

News Announcement For immediate release Grand Island, Nebraska

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### **Third Quarter Highlights**

- Equitable Financial Corp, parent company of Equitable Bank, reported profits of \$510,000 for the third quarter of fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, or \$0.20 per share, compared to \$646,000 or \$0.24 per share, a 17% decrease, for the third quarter of fiscal year June 30, 2024.
- Net interest income increased \$593,000 to \$3.972 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, compared to \$3.379 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2024. We expect modest net interest income increases as loans mature or reprice at current market rates.
- Net loans decreased \$4 million to \$438 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, compared to \$442 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2024.
- Provision for loan losses for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, was \$555,000 compared to \$15,000 for the quarter ending March 31, 2024.
- Noninterest income increased \$56,000 to \$1.227 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, compared to \$1.171 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2024.
- Noninterest expense was \$3.896 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, compared to \$3.691 million for the quarter ending March 31, 2024.
- Total assets were \$527.748 million as of March 31, 2025, compared to \$511.216 million as of March 31, 2024.
- During the quarter, the company repurchased 3,260 shares of stock, total cost of \$50,345, at an average price per share of \$15.44.

President/CEO Tom Gdowski, stated, "The effect of higher interest rates for residential and commercial real estate continue to impact loan volume and slow down growth of the overall loan portfolio. While mortgage lending has improved it is still well below historic levels, impacting our non – interest income. Deposit rates have declined leading to improvement in our net interest margin. We expect this trend to continue, assuming the Fed continues to move with a bias towards easing. Inflation fears could impact the Feds action and slow down future rate cuts. Also, impacting this quarter's results were an increase in our loan loss reserve as we experienced a modest loss. We believe our asset quality continues to be good."

We continue to believe investing in our own shares via our stock repurchase program at the current prices is an effective use of capital. Our ability to do so is contingent on the overall performance of the Bank. If interested parties wish to sell their stock, please contact us."

#### **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 five 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.**

Balance Sheet Unaudited

		March 31, 2025	_	June 30, 2024
Assets Cash and due from financial institutions	\$	5,219,781	\$	10,155,683
Interest-bearing deposits	Ф	19,332,716	Ф	4,484,312
Federal Funds Sold				2,407,000
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Interest-bearing time deposits in banks		2,353,852		424,000
Securities available-for-sale		39,931,945		23,997,405
Securities held-to-maturity		2,516		3,795
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost		1,441,600		1,488,600
Federal Reserve Bank stock, at cost		472,150		471,550
Loans, net of allowance for credit losses of \$6,027,000 and \$6,027,000, respectively		438,391,840		446,168,694
Premises and equipment, net		7,844,885		7,713,383
Foreclosed assets, net		111,800		1,467,000
Accrued interest receivable		3,399,594		3,780,792
Deferred taxes, net		777,909		795,581
Customer list intangible		972,192		1,101,706
Bank-owned life insurance		4,143,244		4,054,607
Other assets		3,351,502	_	2,708,137
Total assets	\$	527,747,526	\$	511,222,245
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Liabilities:				
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$	52,168,145	\$	53,054,379
Interest-bearing deposits		411,841,064		396,100,537
		464,009,209		449,154,916
Lines of credit		_		275,000
Federal funds purchased		_		_
Federal Home Loan Bank Borrowings		8,000,000		8,000,000
Advance payments from borrowers for taxes and insurance		931,314		995,822
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities		3,247,804		3,283,106
Total liabilities		476,188,327	_	461,708,844
Common stock in ESOP subject to contingent repurchase obligation		1,418,679		1,698,450
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 25,000,000 shares authorized 2,586,476 and 2,624,265 shares issued and				
outstanding at March 31, 2025 and June 30, 2024, respectively		25,865		26,243
Additional paid-in capital		16,479,201		16,931,425
Retained earnings		35,594,558		33,291,123
Unearned ESOP shares		(511,840)		(547,432)
Shares reserved for stock compensation		4,937		(4,359)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax		(33,522)		(183,599)
Reclassification of ESOP shares		(1,418,679)		(1,698,450)
Total stockholders' equity		50,140,520		47,814,951
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	527,747,526	\$	511,222,245

# **Equitable Financial Corp.**

Income Statement Unaudited

	For the yes	For the year ended			
	March 31, 2025	March 31, 2024			
Interest income:					
Loans	\$ 20,235,720	\$ 18,534,218			
Securities	774,641	257,613			
Other	532,916	484,754			
Total interest income	21,543,277	19,276,585			
Interest expense:					
Deposits	9,727,229	8,618,745			
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	241,439	455,018			
Other	22,623	73,954			
Total interest expense	9,991,291	9,147,717			
Net interest income	11,551,986	10,128,868			
Provision for loan losses	361,552	(110,590)			
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	11,190,434	10,239,458			
Noninterest income:					
Service charges on deposit accounts	866,876	898,101			
Brokerage fee income	1,738,553	1,738,056			
Gain on sale of loans	154,896	116,849			
Other loan fees	586,269	577,598			
Other income	394,967	387,269			
Total noninterest income	3,741,561	3,717,873			
Noninterest expense:					
Salaries and employee benefits	7,019,211	6,462,597			
Director and committee fees	107,646	128,446			
Data processing fees	917,905	949,474			
Occupancy and equipment	900,751	1,033,655			
Regulatory fees and deposit insurance premium	226,856	242,417			
Advertising and public relations	267,721	283,009			
Professional fees	335,890	417,089			
Supplies, telephone and postage	64,368	73,568			
Other expenses	1,943,903	1,952,457			
Total noninterest expense	11,784,251	11,542,712			
Income before income taxes	3,147,744	2,414,619			
Income tax expense	(844,309)	(571,156)			
Net income	\$ 2,303,435	\$ 1,843,463			

## **Equitable Financial Corp.**

Selected Financial Data - Quarterly Trend

Unaudited

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

For the Quarter Ended Fiscal Year June 30,

	2025							2024									2023							
		March 31	De	ecember 31	Sep	tember 30		June 30	Mar	ch 31	Decembe	r 31	Sept	tember 30		June 30		March 31	Dec	ember 31	Septe	mber 30		
Selected Financial Data																								
For the period:																								
Interest income	\$	7,111	\$	7,254	\$	7,178	\$	7,037	\$	6,703	\$ 6	,421	\$	6,153	\$	5,714	\$	5,422	\$	5,406	\$	4,771		
Interest expense	\$	3,139	\$	3,306	\$	3,546	\$	3,486	\$	3,324	\$ 3	3,028	\$	2,796	\$	2,295	\$	1,860	\$	1,370	\$	697		
Net interest income	\$	3,972	\$	3,948	\$	3,632	\$	3,551	\$	3,379	\$ 3	3,393	\$	3,357	\$	3,419	\$	3,562	\$	4,036	\$	4,074		
Provision for loan losses	\$	555	\$	(193)	\$	(1)	\$	83	\$	15	\$	(10)	\$	(115)	\$	209	\$	(117)	\$	175	\$	200		
Noninterest income	\$	1,227	\$	1,256	\$	1,258	\$	1,297	\$	1,171	\$ :	,283	\$	1,264	\$	1,278	\$	1,129	\$	1,183	\$	1,220		
Noninterest expense	\$	3,896	\$	3,845	\$	4,044	\$	3,701	\$	3,691	\$ 3	,864	\$	3,988	\$	3,713	\$	3,538	\$	3,774	\$	3,740		
Income tax expense	\$	238	\$	386	\$	220	\$	193	\$	198	\$	196	\$	177	\$	108	\$	364	\$	295	\$	314		
Net income	\$	510	\$	1,166	\$	627	\$	871	\$	646	\$	626	\$	571	\$	667	\$	906	\$	975	\$	1,040		
Period-end:																								
Loans (net of deferred origination costs and ACL)	\$	438,392	\$	449,068	\$	439,592	\$	446,169	\$ 4	142,317	\$ 440	,092	\$	420,323	\$	419,721	\$	408,850	\$	431,296	\$	413,951		
Assets	\$	527,748	\$	507,323	\$	504,762	\$	511,222	\$ !	511,216	\$ 497	,897	\$	492,816	\$	481,049	\$	472,127	\$	494,270	\$	478,270		
Deposits	\$	464,009	\$	444,088	\$	439,867	\$	449,155	\$ 4	143,400	\$ 427	,816	\$	427,165	\$	412,270	\$	414,409	\$	418,618	\$	402,703		
Shareholders' equity	\$	50,141	\$	49,879	\$	48,500	\$	47,815	\$	46,967	\$ 46	,418	\$	45,692	\$	44,979	\$	44,355	\$	43,488	\$	42,592		
Profitability Statistics																								
Return on average assets		0.40%		0.92%		0.50%		0.69%		0.51%	(	0.51%		0.47%		0.56%		0.75%		0.80%		0.89%		
Return on average shareholders' equity		4.09%		9.47%		5.25%		7.40%		5.53%	!	5.44%		5.04%		5.97%		8.25%		9.06%		9.79%		
Average shareholders' equity to average assets		9.67%		9.68%		9.48%		9.30%		9.25%	9	9.30%		9.31%		9.37%		9.09%		8.85%		9.11%		
Common Stock Statistics																								
Common shares outstanding		2,586,476		2,589,736		2,616,120		2,624,265	2,0	537,434	2,638	3,434		2,657,740		2,666,305		2,678,582	:	2,698,838	2,	,714,438		
Book value per common share	\$	19.39	\$	19.26	\$	18.54	\$	18.22	\$	17.81	\$ 1	7.59	\$	17.19	\$	16.87	\$	16.56	\$	16.11	\$	15.69		
Earnings per common share	\$	0.20	\$	0.45	\$	0.24	\$	0.33	\$	0.24	\$	0.24	\$	0.21	\$	0.25	\$	0.34	\$	0.36	\$	0.38		
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		13.2%		12.8%		12.8%		12.5%		12.5%	:	12.5%		12.9%		12.7%		12.7%		11.7%		12.4%		
Common equity Tier 1 capital		11.9%		11.6%		11.5%		11.3%		11.3%	:	1.3%		11.6%		11.4%		11.4%		10.4%		11.1%		
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets)		11.9%		11.6%		11.5%		11.3%		11.3%		1.3%		11.6%		11.4%		11.4%		10.4%		11.1%		
Tier 1 capital (to adjusted total assets)		9.4%		9.5%		9.4%		9.2%		9.1%		9.2%		9.3%		9.4%		9.2%		8.8%		9.6%		
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