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Maintained strong profitability

- Net income of \$13.7 million, or \$0.50 per diluted share; return on average assets (ROAA) of 1.40%; and return on average tangible common equity (ROATCE)⁽¹⁾ of 16.22%
- Adjusted net income⁽¹⁾ of \$14.2 million; or \$0.52 per diluted share, adjusted ROAA⁽¹⁾ of 1.45%; and adjusted ROATCE⁽¹⁾ of 16.76%

Prioritized safety and soundness

Continued

- Nonperforming loans totaled \$7.4 million, or 0.34% of total loans, compared with \$9.1 million, or 0.40% of total loans, at Q1 2021, and \$14.0 million, or 0.61% of total loans, at Q2 2020
- COVID-19 related loan modifications of \$3.0 million (0.1% of total loans) decreased from \$16.7 million (0.7% of total loans) at Q1 2021
- Recorded net charge-offs of \$90 thousand (0.02% of average loans on an annualized basis)
- Total assets increased \$89 million, or 2%, from Q1 2021 driven by deposit growth that was primarily invested in securities and cash
- Total deposits increased \$69 million, or 2%, from Q1 2021 and the cost of total deposits declined 1 basis point to just 0.07%
- Loans-to-deposits ratio declined to 62.8% compared to 67.7% at Q1 2021

Upheld Midwestern values

disciplined growth

- Continued to place the health of customers and employees first by maintaining enhanced cleaning protocols and other safety measures at all locations
- Continued supporting clients with PPP loans

See "Non-GAAP Reconciliations" below for reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures to their most closely comparable GAAP financial measures



Company snapshot

Overview

- Company incorporated in 1982 from base of family-owned banks and completed its IPO in October 2019
- Headquartered in Bloomington, IL, with operations in Central Illinois and the Chicago MSA
- Leading market position in majority of core mid-sized markets in Central Illinois
- ✓ Strong deposit franchise with 7bps cost of deposits, 99% core deposits²
- ✓ Conservative credit culture, with 4bps NCOs / loans during the year ended December 31, 2020 and (2)bps NCOs in 1H 2021
- ✓ High profitability sustained through cycles

Loan composition Municipal, consumer & other C&I 1-4 Family residential 14% C&D 9% Agricultural & farm land 11% Commercial CRE-Non-owner occupied 25% CRE-Non-owner occupied 25% Deposit composition Time 8% Noninterestbearing demand 29% Interestbearing demand 30%

	cial highlights (\$mm) for the period ended	2018	2019	2020	1H21
-	Total assets	\$3,250	\$3,245	\$3,667	\$3,954
e	Total gross loans, HFI1	2,144	2,164	2,247	2,152
Balance sheet	Total deposits	2,796	2,777	3,131	3,425
Ba	% Core deposits ²	98.7%	98.4%	99.1%	99.3%
1	Loans-to-deposits	76.7%	77.9%	71.8%	62.8%
ë	Adjusted ROAA4	1.55%	1.78%	1.15%	1.48%
Key performance indicators	Adjusted ROATCE4	16.7%	18.3%	12.3%	16.8%
ator	Cost of deposits	0.21%	0.29%	0.14%	0.08%
performa ndicators	NIM ⁵	4.25%	4.38%	3.60%	3.25%
y p	Yield on loans	5.35%	5.51%	4.69%	4.60%
χ.	Efficiency ratio ⁵	54.3%	53.1%	58.9%	55.6%
	NCOs / loans	0.23%	0.07%	0.04%	(0.02)%
=	Originated NCOs / loans ³	0.17%	0.04%	0.02%	(0.05)%
ipit	NPLs / gross loans	0.74%	0.88%	0.44%	0.34%
Š	Originated NPLs / loans ³	0.54%	0.54%	0.14%	0.24%
ij	NPAs / Loans + OREO	1.18%	1.11%	0.63%	0.70%
Credit & capital	Originated NPAs / Loans + OREO	0.61%	0.59%	0.17%	0.28%
	CET1 (%)	12.7%	12.2%	13.1%	14.3%

Note: Financial data as of and for the three months ended June 30, 2021 unless otherwise indicated; Gross loans includes loans held for investment, before allowance for loan losses; excludes loans held for sale; Core deposits defined as all deposits excluding time deposits of \$250,000 or more and brokered deposits; for reconciliation with GAAP metric, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations"; Originated loans represent loans initially originated by the Company and acquired loans that were refinanced using the Company's underwriting criteria; metrics derived from originated loan data are non-GAAP metrics; for a reconciliation of CAAP reconciliations, "Interconciliation of CAAP reconciliations, and only state the income, which is a non-GAAP metric, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations", net income presented on C-Corporation equivalent basis for periods prior to 2020; "Tax-equivalent basis metric; for reconciliation with GAAP metric, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations".



Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Details

- PPP loan balances, net of deferred origination fees, totaled \$126 million (6% of total loans) as of June 30, 2021
 - Deferred origination fees on PPP loans totaled \$6.1 million as of June 30, 2021, with \$0.5 million related to round 1 PPP loans and \$5.6 million related to round 2 PPP loans
- In round 2 of the PPP, we funded \$104.7 million of loans during the six months ended June 30, 2021, including \$12.4 million during the three months ended June 30, 2021
 - Deferred origination costs on round 2 PPP loans totaled \$0.5 million (primarily in salaries and benefits costs) during the six months ended June 30, 2021, including \$0.1 million during the three months ended June 30, 2021
- Out of our total PPP loans originated in round 1, we have received full or partial forgiveness on loans totaling \$152.9 million (82% of the balances) as of June 30, 2021, including \$72.9 million in Q2 2021
- Out of our total PPP loans originated in round 2, we have received full or partial forgiveness on loans totaling \$5.6 million (5% of the balances) as of June 30, 2021
- Deferred origination fees amortized over life of loan; accelerated upon forgiveness or repayment
 - Deferred origination fees on PPP loans of \$2.4 million were recognized as loan interest income during the three months ended June 30, 2021, which included \$1.7 million due to loan forgiveness and payoffs, compared to \$2.2 million during the three months ended March 31, 2021, which included \$1.6 million due to loan forgiveness and payoffs

PPP Loans by Portfolio as of March 31, 2021

Portfolio	Balance (\$000)
Commercial and industrial	\$175,389
Agricultural and farmland	\$8,921
Municipal, consumer, and other	\$6,249
Total PPP Loans	\$190,559

PPP Loans by Portfolio as of June 30, 2021

Portfolio	Balance (\$000)
Commercial and industrial	\$115,538
Agricultural and farmland	\$8,711
Municipal, consumer, and other	\$1,273
Total PPP Loans	\$125,522



Loan Portfolio Overview: Commercial Real Estate

- \$949 million portfolio as of June 30, 2021
 - \$532 million in non-owner occupied CRE primarily supported by rental cash flow of the underlying properties
 - > \$212 million in multi-family loans secured by 5+ unit apartment buildings
 - \$205 million in construction and land development loans primarily to developers to sell upon completion or for long-term investment
- Vast majority of loans originated to experienced real estate developers within our markets
- Guarantees required on majority of originated loans

Details on Select CRE Portfolios

Portfolio ¹	Balance (\$mm)	Average Loan Size (\$mm)	Weighted Average LTV	% Rated Substandard
Multi-family	\$212.1	\$1.1	63.3%	0.4%
Retail	\$124.2	\$1.0	56.6%	0.5%
Office	\$110.3	\$0.9	58.2%	0.2%
Warehouse/ Manufacturing	\$116.9	\$1.2	55.9%	0.0%
Senior Living	\$73.9	\$4.6	57.0%	20.8%
Hotels	\$18.4	\$1.5	69.2%	35.7%
Restaurants	\$6.0	\$0.6	62.8%	7.5%

Excludes Construction Loans

Auto Repair & Dealers Hotels 3% 3% Medical 1-4 Family 3% Construction 4% Land and Lots 5% Senior Living Facilities 8%

Warehouse/ Manufacturing 13%

Commercial Real Estate Loan Mix



^{*} Includes restaurant/bar exposure of \$6.0 million or 0.6% of CRE loans

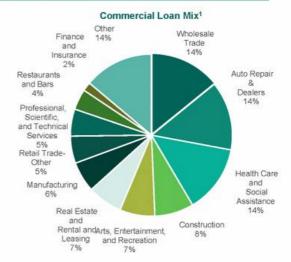
Loan Portfolio Overview: Commercial

- \$321 million C&I loans outstanding as of June 30, 2021
 - > For working capital, asset acquisition, and other business purposes
 - Underwritten primarily based on borrower's cash flow and majority further supported by collateral and personal guarantees; loans based primarily in-market
- \$213 million owner-occupied CRE outstanding as of June 30, 2021
 - Primarily underwritten based on cash flow of business occupying properties and supported by personal guarantees; loans based primarily in-market

Details on Select Commercial Portfolios

Portfolio ¹	Balance (\$mm)	Average Loan Size (\$mm)	% Rated Substandard
Wholesale Trade	\$59.2	\$0.7	11.6%
Auto Repair & Dealers	\$57.6	\$0.7	0.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	\$56.9	\$0.4	4.1%
Retail Trade	\$22.7	\$0.2	14.5%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	\$29.4	\$0.8	1.9%
Restaurants	\$17.3	\$0.2	12.4%

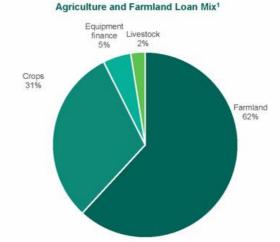
¹ Commercial Ioan mix excludes \$116 million in PPP Ioans





Loan Portfolio Overview: Agriculture and Farmland

- \$232 million portfolio as of June 30, 2021
- Significant increase in corn and soybean prices compared to 2020 will improve borrower profitability and should reduce portfolio credit risk
- Federal crop insurance programs mitigate production risks
- No customer accounts for more than 4% of the agriculture portfolio
- Weighted average LTV on Farmland Loans is 56.2%
- 0.5% is rated substandard as of June 30, 2021
- Over 70% of agricultural borrowers have been with the Company for at least 10 years, and nearly half for more than 20 years



Agriculture and Farmland Ioan mix excludes \$9 million in PPP Ioans



Loan Portfolio Overview: 1-4 Family Residential Mortgage

In-house 1-4 Family Residential Mortgage Portfolio

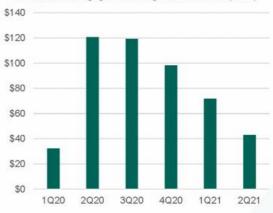
- \$303 million in-house portfolio as of June 30, 2021
- 3.2% is rated substandard

Secondary Market 1-4 Family Residential Mortgage Portfolio

- \$1.06 billion sold to the secondary market with servicing retained as of June 30, 2021
- Q3 2021 residential mortgage origination volume is expected to decline from Q2 2021's level due to less refinance activity

1-4 Family Residential Loan Mix HELOCs and 2nd Mortgages 22% 1st Mortgages Non-owner Occupied 50% 1st Mortgages Owner Occupied 28%

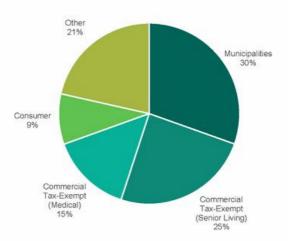
Residential Mortgage Loan Origination Volume (\$mm)



Loan Portfolio Overview: Municipal, Consumer and Other

- \$135 million portfolio as of June 30, 2021
 - > Loans to municipalities are primarily federally tax-exempt
 - Consumer loans include loans to individuals for consumer purposes and typically consist of small balance loans
- Commercial Tax-Exempt Senior Living
 - > \$32.9 million portfolio with \$8.2 million average loan size
 - > Weighted average LTV of 91.3%
 - > 39.1% is rated substandard
- Commercial Tax-Exempt Medical
 - > \$19.4 million portfolio with \$1.9 million average loan size
 - > Weighted average LTV of 38.2%
 - > No loans are rated substandard

Municipal, Consumer and Other Loan Mix1



Municipal, Consumer and Other Ioan mix excludes \$1 million in PPP Ioans



Loan Portfolio Overview: Asset Quality and Reserves

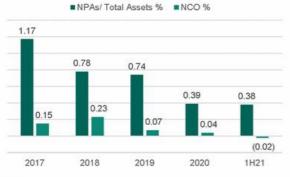
Asset quality impact from COVID-19 is modest so far

- At June 30, 2021, non-performing assets were \$15.2 million, or 0.38% of total assets compared to \$13.9 million, or 0.36% of total assets at March 31, 2021
- Net charge-offs were \$90 thousand, or 0.02%, for the quarter ended June 30, 2021
- Watch loans decreased \$23.6 million to \$181.5 million as of June 30, 2021 when compared to March 31, 2021

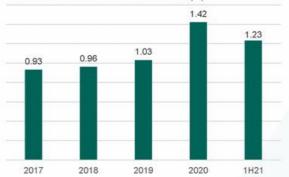
Allowing for the release of the allowance for loan losses

- Allowance for loan losses totaled \$26.5 million, or 1.23% of loans before allowance, at June 30, 2021 compared to \$28.8 million, or 1.27%, at March 31, 2021
 - > Excluding \$125.5 million of PPP loans, the ALLL ratio was 1.31% at June 30, 2021
- Substandard loans decreased \$7.0 million to \$69.2 million and Passcredit-related discounts on acquired loans at June 30, 2021 compared to \$2.0 million at March 31, 2021

Non-performing assets/ Total assets % and Net charge-off %



Allowance for loan losses to total loans (%)





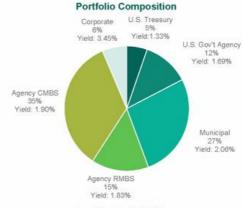
Securities Portfolio Overview

Overview

- Company's debt securities consist primarily of the following types of fixed income instruments:
 - Agency MBS: MBS pass-throughs, CMOs, and Agency CMBS
 - Municipal Bonds: weighted average NRSRO credit rating of AA/Aa2
 - Corporate Bonds: AAA covered bonds, Supra Sovereign Debt, and Investment Grade Corporate and Bank Subordinated Debt
 - Government Agency Debentures and SBA-backed Full Faith and Credit Debt
- Investment strategy focused on maximizing returns and reducing the Company's asset sensitivity with high credit quality intermediate duration investments
- Company emphasizes predictable cash flows that limit faster prepayments when rates decline or extended durations when rates rise
- On June 30, 2021, the Company transferred certain debt securities from AFS to HTM to better reflect revised intentions due to possible market value volatility, resulting from a potential rise in interest rates

Key investment portfolio metrics

(\$000)	AFS	HTM	Total
Amortized Cost	\$821,935	\$309,132	\$1,131,067
Fair Value	836,267	314,924	1,151,191
Unrealized Gain/(Loss)	14,332	5,792	20,124
Book Yield	1.99%	1.95%	1.98%
Effective Duration	4.25	6.36	4.83



Amortized Cost: \$1,131mm Yield: 1.98%

Financial data as of June 30, 2021

Wealth Management Overview

Comprehensive Wealth Management Services

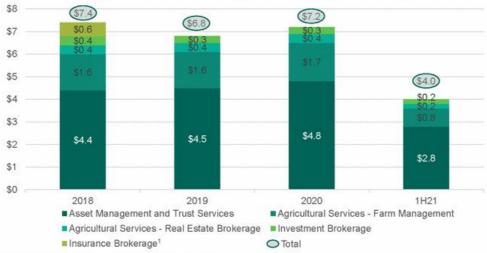
- Proprietary investment management solutions
- Financial planning
- Trust and estate administration

Agricultural Services

- Farm management services: Over 80,000 acres
- Real estate brokerage including auction services
- Farmland appraisals

Wealth Management Revenue Trends (\$mm)

Over \$1.8 billion of assets under management or administration as of June 30, 2021







NXT Bancorporation Acquisition Overview

Key Highlights and Strategic Rationale

- Expands HBT footprint into higher growth Eastern Iowa markets with similar demographics to communities where HBT has had its greatest success
- Adds talented team of community bankers with relationship-based approach and strong credit culture
- Provides opportunities to expand customer relationships with broader range of products and services and greater ability to meet larger borrowing needs
- NXT President and CEO to remain with Heartland Bank as lowa Market President

Expected Financial Impact 1

- Adds approximately \$238 million in assets, \$199 million in loans, and \$184 million in deposits
- Provides opportunity to utilize existing HBT excess liquidity to replace higher cost acquired deposits
- Increases loan-to-deposit ratio
- Effectively leverages capital in an accretive transaction for shareholders
- Expected to close in Q4 2021

Financial data as of June 30, 2021 based on unaudited call report data

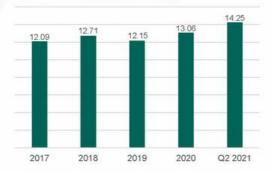
NXT Bank Footprint



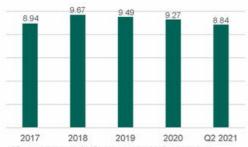


Capital and Liquidity Overview

CET 1 Risk-based Capital Ratio (%)

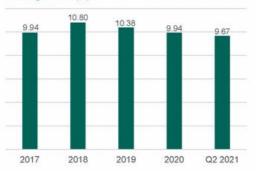


Tangible Common Equity to Tangible Assets (%)1



For reconciliation with GAAP metric, see 'Non-GAAP reconciliations





Liquidity Sources (\$000)

Liquidity Source	As of 6/30/21
Balance of Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$545,603
Market Value of Unpledged Securities	794,512
Available FHLB Advance Capacity	314,524
Available Fed Fund Lines of Credit	80,000
Total Estimated Liquidity	\$1,734,639

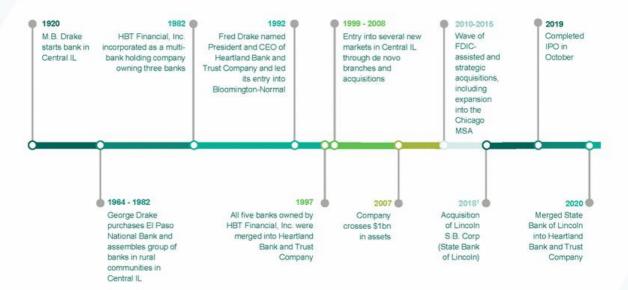


Near-Term Outlook

- Loan balances (excluding the impact of PPP loans) expected to grow in the low single-digits on an annualized basis as demand improves along
 with a more sustained economic recovery during the second half of 2021
- Focused on supporting net interest income
 - > NIM pressure (excluding the impact of PPP loans) expected to continue to moderate in 2H 2021 provided deposit growth slows
- Card income expected to remain strong but growth rate expect to slow in second half of 2021
- Service charges on deposit accounts expected to remain flat in the second half of 2021
- Wealth management fees expected to grow moderately
- Mortgage banking profits expected to decline in Q3 2021 relative to Q2 2021 due to less refinancing activity
- Branch rationalization
 - > Plan to close or consolidate five branches during Q3 2021 with one branch consolidated during Q2 2021
 - > Expected to result in approximately \$0.8 million of total pre-tax nonrecurring costs, with annual cost savings, net of associated revenue impacts, of approximately \$1.1 million.
- Continued strong credit metrics and improving economic conditions expected to allow for very modest provision level
- Balanced approach to capital deployment with flexibility to support faster organic growth, current cash dividend and share repurchases
- Well-positioned to capitalize on accretive acquisition opportunities



Our history

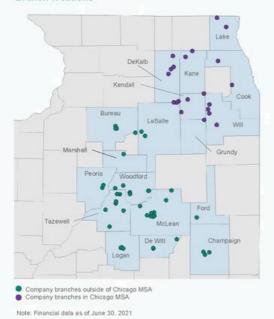


¹ Although the Lincoln Acquisition is identified as an acquisition above, the transaction was accounted for as a change of reporting entity due to its common control with the Company



Our markets

Branch locations



Exposure to mid-sized and metropolitan markets





Business strategy

Small enough to know you, big enough to serve you

Preserve strong ties to our communities

- Drake family involved in Central IL banking since 1920
- Management lives and works in our communities
- Community banking and relationship-based approach stems from adherence to our Midwestern values
- Committed to providing products and services to support the unique needs of our customer base
- Nearly all loans originated to borrowers domiciled within 60 miles of a branch

Deploy excess deposit funding into loan growth opportunities

- Highly defensible market position (Top 3 deposit market share rank in 6 of 7 largest core mid-sized markets in Central Illinois) that contributes to our strong core deposit base and funding advantage
- Continue to deploy our excess deposit funding (63% loan-to-deposit ratio) into attractive loan opportunities in larger, more diversified markets
- Efficient decision-making process provides a competitive advantage over the larger and more bureaucratic money center and super regional financial institutions that compete in our markets

Maintain a prudent approach to credit underwriting

- Robust underwriting standards will continue to be a hallmark of the Company
- Maintained sound credit quality and minimal originated problem asset levels during the Great Recession
- Diversified loan portfolio primarily within footprint
- Underwriting continues to be a strength as evidenced by only 4bps NCOs / loans in 2020 and (2)bps NCOs / loans in 1H21

Pursue strategic acquisitions and sustain strong profitability

- Positioned to be the acquirer of choice for many potential partners in and adjacent to our existing markets
- Successful integration of 8 community bank acquisitions in the last 13 years
- Chicago MSA, in particular, has ~100 banking institutions with less than \$1bn in assets
- 1.48% ROAA¹ and 3.25% NIM² in 1H 2021
- Highly profitable through the Great Recession

Metrics based on adjusted net income, which is a non-GAAP metric, for reconciliation with GAAP metrics, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations". Metrics presented on tax equivalent basis, peer metrics shown FTE where available; for reconciliation with GAAP metric, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations".



Our core operating principles

Prioritize safety and soundness

- Preserve asset quality through prudent underwriting standards
- Robust compliance management framework emphasizing sound governance practices
- Protect stable core deposit base through excellent customer service
- Consistently generate strong earnings throughout various economic cycles, supported by:
 - Leading deposit share in our core markets
 - Underwriting attractively priced loans
 - Robust credit risk management framework
 - Diversified sources of fee income

Continue disciplined growth

Maintain strong

profitability

- Grow conservatively in our core mid-sized markets and in the Chicago MSA via organic channels and through M&A
- Pursue strategically compelling and financially attractive growth opportunities that are consistent with our culture

Uphold our Midwestern values

- Long-time family-owned bank that demonstrates our values through hard work, perseverance, and doing the right thing
- Committed to all stakeholders, including our customers, employees, communities, and shareholders



Experienced executive management team with deep community ties



Fred L. Drake Chairman and CEO 38 years with Company 41 years in industry



J. Lance Carter President and Chief Operating Officer 19 years with Company 27 years in industry



Matthew J. Doherty Chief Financial Officer 11 years with Company 29 years in industry



Patrick F. Busch Chief Lending Officer, President of Heartland Bank 26 years with Company 43 years in industry



Lawrence J. Horvath Senior Regional Lender, Heartland Bank 11 years with Company 35 years in industry



Diane H. Lanier Chief Retail Officer 24 years with Company 36 years in industry



Mark W. Scheirer Chief Credit Officer 10 years with Company 29 years in industry



Andrea E. Zurkamer Chief Risk Officer 8 years with Company 21 years in industry



Talented Board of Directors with deep financial services industry experience



Fred L. Drake Chairman

- · CEO of HBT Financial
- · 38 years with Company
- · 41 years in industry



J. Lance Carter Director

- President and COO of HBT Financial
 Chief Lending Officer of HBT
- · 19 years with Company
- · 27 years in industry



Patrick F. Busch Director

- Financial
- 26 years with Company
- · 43 years in industry



Dr. C. Alvin Bowman

- · Director since June 2019
- · Former president of Illinois State University
- · 36 years in higher education



Eric E. Burwell Director

- Director since June 2005
- Company
- · Invests in a variety of real estate, private equity, venture capital and liquid investments



Allen C. Drake Director

- Director since 1981
 - of experience at Company
 - Formerly responsible for Company's lending, administration, technology, personnel, accounting, trust and strategic planning



Linda J. Koch Director

- Director since June 2020 Director since June 2019 Director since 1993
- CEO of the Illinois Bankers Association



Gerald E. Pfeiffer Director

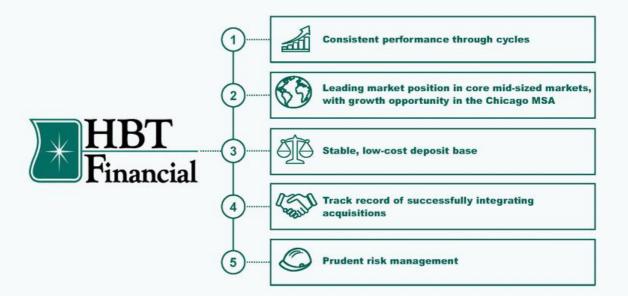
- CliftonLarsonAllen LLP with 46 years of industry experience
- · Former CFO of Bridgeview Bancorp



Dale S. Strassheim Director

- . Former President and CEO of BroMenn Healthcare
- · Former President and CEO of The Baby Fold, a child welfare non-profit organization







1 Consistent performance through cycles...

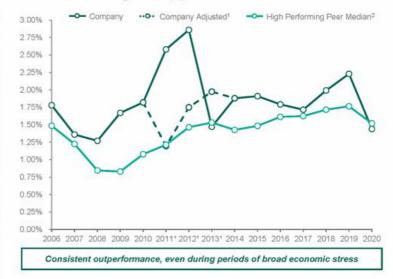
Drivers of profitability







Pre-tax return on average assets (%)



Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence; For 2006 through June 30, 2012, the Company's pre-tax ROAA does not include Lincoln S.B. Corp. and its subsidiaries; ¹ HBT pre-tax ROAA adjusted to exclude the following significant non-recurring items in the following years: 2011: \$25.4 million bargain purchase gains; 2012: \$11.4 million bargain purchase gains, \$9.7 million net realized gain on securities, and \$6.7 million net positive adjustments on FDIC indemnification asset and true-up liability; 2013: \$9.1 million net realized loss on securities and \$6.9 million net loss related to the sale of branches; ²Represents 23 high performing major exchange-traded banks headquartered in the Midwest with \$2-10bn in assets and a 2020 core return on average assets above 1.0%



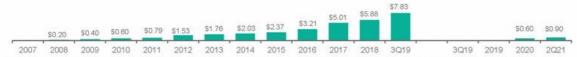


... drives compelling tangible book value growth

Tangible book value per share over time (\$ per share)1



Cumulative effect of dividends paid (\$ per share)3



For reconciliation with GAAP metric, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations"; In 2019, HBT Financial issued and sold 9,429,794 shares of common stock at a price of \$16 per share. Total proceeds received by the Company, net of offering costs, were \$138.5 million and were used to fund a \$170 million special dividend to stockholders of record prior to the initial public offering. Amount reflects dilution per share attributable to newly issued shares in initial public offering (IPO) and special dividend payment. For reconciliation with GAAP metric, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations" 3 Excludes dividend payment by the Company of th



2 Leading market position in core mid-sized markets . . .

Top 3 deposit share rank in 6 of 7 largest core mid-sized markets in Central Illinois

Company market share by county

Shaded counties denote Company's top mid-sized markets by deposit share

		Market					
DeKalb Tazewell Woodford Cook Bureau Logan	% of Company deposits	Deposits (\$mm)	Branches	Market share	Rank	Population (000)	Money Center share ¹
McLean	19%	\$570	9	16.3%	2	171	10.5%
DeKalb	12%	353	7	13.5%	4	105	9
Tazewell	8%	239	7	7.8%	2	131	-
Woodford	8%	226	6	28.1%	2	38	-
Cook	7%	221	2	0.1%	57	5,121	38.4%
Bureau	7%	216	4	20.1%	1:	32	4
Logan	7%	199	4	34.0%	1	28	-
De Witt	6%	170	3	39.0%	1	15	= 1
Other Counties	26	% 821	21				

Note: Data as of June 30, 2020
Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence; Note: Analysis excludes deposits from non-retail branches; McLean County excludes State Farm Bank given its lack of retail banking locations ¹ Money Center banks include Chase, Bank of America, Wells Fargo, and Citibank





... with growth opportunity in the Chicago MSA

Overview

- Entered market in 2011 with acquisition of Western Springs National Bank
- Chicago MSA is home to >9.5mm residents, with an annual GDP >\$675bn
- Second largest MSA in the country for middle market businesses¹
- In-market disruption from recent bank M&A in Chicago MSA has provided attractive source of local talent
- Scale and diversity of Chicago MSA provides continued growth opportunities, both in lending and deposits
- Match-funded loan growth as evidenced by 94% loan-to-deposit ratio within the Chicago MSA
- Loan growth in Chicago MSA spread across a variety of commercial asset classes, including multifamily, mixed use, industrial, retail, and office

Note: Financial data as of June 30, 2021 unless otherwise indicated.

Middle market firms are defined as businesses with revenues between \$10mm and \$1bn.



Chicago MSA comprises a major component of our business . . .



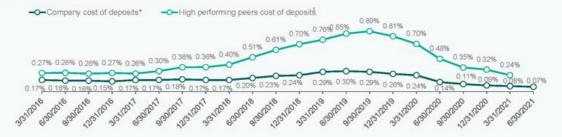
... and continues to grow

Loans within the Chicago MSA (\$mm)

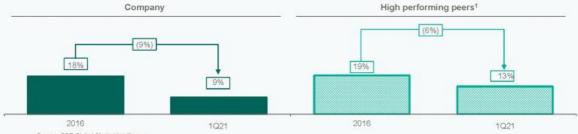


3 Stable, low-cost deposit base . . .

Cost of deposits remains considerably below peers



Historical time deposit composition (%)



Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence
Note: Financial data as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2021 unless otherwise indicated. Peer data as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2021 (as available as of July 15, 2021), I Represents median of 23 high performing major exchange-traded banks headquartered in the Midwest with \$2-10bn in assets and a 2020 core return on average assets above 1.0%;
* Annualized measure.



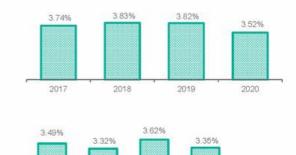
3 . . . has supported NIM trends

- The low interest rate environment has pressured the net interest margin
- 42% of the loan portfolio matures or reprices within the next 12 months
- Loan mix is 66% fixed rate and 34% variable rate; 70% of variable rate loans have floors and 86% of those loans have hit their floors
 Company
 High performing peers²



- GAAP NIM'
- Accretion of acquired loan discounts contribution to Company GAAP NIM





1Q21

2Q21

Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence; Note: Peer group NIMs shown on FTE basis when available; (data for peers as available as of July 15, 2021); † Tax-equivalent basis metric; for reconciliation with GAAP metric, see "Non-GAAP reconciliations"; † Represents median of 23 high performing major exchange-traded banks headquartered in the Midwest with \$2-10bn in assets and a 2020 core return on average assets above 1.0%; * Annualized measure.

2Q20

3Q20





Track record of successfully integrating acquisitions



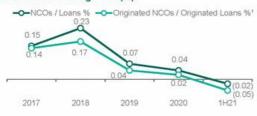
1 Although the Lincoln Acquisition is identified as an acquisition in the above table, the transaction was accounted for as a change of reporting entity due to its common control with Company



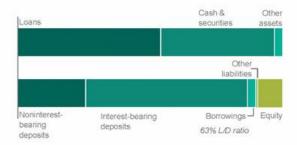
Framework and key policies

- Risk management culture instilled by management
- Well-diversified loan portfolio across commercial, regulatory CRE, and residential
- Primarily originated across in-footprint borrowers with 96% of portfolio originated by HBT team (vs. acquired)
- Centralized credit underwriting group that evaluates all exposures over \$500,000 to ensure uniform application of policies and procedures
- Conservative credit culture, strong underwriting criteria, and regular loan portfolio monitoring

Historical net charge-offs (%)



Balance sheet composition as of June 30, 2021



Originated and acquired loans1 (\$mm)



Originated loans represent loans initially originated by the Company and acquired loans that were refinanced using the Company's underwriting criteria; Acquired loans represent loans originated under the underwriting criteria used by a bank that was acquired by the Company; originated loan CAGR excludes PPP loans



Appendix



Non-GAAP reconciliations

Adjusted net income and adjusted ROAA

(\$000)	2018	2019	2020	2021	1H21
Net income	\$63,799	\$66,865	\$36,845	\$13,717	\$28,962
C-Corp equivalent adjustment ²	(15,502)	(13,493)			
C-Corp equivalent net income ²	\$48,297	\$53,372	\$36,845	\$13,717	\$28,962
Adjustments:					
Acquisition expenses			**	(157)	(157)
Branch closure expenses	**			(104)	(104)
Net earnings (losses) from closed or sold operations, including gains on sale 1	(822)	524	177		
Charges related to termination of certain employee benefit plans		(3,796)	(1,457)	-	65
Realized gain (loss) on sales of securities	(2,541)		-		-
Mortgage servicing rights fair value adjustment	629	(2,400)	(2,584)	(310)	1,385
Total adjustments	(2,734)	(5,672)	(4,041)	(571)	1,124
Tax effect of adjustments	779	1,617	1,152	120	(363
Less adjustments after tax effect	(1,955)	(4,055)	(2,889)	(451)	761
Adjusted net income	\$50,252	\$57,427	\$39,734	\$14,168	\$28,201
Average assets	\$3,247,598	\$3,233,386	\$3,447,500	\$3,923,839	\$3,842,967
Return on average assets	1.96%	2.07%	1.07%	1.40%*	1.52%
C Corp equivalent return on average assets	1,49%	1.65%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Adjusted return on average assets	1.55%	1.78%	1.15%	1.45%*	1.48%

^{*} Annualized measure; ¹ Closed or sold operations include HB Credit Company, HBT Insurance, and First Community Title Services, Inc.; ² Reflects adjustment to our historical net income for each period to give effect to the C Corp equivalent provision for income tax for such year. No such adjustment is necessary for periods subsequent to 2019.



Average tangible common equity and adjusted ROATCE

(\$000)	2018	2019	2020	2Q21	1H21
Total stockholders' equity	\$330,214	\$341,544	\$350,703	\$365,190	\$364,378
Less goodwill	(23,620)	(23,620)	(23,620)	(23,620)	(23,620)
Less: core deposit intangible assets	(6,256)	(4,748)	(3,436)	(2,410)	(2,547)
Average tangible common equity	\$300,338	\$313,176	\$323,647	\$339,160	\$338,211
Net income	\$63,799	\$66,865	\$36,845	\$13,717	\$28,962
C Corp equivalent net income 1	48,297	53,372	N/A	N/A	N/A
Adjusted net income	50,252	57,427	39,734	14,168	28,201
Return on average stockholders' equity	19.32%	19.58%	10.51%	15.07%*	16.03%*
Return on average tangible common equity	21.24%	21.35%	11.38%	16.22%*	17.27%*
C Corp equivalent return on average stockholders' equity 1	14.63%	15.63%	N/A	N/A	N/A
C Corp equivalent return on average tangible common equity ¹	16.08%	17.04%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Adjusted return on average stockholders' equity	15.22%	16.81%	11.33%	15.56%*	15.61%*
Adjusted return on average tangible common equity	16.73%	18.34%	12.28%	16.76%*	16.81%*

^{*} Annualized measure: Reflects adjustment to our historical net income for each period to give effect to the C Corp equivalent provision for income tax for such year. No such adjustment is necessary for periods subsequent to 2019.



Net interest income (tax-equivalent basis)

(\$000)	2017	2018	2019	2020	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	1H21
Net interest income	\$120,998	\$129,442	\$133,800	\$117,605	\$30,662	\$28,908	\$28,871	\$29,164	\$29,129	\$29,700	\$58,829
Tax equivalent adjustment	5,527	2,661	2,309	1,943	463	483	495	502	503	503	1,006
Net interest income (tax-equivalent basis)	\$126,525	\$132,103	\$136,109	\$119,548	\$31,125	\$29,391	\$29,366	\$29,666	\$29,632	\$30,203	\$59,835
Average interest- earnings assets	\$3,157,195	\$3,109,289	\$3,105,863	\$3,318,764	\$3,063,086	\$3,315,561	\$3,385,466	\$3,508,128	\$3,637,449	\$3,796,219	\$3,717,273

Net interest margin (tax-equivalent basis)

(%)	2017	2018	2019	2020	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	1H21
Net interest margin	3.83%	4.16%	4.31%	3.54%	4.03%*	3.51%*	3.39%*	3.31%*	3.25%*	3.14%*	3.19%*
Tax equivalent adjustment	0.18%	0.09%	0.07%	0.06%	0.06%*	0.06%*	0.06%*	0.05%*	0.05%*	0.05%*	0.06%*
Net interest margin (tax- equivalent basis)	4.01%	4.25%	4.38%	3.60%	4.09%*	3.57%*	3.45%*	3.36%*	3.30%*	3.19%*	3.25%*

* Annualized measure.



Efficiency ratio (tax-equivalent basis) 2018 2019 2020 2Q21 1H21 (\$000) \$91,026 \$91,956 Total noninterest expense \$90,317 \$22,154 \$44.698 Less: amortization of intangible assets \$88,758 \$89,603 \$90,724 \$21,896 \$44,151 Adjusted noninterest expense \$129,442 \$133,800 \$117,605 \$29,700 \$58,829 Net interest income 8,774 32,751 32,751 34,456 166,551 152,061 2,309 1,943 Total noninterest income 31,240 78,411 Operating revenue 160,862 38,474 503 Tax-equivalent adjustment 2,661 1,006 Operating revenue (tax-equivalent basis) \$163,343 \$168,860 \$154,004 \$38,977 \$79,417 55.24% 53.80% 59.66% 56.91% 56.31% Efficiency ratio Efficiency ratio (tax-equivalent basis) 54.34% 53.06% 58.91% 56.18%



Originated and acquired NCOs / loans

(\$000)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2Q21	1H21
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	\$3,082	\$4,953	\$1,614	\$993	\$90	\$(236)
Net charge-offs (recoveries) - (originated) 1	2,500	3,137	732	345	(214)	(534)
Net charge-offs (recoveries) - (acquired) 1	582	1,816	882	648	304	298
Average loans, before allowance for loan losses	\$2,091,863	\$2,131,512	\$2,178,897	\$2,245,093	\$2,234,388	\$2,259,136
Average loans, before allowance for loan losses (originated) 1	1,748,418	1,873,623	1,981,658	2,102,904	2,127,221	2,146,796
Average loans, before allowance for loan losses (acquired) 1	343,445	257,889	197,239	142,189	107,167	112,340
Net charge-offs (recoveries) percentage	0.15%	0.23%	0.07%	0.04%	0.02%*	(0.02)%*
Net charge-offs (recoveries) percentage (originated) 1	0.14%	0.17%	0.04%	0.02%	(0.04)%*	(0.05)%*
Net charge-offs (recoveries) percentage (acquired) 1	0.17%	0.70%	0.45%	0.46%	1.14%*	0.53%*

^{*} Annualized measure; ¹ Originated loans represent loans initially originated by the Company and acquired loans that were refinanced using the Company's underwriting criteria. Acquired loans represent loans originated under the underwriting criteria used by a bank that was acquired by the Company.



Credit quality ratios					
(\$000)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Non-performing loans ²	\$22,102	\$15,913	\$19,049	\$9,960	\$7,406
Foreclosed assets	16,545	9,559	5,099	4,168	7,757
Non-performing assets ²	\$38,647	\$25,472	\$24,148	\$14,128	\$15,163
Loans, before allowance for loan losses	\$2,115,946	\$2,144,257	\$2,163,826	\$2,247,006	\$2,152,119
Nonperforming loans to loans, before allowance for loan losses	1.04%	0.74%	0.88%	0.44%	0.34%
Nonperforming assets to loans, before allowance for loan losses and foreclosed assets	1.81%	1.18%	1.11%	0.63%	0.70%
Credit quality ratios (originated) 1					
(\$000)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Non-performing loans	\$15,533	\$10,366	\$10,841	\$2,929	\$4,902
Foreclosed assets	5,950	1,395	1,022	674	856
Non-performing assets	\$21,483	\$11,761	\$11,863	\$3,603	\$5,758
Loans, before allowance for loan losses	\$1,825,129	\$1,923,859	\$1,998,496	\$2,126,323	\$2,054,291
Nonperforming loans to loans, before allowance for loan losses	0.85%	0.54%	0.54%	0.14%	0.24%
Nonperforming assets to loans, before allowance for loan losses and foreclosed assets	1.17%	0.61%	0.59%	0.17%	0.28%
Credit quality ratios (acquired) 1					
(\$000)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Non-performing loans ²	\$6,569	\$5,547	\$8,208	\$7,031	\$2,504
Foreclosed assets	10,595	8,164	4,077	3,494	6,901
Non-performing assets ²	\$17,164	\$13,711	\$12,285	\$10,525	\$9,405
Loans, before allowance for loan losses	\$290,817	\$220,398	\$165,330	\$120,683	\$97,828
Nonperforming loans to loans, before allowance for loan losses	2.26%	2.52%	4.96%	5.83%	2.56%
Nonperforming assets to loans, before allowance for loan losses and foreclosed assets	5.69%	6.00%	7.25%	8.48%	8.98%

Originated loans represent loans initially originated by the Company and acquired loans that were refinance using the Company's underwriting criteria. Acquired loans represent loans originated under the underwriting criteria used by a bank that was acquired by the Company; ² Excludes loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality that are past due 90 or more days, still accruing totaling \$0.3 million as of December 31, 2017, \$2.7 million as of December 31, 2018, \$0.1 million as of December 31, 2019, \$0.6 million as of December 31, 2020, and \$27 thousand as of June 30, 2021



(Smm)	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	3Q19
Tangible book value per share													
Total equity	\$109	\$120	\$130	\$143	\$197	\$262	\$257	\$287	\$311	\$326	\$324	\$340	\$349
Less goodwill	(23)	(23)	(23)	(23)	(23)	(23)	(12)	(12)	(24)	(24)	(24)	(24)	(24)
Less core deposit intangible	(9)	(9)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(15)	(11)	(9)	(11)	(9)	(7)	(5)	(4)
Tangible common equity	\$77	\$88	\$99	\$113	\$167	\$224	\$233	\$265	\$276	\$294	\$293	\$311	\$321
Shares outstanding (mm)	16.47	16.28	16.30	16.33	16.45	17.84	18.03	18.03	18.02	18.07	18.07	18.03	18.03
Book value per share	\$6.65	\$7.36	\$7.95	\$8.73	\$12.00	\$14.68	\$14.23	\$15.92	\$17.26	\$18.05	\$17.92	\$18.88	\$19.36
Tangible book value per share	\$4.69	\$5.38	\$6.10	\$6.91	\$10.15	\$12.56	\$12.93	\$14.72	\$15.33	\$16.25	\$16.23	\$17.27	\$17.80
TBVPS CAGR (%)													12.0%
Cumulative effect of dividends per s	hare												
Cumulative regular dividends	S	\$3	\$7	\$10	\$13	\$17	\$22	\$26	\$33	\$38	\$46	\$54	\$62
Cumulative special dividends	-					10	10	10	10	20	45	52	79
Cumulative effect of dividends	\$	\$3	\$7	\$10	\$13	\$27	\$32	\$36	\$43	\$58	\$91	\$106	\$141
Shares outstanding (mm)	16.47	16.28	16.30	16.33	16.45	17.84	18.03	18.03	18.02	18.07	18.07	18.03	18.03
Cumulative effect of dividends per share	\$-	\$0.20	\$0.40	\$0.60	\$0.79	\$1.53	\$1.77	\$2.02	\$2.36	\$3.21	\$5.01	\$5.88	\$7.83



IPO adjusted tangible book value per share				
(\$000)				3Q19
Tangible common equity				
Total equity			S	348,936
Less goodwill				(23,620)
Less core deposit intangible			-	(4,366)
Tangible common equity				320,950
Net proceeds from initial public offering				138,493
Use of proceeds from initial public offering (special dividend)			(*	169,999)
IPO adjusted tangible common equity			_ \$	289,444
Shares outstanding			18,	027,512
New shares issued during initial public offering			9	429,794
Shares outstanding, following the initial public offering			27	457,306
Tangible book value per share				\$17.80
Dilution per share attributable to new investors and special dividend payment				(7.26)
IPO adjusted tangible book value per share				\$10.54
Tangible book value per share (IPO adjusted 3Q19 to 1Q21)				
(\$mm)	IPO Adjusted 3Q19	2019	2020	2Q21
Tangible book value per share				
Total equity		\$333	\$364	\$373
Less goodwill		(24)	(24)	(24)
Less core deposit intangible	_	(4)	(3)	(2)
Tangible common equity	_	\$305	\$338	\$347
Shares outstanding (mm)		27.46	27.46	27.36
Book value per share		\$12.12	\$13.25	\$13.64
Tangible book value per share	\$10.54	\$11.12	\$12.29	\$12.70
TBVPS CAGR (%)				11.2%



Tangible common equity to tangible assets 2Q21 (\$000) 2018 2017 2019 2020 Tangible common equity Total equity \$323,916 \$340,396 \$332,918 \$363,917 \$373,194 Less goodwill (23,620) (23,620) (23,620) (23,620) (23,620)(2,251) Less core deposit intangible (5,453) (4,030) (2,798)(7,012)Tangible common equity \$293,284 \$311,323 \$305,268 \$337,499 \$347,323 Tangible assets Total assets \$3,312,875 \$3,249,569 \$3,245,103 \$3,666,567 \$3,953,677 (23,620) (23,620) (23,620) (23,620) Less goodwill (23,620)Less core deposit intangible (7,012) (5,453) (4,030) (2,798) (2,251) \$3,927,806 Tangible assets \$3,282,243 \$3,220,496 \$3,217,453 \$3,640,149 Total stockholders' equity to total assets 9.78% 10.48% 10.26% Tangible common equity to tangible assets 8.94% 9.67% 9.49% 8.84%



Core deposits (\$000) 2019 2020 2018 2Q21 Total deposits \$2,795,970 \$2,776,855 \$3,130,534 \$3,424,634 Less time deposits of \$250,000 or more (44,754) (26,687) (36,875) Less brokered deposits Core deposits \$2,759,095 \$2,732,101 \$3,103,847 \$3,401,813 Core deposits to total deposits 98.68% 98.39% 99.15% 99.33%



