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FIRST RESOURCE BANK ANNOUNCES RECORD ANNUAL RESULTS; 12% LOAN GROWTH IN 2015

EXTON, PA – First Resource Bank (OTCQX: FRSB) announced fourth quarter and full year financial results through December 31, 2015. Net income for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$1,185,769, as compared to \$1,105,693 for the prior year.

Significant accomplishments for the year ended December 31, 2015 included:

- Completed a \$2.3 million common equity raise and the issuance of \$4 million in subordinated debt
- Redeemed \$3.8 million, or 75%, of the Bank's Small Business Lending Fund preferred stock
- Opened our second branch location in the largest deposit market in Chester County
- Achieved record net income, 7% higher than the prior year
- Paid the Bank's second cash dividend to date
- Total interest income grew 10% over the prior year
- Total assets grew 15% to end the year at \$208.1 million
- Total loans grew 12% to a record high of \$176.1 million

Net income for the three months ended December 31, 2015 of \$252,344 compares to net income of \$303,089 for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and \$256,007 for the three months ended December 31, 2014. After accounting for preferred stock dividends, net income available to common shareholders for the three months ended December 31, 2015 was \$244,297. This compares to net income available to common shareholders of \$290,381 for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and \$243,299 for the quarter ended December 31, 2014.

Glenn B. Marshall, President & CEO, stated, "2015 was a year of growth in the balance sheet, physical locations and employee team, while also achieving the sixth

consecutive year of record net income. The growth in fee income on the sale of SBA guaranteed loans was a significant contributing factor to the bottom line this year. We are thrilled with the successful completion of our internal capital plan in 2015 and resulting reduction in preferred stock outstanding. The significant balance sheet growth experienced over the past year has established a solid foundation for 2016."

Net interest income was \$1,753,210 for the quarter ended December 31, 2015 as compared to \$1,679,581 for the previous quarter, an improvement of 4%. The net interest margin increased 2 basis points from 3.66% for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 to 3.68% for the quarter ended December 31, 2015. The overall yield on interest earning assets increased 9 basis points during the fourth quarter, to 4.65%, mainly due to a lower level of low yielding cash and a higher level of loans. The total cost of interest bearing liabilities increased 7 basis points during the fourth quarter, led by an 85 basis point increase in the cost of borrowings, as a result of the issuance of \$2 million in subordinated debt on October 15. The deposit cost of funds decreased 1 basis point to 0.96%.

Net interest income for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$6,715,443, an improvement of \$561 thousand, or 9% over the prior year. The net interest margin for 2015 was 3.80%, which was 10 basis points lower than the prior year. This margin movement is mainly attributed to higher cash and short term investments as well as higher cost of borrowings as a result of the subordinated debt issuance in 2015.

During the year ended December 31, 2015, total deposits increased \$22.6 million, or 16%, with all deposit categories experiencing significant growth.. Deposits increased \$592 thousand, or 0.4%, from \$165.4 million at September 30, 2015 to \$166.0 million at December 31, 2015. During the fourth quarter, money market deposits increased \$2.2 million, or 4%, from \$58.3 million at September 30, 2015 to \$60.5 million at December 31, 2015. Interest-bearing checking balances increased \$2.1 million, or 47%, from \$4.3 million at September 30, 2015 to \$6.4 million at December 31, 2015. Non-interest bearing deposits decreased \$1.8 million, or 11%, from \$16.0 million at September 30, 2015 to \$14.2 million at December 31, 2015. Certificates of deposit decreased \$1.8 million, or 2%, from \$86.8 million at September 30, 2015 to \$84.9 million at December 31, 2015.

During the year ended December 31, 2015, the loan portfolio grew \$18.8 million, or 12%. Most of this growth was in the commercial real estate portfolio which grew \$13.6 million, or 13% in 2015. The loan portfolio increased \$8.9 million, or 5%, during the fourth quarter from \$167.2 million at September 30, 2015 to \$176.1 million at December 31, 2015. Strong growth in the commercial real estate and construction categories was partially offset by a decline in the commercial portfolio during the fourth quarter.

The following table illustrates the composition of the loan portfolio:

	Dec. 31, 2015	Dec. 31, 2014
Commercial real estate Commercial construction Commercial business Consumer	\$ 115,857,098 16,703,701 18,620,360 24,921,308	\$ 102,290,962 12,235,078 17,483,708 25,316,420
Total loans	<u>\$ 176,102,467</u>	<u>\$ 157,326,168</u>

The allowance for loan losses to total loans was 0.82% at December 31, 2015 as compared to 0.84% at December 31, 2014. Non-performing assets, which include non-performing loans of \$2.3 million and other real estate owned of \$117 thousand, totaled \$2.4 million at December 31, 2015, a 9% decline as compared to the prior quarter. Non-performing assets to total assets decreased from 1.34% at September 30, 2015 to 1.17% at December 31, 2015 due to a decline in non-performing loans and an increase in total assets.

Non-interest income for the quarter ended December 31, 2015 was \$75,825, as compared to \$86,925 for the previous quarter and \$218,705 for the fourth quarter of the prior year. Fourth quarter 2014 results include \$104 thousand in SBA loan sale income, of which there were none during the current quarter or in the prior quarter of this year.

Non-interest income for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$702,904 as compared to \$528,962 for the prior year. SBA loan sale income was \$285 thousand higher in 2015 than the prior year.

Non-interest expense increased \$95 thousand, or 8%, in the three months ended December 31, 2015 as compared to the prior quarter. All expense categories increased quarter over quarter, except for salaries and benefits.

Non-interest expense increased \$729 thousand, or 16%, in the year ended December 31, 2015 as compared to the prior year. All expense categories increased year over year, except for other real estate owned expense. Much of the increase is associated with the opening of the West Chester branch in April 2015.

Selected Financial Data:

Balance Sheets (unaudited)

balance Sneets (unaudited)	De	cember 31, 2015	December 2014	31,	
Cash and due from banks Investments Loans Allowance for loan losses Premises & equipment Other assets	1 17 (1,254,982 9,543,548 6,102,467 1,450,836) 6,223,326 6,378,550	\$ 817,0 11,711,6 157,326,1 (1,317,3 5,517,2 6,472,8	537 68 863) 252	
Total assets	<u>\$ 20</u>	8,052,037	\$ 180,527,5	<u> 539</u>	
Non-interest bearing deposits Interest-bearing checking Money market Time deposits Total deposits Short term borrowings Long term borrowings Subordinated debt Other liabilities	6 <u>8</u> 16	4,200,995 6,392,765 0,453,093 4,936,708 5,983,561 0,177,000 9,409,500 3,960,615 966,129	\$ 9,355,0 4,349,5 51,400,5 78,243,2 143,348,3 12,000,0 6,499,0	552 506 <u>892</u> 363 000	
Total liabilities	19	0,496,805	162,502,1	02	
Preferred stock Common stock Surplus Accumulated other comprehensive income		1,271,000 1,977,328 1,484,125 32,207	5,083,0 1,612,2 9,523,0 91,5	283 083	
Retained earnings Total stockholders' equity		2,790,572 7,555,232	1,715,4 18,025,4	<u>194</u>	
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	<u>\$ 20</u>	<u>8,052,037</u>	<u>\$ 180,527,5</u>	5 <u>39</u>	
Performance Statistics (unaudited)	Otr Ended Dec. 31, 2015	Otr Ended Sept. 30, 2015	Otr Ended June 30, 2015	Otr Ended Mar. 31, 2015	Otr Ended Dec. 31, 2014
Net interest margin Nonperforming loans/total loans Nonperforming assets/ Total assets	3.68% 1.31% 1.17%	3.66% 1.53% 1.34%	3.89% 1.66% 1.56%	4.01% 1.95% 1.86%	3.97% 1.64% 1.57%
Allowance for loan losses/ Total loans	0.82%	0.83%	0.83%	0.84%	0.84%
Average loans/Average assets Non-interest expenses*/	85.1% 2.69%	83.4% 2.57%	88.5% 3.07%	89.5% 2.89%	88.1% 2.71%
Average assets Earnings per share – basic and diluted	\$0.12	\$0.15	\$0.19	\$0.18	\$0.15
Book value per share Total shares outstanding	\$8.24 1,977,328	\$8.13 1,975,520	\$8.34 1,613,592	\$8.16 1,613,009	\$8.03 1,612,283

Income Statements (unaudited)

	Otr. Ended Dec. 31, 2015	Qtr. Ended Sept. 30, 2015	Qtr. Ended June 30, 2015	Qtr. Ended Mar. 31, 2015	Otr. Ended Dec. 31, 2014
INTEREST INCOME Loans, including fees Securities Other Total interest income	\$2,149,344 60,049 5,571 2,214,964	\$2,045,914 42,312 6,983 2,095,209	\$1,999,455 37,383 1,198 2,038,036	\$1,923,274 57,947 63 1,981,284	\$1,940,824 63,004 60 2,003,888
INTEREST EXPENSE Deposits Borrowings Subordinated debt Total interest expense	365,375 33,950 62,429 461,754	358,649 34,170 22,809 415,628	346,228 34,729 	332,872 22,839 	329,895 25,173
Net interest income	1,753,210	1,679,581	1,657,079	1,625,573	1,648,820
Provision for loan losses	110,446	62,090	92,217	17,622	296,205
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	1,642,764	1,617,491	1,564,862	1,607,951	1,352,615
NON-INTEREST INCOME BOLI income Gain on sale of SBA loans Gain on sale of securities Other Total non-interest income	29,890 - - - 45,935 75,825	30,000 - - - 56,925 86,925	30,098 389,160 - 44,606 463,864	30,072 - 15,641 <u>30,577</u> 76,290	30,740 103,661 50,286 <u>34,018</u> 218,705
NON-INTEREST EXPENSE Salaries & benefits Occupancy & equipment Professional fees Advertising Data processing Other real estate Other Total non-interest expense	704,372 186,665 83,234 39,203 83,772 9,960 249,741 1,356,947	704,651 179,855 64,368 31,117 78,694 (18,034) 220,843 1,261,494	688,885 190,100 89,414 63,304 82,476 44,113 237,545 1,395,837	673,716 151,801 82,427 23,176 74,957 25,361 217,013 1,248,451	565,894 196,056 60,069 29,792 76,368 42,789 222,717 1,193,685
Income before income tax expense	361,642	442,922	632,889	435,790	377,635
Federal Income Tax expense	109,298	139,833	303,589	<u>134,754</u>	121,628
Net income	\$ 252,344	\$ 303,089	<u>\$ 329,300</u>	<u>\$ 301,036</u>	<u>\$ 256,007</u>
Preferred stock dividends	(8,047)	(12,708)	(12,708)	(12,708)	(12,708)
Net income available to common shareholders	<u>\$ 244,297</u>	<u>\$ 290,381</u>	<u>\$ 316,592</u>	<u>\$ 288,328</u>	<u>\$ 243,299</u>

	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2015	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2014
INTEREST INCOME Loans Investments Other Total interest income	\$ 8,117,987 197,691 13,815 8,329,493	\$ 7,294,265 241,939 2,920 7,539,124
INTEREST EXPENSE Deposits Borrowings Subordinated debt Total interest expense	1,403,124 125,688 <u>85,238</u> 1,614,050	1,302,540 82,120
Net interest income	6,715,443	6,154,464
Provision for loan losses	282,375	536,901
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	6,433,068	5,617,563
NON-INTEREST INCOME BOLI income Gain on sale of SBA loans Gain on sale of securities Other Total non-interest income	120,060 389,160 15,641 178,043 702,904	123,999 103,661 50,286 <u>251,016</u> 528,962
NON-INTEREST EXPENSE Salaries & benefits Occupancy & equipment Professional fees Advertising Data processing Other real estate owned expenses Other non-interest expense Total non-interest expense	2,771,624 708,421 319,443 156,800 319,899 61,400 925,142 5,262,729	2,228,129 606,882 319,324 131,797 280,532 180,208 786,720 4,533,592
Pre-tax income	1,873,243	1,612,933
Tax expense	687,474	507,240
Net income	\$ 1,185,769	<u>\$ 1,105,693</u>
Preferred stock dividends	(46,171)	(50,830)
Net income available to common shareholders	<u>\$ 1,139,598</u>	\$ 1,054,863

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