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## M&F Bancorp, Inc. Announces Record First Quarter 2023 Results and Quarterly Cash Dividend

DURHAM, N.C.-- M&F Bancorp, Inc. ("Company") (OTC Pink: MFBP), the parent company of M&F Bank ("Bank"), announced unaudited financial results for the first quarter of 2023 and a quarterly cash common dividend of \$0.04 per share.

## First Quarter 2023 Highlights

- Net income available to common stockholders totaled \$1.8 million and \$783,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, up 125.29%.
- Basic and diluted earnings per common share of \$0.89 and \$0.88, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2023, up \$0.49 and \$0.48, respectively, from \$0.40 for the same period in 2022
- Return on average common stockholders' equity of 32.32% for the three months ended March 31, 2023, compared with 12.60% for the same period in 2022
- Period end loans of \$243.5 million, down 1.39% from December 31, 2022
- Reversal of credit losses totaled \$68,000 and \$10,000 for the periods ended March 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively
- Period end deposits of \$321.1 million, down 1.92% from December 31, 2022

James H. Sills III, President and CEO of the Company, commented, "We are pleased with our results for the first quarter of 2023, which exceeded our expectations. We achieved significantly increased earnings available to stockholders of \$1.8 million and achieved a 1.55% return on assets, which is outstanding. At the moment, most all banks are experiencing headwinds related to increased interest expense, loan growth and earnings, which we are closely monitoring. From a deposit standpoint, we are fortunate to have a well-diversified deposit base of long-term customers, who support the mission of our Bank and contribute to the stability of our deposit base. Nonetheless, we are watching deposit inflows and outflows closely, which appear to be normal at the present. During the second quarter, we received notification from the U.S. Treasury CDFI Fund that we will receive a grant award of \$2.4 million to provide more lending to underserved communities. This grant highlights the continued mission and impact of the company to invest in small and medium business, nonprofits and consumers. Finally, we continue to execute our new strategic plan to improve the overall performance of the Company during very challenging economic conditions".

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.04 per share of common stock payable on June 14, 2023 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on May 26, 2023. "We are pleased to continue our quarterly cash dividend as it reflects our Company's improved performance and commitment to enhance stockholder value," said James A. Stewart, Chairman of the Board of Directors. The Bank's capital ratios remain strong and exceeded all regulatory requirements. As of March 31, 2023, the Company's stockholders' equity was 26.95% of total assets.

For the three months ended March 31, 2023, net interest income was \$4.7 million, which was a 51.70% increase from \$3.1 million during the same period in 2022. For the three months ended March 31, 2023, the net interest margin was 4.38% compared to 3.62% for the same period in 2022, an increase of 76 basis points. The increase was primarily attributable to increased rates on loans, taxable securities and overnight funds during 2023.

The Company recorded a reversal of credit losses of \$68,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2023 compared to a reversal of credit losses of \$10,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2022. The allowance for credit as a percentage of total loans was 1.14% at March 31, 2023 compared to 1.16% at December 31, 2022. Nonperforming assets excluding performing TDRs represented 0.19% of total assets as of March 31, 2023 compared to 0.26% at March 31, 2022.

Noninterest income totaled \$1.2 million in the three months ended March 31, 2023, compared with \$1.1 million for the same period in 2022, an increase of \$79,000 or 7.10%. The largest contributor to the increase was commissions from the sales of financial products, which totaled \$256,000 compared with \$122,000 during same period of the prior year.

Noninterest expense totaled \$3.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2023, an increase of \$531,000 or 16.70%, from the same period in 2022. The most significant increases occurred in salaries and employee benefits, which increased \$227,000 or 12.76%, marketing, which increased to \$111,000, up \$64,000 or 136.17%, information technology, which increased to \$440,000, up \$91,000 or 26.07%, and other expenses, which increased to \$284,000, up \$129,000 or 83.23%. The increase in other expenses was primarily attributable to actuarial adjustments in the Bank's defined benefits plan.

As of March 31, 2023, accumulated other comprehensive loss totaled \$10.1 million compared to \$11.1 million at December 31, 2022. The accumulated other comprehensive loss was due to increased interest rates and its impact on the Company's investment securities held-available-for sale, which are carried at fair value. When rates increase, the value of investment securities decrease; the opposite is true when rates move in the opposite direction. As investment securities mature, principal is paid down or if rates decrease, the accumulated other comprehensive loss will decrease and may turn positive.

## About M&F Bancorp, Inc.

M&F Bancorp, Inc., a bank holding company headquartered in Durham, NC, and is the parent company of M&F Bank. M&F Bank is a state-chartered commercial bank founded in 1907 and has operated continuously since 1908. Branches are located in Durham, Raleigh, Charlotte, Greensboro and Winston-Salem, NC. M&F Bank is one of only a few NC banks designated by the U.S. Treasury as a Community Development Financial Institution.

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#### **Forward-looking Information**

This release contains certain forward-looking statements with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and business of the Company and the Bank. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties and are based on the beliefs and assumptions of management of the Company and the Bank and on the information available to management at the time that these disclosures were prepared. These statements can be identified by the use of words like "expect," "anticipate," "estimate" and "believe," variations of these words and other similar expressions. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Neither the Company nor the Bank undertakes an obligation to update any forward-looking statements. Source: M&F Bancorp, Inc.

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in thousands except for share and per share data)		arch 31, 2023	December 31, 2022		
(		audited)			
ASSETS	,	,			
Cash and cash equivalents:					
Cash and due from banks	\$	11,289	\$	12,667	
Interest-bearing cash		73,869		76,800	
Total cash and cash equivalents		85,158		89,467	
Interest-bearing time deposits		3,701		3,701	
Investment securities available-for-sale, at fair value		67,152		67,092	
Investment securities held-to-maturity (fair value of \$28,832 in 2023 and \$24,740 in 2022)		29,117		25,141	
Other invested assets		238		205	
Loans, net of unearned income and deferred fees		243,470		246,909	
Allowance for credit losses		(2,765)		(2,863)	
Loans, net		240,705		244,046	
Interest receivable		1,289		1,324	
Bank premises and equipment, net		2,995		2,612	
Cash surrender value of bank-owned life insurance		10,139		10,066	
Deferred tax assets and taxes receivable, net		3,254		3,608	
Operating lease right-of-use asset		1,382		1,444	
Other assets		2,183		2,291	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	447,313	\$	450,997	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Deposits:					
Interest-bearing deposits	\$	220,125	\$	222,175	
Noninterest-bearing deposits		100,970		105,220	
Total deposits		321,095		327,395	
Other borrowings		60		76	
Operating lease liabilities		1,421		1,479	
Other liabilities		4,197		3,989	
Total liabilities		326,773		332,939	
Stockholders' equity:					
Series C Junior Participating Preferred Stock- \$0.01 par value, 21,000 shares authorized, no shares issued or outstanding					
Series D Noncumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock- \$0.01 par value, 20,000		-		-	
authorized at March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022; 17,302 shares issued and					
outstanding at March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022		17,302		17,302	
Series E Noncumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock- \$0.01 par value, 80,000					
authorized at March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022; 80,000 shares issued and					
outstanding at March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022		80,000		80,000	
Common stock, no par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized at March 31, 2023 and					
December 31, 2022; issued and outstanding: 1,980,915 and 1,979,975 at March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively		8,881		8,866	
Retained earnings		24,454		23,005	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(10,097)		(11,115)	
Total stockholders' equity		120,540		118,058	
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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Dollars in thousands except for share and per share data)		For the Three Months Ended March 31,						
(Unaudited)	2023	2022						
Interest income:								
Loans, including fees	\$ 3,419 \$	2,861						
Investment securities, including dividends		270						
Taxable	597	278						
Tax-exempt	37	12						
Interest-bearing time deposits	19	12						
Other	886	18						
Total interest income Interest expense:	4,958	3,181						
Deposits	234	67						
Total interest expense	234	67						
Net interest income	4,724	3,114						
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Provision for credit losses:								
Reversal of credit losses on loans	(78)	(10)						
Provision for credit losses on unfunded commitments	10	-						
Total reversal of credit losses	(68)	(10)						
Net interest income after reversal of credit losses	4,792	3,124						
Noninterest income:								
Service charges on deposit accounts	206	210						
Other service charges, commissions and fees	151	155						
Money service business income	392	537						
Commissions from sales of financial products	256	122						
Cash surrender value of life insurance	73	69						
Other income	113	19						
Total noninterest income	1,191	1,112						
Noninterest expense:								
Salaries and employee benefits	2,006	1,779						
Occupancy and equipment	356	356						
Directors compensation	61	47						
Money service business expenses	119	164						
Marketing	111	47						
Professional fees	195	145						
Information technology	440	349						
FDIC deposit insurance	30	23						
Delivery expenses	41	34						
Interchange expenses	68	81						
Other	284	155						
Total noninterest expense	3,711	3,180						
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Income before income tax expense	2,272	1,056						
Income tax expense	448	228						
Net income	1,824	828						
Preferred stock dividends	(60)	(45)						
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 1,764 \$	783						
Basic and diluted income per share of common stock:								
Basic	0.89	0.40						
Diluted	0.88	0.40						
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding:								
Basic	1,980,915	1,979,975						
Diluted	2,007,423	1,979,975						

# SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL RATIOS

(Unaudited)										
	M	larch 31,	De	ecember 31,	Se	ptember 30,	June 30,	March 31,	D	ecember 31,
		2023		2022		2022	2022	2022		2021
Selected Quarterly Financial Ratios										
Return on average assets (1) (2)		1.55%		1.44%		0.88%	0.98%	0.83%		0.82%
Return on average common stockholders' equity (1)(3)		32.32%		33.84%		18.47%	17.21%	12.60%		12.21%
Tangible book value per share	\$	11.73	\$	10.48	\$	9.31	\$ 10.53	\$ 11.29	\$	12.93
Net interest margin (1)(4)		4.38%		4.38%		3.62%	3.73%	3.62%		3.81%
Net interest income to average assets (1)		4.17%		4.17%		3.39%	3.44%	3.31%		3.44%
Efficiency ratio (5)		62.63%		61.27%		67.28%	70.80%	75.20%		76.82%
Nonperforming assets to total assets		1.63%		1.63%		1.66%	1.67%	2.07%		2.09%
Nonperforming assets excluding performing TDRs to total assets		0.19%		0.20%		0.20%	0.21%	0.26%		0.23%

(1) Annualized

(2) Calculated by dividing annualized net income available to common shareholders by average assets

(3) Calculated by dividing annualized net income available to common shareholders by average common equity

(4) Excludes net unrealized holding gains (losses) in available-for-sale securities

(5) Calculated by dividing total noninterest expense by the sum of federally taxable equivalent net interest income and noninterest income excluding securities gains (losses), if applicable