Oconee Financial Corporation Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2021 Results

WATKINSVILLE, Ga., February 01, 2022/PRNewswire/ -- Oconee Financial Corporation ("Oconee") (OTCQX: OSBK) is pleased to report results for the fourth quarter of 2021 and for the year ending December 31, 2021. Unaudited net income for the three months ending December 31, 2021, was \$708,199 or \$0.79 per common share. This compares to \$333,597 or \$0.37 per common share for the fourth quarter of the prior year, an increase of 112.3%. The increase in net earnings for the fourth quarter was mainly attributable to an increase in net interest income of \$520,000. Interest income on loans increased \$220,000 primarily due to recognition of loan fees from the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). Interest income on investments increased \$193,000 due to the investment of excess funds into available-forsale investment securities. In addition, interest expense on deposits and borrowings decreased \$94,000, primarily due to lower interest rates on deposits.

Unaudited net income YTD as of December 31, 2021 was \$2,999,529 or \$3.35 per common share. This compares to \$1,888,792 or \$2.11 per common share for YTD as of December 31st of the prior year. This represents an increase of 58.8% in net earnings YTD December 31, 2021, as compared to the same period in 2020. The increase in earnings over the previous year was primarily attributable to increases in net interest income from PPP fees recognized of \$1,227,000.

Total assets as of December 31, 2021, were \$571.1 million, compared to total assets of \$494.5 million as of December 31, 2020, an increase of 15.5%. Total loans were \$298.0 million and deposits were \$519.7 million as of December 31, 2021. This compared to total loans of \$319.6 million and deposits of \$444.7 million at December 31, 2020. As of December 31, 2021, total loans decreased 6.8% and total deposits increased 16.9% versus December 31, 2020. Excluding the effect of pay downs on PPP loans during 2021, loans increased \$29.9 million, or 9.4%. Book value per share at December 31, 2021 was \$43.88 versus \$42.56 at December 31, 2020.

Neil Stevens, President and Chief Executive Officer of Oconee, commenting on the fourth quarter's results noted, "We are very pleased with our fourth quarter and full year results. Both measures reflect a significant improvement over the same period a year ago and reflect the dedication and quality work of our team.

2022 will be a transitional year for the Bank, as we work to continue improving results, while at the same time, working to replace over \$2 million of non-recurring PPP fees we saw in 2021. We are confident that our talented team of bankers will meet this challenge, but improving on our 2021 results will be no small task."

Oconee Financial Corporation is headquartered in Watkinsville, Georgia and operates four full-service branches and one limited-service branch. In February 2022, Oconee State bank will celebrate 62 years of service and continues to be the only locally owned and operated community bank headquartered in Oconee County. Oconee State Bank has proudly served the local community, providing an unparalleled commitment to personalized service, innovative products and solutions, and strives to bring exceptional value to our customers through local ownership, involvement, and decision-making. We continuously strive to create remarkable experiences that significantly mark the lives of others.

OCONEE FINANCIAL CORPORATION BALANCE SHEET

	12/31/2021		12/31/2020	
		(Unaudited)		
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and due from banks	\$	85,774,514	\$	76,418,430
Securities available for sale (at fair value)		162,165,152		75,548,813
Other investment		247,400		359,700
Mortgage loans held for sale		1,212,617		6,408,720
Loans, net of unearned income		302,523,687		323,624,861
Allowance for loan loss		(4,542,292)		(4,057,091)
Loans, net		297,981,395		319,567,770
Premises and equipment		8,602,518		5,103,036
Other real estate owned				
Other assets		15,158,403		11,129,233
Total Assets	\$	571,141,998	\$	494,535,702
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Liabilities:				
Deposits	\$	519,693,969	\$	444,701,932
Subordinated debenture, net of capitalized expenses		9,794,445		9,770,497
Dividends payable				
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		2,320,963		1,928,168
Total Liabilities		531,809,377		456,400,597
Stockholder's Equity:				
Common Stock		1,795,076		1,794,250
Restricted Stock		(38,311)		(37,976)
Additional Paid in Capital		4,159,822		4,147,114
Retained earnings		33,268,328		30,850,978
Unrealized gain/loss on securities		147,706		1,380,739
Total Stockholder's Equity		39,332,621	-	38,135,105
		27,232,321		23,122,133
Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity	\$	571,141,998	\$	494,535,702
Book Value Per Share	\$	43.88	\$	42.56

OCONEE FINANCIAL CORPORATION STATEMENT OF INCOME-QTD

	12/31/2021	12/31/2020	
	(Unaudited)		
Interest Income:			
Loans	\$ 3,923,036	\$ 3,702,713	
Securities available for sale			
State, County & Municipal	168,142	150,758	
Treasuries & Agencies	264,838	139,227	
Corporate	94,766	45,187	
Federal funds sold & other	36,578	23,305	
	4,487,360	4,061,190	
Interest Expense:			
Deposits	218,171	287,415	
Other	155,987	180,617	
Total Interest Expense	374,158	468,032	
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Net interest income	4,113,203	3,593,158	
Provision for loan losses	220,500	387,500	
Net income after provision for loan losses	3,892,703	3,205,658	
Noninterest income			
Service charges on deposit accounts	126,728	114,185	
Loss on Sale of Assets	(203,971)	500	
Securities gains (losses), net			
Mortgage banking income	405,419	668,645	
SBA loan related income	183,938	26,539	
Commissions on investment sales	24,249	106,387	
Other	378,718	337,942	
Total noninterest income	915,081	1,254,199	
Noninterest expense			
Salaries and employee benefits	2,433,066	2,593,870	
Occupancy	375,854	304,015	
Other operating	1,144,600	1,203,959	
Total noninterest expense	3,953,519	4,101,844	
Income before provision for income taxes	854,265	358,012	
Provision for income taxes	146,066	24,415	
Net Income	\$ 708,199	\$ 333,597	
Period-Ending Outstanding Shares	896,412	897,125	
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	896,412	896,163	
QTD Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.37	

OCONEE FINANCIAL CORPORATION STATEMENT OF INCOME-YTD

	12/31/2021		12/31/2020	
	(Unaudited)		
Interest Income:				
Loans	\$	15,281,802	\$	14,587,768
Securities available for sale				
State, County & Municipal		685,752		407,768
Treasuries & Agencies		875,535		804,391
Corporate		346,038		58,594
Federal funds sold & other		102,278		203,373
		17,291,405		16,061,894
Interest Expense:				
Deposits Deposits		1,001,740		1,597,785
Other		623,949		316,410
Total Interest Expense	-	1,625,689		1,914,195
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Net interest income		15,665,716		14,147,699
Provision for loan losses		456,000		1,250,000
Net income after provision for loan losses		15,209,716		12,897,699
Noninterest income				
Service charges on deposit accounts		458,943		453,798
Loss on Sale of Assets		(268,123)		(17,655)
Securities gains (losses), net		172,312		182,860
Mortgage banking income		2,067,991		1,919,163
SBA loan related income		339,651		615,891
Commissions on investment sales		187,329		536,908
Other		1,434,421		1,258,024
Total noninterest income		4,392,523		4,948,990
Noninterest expense				
Salaries and employee benefits		9,300,150		10,085,635
Occupancy		1,425,137		1,204,014
Other operating		5,145,490		4,301,175
Total noninterest expense		15,870,776		15,590,824
Income before provision for income taxes		3,731,463		2,255,864
Provision for income taxes		731,934		367,072
Net Income	\$	2,999,529	\$	1,888,792
Period-Ending Outstanding Shares		896,412		895,237
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding		896,412		895,401
YTD Earnings Per Common Share	\$	3.35	\$	2.11
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