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

OAK RIDGE, N.C., October 31, 2022 (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 the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022.

Highlights as of and for the Three Months ended September 30, 2022

- Basic and diluted earnings per share of \$0.59 for the three months ended September 30, 2022, down 16 cents, or 21.3%, from the comparable 2021 period.
- Annualized return on average common stockholders' equity of 12.35% for the three months ended September 30, 2022, compared to 16.40% for the same period in 2021.
- Tangible book value per common share of \$18.67 as of September 30, 2022, down 0.3%, or \$0.05, from \$18.72 as of September 30, 2021.
- Through September 30, 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 excluding PPP loans of \$436.0 million, up 6.19% (8.27% annualized), or \$26.3 million, from \$410.6 million as of December 31, 2021.
- Period end total loans of \$436.3 million, up 1.55% (2.07% annualized), or \$26.3 million, from \$429.7 million as of December 31, 2021.
- Period end allowance for loan losses of \$4.9 million, up 31.6%, from \$3.8 million on December 31, 2021.
- Nonperforming assets of \$871,000, down 70.8% from \$2.9 million on December 31, 2021.
- Period end deposits of \$482.3 million, down 5.3%, or \$26.2 million from \$509.3 million as of December 31, 2021.
- Named to American Banker magazine's Top 200 Publicly Traded Community Banks and Thrifts. The ranking is based on a company's three-year average return on average equity (ROAE) through December 31, 2021. This is the sixth consecutive year the Company has been part of this prestigious list.
- Ranked #10 among all banks and #5 among North Carolina banks in SBA 7(a) loans approved by the SBA for the nine months ended September 30, 2022.

Tom Wayne, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, reported, "I am extremely pleased with our continued strong financial performance in the third quarter of 2022 despite the reduction in the bank's PPP income in 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 six consecutive quarters.

Additionally, our ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets declined from 0.51% on December 31, 2021, to 0.15% on September 30, 2022."

A quarterly cash dividend of \$0.08 per share of common stock is payable on December 5, 2022, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on November 18, 2022. "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 September 30, 2022, the Bank's Community Bank Leverage Ratio was 10.8%, up from 10.2% as of December 31, 2021. Stockholders' equity on September 30, 2022, was \$50.5 million, down 1.6% from \$51.3 million on December 31, 2021, due to an increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss in 2022.

For the three months ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, net interest income was \$5.4 million and \$5.3 million, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2022, the annualized net interest margin was 4.10% compared to 3.94% for the same period in 2021, an increase of 16 basis points. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, net interest income was \$16.2 million, compared to \$16.0 million during the same period in 2021. The annualized net interest margin was 3.94% for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, compared to 4.00% for the same period in 2021, a decrease of six basis points.

The Company recorded a provision for loan losses of \$160,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2022, with a recovery of provision for loan losses of \$135,000 for the same period in 2021. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, the Company recorded a provision for loan losses of \$141,000, with a recovery of provision for loan losses of \$247,000 for the same period in 2021. The allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans was 1.11% on September 30, 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 the declining overall economic outlook. Nonperforming assets represented 0.15% of total assets on September 30, 2022, compared to 0.51% on December 31, 2021.

Noninterest income totaled \$987,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2022, compared with \$919,000 for the same period in 2021, an increase of \$68,000 or 7.4%. The biggest contributors to the increase were gains on sales of SBA loans (not PPP loans) of \$203,000 in the third quarter of 2022, compared to \$56,000 for the same period in 2021; and other service charges, fees, and income of \$134,000 in the third quarter of 2022, compared to \$63,000 for the same period in 2021. Partially offsetting these increases was a \$182,000 gain on sale of investment securities for the three months ended September 30, 2021, with no gain on sale of investment securities in the comparable period in 2022. Noninterest income totaled \$3.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, compared with \$2.2 million for the same period in 2021, an increase of \$900,000 or 40.9%. The biggest contributor to the increase was gains on sales of SBA loans (not PPP loans) of \$718,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, with gains of \$56,000 in the comparable period in 2021. Additionally, Income from Small Business Investment Company totaled \$170,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, with no such income in the comparable period in 2021.

Noninterest expense totaled \$4.4 million in the three months ended September 30, 2022, an increase of \$500,000, or 13.1%, from the same period in 2021. The increase was partly due to higher employee salaries which increased by \$511,000 compared to the prior year period, partly due to annual merit increases effective November 1, 2021, higher 2022 commissions, and the absence of the Cares Act Employer Retention Credit in 2022. Additionally, other expenses increased \$154,000 compared to the prior year period partly due to increased expenses related to SBA lending, insurance expenses, annual license fees, and appraisal fees. Noninterest expense totaled \$12.9 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2022, an increase of \$1.7 million, or 15.1%, from 2021. The increase was partly due to higher employee salaries which increased by \$1.4 million compared to the prior year period, partly due to annual merit increases effective November 1, 2021, higher 2022 commissions, and the absence of the Cares Act Employer Retention Credit in 2022. Additionally, other expenses increased \$154,000 compared to the prior year period partly due to increased annual license fees and director fees.

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Oak Ridge Financial Services, Inc.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

As of September 30, 2022 (Unaudited) and December 31, 2021 (Audited)

(Dollars in thousands)			
	 2022		2021
Assets			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 12,137	\$	8,998
Interest-bearing deposits with banks	11,945	-	79,086
Total cash and cash equivalents	 24,082		88,084
Securities available-for-sale	86,324		46,948
Securities held-to-maturity	325		387
Restricted stock, at cost	1,726		1,324
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$4,944 and			
\$3,756 at September 30, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively	431,351		425,900
Property and equipment, net	9,372		9,907
Accrued interest receivable	2,124		1,842
Bank owned life insurance	6,075		6,014
Right-of-use assets – operating leases	1,287		1,594
Other assets	 6,288		4,921
Total assets	\$ 568,954	\$	586,921
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity			
Liabilities			
Deposits			
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 123,362	\$	116,525
Interest-bearing	 358,921		392,754
Total deposits	482,283		509,279
Short-term borrowings	10,000		-
Long-term borrowings	485		683
Junior subordinated notes – trust preferred securities	8,248		8,248
Subordinated debentures	9,893		9,863
Lease liabilities – operating leases	1,287		1,594
Accrued interest payable	294		110
Other liabilities	 5,999		<u>5,816</u>
Total liabilities	 518,489		535,593
Stockholders' equity			
Common stock, no par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized;			
2,702,370 and 2,672,620 issued and outstanding			
at September 30, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively	26,077		25,532
Retained earnings	27,166		22,815
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(2,778)		2,98 <u>1</u>
Total stockholders' equity	 50,465		51,328
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 568,954	\$	586,921

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Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2021

(Dollars in thousands)

(Donars in thousands)	Thr	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,					
		2022 2021		2022		2021				
Interest and dividend income										
Loans and fees on loans	\$	5,197 \$	5,471	\$	15,735	\$	16,787			
Interest on deposits in banks		172	11		370		21			
Restricted stock dividends		21	19		57		59			
Interest on investment securities	_	689	330		1,454		1,014			
Total interest and dividend income	•	6,079	5,831		17,616		17,881			
Interest expense	•									
Deposits		222	304		715		1,027			
Short-term and long-term debt	_	268	209		696		855			
Total interest expense	•	490	513		1,411		1,882			
Net interest income	•	5,589	5,318	_	16,205		15,999			
Provision for (recovery of) loan losses		160	(135)		141		(247)			
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	•	5,429	5,453	_	16,064		16,246			
Noninterest income										
Service charges on deposit accounts		151	135		437		390			
Brokerage commissions on mortgage loans		48	67		181		199			
Insurance commissions		124	112		350		321			
Gain on sale of Small Business Administration loans		203	56		718		56			
Debit and credit card interchange income		306	283		891		829			
Income from Small Business Investment Company		-	-		170		-			
Gain on sale of investment securities		-	182		-		182			
Income earned on bank owned life insurance		21	21		60		63			
Other service charges, fees, and income		134	63	_	259		208			
Total noninterest income		987	919	_	3,066		2,248			
Noninterest expense										
Salaries		2,219	1,708		6,575		5,198			
Employee benefits		267	265		817		830			
Occupancy		281	271		828		800			
Equipment		237	284		732		829			
Data and item processing		411	500		1,265		1,375			
Professional and advertising		252	296		837		724			
Stationery and supplies		19	42		80		139			
Impairment loss on securities		13	-		13		28			
Telecommunications		112	91		323		281			
FDIC assessment		110	48		217		141			
Other expense		469	315	_	1,216	_	865			
Total noninterest expense	-	4,390	3,820	_	12,903		11,210			
Income before income taxes		2,026	2,552		6,227		7,284			
Income tax expense		421	539	_	1,257	_	1,495			
Net income and income available to common stockholders	\$	1,605 \$		\$ _	4,970	\$ <u></u>	5,789			
Basic and diluted income per common share	\$	0.59 \$		\$ <u></u>	1.84	\$ <u></u>	2.17			
Basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding	:	2,702,370	2,672,620	_	2,696,026	_	2,667,405			

Selected Financial Data	September 30, 2022	June 30, 2022	March 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	September 30, 2021	June 30, 2021
Return on average common stockholders' equity ¹	12.35 %	13.52 %	6 13.07 %	15.70 %	16.40 %	14.71 %
Tangible book value per share	\$ 18.67	\$ 18.77	\$ 18.63	\$ 19.20	\$ 18.72	\$ 17.93
Return on average assets ¹	1.08 %	1.11 %	6 1.14 %	1.36 %	1.41 %	1.20 %
Net interest margin ¹	4.10 %	3.66 %	4.07 %	3.65 %	3.94 %	3.79 %
Efficiency ratio	66.76 %	68.93 %	65.10 %	69.73 %	63.08 %	62.80 %
Nonperforming assets to total assets	0.15 %	0.14 %	6 0.16 %	0.51 %	0.50 %	0.55 %

¹Annualized