of interest-bearing liabilities, changes in the level of interest-bearing liabilities in proportion to interest-earning assets, and the growth and maturity of earning assets. For further discussion on our interest rate risk management practices, see "Interest Rate Risk Management" within this Item 2.

The following tables set forth information regarding (i) the total dollar amount of interest income from interestearning assets and the resultant average yields on those assets; (ii) the total dollar amount of interest expense and the average rate of interest on our interest-bearing liabilities; (iii) net interest income; (iv) net interest rate spread; and (v) net interest margin for the three months ended March 31:

	Three Months Ended March 31:											
		2025			2024							
(dollars in thousands)	Average Balances	Interest	Average Yield /Rate	Average Balances	Interest	Average Yield /Rate						
Interest-earning assets:												
Loans, including LHFS	\$ 9,129,297	\$ 106,500	4.69 %	\$ 10,096,425	\$ 118,444	4.70 %						
Securities AFS	1,263,846	16,739	5.30 %	1,168,187	15,351	5.26 %						
Securities HTM	698,885	4,356	2.49 %	779,516	4,423	2.27 %						
Cash, FHLB stock, and fed funds	1,217,346	14,147	4.71 %	958,059	12,235	5.14 %						
Total interest-earning assets	12,309,374	141,742	4.63 %	13,002,187	150,453	4.64 %						
Noninterest-earning assets:												
Nonperforming assets	44,425			15,468								
Other	241,593			263,713								
Total assets	\$ 12,595,392			\$ 13,281,368								
Interest-bearing liabilities:												
Demand deposits	\$ 1,950,730	\$ 14,988	3.12 %	\$ 2,836,960	\$ 28,767	4.08 %						
Money market and savings	3,584,122	32,238	3.65 %	3,178,969	30,736	3.89 %						
Certificates of deposit	2,214,172	26,092	4.78 %	2,872,494	34,989	4.90 %						
Total interest-bearing deposits	7,749,024	73,318	3.84 %	8,888,423	94,492	4.28 %						
Borrowings	1,482,666	14,935	4.08 %	1,565,829	15,870	4.08 %						
Subordinated debt	173,465	1,690	3.95 %	173,403	1,705	3.95 %						
Total interest-bearing liabilities	9,405,155	89,943	3.88 %	10,627,655	112,067	4.24 %						
Noninterest-bearing liabilities:		· <u> </u>										
Demand deposits	2,026,853			1,595,584								
Other liabilities	108,386			136,218								
Total liabilities	11,540,394			12,359,457								
Shareholders' equity	1,054,998			921,911								
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 12,595,392			\$ 13,281,368								
Net Interest Income		\$ 51,799			\$ 38,386							
Net Interest Rate Spread			0.75 %			0.40 %						
Net Interest Margin			1.67 %			1.17 %						

Net interest income is impacted by the volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate), interest rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume) and mix of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. The following table provides a breakdown of the changes in net interest income due to volume and rate changes for the three months ended March 31, 2025, as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2024:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2025 vs. 2024						
	Incr	ease (Decrease) d	ue to				
(dollars in thousands)	Volume	Rate	Total				
Interest earned on:							
Loans, including LHFS	\$ (11,644)	\$ (300)	\$ (11,944)				
Securities AFS	1,264	124	1,388				
Securities HTM	(481)	414	(67)				
Cash, FHLB stock, and fed funds	3,015	(1,103)	1,912				
Total interest-earning assets	(7,846)	(865)	(8,711)				
Interest paid on:							
Demand deposits	(7,874)	(5,905)	(13,779)				
Money market and savings	3,493	(1,991)	1,502				
Certificates of deposit	(8,059)	(838)	(8,897)				
Borrowings	(932)	(3)	(935)				
Subordinated debt	(14)	(1)	(15)				
Total interest-bearing liabilities	(13,386)	(8,738)	(22,124)				
Net interest (expense) income	\$ 5,540	\$ 7,873	\$ 13,413				

Net interest income was \$51.8 million for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$38.4 million for the first quarter of 2024. The overall increase in net interest income from the year-ago period was primarily driven by a decrease in interest paid on interest-bearing liabilities offset by a smaller decrease in interest earned on interest-earning assets. Interest paid on interest-bearing liability balances decreased due to a decrease in both volume and rate on such balances. Interest earned on interest-earning assets also decreased, but in smaller proportion to the decrease in interest paid on interest-bearing liability balances, as volume and rate decreases in interest-earning asset balances were smaller than those associated with interest-bearing liability balances.

Interest income decreased to \$141.7 million for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$150.5 million for the first quarter of 2024. The decrease in interest income was due primarily to a decrease in average interest-earning asset balances for the first quarter of 2025, compared to the year-ago quarter. Average interest-earning asset balances decreased 5.3% to \$12.3 billion for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$13.0 billion for the year-ago quarter. Yields on interest-earning assets were relatively unchanged, averaging 4.63% for the first quarter of 2025, compared to 4.64% for the year-ago quarter. The decrease in average interest-earning asset balances was due primarily to a decrease in average loan balances, which decreased to \$9.1 billion for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$10.1 billion for the year-ago quarter. The decrease in average loan balances was largely due to the sale of \$489 million in multifamily loans held for sale during the fourth quarter of 2024, as well as loan payments and payoffs exceeding new loan fundings. New loan fundings totaled \$180 million at an average yield of 7.09%, offset by loan payments and payoffs of \$431 million for the first quarter of 2025. The decrease in average loan balances was partially offset by an increase in the average balance of investment securities. Interest income on investment securities increased for the first quarter of 2025, compared to the year-ago quarter, primarily due to an increase in yields. Yields on the combined AFS and HTM securities portfolio increased to 4.30% for the first quarter of 2025, compared to 4.06% for the yearago quarter, while combined average balances remained relatively constant at \$2.0 billion for the first quarter of 2025, compared to combined average balances of \$1.9 billion for the year-ago quarter. The increase in combined average balances was due to the acquisition of higher-yielding, safe, and highly liquid AFS securities, primarily agency mortgage-backed securities.

Interest expense decreased to \$89.9 million for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$112.1 million for the first quarter of 2024. The decrease in interest expense was due to decreases in both average interest-bearing liability balances as well as average rates paid on such balances. Average interest-bearing liability balances, consisting of interest-bearing deposits, borrowings, and subordinated debt, decreased 11.5% to \$9.4 billion for the first quarter of 2025, compared to

\$10.6 billion for the year-ago quarter. Rates on interest-bearing liability balances averaged 3.88% for the first quarter of 2025, compared to 4.24% for the year-ago quarter. The decrease in average interest-bearing liability balances was primarily due to a decrease in higher-cost brokered deposit balances, which were able to mature without being replaced, aided by the \$489 million multifamily loan sale in the fourth quarter of 2024. Rates on interest-bearing liability balances decreased primarily due to a decrease in the cost of deposits, which averaged 3.04% for the first quarter of 2025, compared to 3.63% for the year-ago quarter, a decrease of 59 basis points, aided by the decrease in the aforementioned brokered deposits. In addition, interest expense on borrowings decreased due to a decrease in average balances which totaled \$1.5 billion for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$1.6 billion for the year ago quarter. Average rates paid on borrowings remained unchanged at 4.08% for the first quarter of 2025 and the year-ago quarter.

The 0.36% decrease in average rate paid on interest-bearing liability balances, offset by the 0.01% decrease in average yield earned on interest-earning assets, resulted in an expansion of NIM for the first quarter ended March 31, 2025, compared to the year-ago quarter. NIM was 1.67% for the first quarter of 2025 compared to 1.17% for the year-ago quarter.

Provision for credit losses. The provision for credit losses represents our estimate of the amount necessary to be charged against the current period's earnings to maintain the ACL for loans and investments at a level that we consider adequate in relation to the expected lifetime credit losses in the loan and investment portfolios. The provision for credit losses for loans is impacted by changes in loan balances as well as changes in estimated loss assumptions and charge-offs and recoveries. The amount of the provision for loans also takes into consideration such factors as changes in the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, overall portfolio quality, review of specific problem loans, current economic conditions and certain other subjective factors that may affect the ability of borrowers to meet their repayment obligations to us. For the first quarter of 2025, we recorded total provision for credit losses of \$3.4 million, compared to \$577 thousand for the year-ago quarter. The provision for credit losses for the first quarter of 2025 consisted of \$2.9 million in provision expense for loans (net of \$0.2 million in net charge-offs), and \$0.5 million in provision expense for unfunded commitments. The \$2.9 million in provision expense for loans is reflective of higher reserves for the commercial loan portfolio (including the equipment finance portfolio), due to increased model-calculated loss factors, including adjustments in the loss factors for substandard and equipment finance loans. At March 31, 2025, the allowance for credit losses on the loan portfolio was \$35.2 million or 0.46% of total loans held for investment, compared to \$32.3 million and 0.41% at December 31, 2024.

Noninterest income. Noninterest income for Banking includes fees charged to clients for trust services and deposit services, consulting fees, prepayment and late fees charged on loans, gain on sale of loans, securities, and REO, and gains from capital market activities. Capital market activities includes changes in the valuation of the loans held for sale portfolio, as well as realized and unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives. The following table provides a breakdown of noninterest income for Banking for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024:

(dollars in thousands)	2025			2024
Three Months Ended March 31:				
Trust and consulting fees	\$	1,640	\$	1,528
Loan related fees		1,655		933
Deposit charges		474		470
Gain on sale of loans		_		263
Gain on sale of securities available-for-sale		4,702		221
Capital market activities		2,831		836
Gain on sale of REO		_		679
Other		1,108		753
Total noninterest income	\$	12,410	\$	5,683

Noninterest income in Banking was \$12.4 million for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$5.7 million for the year-ago quarter. The \$6.7 million increase in noninterest income was due primarily to a \$4.5 million increase in gains on the sale of securities available-for-sale, and \$2.0 million increase in capital markets income. The increase in capital markets income was due primarily to the change in valuation of the loans held for sale portfolio offset by associated derivative losses.

Noninterest income for Wealth Management includes fees charged to high net-worth clients for managing their assets and for providing financial planning consulting services. The following table provides the amounts of noninterest income for Wealth Management for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024:

(dollars in thousands)	2025	2024
Noninterest income	\$ 7,549	\$ 7,349

Noninterest income for Wealth Management was \$7.5 million for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$7.3 million for the year-ago quarter. AUM quarterly average balances totaled \$5.3 billion for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$5.4 billion for the year-ago quarter.

The following table summarizes the activity in our AUM for the periods indicated:

	Beginning	Existing account Additions/			New						
(dollars in thousands)	Balance	Withdrawals		Accounts		Terminations		Performance		Er	nding balance
Three Months Ended March 31, 2025:											
Fixed income	\$ 1,650,723	\$	141,458	\$	11,281	\$	(79,954)	\$	(143,935)	\$	1,579,573
Equities	2,932,526		(169,809)		5,501		(96,286)		3,963		2,675,895
Cash and other	862,631		(14,637)		9,968		(83,955)		29,529		803,536
Total	\$ 5,445,880	\$	(42,988)	\$	26,750	\$	(260,195)	\$	(110,443)	\$	5,059,004
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Three Months Ended March 31, 2024:											
Fixed income	\$ 1,849,056	\$	(21,077)	\$	17,852	\$	(1,725)	\$	(33,748)	\$	1,810,358
Equities	2,609,033		4,082		36,589		(9,388)		223,957		2,864,273
Cash and other	791,859		(27,182)		14,163		(5,884)		18,589		791,545
Total	\$ 5,249,948	\$	(44,177)	\$	68,604	\$	(16,997)	\$	208,798	\$	5,466,176
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Year Ended December 31, 2024:											
Fixed income	\$ 1,849,056	\$	(131,210)	\$	48,038	\$	(44,645)	\$	(70,516)	\$	1,650,723
Equities	2,609,033		(28,621)		185,487		(144,211)		310,838		2,932,526
Cash and other	791,859		(62,887)		99,012		(55,238)		89,885		862,631
Total	\$ 5,249,948	\$	(222,718)	\$	332,537	\$	(244,094)	\$	330,207	\$	5,445,880

AUM balances were \$5.1 billion at March 31, 2025, compared to \$5.5 billion and \$5.4 billion at March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2024, respectively. The \$387 million decrease in AUM during the first quarter of 2025, compared to the prior quarter ending balance was the net result of \$304 million in terminations and net withdrawals, \$110 million in performance losses, and \$27 million of new accounts.

Noninterest Expense. The following table provides a breakdown of noninterest expense for Banking and Wealth Management for the periods indicated:

		Bar	ıking			Wealth M	anagement		
(dollars in thousands)	2025		2024		2025			2024	
Three Months Ended March 31:									
Compensation and benefits	\$	20,826	\$	15,172	\$	5,722	\$	4,095	
Occupancy and depreciation		8,025		8,586		420		483	
Professional services and marketing		4,495		2,532		1,109		901	
Customer service costs		15,051		10,738		_		_	
Other		6,729		7,512		204		197	
Total noninterest expense	\$	55,126	\$	44,540	\$	7,455	\$	5,676	

Noninterest expense in Banking was \$55.1 million for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$44.5 million for the year-ago quarter. The \$10.6 million increase in noninterest expense in Banking was largely due to a \$5.7 million increase in compensation and benefits, and a \$4.3 million increase in customer service costs. The increase in compensation and benefits expense from the year ago quarter was due primarily to salary adjustments as well as investments being made to bring in and retain institutional knowledge needed to organize around our strategic initiatives and strengthen the Bank

going forward. Average quarterly Banking full-time equivalents ("FTEs") were 503.4 for the first quarter of 2025, compared to 497.1 for the year-ago quarter. The increase in customer service costs was due to an increase in the amount of balances receiving earnings credits offset by a decrease in the rates paid on such balances in the first quarter of 2025, compared to the year-ago quarter. Customer service-associated balances are largely mortgage-servicing related accounts, whose account balances are subject to seasonality. The decrease in the rates paid on such balances reflects the benefit of the reduction in the Fed Funds target rate in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Noninterest expense in Wealth Management was \$7.5 million for the first quarter of 2025, compared to \$5.7 million for the year-ago quarter. The \$1.8 million increase in noninterest expense in Wealth Management was largely due to a \$1.6 million increase in compensation and benefits. The increase in compensation and benefit costs from the year-ago quarter was primarily due to compensation plan adjustments being made to retain institutional knowledge. Average quarterly Wealth Management FTEs were 58.3 for the first quarter of 2025, compared to 64.4 for the year-ago quarter.

Financial Condition

The following table shows the financial position for each of our business segments, and of FFI and elimination entries used to arrive at our consolidated totals which are included in the column labeled Other and Eliminations, as of:

(dollars in thousands)	Banking	Wealth Management	Other and Eliminations	Total
March 31, 2025:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,013,607	\$ 17,229	\$ (16,981)	\$ 1,013,855
Securities AFS, net	1,517,953	_	_	1,517,953
Securities HTM	691,931	_	_	691,931
Loans held for sale	1,312,206	_	_	1,312,206
Loans held for investment, net	7,649,380	_	_	7,649,380
Investment in FHLB stock	44,619	_	_	44,619
Accrued interest receivable	51,132	_		51,132
Deferred taxes	72,922	(3,113)	10,191	80,000
Premises and equipment	36,359	152	136	36,647
Real estate owned ("REO")	6,210	_	_	6,210
Bank owned life insurance	50,336	_	_	50,336
Core deposit intangibles	3,245	_	_	3,245
Derivative assets	205	_	_	205
Other assets	106,564	530	23,584	130,678
Total assets	\$ 12,556,669	\$ 14,798	\$ 16,930	\$ 12,588,397
Total assets	\$ 12,550,007	ÿ 14,770	ψ 10,730	\$ 12,300,377
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Deposits	\$ 9,587,724	\$ —	\$ (26,079)	\$ 9,561,645
Borrowings	1,674,314	_		1,674,314
Subordinated debt		_	173,475	173,475
Derivative liabilities	10,453			10,453
Intercompany balances	(1,337)	(2,113)	3,450	
Accounts payable and other liabilities	88,478	2,911	16,510	107,899
Shareholders' equity	1,197,037	14,000	(150,426)	1,060,611
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 12,556,669	\$ 14,798	\$ 16,930	\$ 12,588,397
December 31, 2024:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,015,832	\$ 20,668	\$ (20,368)	\$ 1,016,132
Securities AFS, net	1,313,885		- (==,===)	1,313,885
Securities HTM	712,105	_	_	712,105
Loans held for sale	1,285,819			1,285,819
Loans held for investment, net	7,909,091		_	7,909,091
Investment in FHLB stock	37,869	_	_	37,869
Accrued interest receivable	54,804	_	_	54,804
Deferred taxes	69,669	(3,004)	9,985	76,650
Premises and equipment	35,492	178	136	35,806
Real estate owned ("REO")	6,210	176	- 130	6,210
Bank owned life insurance	49,993	_	_	49,993
Core deposit intangibles	3,558		_	3,558
Derivative assets	5,086	_	_	5,086
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Other assets	112,485	524	25,248	138,257
Total assets	\$ 12,611,898	\$ 18,366	\$ 15,001	\$ 12,645,265
Deposits	\$ 9,898,339	\$ —	\$ (28,060)	\$ 9,870,279
Borrowings	1,425,369	_	_	1,425,369
Subordinated debt	_	_	173,459	173,459
Intercompany balances	(1,031)	(2,046)	3,077	
Accounts payable and other liabilities	100,549	2,406	19,840	122,795
Shareholders' equity	1,188,672	18,006	(153,315)	1,053,363
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 12,611,898	\$ 18,366	\$ 15,001	\$ 12,645,265
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Our consolidated balance sheet is primarily affected by changes occurring in our Banking operations as our Wealth Management operations do not maintain significant levels of assets or liabilities.

During the three months ended March 31, 2025, total assets decreased by \$56.9 million primarily due to a \$233 million decrease in total loans, offset by a \$184 million increase in total investment securities. During the three months ended March 31, 2025, total liabilities decreased by \$64.1 million, primarily due to a \$308.6 million decrease in deposits,

offset by a \$249.0 million increase in borrowings. During the three months ended March 31, 2025, total shareholders' equity increased \$7.2 million primarily due to net income of \$6.9 million for the first quarter of 2025.

For additional information on the changes in total assets, liabilities, and shareholders' equity, see "Overview" within this Item 2.

Cash and cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents, which primarily consist of funds held at the Federal Reserve Bank or at correspondent banks, including fed funds, totaled \$1.0 billion at March 31, 2025, relatively unchanged compared to December 31, 2024. Changes in cash and cash equivalents are primarily affected by the funding of loans, investments in securities, and changes in our sources of funding including deposits and borrowings.

Securities available for sale. The following table provides a summary of the Company's AFS securities portfolio as of:

(dollars in thousands)	Amortized Cost	Gross Gains	Unrealized Losses	Allowance for Credit Losses	Estimated Fair Value	
March 31, 2025:						
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ 213,785	\$ 95	\$ (1,301)	\$ —	\$ 212,579	
Agency mortgage-backed securities	1,129,582	_	(3,804)	_	1,125,778	
Municipal bonds	48,830	_	(3,007)	_	45,823	
SBA securities	8,359	2	(90)	_	8,271	
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization	4,433	_		(3,361)	1,072	
Corporate bonds	129,749	_	(5,640)	(666)	123,443	
U.S. Treasury	999	4	(16)	_	987	
Total	\$ 1,535,737	\$ 101	\$ (13,858)	\$ (4,027)	\$ 1,517,953	
December 31, 2024:						
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ 11,121	\$ —	\$ (1,279)	\$ —	\$ 9,842	
Agency mortgage-backed securities	1,126,861	2,308	(7,543)	_	1,121,626	
Municipal bonds	48,921	_	(3,386)	_	45,535	
SBA securities	9,236	2	(93)	_	9,145	
Beneficial interest in FHLMC securitization	4,619	_	_	(3,377)	1,242	
Corporate bonds	133,767	_	(7,193)	(757)	125,817	
U.S. Treasury	700	_	(22)	_	678	
Total	\$ 1,335,225	\$ 2,310	\$ (19,516)	\$ (4,134)	\$ 1,313,885	

Excluding allowance for credit losses, the \$0.2 billion increase in AFS securities in the first three months of 2025 was due primarily to the purchase of \$701 million in securities, offset by sales of \$466 million and principal paydowns of \$56 million. The \$701 million in securities purchased consisted of \$497 million in agency mortgage-backed securities and \$204 million in collateralized mortgage obligations. The \$466 million in sales consisted solely of agency mortgage-backed securities.

Securities held to maturity. The following table provides a summary of the Company's HTM securities portfolio as of:

	Amortized	Gross Un	recognized	Allowance for	Estimated	
(dollars in thousands)	Cost	Gains	Losses	Credit Losses	Fair Value	
March 31, 2025:						
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$ 691,931	\$ —	\$ (66,823)	\$ —	\$ 625,108	
Total	\$ 691,931	<u>\$</u>	\$ (66,823)	\$	\$ 625,108	
December 31, 2024:						
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$ 712,105	<u>\$</u>	\$ (75,265)	\$	\$ 636,840	
Total	\$ 712,105	\$	\$ (75,265)	\$	\$ 636,840	

The decrease in HTM securities in the first three months of 2025 was due to principal payments received. There were no purchases of investment securities or other additions to the portfolio during the quarter ended March 31, 2025.

The scheduled maturities of securities AFS, and the related weighted average yields, were as follows, as of March 31, 2025:

(dollars in thousands)	1 Year or Less			ore than 5 Years rough 10 Years	More than 10 Years	Total	
Amortized Cost:							
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ —	\$	216	\$	136	\$ 213,433	\$ 213,785
Agency mortgage-backed securities	11		2,757		_	1,126,814	1,129,582
Municipal bonds	2,599		18,285		26,315	1,631	48,830
SBA securities			432		234	7,693	8,359
Beneficial interests in FHLMC securitization			4,433				4,433
					64.260	5 524	,
Corporate bonds	500		59,965		64,260	5,524	129,749
U.S. Treasury	500	_	499	_			999
Total	\$ 3,110	\$	86,587	\$	90,945	\$ 1,355,095	\$ 1,535,737
Weighted average yield	1.91 %		5.43 %		3.05 %	5.33 %	5.20 %
Estimated Fair Value:							
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ —	\$	203	\$	133	\$ 212,243	\$ 212,579
Agency mortgage-backed securities	11		2,675		_	1,123,092	1,125,778
Municipal bonds	2,590		17,526		24,407	1,300	45,823
SBA securities	_		430		233	7,608	8,271
Beneficial interests in FHLMC							
securitization			4,433		_	_	4,433
Corporate bonds	_		59,129		60,616	4,364	124,109
U.S. Treasury	483		504		_	_	987
Total	\$ 3,084	\$	84,900	\$	85,389	\$ 1,348,607	\$ 1,521,980

The scheduled maturities of securities HTM, and the related weighted average yields were as follows, as of March 31, 2025:

(dollars in thousands) March 31, 2025	 lear or Less	 re than 1 Year rough 5 Years	 re than 5 Years ough 10 Years	_	More than 10 Years	_	<u>Total</u>
Amortized Cost:							
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$ _	\$ 4,682	\$ 7,914	\$	679,335	\$	691,931
Total	\$ _	\$ 4,682	\$ 7,914	\$	679,335	\$	691,931
Weighted average yield	<u> </u>	1.01 %	1.63	% =	2.36	% =	2.34 %
Estimated Fair Value:							
Agency mortgage-backed securities	\$ _	\$ 4,447	\$ 7,304	\$	613,357	\$	625,108
Total	\$	\$ 4,447	\$ 7,304	\$	613,357	\$	625,108

See Note 3: Securities in the notes to the consolidated financial statements for additional information on our investment securities portfolio.

		loan category, as of:

	March 3	31, 2025	Decemb	er 31, 2024		
(dollars in thousands)	Amount	Percentage of Total Loans	Amount	Percentage of Total Loans		
Outstanding principal balance:						
Loans secured by real estate:						
Residential properties:						
Multifamily	\$ 3,301,295	43.0 % 5	3,341,823	42.1 %		
Single family	843,637	11.0 %	873,491	11.0 %		
Total real estate loans secured by						
residential properties	4,144,932	54.0 %	4,215,314	53.1 %		
Commercial properties	852,006	11.1 %	904,167	11.4 %		
Land and construction	44,741	0.6 %	69,246	0.9 %		
Total real estate loans	5,041,679	65.7 %	5,188,727	65.4 %		
Commercial and industrial loans	2,636,368	34.3 %	2,746,351	34.6 %		
Consumer loans	1,368	0.0 %	1,137	0.0 %		
Total loans	7,679,415	100.0 %	7,936,215	100.0 %		
Premiums, discounts and deferred fees						
and expenses	5,165		5,178			
Total	\$ 7,684,580	(7,941,393			

The table above excludes loans held for sale which totaled \$1.3 billion at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, and consisted entirely of multifamily loans which were reclassified from loans held for investment in August, 2024. Loans held for sale, net of deferred fees, are accounted for at the lower of amortized cost or fair value. During the quarter ended March 31, 2025, there were no loan sales.

Loans held for investment decreased by \$256.8 million, as a result of loan fundings totaling \$180 million, offset by loan payments and payoffs of \$416 million, and reclassifications to loans held for sale of \$20.5 million during the first quarter of 2025.

At March 31, 2025, average current loan-to-value ("LTV") ratios for all multifamily loans (including those included in loans held for sale) and single-family residential loans were 53.6% and 54.1%, respectively, unchanged from December 31, 2024.

At March 31, 2025, \$852 million of the loan portfolio consisted of loans secured by commercial real estate properties, consisting of non-owner occupied and owner-occupied loans, respectively. Non-owner occupied CRE loans totaled approximately \$537 million and consisted of a diversified mix of retail, office, hospitality, industrial, medical, and other real estate loans. The average current LTV ratio for the non-owner occupied CRE portfolio was 47.8% as of March 31, 2025, unchanged from December 31, 2024.

At March 31, 2025, \$2.6 billion of the loan portfolio consisted of C&I loans consisting of commercial business lines of credit (\$1.1 billion), municipal financing loans (\$990 million), commercial business term loans (\$415 million) and equipment finance loans (\$128 million).

As of March 31, 2025, the combined loan portfolio (including LHFS) is largely concentrated in the geographic markets in which we operate. As of March 31, 2025, approximately 86.5% of the loans in our portfolio were made to borrowers who live and/or conduct business in California (72.8%), Florida (7.6%), Texas (4.8%), and Nevada (1.3%).

The following table presents contractual maturity information for loans held for investment, net of premiums, discounts and deferred fees and expenses as of March 31, 2025:

	Scheduled Maturity						
(dollars in thousands)		Due in One Year or Less		Due After One Year Through Five Years		ue After Five to 15 Years	Due After 15 Years
Loans secured by real estate:							
Residential properties:							
Multifamily	\$	6,738	\$	1,874	\$	493,404	\$ 2,804,673
Single family		964		5,376		7,003	833,689
Total real estate loans secured by residential							
properties		7,702		7,250		500,407	3,638,362
Commercial properties		96,820		366,778		266,144	121,816
Land and construction		35,055		5,403		_	4,229
Total real estate loans		139,577		379,431		766,551	3,764,407
Commercial and industrial loans		233,334		1,355,036		334,265	710,595
Consumer loans		1,155		149			80
Total loans held for investment, net	\$	374,066	\$	1,734,616	\$	1,100,816	\$ 4,475,082

See Note 4: Loans in the notes to the consolidated financial statements for additional information on our loan portfolio.

Deposits. The following table sets forth information with respect to our deposits and the average rates paid on deposits, as of:

	March 3	1, 2025	December	31, 2024	
(dollars in thousands)	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	
Demand deposits:					
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 2,037,299	_	\$ 1,956,628	_	
Interest-bearing	1,900,022	3.04 %	1,995,397	3.29 %	
Money market and savings	3,612,753	3.58 %	3,524,801	3.60 %	
Certificates of deposit	2,011,571	4.62 %	2,393,453	4.72 %	
Total	\$ 9,561,645	2.93 %	\$ 9,870,279	3.09 %	

Total deposits decreased by approximately \$309 million to \$9.6 billion at March 31, 2025, compared to \$9.9 billion at December 31, 2024. The decrease in deposits from the prior quarter was largely due to a \$400 million decrease in higher-cost brokered deposits as these deposits matured without replenishment, offset by a \$71 million increase in combined retail, specialty, and digital banking deposit balances.

At March 31, 2025, the deposit mix consisted of the following: noninterest-bearing (21%), interest-bearing (20%), money market and savings (38%), certificates of deposit (21%). The weighted average rates of all interest-bearing deposits decreased compared to December 31, 2024. Combined weighted average rate for all deposit account categories decreased to 2.93% at March 31, 2025, compared to 3.09% at December 31, 2024.

At March 31, 2025, deposits by channel consisted of the following: retail branches (28%), specialty banking (32%), digital banking (10%), and wholesale (30%). At December 31, 2024, deposits by channel consisted of the following: retail branches (26%), specialty banking (32%), digital banking (9%), and wholesale (33%).

The Bank may utilize brokered deposits (included in wholesale channel) as a source of funding and as a component of its overall liquidity management process. The Bank held brokered deposits totaling \$2.8 billion and \$3.2 billion at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively including insured cash sweep ("ICS") accounts totaling \$1.1 billion and \$1.0 billion at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively which are classified as brokered deposit accounts for regulatory reporting purposes. The weighted average rates paid on non-ICS and ICS brokered deposit

balances were 4.34% and 2.69%, respectively for accounts held at March 31,2025. The weighted average rates paid on non-ICS and ICS brokered deposit balances were 4.15% and 3.10%, respectively for accounts held at December 31, 2024.

Large depositor relationships, consisting of deposit relationships which exceed 2% of total deposits, accounted for, in the aggregate, 18.8% and 19.7% of our total deposits as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively. The composition of our large depositor relationships includes mortgage servicing clients who have maintained long-term depository relationships with us. The balances in these depository accounts are subject to seasonal inflows and outflows, common in the mortgage servicing industry.

The deposits held by the Bank are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (the "FDIC") Deposit Insurance Fund up to applicable limits. The Dodd-Frank Act permanently increased the maximum deposit insurance amount for banks, savings institutions, and credit unions to \$250,000 per depositor. Insured and collateralized deposits comprised approximately 83% of total deposits at March 31, 2025.

The following table sets forth the estimated deposits exceeding the FDIC insurance limit:

	M	larch 31, 2025	Dec	ember 31, 2024
(dollars in thousands)		Amount		Amount
Uninsured deposits	\$	2,326,280	\$	2,401,646

The following table sets forth the maturity distribution of certificates of deposit as of March 31, 2025:

			Over Three	Over Six		
Large Denomination Certificates of Deposit	,	Three Months	Months Through	Months Through	Over	
Maturity Distribution		or Less	Six Months	Twelve Months	Twelve Months	Total
Certificates of deposit of \$250,000 or less	\$	354,192	\$ 213,836	\$ 329,069	\$ 906,334	\$ 1,803,432
Certificates of deposit of more than \$250,000		46,631	59,755	96,316	5,437	208,139
Total	\$	400,823	\$ 273,591	\$ 425,385	\$ 911,771	\$ 2,011,571

Borrowings. At March 31, 2025, our borrowings consisted of \$1.0 billion in FHLB putable advances at the Bank, \$650 million of FHLB term advances at the Bank, and \$24 million in repurchase agreements at the Bank. At December 31, 2024, our borrowings consisted of \$1.0 billion in FHLB putable advances at the Bank, \$400 million of FHLB term advances at the Bank, and \$25 million in repurchase agreements at the Bank.

The average balance of borrowings and the weighted average interest rate on such borrowings were \$1.5 billion and 4.08%, respectively for the quarter ended March 31, 2025. The average balance of borrowings and the weighted average interest rate on such borrowings were \$1.5 billion and 4.09%, respectively for the year ended December 31, 2024. At March 31, 2025, total borrowings represented 13.3% of total assets, compared to 11.3% at December 31, 2024.

As of March 31, 2025, our unused borrowing capacity was \$2.4 billion, which consisted of \$0.9 billion in available lines of credit with the FHLB, \$1.2 billion in available borrowing capacity with the Federal Reserve Bank, \$240 million in borrowing capacity through unsecured federal funds lines with six correspondent financial institutions, and \$20 million in available borrowing capacity through a line of credit arrangement that our holding company maintains with an unaffiliated lender. For additional information about borrowings, see Note 10: *Borrowings* in the consolidated financial statements.

Subordinated debt. At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, FFI had two issuances of subordinated notes with an aggregate carrying value of \$173 million. For additional information about subordinated debt, see Note 11: Subordinated Debt in the consolidated financial statements.

Delinquent Loans, Nonperforming Assets and Provision for Credit Losses

Loans are considered past due following the date when either interest or principal is contractually due and unpaid. Loans on which the accrual of interest has been discontinued are designated as nonaccrual loans. Accrual of interest on loans is discontinued when reasonable doubt exists as to the full, timely collection of interest or principal and, generally, when a loan becomes contractually past due for 90 days or more with respect to principal or interest. However, the accrual of interest may be continued on a well-secured loan contractually past due 90 days or more with respect to principal or interest if the loan is in the process of collection or collection of the principal and interest is deemed probable. The following tables provide a summary of past due and nonaccrual loans as of:

						Days				l Past Due		
(dollars in thousands)	<u>30</u> -	<u>-59 Days</u>	<u>60-</u>	-89 Days	or	More	No	naccrual	and l	Nonaccrual	Current	Total
March 31, 2025:												
Real estate loans:												
Residential properties	\$	1,011	\$	_	\$	_	\$	21,755	\$	22,766	\$ 4,130,955	\$ 4,153,721
Commercial properties		698		_		_		7,940		8,638	842,920	851,558
Land and construction		_		_		_		_		_	44,687	44,687
Commercial and industrial loans		12,486		1,834		86		9,032		23,438	2,609,792	2,633,230
Consumer loans		_		_		_		_		_	1,384	1,384
Total	\$	14,195	\$	1,834	\$	86	\$	38,727	\$	54,842	\$ 7,629,738	\$ 7,684,580
Percentage of total loans		0.18	6	0.02 %		0.00 %		0.50 %	,	0.71 %		
December 31, 2024:												
Real estate loans:												
Residential properties	\$	7,083	\$	_	\$	_	\$	23,324	\$	30,407	\$ 4,193,994	\$ 4,224,401
Commercial properties		7,944		428	1	2,900		7,946		29,218	874,463	903,681
Land and construction		_		_		_		_		_	69,134	69,134
Commercial and industrial loans		997		617		_		9,174		10,788	2,732,226	2,743,014
Consumer loans				<u> </u>						<u> </u>	1,163	1,163
Total	\$	16,024	\$	1,045	\$ 1	2,900	\$	40,444	\$	70,413	\$ 7,870,980	\$ 7,941,393
Percentage of total loans		0.20	6	0.01 %		0.16 %		0.51 %	,	0.89 %		

The following table summarizes our nonaccrual loans as of:

(dollars in thousands)	No with for Cı	Nonaccrual with no Allowance for Credit Losses		
March 31, 2025				
Real estate loans:				
Residential properties	\$	2,208	\$	19,547
Commercial properties		590		7,350
Commercial and industrial loans		9,032		_
Total	\$	11,830	\$	26,897
December 31, 2024				
Real estate loans:				
Residential properties	\$	1,420	\$	21,904
Commercial properties		3,449		4,497
Commercial and industrial loans		9,174		
Total	\$	14,043	\$	26,401

Nonaccrual loans totaled \$38.7 million as of March 31, 2025, compared to \$40.4 million as of December 31, 2024. The ratio of nonaccrual loans to total loans outstanding (including LHFS) was 0.43% at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

Allowance for Credit Losses. The following table summarizes the activity in our ACL related to loans for the periods indicated:

(dollars in thousands)		eginning Balance	(Re	Provision eversal) for edit Losses	C	harge-offs	D	ecoveries		Ending Balance
Three months ended March 31, 2025:		Dalance	CI	cuit Losses		narge-ons		ecoveries		Dalance
Real estate loans:										
Residential properties	\$	7,216	\$	(678)	\$	_	\$	6	\$	6,544
Commercial properties	Ψ	6,683	Ψ	(822)	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	5,861
Land and construction		61		(15)		_		_		46
Commercial and industrial loans		18,333		4,604		(403)		205		22,739
Consumer loans		9		1		(.05)		_		10
Total	\$	32,302	\$	3,090	\$	(403)	\$	211	\$	35,200
Total	Ψ	32,302	Ψ	3,070	Ψ	(103)	Ψ	211	Ψ	33,200
Net (charge-offs) recoveries									\$	(192)
Net (charge-offs) recoveries to average loans										0.01 %
Three months ended March 31, 2024:										
Real estate loans:										
Residential properties	\$	9,921	\$	(1,547)	\$	_	\$	_	\$	8,374
Commercial properties		4,148		449		_		_		4,597
Land and construction		332		(266)		_		_		66
Commercial and industrial loans		14,796		1,797		(493)		151		16,251
Consumer loans		8		(2)		`—′		1		7
Total	\$	29,205	\$	431	\$	(493)	\$	152	\$	29,295
Net (charge-offs) recoveries									\$	(341)
Net (charge-offs) recoveries to average loans										0.01 %
Year ended December 31, 2024:										
Real estate loans:										
Residential properties	\$	9,921	\$	(2,048)	\$	(657)	\$	_	\$	7,216
Commercial properties		4,148		3,499		(964)		_		6,683
Land and construction		332		(271)		· —		_		61
Commercial and industrial loans		14,796		19,815		(16,770)		492		18,333
Consumer loans		8		23		(23)		1		9
Total	\$	29,205	\$	21,018	\$	(18,414)	\$	493	\$	32,302
Net (charge-offs) recoveries									\$	(17,921)
Net (charge-offs) recoveries to average loans										0.18 %

The allowance for credit losses for loans held for investment totaled \$35.2 million as of March 31, 2025, compared to \$32.3 million as of December 31, 2024. Our ACL for loans held for investment represented 0.46% of total loans held for investment outstanding at March 31, 2025, compared to 0.41% of total loans held for investment outstanding at December 31, 2024. Our ACL for loans held for investment represented 91% of total nonaccrual loans outstanding at March 31, 2025, compared to 80% at December 31, 2024, respectively. Activity for the quarter-ended March 31, 2025 included provision for credit losses of \$3.1 million, charge-offs of \$403 thousand, and recoveries of \$211 thousand. The \$2.9 million in provision recorded (net of charge-offs and recoveries) primarily reflects higher reserves for the commercial loan portfolio due to increased model-calculated loss factors, including adjustments in the loss factors for substandard and equipment finance loans.

Under the CECL methodology, on which our ACL for loans is based, estimates of expected credit losses over the life of a loan are determined and utilized considering the effect of various major factors. The major factors considered in evaluating losses are historical charge-off experience, delinquency rates, local and national economic conditions including macroeconomic forecasts, the borrower's ability to repay the loan and timing of repayments, and the value of any related collateral. Management's estimate of fair value of the collateral considers current and anticipated future real estate market conditions, thereby causing these estimates to be particularly susceptible to changes that could result in a material adjustment to results of operations in the future. Provisions for credit losses are charged to operations based on management's evaluation of estimated losses in its loan portfolio.

In addition, the FDIC and the California Department of Financial Protection and Innovation, as integral parts of their examination processes, periodically review the adequacy of our ACL. These agencies may require us to make additional provisions for credit losses, over and above the provisions that we have already made, the effect of which would be to reduce our income.

For additional information about allowance for credit losses, see Note 5: Allowance for Credit Losses to the consolidated financial statements.

Liquidity

Liquidity management focuses on our ability to generate, on a timely and cost-effective basis, cash sufficient to meet the funding needs of current loan demand, deposit withdrawals, principal and interest payments with respect to outstanding borrowings and to pay operating expenses. Liquidity management also includes the ability to manage unplanned decreases or changes in funding sources, as well as abnormal and unexpected needs. To meet such abnormal and unexpected needs, lines of credit are maintained with the FHLB, the Federal Reserve Bank, and correspondent banks. Liquidity management is both a daily and long-term function of funds management. Liquidity management takes into consideration liquid assets, which includes: cash and cash equivalents; unencumbered eligible investment securities; and investment securities pledged under the Federal Reserve Bank's discount window which can be drawn at-will. Liquidity management also takes into consideration available liquidity sources such as available unused funds from both the FHLB and Federal Reserve Bank credit lines. The Bank's Federal Reserve Bank credit line is secured by pledged collateral in the form of qualifying loans and investment securities. As of March 31, 2025, the Bank had secured unused borrowing capacity of \$1.2 billion under this agreement. The Bank's unused borrowing capacity with the FHLB as of March 31, 2025 was \$0.9 billion. The Bank had a total of \$240 million in unused borrowing capacity available through its correspondent bank lines of credit as of March 31, 2025.

We monitor our liquidity in accordance with guidelines established by our Board of Directors and applicable regulatory requirements. Our need for liquidity is affected by our loan activity, net changes in deposit levels and the maturities of our borrowings. The principal sources of our liquidity consist of deposits, loan interest and principal payments and prepayments, investment management and consulting fees, proceeds from borrowings, and sales of FFI common stock. The remaining balances of the Bank's lines of credit available to draw down totaled \$2.4 billion at March 31, 2025.

We believe our liquid assets and available liquidity sources are sufficient to meet current funding needs and that we have the ability to manage unplanned decreases or changes in funding sources, as well as abnormal and unexpected needs. We regularly monitor liquidity to ensure levels are in compliance with minimum requirements established by our Board of Directors. As of March 31, 2025, our available liquidity ratio was 38.0%, which is above our minimum policy requirement of 25%. We regularly model liquidity stress scenarios to ensure that adequate liquidity is available, and have contingency funding plans in place, which are reviewed and tested on a regular, recurring basis.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities. During the quarter ended March 31, 2025, net cash used in operating activities totaled \$0.6 million, primarily due to net income of \$6.9 million as well as changes in accrued interest receivable and other asset balances as well as changes in accounts payable and other liabilities balances which contributed to net operating cash flows.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities. During the quarter ended March 31, 2025, investing activities provided net cash of \$58.0 million, primarily due to a \$243 million net decrease in loans, offset by \$177 million in net purchases, sales, and maturities of securities, \$6.8 million in purchases of FHLB stock, and \$2.0 million in purchases of premises and equipment.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities. During the quarter ended March 31, 2025, net cash used in financing activities totaled \$60 million, consisting primarily of a decrease in deposits of \$309 million, offset by a net increase of \$250 million in FHLB and FRB advances.

Ratio of Loans to Deposits. The relationship between gross loans and total deposits can provide a useful measure of a bank's liquidity. Since repayment of loans tends to be less predictable than the maturity of investments and other

liquid resources, the higher the loan-to-deposit ratio the less liquid are our assets. On the other hand, since we realize greater yields on loans than we do on other interest-earning assets, a lower loan-to-deposit ratio can adversely affect interest income and earnings. As a result, our goal is to achieve a loan-to-deposit ratio that appropriately balances the requirements of liquidity and the need to generate a fair return on our assets. At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the loan-to-deposit ratios at FFB were 94.1%, and 93.5%, respectively.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The following table provides the off-balance sheet arrangements of the Company as of March 31, 2025:

(dollars in thousands)	
Commitments to fund under existing loans, lines of credit	\$ 1,075,227
Commitments under standby letters of credit	32,446

Some of the commitments to fund existing loans, lines of credit and letters of credit are expected to expire without being drawn upon. Therefore, the total commitments do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. As of March 31, 2025, FFB was obligated on \$69 million of letters of credit, consisting of a \$59 million letter of credit to Freddie Mac as collateral for the 2024 multifamily loan sale/securitization, and a \$10 million of letter of credit to the FHLB used as collateral for public fund deposits.

Interest Rate Risk Management

Interest rate risk ("IRR") refers to the vulnerability of an institution's financial condition to movements in interest rates. Excessive IRR poses a significant threat to an institution's earnings and capital. Changes in interest rates affect an institution's earnings by altering interest-sensitive income and expenses. Changes in interest rates also affect the underlying value of an institutions' assets, liabilities, and off-balance sheet instruments because the present value of future cash flows (and in some cases, the cash flows themselves) change when interest rates change. The Board of Directors of the Bank has adopted a policy to govern the management of the Bank's exposure to IRR. This policy is an integral part of the Bank's overall asset/liability management. The goals of this policy are to (1) optimize profits through the management of IRR; (2) limit the exposure of the Bank's earnings and capital to fluctuations in interest rates; and (3) ensure that the Bank's management of IRR meets applicable regulatory guidelines.

We assess our interest rate exposure within our major balance sheet categories individually, as well as in our balance sheet holistically, focusing on the interest rate sensitivity of our assets and liabilities. Our processes identify potential areas of vulnerability, particularly those influenced by fluctuations in market interest rates. Our IRR assessment process considers the repricing and liquidity characteristics of various financial instruments, including loans, investment securities, deposits, and borrowings. We establish a desired risk profile that aligns with our strategic goals and the prevailing interest rate environment. This profile considers factors such as the mix of fixed and floating rate assets and liabilities, taking into account our outlook on interest rates. We set clear policy limits and guidelines that guide our IRR management strategies, consistent with regulatory guidance. We employ various strategies to mitigate IRR by managing our asset and liability mix, including adjusting the duration of our assets to align with our liabilities. Our IRR management process is dynamic and includes regular monitoring and review. Our management team conducts ongoing assessments of asset and liability maturities and repricing characteristics, ensuring they remain consistent with our desired risk profile. By proactively identifying, assessing, and managing IRR, we aim to maintain the stability of our financial performance, protect interests of our stakeholders, and ensure our continued ability to meet the financial needs of our customers.

The following table sets forth the interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities balances, including deposit balances which accrue earnings credits (classified as customer service costs on the accompanying consolidated statements of operations) based on when they reprice or mature as of March 31, 2025:

(dollars in thousands)	Less than 1 year	From 1 to 3 Years	From 3 to 5 Years	Over 5 Years	Total
Interest-earnings assets:					
Cash equivalents	\$ 1,013,607	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,013,607
Securities, FHLB stock	700,079	404,129	290,920	821,308	2,216,436
Loans, including LHFS	3,906,187	3,140,864	1,065,978	753,307	8,866,336
Interest-bearing liabilities:					
Deposits:					
Interest-bearing checking	(2,715,001)	(338,699)	(48,425)	(8,447)	(3,110,572)
Money market and savings	(2,700,640)	(946,574)	(137,652)	(27,815)	(3,812,681)
Certificates of deposit	(1,125,459)	(773,913)	(237,883)	(4)	(2,137,259)
Borrowings	(274,314)	(300,000)	(1,100,000)	_	(1,674,314)
Net: Current Period	\$ (1,195,541)	\$ 1,185,807	\$ (167,062)	\$ 1,538,349	\$ 1,361,553
Net: Cumulative	\$ (1,195,541)	\$ (9,734)	\$ (176,796)	\$ 1,361,553	

As of March 31, 2025, the Company is considered liability sensitive as exhibited by the table above. However, the extent to which our net interest margin will be impacted by changes in prevailing interest rates will depend on a number of factors, including how quickly interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities react to interest rate changes. It is not uncommon for rates on certain assets or liabilities to lag behind changes in the market rates of interest. Additionally, prepayments of loans and early withdrawals of certificates of deposit could cause interest sensitivities to vary. As a result, the relationship or "gap" between interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, as shown in the above table, is only a general indicator of interest rate sensitivity and the effect of changing rates of interest on our net interest income is likely to be different from that predicted solely on the basis of the interest rate sensitivity analysis set forth in the above table.

Our IRR position is regularly measured using two methods: (i) Net Interest Income ("NII") and (ii) Economic Value of Equity ("EVE"). Consistent with regulatory requirements, the Bank has established Board of Directors-approved IRR limits for NII simulations and EVE calculations. These analyses are reviewed quarterly by the Asset/Liability Committee and the Board of Directors. If the analyses project changes which are outside our pre-established IRR limits, we may: (i) revise existing limits to address the changes in the Bank's IRR, with the recommended limits being prudent and consistent with the Board's risk tolerance; or (ii) retain the existing limits and implement a plan for an orderly return to compliance with these limits, where corrective actions may include, but are not limited to, restructuring the maturity profile of the Bank's investment portfolio, changing deposit pricing, initiating off-balance sheet hedging actions, or adjusting the repricing characteristics of the loan portfolios.

The NII simulation is used to measure and evaluate potential changes in our net interest income resulting from changes in interest rates. The model measures the impact over a range of instantaneous shocks in 100 basis points increments to our net interest income over a 12-month forecast period. The Board-approved limits on NII sensitivity and the actual computed changes to our NII based on the +/- 100 and +/- 200 basis points hypothetical interest rate scenarios as of March 31, 2025 are shown below:

	(Decrease) in Net	
Assumed Instantaneous Change in Interest Rates	Interest Income	Board Limits
+ 100 basis points	(5.10)%	(20.00)%
+ 200 basis points	(13.88)%	(25.00)%
- 100 basis points	<u> </u>	(10.00)%
- 200 basis points	(0.58)%	(20.00)%

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The modeled one year NII results indicate that the Bank is more earnings sensitive in the rising rate shock scenarios of 100 through 200 basis points. The NII modeled results above are in compliance with the IRR Board limits.

The EVE measures the sensitivity of our market value equity to simultaneous changes in interest rates. EVE is derived by subtracting the economic value of the Bank's liabilities from the economic value of its assets, assuming current and hypothetical interest rate environments. EVE is based on all of the future cash flows expected to be generated by the Bank's current balance sheet, discounted to derive the economic value of the Bank's assets and liabilities. These cash flows may change depending on the assumed interest rate environment and the resulting changes in other assumptions, such as prepayment speeds. The Bank has established IRR limits which specify the maximum EVE sensitivity allowed under current interest rates and for a range of hypothetical interest rate scenarios each in 100 basis point increments. The hypothetical scenarios are represented by immediate, permanent, parallel movements in the term structure of interest rates. The Board-approved limits on EVE sensitivity and the actual computed changes to our EVE based on the +/- 100 and +/- 200 basis points hypothetical interest rate scenarios as of March 31, 2024 are shown below:

Assumed Instantaneous Change in Interest Rates	(Decrease) in Economic Value of Equity	Board Limits
Assumed instantaneous Change in Interest Rates	value of Equity	Doard Linnes
+ 100 basis points	0.24 %	(15.00)%
+ 200 basis points	(5.01)%	(25.00)%
- 100 basis points	(5.77)%	(15.00)%
- 200 basis points	(11.09)%	(20.00)%

Estimated Increase

The results of the EVE are hypothetical, and a variety of factors might cause actual results to differ substantially from what is depicted. These could include, but are not limited to, non-parallel yield curve shifts, changes in market interest rate spreads and the actual reaction to changes in interest rate levels of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. It is not uncommon for rates on certain assets or liabilities to lag behind changes in the market rates of interest. Additionally, prepayments of loans and early withdrawals of certificates of deposit could cause interest sensitivities to vary.

The EVE modeled results above are in compliance with the EVE limits. The EVE is an interest rate risk management tool and the results are not necessarily an indication of our actual future results. Actual results may vary significantly from the results suggested by the table above. Loan prepayments and deposit attrition, changes in our mix of earning assets or funding sources, and future asset/liability management decisions, among others, may vary significantly from our assumptions.

The results of these analyses and simulations do not contemplate all of the actions that we may undertake in response to changes in interest rates. In response to actual or anticipated changes in interest rates, we have various alternatives for managing and reducing the Bank's exposure to interest rate risk, such as entering into hedges and obtaining long-term fixed-rate FHLB advances.

Capital Resources and Dividends

The capital rules apply to United States based bank holding companies and federally insured depository institutions ("Capital Rules") and require the Company (on a consolidated basis) and FFB (on a stand-alone basis) to meet specific capital adequacy requirements that, for the most part, involve quantitative measures, primarily in terms of the ratios of their capital to their assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance sheet items, calculated under regulatory accounting practices. For additional information regarding these Capital Rules, see Item 1 "Business Capital Requirements Applicable to Banks and Bank Holding Companies" included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024.

In addition, prompt corrective action regulations place a federally insured depository institution, such as FFB, into one of five capital categories on the basis of its capital ratios: (i) well-capitalized; (ii) adequately capitalized; (iii) undercapitalized; (iv) significantly undercapitalized; or (v) critically undercapitalized. A depository institution's

primary federal regulatory agency may determine that, based on certain qualitative assessments, the depository institution should be assigned to a lower capital category than the one indicated by its capital ratios. At each successive lower capital category, a depository institution is subject to greater operating restrictions and increased regulatory supervision by its federal bank regulatory agency.

The following table sets forth the capital and capital ratios of FFI (on a consolidated basis) and FFB (on a stand-alone basis) as of the respective dates indicated below, as compared to the respective regulatory requirements applicable to them:

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						To Be Well Capitalized		
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(dollars in thousands)		Amount	Ratio	A	mount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
<u>FFI</u>								
March 31, 2025:								
Common equity tier 1 ratio	\$	932,774	10.63 %	\$	394,988	4.50 %		
Tier 1 Leverage ratio		1,020,423	8.12 %		502,373	4.00 %		
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio		1,020,423	11.63 %		526,651	6.00 %		
Total risk-based capital ratio		1,232,544	14.04 %		702,201	8.00 %		
December 31, 2024:								
Common equity tier 1 ratio	\$	919,044	10.09 %	\$	410,043	4.50 %		
Tier 1 Leverage ratio		1,006,693	7.59 %		530,338	4.00 %		
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio		1,006,693	11.05 %		546,724	6.00 %		
Total risk-based capital ratio		1,215,690	13.34 %		728,966	8.00 %		
<u>FFB</u>								
March 31, 2025:								
Common equity tier 1 ratio	\$	1,162,820	13.29 %	\$	393,599	4.50 %	\$ 568,531	6.50 %
Tier 1 Leverage ratio		1,162,820	9.28 %		501,304	4.00 %	626,629	5.00 %
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio		1,162,820	13.29 %		524,798	6.00 %	699,731	8.00 %
Total risk-based capital ratio		1,201,467	13.74 %		699,731	8.00 %	874,664	10.00 %
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December 31, 2024:								
Common equity tier 1 ratio	\$	1,147,476	12.64 %	\$	408,553	4.50 %	\$ 590,132	6.50 %
Tier 1 Leverage ratio		1,147,476	8.67 %		529,373	4.00 %	661,717	5.00 %
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio		1,147,476	12.64 %		544,737	6.00 %	726,316	8.00 %
Total risk-based capital ratio		1,183,015	13.03 %		726,316	8.00 %	907,895	10.00 %
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As of each of the dates set forth in the above table, the Company exceeded the minimum required capital ratios applicable to it and FFB's capital ratios exceeded the minimums necessary to qualify as a well-capitalized depository institution under the prompt corrective action regulations. The required ratios for capital adequacy set forth in the above table do not include the Capital Rules' additional capital conservation buffer, though each of the Company and FFB maintained capital ratios necessary to satisfy the capital conservation buffer requirements as of the dates indicated.

As of March 31, 2025, the amount of capital at FFB in excess of amounts required to be well-capitalized for purposes of the prompt corrective action regulations was \$594 million for the common equity tier 1 ratio, \$536 million for the Tier 1 Leverage Ratio, \$463 million for the Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio and \$327 million for the Total risk-based capital ratio.

As of March 31, 2025, FFI had \$22.9 million of available capital and, therefore, has the ability and financial resources to contribute additional capital to FFB, if needed.

The amount and declaration of future cash dividends are subject to approval by our Board of Directors and certain regulatory restrictions which are discussed in *Item 1 "Business—Supervision and Regulation—Dividends and Stock Repurchases"* in Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024. During the quarter ended March 31, 2025, there were no dividends declared or paid.

We had no material commitments for capital expenditures as of March 31, 2025. However, we intend to take advantage of opportunities that may arise in the future to grow our businesses, which may include opening additional

offices or acquiring complementary businesses that we believe will provide us with attractive risk-adjusted returns. As a result, we may seek to obtain additional borrowings and to sell additional shares of our common stock to raise funds which we might need for these purposes. There is no assurance, however, that, if required, we will succeed in obtaining additional borrowings or selling additional shares of our common stock on terms that are acceptable to us, if at all, as this will depend on market conditions and other factors outside of our control, as well as our future results of operations. *See Item 1A, "Risk Factors"* in Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024 for information regarding the impact that future sales of our common stock may have on the share ownership of our existing stockholders.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

For quantitative and qualitative disclosures regarding market risk in the Company's portfolio, please see Item 2, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Interest Rate Risk Management above.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (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 management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognized that any system of controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, as ours are designed to do, and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

In accordance with SEC rules, an evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the effectiveness, as of March 31, 2025, of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act). Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of March 31, 2025, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were not effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the SEC's rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, as a result of the material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting described in Item 9A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024.

We are actively implementing corrective measures, including hiring additional personnel and enhancing our financial oversight processes to address the material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting described in Item 9A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Except as described above, there were no additional changes in the Compamy's internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2025, that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

In the ordinary course of business, we are subject to claims, counter claims, suits and other litigation of the type that generally arise from the conduct of financial services businesses. We are not aware of any threatened or pending litigation that we expect will have a material adverse effect on our business operations, financial condition or results of operations.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

We disclosed certain risks and uncertainties that we face under the caption "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024, which we filed with the SEC on March 17, 2025. There have been no material changes in these risk factors from those disclosed in such Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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

On April 26, 2022, the Company announced that its Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program, pursuant to which the Company may repurchase up to \$75 million of its common stock. This plan has no stated expiration date. This stock repurchase program replaces and supersedes the stock repurchase program approved by the Board of Directors on October 30, 2018, which had authorized the Company to repurchase up to 2,200,000 shares of its common stock. No shares were repurchased by the Company during the quarter ended March 31, 2025.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None of our directors or executive officers adopted or terminated a Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement or a non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement (as defined in Item 408(c) of Regulation S-K) during the first quarter of 2025.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
3.1	Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 29, 2015).
3.2	Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 3, 2024).
3.3	Certificate of Desiginations for Series A Noncumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 9, 2024).
3.4	Certificate of Desiginations for Series B Noncumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 9, 2024).
3.5	Certificate of Desiginations for Series C NVCE Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 9, 2024).
3.6	Bylaws of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on February 27, 2024).
10.1	Employment Agreement dated February 11, 2025, among First Foundation Inc., First Foundation Bank and Thomas C. Shafer (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on February 13, 2025).
10.2	Employment Agreement dated February 11, 2025, among First Foundation Inc., First Foundation Bank and Simone Lagomarsino (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on February 13, 2025).
31.1(1)	Certification of Chief Executive Officer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
31.2(1)	Certification of Chief Financial Officer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.1(1)	Certification of Chief Executive Officer under Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.2(1)	Certification of Chief Financial Officer under Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Linkbase
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

⁽¹⁾ Filed 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.

FIRST FOUNDATION INC. (Registrant)

Dated: May 9, 2025 By: /s/ JAMES BRITTON

James Britton
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

CERTIFICATIONS OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UNDER SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

I, Thomas C. Shafer, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of First Foundation Inc. for the quarter ended March 31, 2025;
- 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(s) 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(s) 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: May 9, 2025

/s/ THOMAS C. SHAFER

Thomas C. Shafer
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATIONS OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER UNDER SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

I, James Britton, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of First Foundation Inc. for the quarter ended March 31, 2025;
- 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(s) 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(s) 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: May 9, 2025

/s/ JAMES BRITTON

James Britton

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATIONS OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UNDER SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

FIRST FOUNDATION INC.

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter ended March 31, 2025

The undersigned, who is the Chief Executive Officer of First Foundation Inc (the "Company"), hereby certifies that (i) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, as filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Quarterly Report"), to which this Certification is an Exhibit, fully complies with the applicable requirements of Section 13(a) and 15(d) of the Exchange Act; and (ii) the information contained in this Quarterly Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 9, 2025

/s/ THOMAS C. SHAFER

Thomas C. Shafer Chief Executive Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

CERTIFICATIONS OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER UNDER SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

FIRST FOUNDATION INC.

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter ended March 31, 2025

The undersigned, who is the Chief Financial Officer of First Foundation Inc. (the "Company"), hereby certifies that (i) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2025, as filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Quarterly Report"), to which this Certification is an Exhibit, fully complies with the applicable requirements of Section 13(a) and 15(d) of the Exchange Act; and (ii) the information contained in this Quarterly Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: May 9, 2025

/s/ JAMES BRITTON

James Britton

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.