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Oak Ridge Financial Services, Inc. Announces Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2022 Results and Quarterly Cash Dividend of \$0.08 per share

OAK RIDGE, N.C., February 2, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Oak Ridge Financial Services, Inc. ("Oak Ridge"; or the "Company") (OTCPink: BKOR), the parent company of Bank of Oak Ridge (the "Bank"), announced unaudited financial results for fourth quarter and full year of 2022, and a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.08 per share.

Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2022 Highlights

- Earnings per share of \$2.47 for 2022, down \$0.44, or 15.1%, from 2021; earnings per share of \$0.63 for the three months ended December 31, 2022, down eleven cents, or 14.9%, from the same period in 2021.
- Return on average common stockholders' equity of 12.95% for 2022, compared to 15.70% for 2021; return on average common stockholders' equity of 12.98% for the three months ended December 31, 2022, compared to 15.70% for the same period in 2021.
- Recovery of loan losses for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 of \$41,000 and \$682,000, respectively; recovery of loan losses for the three months ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 of \$182,000 and \$435,000, respectively.
- Tangible book value per common share of \$19.48, up 1.50%, or 28 cents, from \$19.20 as of December 31, 2021 despite a \$5.2 million decrease in accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI") from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022, which would have otherwise caused a decrease in book value per share during the same period of time. AOCI is part of total book value.
- Through December 31, 2022, the Bank has recognized almost 100% of the unamortized fees and associated costs on \$80.0 million of first and second round Small Business Administration ("SBA") Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") loans.
- Period end total loans of \$436.0 million as of December 31, 2022, up 1.5% from total loans of \$429.7 million as of December 31, 2021. Period end total loans (excluding PPP loans) of \$436.0 million as of December 31, 2022, up 9.9% from total loans (excluding PPP loans) of \$396.5 million as of December 31, 2021.
- Period end deposits of \$481.0 million, down 5.6% from December 31, 2021. Period end noninterest-bearing deposits of \$120.3 million, up 3.2% from December 31, 2021.
- Period end allowance for loan losses of \$4.8 million, up 29.1%, from \$3.8 million as of December 31, 2021.
- Nonperforming assets of \$739,000, down 74.5% from \$2.9 million as of December 31, 2021.

Tom Wayne, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, reported, "I am extremely pleased with our continued strong financial performance in 2022 despite the reduction in the Bank's PPP income from 2021 to 2022. Our team has shown great resilience and performance as we navigate the changing economic and social environment, with the Company producing greater than double digit return on equity for the last seven consecutive quarters. Additionally, our ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets declined from 0.51% on December 31, 2021, to 0.13% on December 31, 2022."

A quarterly cash dividend of \$0.08 per share of common stock is payable on March 3, 2023 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on February 15, 2023. "We are pleased to pay another quarterly cash dividend to our stockholders," said Mr. Wayne. "Paying stockholders a portion of our earnings reflects our continuing commitment to enhance stockholder value."

As of December 31, 2022, the Bank's Community Bank Leverage Ratio was 11.4%, up from 10.2% as of December 31, 2021. Stockholders' equity on December 31, 2022, was \$52.6 million, up 2.6% from \$51.3 million on December 31, 2021. Net income of \$6.7 million offset by a decrease in accumulated other comprehensive income of \$5.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2022, was the principal factor for the net increase in stockholders' equity from 2021 to 2022.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, net interest income was \$21.7 million, compared to \$21.0 million in 2021. The annualized net interest margin was 3.96% for the year ended December 31, 2022, unchanged from 2021. For the three months ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, net interest income was \$5.4 million and \$5.0 million, respectively. For the three months ended December 31, 2022, the annualized net interest margin was 4.02% compared to 3.65% for the same period in 2021, an increase of 37 basis points.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company recorded a recovery of provision for loan losses of \$41,000, compared to a recovery of provision for loan losses of \$682,000 for the same period in 2021. For the three months ended December 31, 2022, the Company recorded a recovery of provision for loan losses of \$182,000, compared to a recovery of provision for loan losses of \$435,000 for the same period in 2021. The allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans was 1.11% on December 31, 2022, compared to 0.87% on December 31, 2021. The increase in the allowance for loan losses in 2022 was partly the result of the Company increasing the qualitative factors in its allowance for loan loss model due to slowing economic growth and a decline in the overall economic outlook, and an increase in reserves on specific loans. Nonperforming assets represented 0.13% of total assets on December 31, 2022, compared to 0.51% on December 31, 2021.

Noninterest income totaled \$4.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2022, unchanged compared to the same period in 2021. There were increases and decreases in components of noninterest income from 2021 to 2022. Losses on sale(s) of investment securities were \$131,000 in 2022 compared to gains on sale(s) of investment securities of \$182,000 in 2021. Additionally, other service charges, fees, and income increased \$250,000 from 2021 to 2022 due mostly to an increase of \$181,000 in fee income earned from selling deposits to other banks and smaller increases in fees from other services. Noninterest income totaled \$1.0 million for the three months ended December 31, 2022, compared to \$1.8 million for the same period in 2021. Gain on sale(s) of Small Business Administration loans were \$356,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2022, compared to \$1.0 million for the same period in 2021. Losses on sale(s) of investment securities were \$131,000 in 2022 compared to no gains or losses on sale(s) of investment securities 2021. Additionally, other service charges, fees, and income increased \$149,000 from 2021 to 2022 due mostly to an increase of \$110,000 in fee income earned from selling deposits to other banks and smaller increases in fees from other services.

Noninterest expense totaled \$17.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2022, compared to \$16.0 million for the same period in 2021. Salaries increased \$1.1 million from 2021 to 2022 which accounted for most of the \$1.4 million increase in noninterest expense during the same period. Most of the increase in salaries was a result of increased employee salaries of \$531,000, increased expense related to restricted stock vesting of \$160,000, increased incentive and commission expense of \$336,000, increased payroll tax expense of \$291,000 because of a loss contingency related to the Cares Act Employer Retention Credit, and a decrease in deferred loan costs of \$289,000. Professional and advertising expenses increased \$273,000 from 2021 to 2022 due to increases in contracted IT services and audit fees of \$356,000 and \$48,000, respectively, offset by a decrease in legal fees of \$126,000. Other noninterest expense increased \$321,000 from 2021 to 2022 due to increases in annual license fees, insurance expense, appraisal fees, and director fees of \$125,000, \$89,000, \$32,000, and \$27,000, respectively. Noninterest expense totaled \$4.5 million for the three months ended December 31, 2022, compared to \$4.7 million for the same period in 2021. Salaries decreased \$307,000 from the three months ended December 31, 2021 to the same period in 2022 which accounted for most of the \$200,000 decrease in noninterest expense during the same period. Most of the increase in salaries was a result of increased employee salaries of \$211,000, increased incentive and commission expense of \$77,000, which were partially offset by a decrease in payroll tax expense of \$555,000 because of a loss contingency related to the Cares Act Employer Retention Credit and a decrease in deferred loan costs of \$36,000.

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Oak Ridge Financial Services, Inc.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

As of December 31, 2022 (Unaudited) and December 31, 2021 (Audited)

(Dollars in thousands)

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Assets		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 12,467	\$ 8,998
Interest-bearing deposits with banks	<u>37,889</u>	<u>79,086</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	50,356	88,084
Securities available-for-sale	80,939	46,948
Securities held-to-maturity	311	387
Restricted stock, at cost	2,626	1,324
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$4,851 and \$3,756 at December 31, 2022, and December 31, 2021, respectively	431,127	425,900
Property and equipment, net	9,192	9,907
Accrued interest receivable	1,996	1,842
Bank owned life insurance	6,095	6,014
Right-of-use assets – operating leases	1,183	1,594
Other assets	<u>5,456</u>	<u>4,921</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 589,281</u>	<u>\$ 586,921</u>
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Liabilities		
Deposits		
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 120,263	\$ 116,525
Interest-bearing	<u>360,722</u>	<u>392,754</u>
Total deposits	480,985	509,279
Short-term borrowings	30,000	-
Long-term borrowings	418	683
Junior subordinated notes – trust preferred securities	8,248	8,248
Subordinated debentures	9,903	9,863
Lease liabilities – operating leases	1,183	1,594
Accrued interest payable	226	110
Other liabilities	<u>5,675</u>	<u>5,816</u>
Total liabilities	<u>536,638</u>	<u>535,593</u>
Stockholders' equity		
Common stock, no par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 2,702,020 and 2,672,620 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2022, and December 31, 2021, respectively	26,207	25,532
Retained earnings	28,642	22,815
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	<u>(2,206)</u>	<u>2,981</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>52,643</u>	<u>51,328</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 589,281</u>	<u>\$ 586,921</u>

Oak Ridge Financial Services, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)
For the three and year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021
(Dollars in thousands)

	Three months ended December 31,		Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Interest and dividend income				
Loans and fees on loans	\$ 5,488	\$ 5,135	\$ 21,223	\$ 21,922
Interest on deposits in banks	144	23	514	35
Restricted stock dividends	9	18	66	78
Interest on investment securities	780	317	2,234	1,340
Total interest and dividend income	<u>6,421</u>	<u>5,493</u>	<u>24,037</u>	<u>23,375</u>
Interest expense				
Deposits	554	279	1,269	1,306
Short-term and long-term debt	418	204	1,114	1,059
Total interest expense	<u>972</u>	<u>483</u>	<u>2,383</u>	<u>2,365</u>
Net interest income	5,449	5,010	21,654	21,010
Provision for (recovery of) loan losses				
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	<u>(182)</u>	<u>(435)</u>	<u>(41)</u>	<u>(682)</u>
Noninterest income				
Service charges on deposit accounts	153	144	591	534
Brokerage commissions on mortgage loans	18	91	200	290
Insurance commissions	113	92	463	413
Gain on sale of Small Business Administration loans	356	1,049	1,074	1,105
Debit and credit card interchange income	272	300	1,163	1,129
Income from Small Business Investment Company	10	102	179	102
Gain (loss) on sale of investment securities	(131)	-	(131)	182
Income earned on bank owned life insurance	21	21	81	84
Other service charges, fees, and income	191	42	450	251
Total noninterest income	<u>1,003</u>	<u>1,841</u>	<u>4,070</u>	<u>4,090</u>
Noninterest expense				
Salaries	2,296	2,603	8,870	7,801
Employee benefits	301	289	1,118	1,119
Occupancy	283	285	1,111	1,086
Equipment	229	280	962	1,109
Data and item processing	463	550	1,728	1,925
Professional and advertising	267	107	1,104	831
Stationery and supplies	26	39	106	179
Impairment loss on securities	9	46	22	74
Telecommunications	114	88	438	369
FDIC assessment	74	30	291	171
Other expense	431	460	1,647	1,326
Total noninterest expense	<u>4,493</u>	<u>4,777</u>	<u>17,397</u>	<u>15,990</u>
Income before income taxes	2,141	2,509	8,368	9,792
Income tax expense				
	<u>449</u>	<u>534</u>	<u>1,706</u>	<u>2,029</u>
Net income and income available to common stockholders	<u>\$ 1,692</u>	<u>\$ 1,975</u>	<u>\$ 6,662</u>	<u>\$ 7,763</u>
Basic and diluted income per common share	<u>\$ 0.63</u>	<u>\$ 0.74</u>	<u>\$ 2.47</u>	<u>\$ 2.91</u>
Basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding	<u>2,702,058</u>	<u>2,672,620</u>	<u>2,697,538</u>	<u>2,668,720</u>

Selected Financial Data	December 31, 2022	September 30, 2022	June 30, 2022	March 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	September 30, 2021
Return on average common stockholders' equity ¹	12.98 %	12.35 %	13.52 %	13.07 %	15.70 %	16.40 %
Tangible book value per share	\$ 19.48	\$ 18.67	\$ 18.77	\$ 18.63	\$ 19.20	\$ 18.72
Return on average assets ¹	1.18 %	1.08 %	1.11 %	1.14 %	1.36 %	1.41 %
Net interest margin ¹	4.02 %	4.10 %	3.66 %	4.07 %	3.65 %	3.94 %
Efficiency ratio	69.64 %	66.76 %	68.93 %	65.10 %	69.73 %	63.08 %
Nonperforming assets to total assets	0.13 %	0.15 %	0.14 %	0.16 %	0.51 %	0.50 %

¹Annualized