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Grand Island, Nebraska

- Equitable Financial Corp, parent company of Equitable Bank, reported profits of \$358,000 for the third quarter of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, or \$0.12 per share, compared to \$457,000, or \$0.14 per share for the third quarter of fiscal year June 2019.
- Net interest income increased \$242,000, or 9% during the third quarter of fiscal year June 2020 compared to the second quarter in fiscal year June 2019. The primary reason for the increase is attributed to growth in gross loans. Net loans were \$318.9 million at March 31, 2020, representing an increase of \$33.5 million, or 12%, compared to \$285.4 million at March 31, 2019. During the same time period deposits grew \$28.5 million, or 10% to \$305.5 million from \$277.0 million.
- Noninterest income increased \$202,000, or 27% to \$955,000 for the third quarter of fiscal year June 2020 compared to \$753,000 for the third quarter of fiscal year June 2019. This increase is attributable to increased volume in brokerage fee income, gain on sale of loans and other income.
- Noninterest expense increased \$465,000, or 18% for the third quarter of fiscal year June 2020 compared to the third quarter of fiscal year June 2019. The primary increases were in salaries and employee benefits, data processing fees, occupancy and equipment, and other expenses. These increases were primarily a result of general operating expense increases.
- Total assets were \$367.6 million as of March 31, 2020, an increase of \$37.4 million, or 11% from June 30, 2019.
- During the same period deposits increased \$22.2 million or 8%, to \$305.5 million at March 31, 2020 from \$283.3 million at June 30, 2019.

During the quarter we repurchased 102,547 shares of stock for a total of \$1,192,497, at an average price per share of \$11.62.

President and CEO, Tom Gdowski, stated "While overall net income was down from the prior quarter our earnings before tax and provision expense remained strong. Due to the unprecedented drop in interest rates by the Fed, in reaction to the COVID 19 virus and the effect on the economy, Equitable Financial made a \$101,000 valuation adjustment to Mortgage Servicing Rights in addition to a \$276,000 provision for loan loss. The bank did not experience any significant charge-offs.

The general operations of the bank continue to be strong. Equitable Financial's mortgage originations have been very robust due to refinancing activity with the drop in rates.

Brokerage income also continues to perform well.

Equitable Financial continues to work very closely with its customers supporting them in their business and helping them take advantage of the government programs currently available to assist them. We have

received positive feedback about our Bank's 'Team Effort' in supporting our customers during this challenging time. Our staff has adapted to the new operating environment that involves more remote support and continues to provide the suervice our customers need. Their efforts are greatly appreciated!"

## About Equitable Financial Corp.

Equitable Financial Corp. is the holding company for Equitable Bank, which is a Nebraska-based community bank headquartered in Grand Island. Equitable Bank has been in operation since 1882. A full-service bank with 4 branches in Grand Island, North Platte and Omaha, Equitable offers consumer, commercial and Ag loans, home loans, checking and savings accounts, financial planning and retirement services.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

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Equitable Financial Corp. Selected Financial Data - Quarterly Trend Unaudited

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts and percentages)

						Quarter Ended Fiscal Year June 30,														
			2020						20							201	18			
	March 31	De	cember 31	Se	ptember 30		June 30	Γ	March 31	De	cember 31	Septe	ember 30	June 30	N	Narch 31	Decer	mber 31	Sept	ember 30
Selected Financial Data																				
For the period:																				
Interest income	\$ 3,949	\$	4,029	\$	3,879	\$	3,734	\$	3,393	\$	3,266	\$	3,164	\$ 3,007	\$	2,913	\$	2,804	\$	2,805
Interest expense	\$ 1,110	\$	1,092	\$	1,075	\$	972	\$	796	\$	673	\$	612	\$ 549	\$	469	\$	426	\$	388
Net interest income	\$ 2,839	\$	2,937	\$	2,804	\$	2,762	\$	2,597	\$	2,593	\$	2,552	\$ 2,458	\$	2,444	\$	2,378	\$	2,417
Provision for loan losses	\$ 276	\$	53	\$	140	\$	176	\$	169	\$	110	\$	84	\$ (302)	\$	135	\$	663	\$	204
Noninterest income	\$ 955	\$	1,503	\$	1,337	\$	1,085	\$	753	\$	842	\$	759	\$ 729	\$	512	\$	709	\$	541
Noninterest expense	\$ 3,059	\$	3,256	\$	2,967	\$	3,334	\$	2,594	\$	2,806	\$	2,551	\$ 2,267	\$	2,316	\$	2,115	\$	2,238
Income tax expense	\$ 101	\$	262	\$	259	\$	91	\$	130	\$	140	\$	176	\$ 384	\$	155	\$	416	\$	188
Net income	\$ 358	\$	869	\$	775	\$	246	\$	457	\$	379	\$	500	\$ 838	\$	350	\$	(107)	\$	328
Period-end:																				
Loans (net of deferred origination costs and ALLL)	\$ 318,909	\$	312,829	\$	304,891	\$	300,087	\$	285,376	\$	271,775	\$	268,424	\$ 264,781	\$	255,947	\$	250,963	\$	245,505
Assets	\$ 367,629	\$	357,020	\$	336,662	\$	330,234	\$	323,456	\$	292,341	\$	289,837	\$ 283,619	\$	305,668	\$	270,277	\$	262,801
Deposits	\$ 305,539	\$	292,761	\$	281,669	\$	283,339	\$	277,047	\$	255,304	\$	242,232	\$ 236,988	\$	260,709	\$	226,200	\$	215,158
Shareholders' equity	\$ 36,410	\$	37,193	\$	36,445	\$	36,979	\$	37,115	\$	37,037	\$	36,958	\$ 36,540	\$	35,659	\$	35,814	\$	35,946
Profitability Statistics																				
Return on average assets	0.40%		1.00%		0.93%		0.30%		0.59%		0.52%		0.70%	1.14%		0.49%		-0.16%		0.51%
Return on average shareholders' equity	3.89%		9.44%		8.44%		2.66%		4.93%		4.10%		5.44%	9.29%		3.92%		-1.19%		3.67%
Average shareholders' equity to average assets	10.16%	)	10.62%		11.01%		11.33%		12.04%		12.71%		12.82%	12.25%		12.41%		13.46%		13.84%
Common Stock Statistics																				
Common shares outstanding	2,964,136		3,066,683		3,086,580		3,201,105		3,222,555		3,265,546	3	,300,978	3,315,470		3,317,670	3,	,361,845		3,368,932
Book value per common share	\$ 12.28	\$	12.13	\$	11.81	\$	11.55	\$	11.49	\$	11.37	\$	11.20	\$ 10.84	\$	10.79	\$	10.61	\$	10.85
Earnings per common share	\$ 0.12	\$	0.28	\$	0.25	\$	0.08	\$	0.14	\$	0.12	\$	0.15	\$ 0.25	\$	0.11	\$	(0.03)	\$	0.10
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$		\$	-
Dividend payout ratio	0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%	0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%
Regulatory Capital Ratios (Bank)																				
Total Capital	11.5%		11.8%		11.2%		11.0%		11.6%		12.1%		12.0%	12.1%		10.9%		12.2%		13.0%
Common equity Tier 1 capital	10.3%		10.5%		10.0%		9.8%		10.3%		10.8%		10.8%	10.9%		10.9%		11.0%		11.8%
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets)	10.3%		10.5%		10.0%		9.8%		10.3%		10.8%		10.8%	10.9%		12.2%		11.0%		11.7%
Tier 1 capital (to adjusted total assets)	9.0%		9.4%		9.3%		9.4%		9.8%		10.1%		10.1%	9.9%		10.0%		10.3%		11.0%
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# Equitable Financial Corp. Balance Sheet Unaudited

	March 31, 2020	June 30, 2019
Assets	ф <u>д доо о</u> со	¢ 2,140,020
Cash and due from financial institutions	\$ 7,700,363	
Interest-earning deposits	<u>3,202,000</u> 10,902,363	
Securities available-for-sale	18,920,069	, , ,
Securities held-to-maturity	60,762 958,000	-
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost Federal Reserve Bank stock, at cost	469,200	-
	-	-
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$4,905,000 and \$4,445,000, respectively	318,908,968	
Premises and equipment, net	6,572,765	
Foreclosed assets, net	279,749	-
Accrued interest receivable	2,281,786	
Deferred taxes, net	389,393	
Customer list intangible	1,835,619	
Bank-owned life insurance	3,587,250	
Other assets	2,462,959	2,300,067
Total assets	\$ 367,628,883	\$ 330,234,104
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
liabilities:		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ 36,702,855	\$ 33,199,553
Interest-bearing deposits	268,835,941	250,141,818
	305,538,796	
Lines of credit	200,000	
Federal Home Loan Bank Borrowings	21,000,000	5,000,000
Advance payments from borrowers for taxes and insurance	651,993	532,175
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	2,592,304	3,134,690
Total liabilities	329,983,093	
Common stock in ESOP subject to contingent repurchase obligation	1,235,981	1,235,981
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 25,000,000 shares authorized 2,964,136 and 3,201,105 shares issued and		
outstanding at March 31, 2020 and June 30, 2019, respectively	29,641	
Additional paid-in capital	21,175,435	23,936,182
Retained earnings	17,468,397	15,465,624
Unearned ESOP shares	(749,848	) (830,966)
Shares reserved for stock compensation	(262,587	) (374,308)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	(15,248	) (2,675)
Reclassification of ESOP shares	(1,235,981	) (1,235,981)
Total stockholders' equity	36,409,809	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 367,628,883	\$ 330,234,104

# Equitable Financial Corp.

Income Statement Unaudited

		months ended		
r	March 31, 2020	March 31, 2019		
Interest income:				
Loans	\$ 11,584,149	\$ 9,713,923		
Securities	180,419	38,089		
Other	92,806	71,005		
Total interest income	11,857,374	9,823,017		
Interest expense:				
Deposits	3,026,289	1,985,668		
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	241,660	83,268		
Other	9,020	11,598		
Total interest expense	3,276,969	2,080,534		
Net interest income	8,580,405	7,742,483		
Provision for loan losses	469,095	362,618		
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	8,111,310	7,379,865		
Noninterest income:				
Service charges on deposit accounts	544,791	544,824		
Brokerage fee income	1,294,822	1,012,640		
Gain on sale of loans	797,703	366,883		
Other loan fees	746,461	332,861		
Other income	411,147	96,419		
Total noninterest income	3,794,924	2,353,627		
Noninterest expense:				
Salaries and employee benefits	5,067,986	4,429,353		
Director and committee fees	136,568	122,192		
Data processing fees	609,114	469,759		
Occupancy and equipment	859,862	754,312		
Regulatory fees and deposit insurance premium	89,349	187,904		
Advertising and public relations	348,463	264,389		
Professional fees	140,107	476,324		
Supplies, telephone and postage	103,796	96,154		
Other expenses	1,926,263	1,160,290		
Total noninterest expense	9,281,508	7,960,677		
Income before income taxes	2,624,726	1,772,815		
Income tax expense	(621,952)	(445,861		
Net income	\$ 2,002,774	\$ 1,326,954		