

1st Capital Bancorp Announces Fourth Quarter 2021 Financial Results

Salinas, California – January 31, 2022. **1st Capital Bancorp** (the "Company), (OTCQX: FISB), the \$999.4 million asset bank holding company and parent company of 1st Capital Bank (the "Bank"), today reported unaudited net income of \$1.89 million for the quarter ended December 31, 2021, a decrease of 19.3% compared to net income of \$2.26 million in the third quarter of 2021, and an increase of 18.6% compared to net income of \$1.59 million in the fourth quarter of 2020.

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2021 of \$7.6 million increased 69.4% compared to net income for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Financial Highlights

Performance highlights for the quarter ended December 31, 2021, as compared to the quarter ending December 31, 2020, and the quarter ending September 30, 2021:

- For the quarter ended December 31, 2021, the Company's return on average equity was 9.39%, as compared to 8.60% and 11.35% for the quarters ended December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2021, respectively.
- For the quarter ended December 31, 2021, the Company's return on average assets was 0.75%, as compared to 0.82% and 0.92% for the quarters ended December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2021, respectively.
- Earnings per share (diluted) were \$0.33 for the fourth quarter of 2021, compared to \$0.40 for the prior quarter, and \$0.28 for the fourth quarter of 2020.
- For the quarter ended December 31, 2021, the Company's net interest margin was 3.17%, as compared to 3.54% and 3.26% for the quarters ended December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2021, respectively.
- For the quarter ended December 31, 2021, the Company's efficiency ratio was 68.01%, as compared to 67.65% and 60.58% for the quarters ended December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2021, respectively.
- The Company recorded \$0 provision expense for the quarters ended December 31, 2021, December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2021.

- As of December 31, 2021, the Company's nonperforming assets to total assets was 0.10%, as compared to 0.16% and 0.11% for the quarters ended December 31, 2020 and September 30, 2021, respectively.
- As of December 31, 2021, the Company reported total assets, total deposits, and total loans of \$999.4 million, \$899.2 million, and \$564.2 million, respectively.

Performance highlights for the year ended December 31, 2021, as compared to the year ending December 31, 2020:

- The Company's return on average equity was 9.93% for the year ended December 31, 2021, as compared to 6.32% for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- The Company's return on average assets was 0.83% for the year ended December 31, 2021, as compared to 0.63% for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- Earnings per share (diluted) increased \$0.53 per share to \$1.34 per share for the year ended December 31, 2021 from \$0.81 per share for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- The Company's net interest margin was 3.35% for the year ended December 31, 2021 as compared to 3.62% for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- The Company's efficiency ratio was 65.65% for the year ended December 31, 2021 as compared to 67.77% for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- The Company recorded \$0 provision expense for the year ended December 31, 2021 as compared to \$2.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020.

"We are pleased with our year over year performance," commented Sam Jimenez, chief executive officer. "The strong balance sheet growth and solid operating metrics are substantially attributable to our PPP and core loan activities, and highly reflective of our Mission to provide sustainable value to our customers, communities, team members, and shareholders. As we settle into 2022, we are confident in our ability to uphold our Mission and sustain our performance."

1ST CAPITAL BANCORP CONDENSED FINANCIAL DATA – UNAUDITED (\$000'S, except per share data)

	For the Three Months Ended			For the Year Ended		
Operating Results Data	12/31/2021	12/31/2020	Change	12/30/2021	12/30/2020	Change
Interest income	\$ 8,203	\$ 6,852	\$ 1,351	\$ 31,322	\$ 26,039	\$ 5,283
Interest expense	530	226	304	1,563	1,001	562
Net interest income	7,673	6,626	1,047	29,759	25,038	4,721
Provision for loan losses	-	-	-	-	2,125	(2,125)
Noninterest income	238	233	5	913	1,028	(115)
Noninterest expenses	5,380	4,640	740	20,135	17,666	2,470
Income before provision						
for income taxes	2,531	2,219	312	10,537	6,276	4,261
Provision for income taxes	640	626	15	2,904	1,770	1,134
Net income	\$ 1,891	\$ 1,593	\$ 297	\$ 7,633	\$ 4,505	\$ 3,128

Assets	12/31/2021	9/30/2021	6/30/2021	12/31/2020
Cash and due from banks	\$ 6,768	\$ 9,668	\$ 17,876	\$ 9,304
Funds held at the Federal Reserve Bank	77,311	120,005	43,615	97,462
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value	333,869	297,456	264,572	106,214
Loans	564,241	565,031	608,101	605,154
Allowance for loan losses	(8,578)	(8,830)	(8,840)	(8,816)
Net loans	555,564	556,201	599,261	596,338
Other Assets	25,748	24,186	25,379	23,233
Total assets	\$ 999,360	\$ 1,007,516	\$ 950,703	\$ 832,551
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	12/31/2021	9/30/2021	6/30/2021	12/31/2020
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	\$ 463,990	\$ 438,446	\$ 412,108	\$ 386,710
Interest bearing checking accounts	68,575	72,867	57,421	65,686
Money market	197,703	252,255	241,164	159,510
Savings	157,332	135,736	129,176	121,148
Time	11,559	12,422	13,761	15,284
Interest bearing deposits	435,169	473,280	441,522	361,628
Total deposits	899,159	911,726	853,630	748,338
Other liabilities	20,203	17,309	19,779	9,880
Shareholders' equity	79,998	78,481	77,294	74,333
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 999,360	\$ 1,007,516	\$ 950,703	\$ 832,551
Shares outstanding	5,609,141	5,587,878	5,581,848	5,570,021
Earnings per share basic	\$0.34	\$0.40	\$0.35	\$0.29
Earnings per share diluted	\$0.33	\$0.40	\$0.34	\$0.28
Nominal and tangible book value per share	\$14.26	\$14.04	\$13.85	\$13.35

Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin

The Company's fourth quarter 2021 net interest income increased \$1.0 million or 15.8% as compared with the quarter ending December 31, 2020. This increase was primarily driven by higher investment income.

The Company's net interest margin decreased by 38 basis points (bps) or 10.7% when compared to the quarter ending December 31, 2020. This decrease was primarily driven by the Company's mix of average earning assets. Lower yielding average earning asset balances have grown at an exceeding rate relative to higher yielding average earning assets. Interest expense associated with the subordinated debt issued by the Company in 2021 also contributed to the net interest margin decrease in the fourth quarter of 2021 compared to the same quarter in 2020.

In general terms, prepaying and repricing higher yielding loans have been substantially replaced and supplemented with lower yielding investment securities purchased in the current year. The negative impact has been partially offset by higher yields resulting from fee recognition on PPP loan forgiveness, and to a lesser extent, the impact of the higher yielding consumer loans purchased during the second and fourth quarters.

Provision for Loan Losses

Stable credit quality and improving economic conditions resulted in \$0 loan loss provision in the quarters ending December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020.

Noninterest Expenses

The Company's fourth quarter 2021 non-interest expenses increased \$740 thousand, or 16.0%, to \$5.38 million in the fourth quarter of 2021, compared to \$4.64 million for the fourth quarter of 2020. This increase is primarily due to increased salary and benefit costs related to filling four key leadership positions in the fourth quarter of 2021 and increased FDIC insurance costs associated with deposit growth.

Balance Sheet Summary

The Company's total assets marginally decreased \$8.2 million or 0.8% to \$999.4 million as compared to \$1.007 billion at September 30, 2021.

Total loans outstanding were \$564.2 million as of December 31, 2021. This represents a \$40.9 million decrease or 6.8% from the December 31, 2020 outstanding balance of \$605.2 million. The decrease in loan level reflects PPP loan forgiveness and payoff activity in the purchased residential loan portfolio, offset by an increase in originations of commercial real estate core loans, and the purchase of two consumer loan pools in the second and fourth quarters of 2021 with \$36.6 million in outstanding balances at December 31, 2021.

PPP loans outstanding were \$25.2 million as of December 31, 2021, and included a deferred fee balance of \$765 thousand. At December 31, 2020, PPP loans outstanding were \$90.4 million and included a deferred fee balance of \$1.7 million.

The investment portfolio increased \$227.7 million to \$333.9 million from an outstanding balance of \$106.2 million as of December 31, 2020. Incoming cashflows from deposit growth and prepaying earning assets were largely deployed in bonds. The majority of the investments were made in mortgage-backed and municipal securities.

Total deposits were \$899.2 million as of December 31, 2021. This represents a \$150.8 million increase or 20.2% from the December 31, 2020 outstanding balance of \$748.3 million. A significant portion of this growth was associated with PPP loan proceeds deposited with the Bank. Growth in noninterest-bearing demand deposit accounts were \$77.3 million or 51.2% of the total annual deposit growth. The balance of the deposit growth was distributed among interest-bearing deposit accounts with the exception of time deposits which decreased by \$3.7 million to \$11.6 million.

Asset Quality

At December 31, 2021, non-performing assets were 0.10% of the Company's total assets, compared with 0.11% at September 30, 2021. At December 31, 2021, the allowance for loan losses was 1.52% of outstanding loans, compared to 1.56% at September 30, 2021. The Bank recorded \$310 thousand in charge-offs in the fourth quarter related to the purchased consumer loan portfolio compared to \$22 thousand in the quarter ended September 30, 2021. The Bank recorded net recoveries of \$12 thousand in each of the first three quarters of 2021 and \$58 thousand in the fourth quarter of 2021.

As of December 31, 2021, the Company does not have any outstanding loan deferments or forbearances stemming from COVID-19.

Stock Repurchase Activity

The Company announced a Stock Repurchase Program December 3, 2021 and subsequently repurchased a total of 57,089 shares through January 20, 2022 at a weighted average price of \$14.91.

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Asset Quality	12/31/2021	9/30/2021	6/30/2021	12/31/2020
Loans past due 90 days or more and				_
accruing interest	\$ 59	\$ 146	\$ -	\$ -
Other nonaccrual loans	899	921	2,161	1,299
Other real estate owned		-	-	
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 958	\$ 1,067	\$ 2,161	\$ 1,299
Allowance for loan losses to total loans	1.52%	1.56%	1.46%	1.46%
Allowance for loan losses to				
nonperforming loans	895.41%	827.55%	409.07%	679.60%
Nonaccrual loans to total loans	0.16%	0.16%	0.36%	0.21%
Nonperforming assets to total assets	0.10%	0.11%	0.23%	0.16%

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	Three Months Ended		Year Er	nded
Operating Results Data	12/31/2021 12/31/2020		12/31/2021	12/31/2020
Interest and dividend income				
Loans	\$ 6,857	\$ 6,530	\$ 27,555	\$ 24,581
Investment securities	1,247	266	3,452	1,190
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	60	44	230	176
Other income	39	12	85	92
Total interest and dividend income	8,203	6,852	31,322	26,039
Interest expense	530	226	1,563	1,001
Net interest income	7,673	6,626	29,759	25,038
Provision for loan losses	-	-	-	2,125
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	7,673	6,626	29,759	22,913
Noninterest income	238	233	913	1,028
Noninterest expenses				
Salaries and benefits expense	3,305	2,937	12,408	10,858
Occupancy expense	413	408	1,643	1,515
Data and item processing	260	249	1,064	901
Furniture and equipment	117	131	466	638
Professional services	248	123	736	802
Other	1,037	792	3,818	2,952
Total noninterest expenses	5,380	4,640	20,135	17,666
Income before provision for income taxes	2,531	2,219	10,537	6,275
Provision for income taxes	640	626	2,904	1,770
Net income	\$ 1,891	\$ 1,593	\$ 7,633	\$ 4,505

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Available-for-sale securities, at fair value	333,869	297,456	264,572	106,214
Loans held for sale	-	-	1,791	-
Loans held for investment				
Construction/land (including farmland)	28,260	25,476	22,091	17,097
Residential 1 to 4 units	61,209	68,438	75,906	102,688
Home equity lines of credit	6,087	7,601	6,669	5,955
Multifamily	82,231	81,268	77,183	84,704
Owner occupied commercial real estate	89,087	80,166	81,972	72,427
Investor commercial real estate	185,939	185,001	172,776	174,437
Commercial and industrial	40,298	40,719	49,147	47,550
Paycheck Protection Program	25,203	42,414	84,866	90,382
Other loans	45,927	33,948	35,700	9,914
Total loans held for investment	564,241	565,031	606,310	605,154
Allowance for loan losses	(8,578)	(8,830)	(8,840)	(8,816)
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Selected Average Balances	12/30/2021	12/30/2020	12/31/2021	12/31/2020	
Gross loans	\$ 561,207	\$ 618,458	\$595,961	\$ 593,887	
Investment securities	317,032	75,020	231,420	66,146	
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	3,948	3,534	3,818	3,396	
Other interest earning assets	92,112	46,969	58,474	28,979	
Total interest earning assets	\$ 974,299	\$ 743,981	\$ 889,673	\$ 692,408	
Total assets	\$ 999,508	\$ 769,694	\$ 891,336	\$ 716,834	
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Interest bearing checking accounts	\$ 60,106	\$ 54,120	\$ 60,738	\$ 46,821	
Money market	232,730	136,535	206,320	137,155	
Savings	141,290	111,468	131,905	105,383	
Time deposits	11,965	15,937	13,609	18,068	
Total interest- bearing deposits	446,091	318,060	412,572	307,427	
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	468,459	364,571	422,417	327,651	
Total deposits	\$ 914,550	\$ 682,631	\$ 834,989	\$ 635,078	
Borrowings	\$ 14,651	\$ 8,261	\$ 7,657	\$ 5,519	
Shareholders' equity	\$ 79,312	\$ 73,488	\$ 76,892	\$ 71,090	

	Three Months Ended		Year Ended	
Selected Financial Ratios	12/31/2021	12/31/2020	12/31/2021	12/31/2020
Return on average total assets	0.75%	0.82%	0.83%	0.63%
Return on average shareholders' equity	9.46%	8.60%	9.93%	6.32%
Net interest margin	3.17%	3.54%	3.35%	3.62%
Net interest income to average total assets	3.05%	3.42%	3.24%	3.48%
Efficiency ratio	68.01%	67.65%	65.65%	67.77%

Regulatory Capital and Ratios	12/31/2021	9/30/2021	6/30/2021	12/31/2020
Common equity tier 1 capital	\$ 80,819	\$ 78,702	\$ 76,158	\$ 72,461
Tier 1 regulatory capital	\$ 80,819	\$ 78,702	\$ 76,158	\$ 72,461
Total regulatory capital	\$ 88,798	\$ 86,122	\$ 83,518	\$ 78 <i>,</i> 957
Tier 1 leverage ratio	8.09%	8.07%	8.64%	9.44%
Common equity tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	12.82%	13.30%	12.99%	14.01%
Tier 1 capital ratio	12.82%	13.30%	12.99%	14.01%
Total risk-based capital ratio	14.07%	14.55%	14.24%	15.27%

About 1st Capital Bancorp

1st Capital Bancorp is the holding company for 1st Capital Bank. The Bank's primary target markets are commercial enterprises, professionals, real estate investors, family business entities, and residents along the Central Coast region of California. The Bank provides a wide range of credit products, including loans under various government programs such as those provided through the U.S. Small Business Administration and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. A full suite of deposit accounts also is furnished, complemented by robust cash management services. The Bank operates full service branch offices in Monterey, Salinas, King City, San Luis Obispo and Santa Cruz. The Bank's corporate offices are located at 150 Main Street, Suite 150, Salinas, California 93901. The Bank's website is www.1stCapital.bank. The main telephone number is 831.264.4000. Member FDIC / Equal Opportunity Lender / SBA Preferred Lender

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