Madison County Financial, Inc.

Reports 2017 and 2016 Financial Results

MADISON, Nebraska, February 22, 2018. Madison County Financial, Inc. (OTC Pink: MCBK) ("Company"), the parent holding company of Madison County Bank ("Bank"), today announced its results of operations for the three months and years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

The Company's net income for the three months ended December 31, 2017 was \$14,000 or \$0.01 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$1.2 million or \$0.44 per diluted share for the same period in 2016. The Company's net income for the year ended December 31, 2017 was \$3.5 million or \$1.27 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$4.6 million or \$1.68 per diluted share for the same period in 2016.

On December 22, 2017, the United States enacted tax reform legislation through the "Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Bill of 2017", which significantly changes the existing U.S. tax laws, including a reduction in the corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, as well as other changes. As a result of the enactment of the legislation, the Company incurred additional one-time income tax expense of \$1.3 million during the fourth quarter of 2017, primarily related to the remeasurement of certain deferred tax assets and liabilities.

Total assets increased \$26.3 million to \$389.3 million at December 31, 2017, compared to \$363.0 million at December 31, 2016, resulting from increases in investment securities classified as available for sale, Federal Home Loan Bank stock, Federal Reserve Bank stock, and net loans, offset in part by a decrease in other assets. Effective June 19, 2017, the Bank converted to a Nebraska state-chartered member bank from a federal savings bank. As a state-chartered member bank, the Bank is now regulated by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Federal Reserve Bank stock and Federal Home Loan Bank stock are required investments for institutions that are members of the Federal Reserve and Federal Home Loan Bank systems. The required investment in the common stock is based on a predetermined formula, carried at cost and evaluated for impairment.

As of December 31, 2017, there were 2,848,521 issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and at February 21, 2018, the number of issued and outstanding shares of common stock remained at 2,848,521. The Bank was considered well-capitalized under applicable federal regulatory capital guidelines at December 31, 2017.

This release may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. These statements are not historical facts; rather, they are statements based on the Company's current expectations regarding its business strategies and their intended results and its future performance. Forward-looking statements are preceded by terms such as "expects", "believes", "anticipates", "intends" and similar expressions.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Numerous risks and uncertainties could cause or contribute to the Company's actual results, performance and achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Factors that may cause or contribute to these differences include, without limitation,

general economic conditions, including changes in market interest rates and changes in monetary and fiscal policies of the federal government, legislative and regulatory changes.

Because of the risks and uncertainties inherent in forward-looking statements, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on them, whether included in this report or made elsewhere from time to time by the Company or on its behalf. Except as may be required by applicable law or regulation, the Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

MADISON COUNTY FINANCIAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

	T	hree Months	Ended	December 31, Years		Years Ended De	Ended December 31,	
	_	2017		2016		2017	2016	
	·			(Una	udite	d)		
Operating Data:								
Total interest income	\$	4,014	\$	3,675	\$	15,378 \$	14,777	
Total interest expense	_	762		527	_	2,632	2,090	
Net interest income		3,252		3,148		12,746	12,687	
Provision for loan losses				90		275	705	
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	_	3,252		3,058	_	12,471	11,982	
Total non-interest income		692		741		2,489	2,609	
Total non-interest expense	_	2,138		2,170		8,569	8,328	
Income before income taxes		1,806		1,629		6,391	6,263	
Income tax expense	_	1,792		430	_	2,923	1,628	
Net income	\$ <u></u>	14	\$	1,199	\$_	3,468 \$	4,635	
Per Share Information:								
Net income (loss) per share, basic	\$	0.01	\$	0.44	\$	1.30 \$	1.69	
Average common shares outstanding, basic		2,619,159		2,645,833		2,636,874	2,685,026	
Net income (loss) per share, diluted	\$	0.01	\$	0.44	\$	1.27 \$	1.68	
Average common shares outstanding, diluted		2,696,907		2,666,468		2,699,488	2,702,480	
Basic tangible book value per share	\$	23.64	\$	22.52	\$	23.64 \$	22.52	
Performance ratios (annualized for 3 month and 6 month periods):								
Return on average assets		0.01%		1.36%		0.94%	1.32%	
Return on average equity		0.08%		7.03%		4.99%	6.91%	
Efficiency ratio		54.21%		55.80%		56.25%	54.45%	
Interest rate spread		3.29%		3.56%		3.37%	3.60%	
Net interest margin		3.53%		3.75%		3.59%	3.78%	

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	Γ	December 31,		December 31,	
		2017		2016	
		(Unaudited)			
Financial Condition Data:					
Total assets	\$	389,321	\$	362,977	
Securities, including FHLB and FRB Stock		73,898		66,309	
Loans held for sale		295		-	
Loans receivable, net of allowance for losses of \$9,725					
and \$9,450, respectively		286,392		268,025	
Deposits		260,762		248,391	
Borrowings		54,600		42,400	
Total liabilities		319,591		294,988	
Stockholders' equity		69,730		67,989	
Balance Sheet Ratios:					
Securities, including FHLB Stock and FRB Stock, as a percent of total assets		18.98%		18.27%	
Tangible common equity as a percent of tangible assets		17.40%		18.14%	
Asset Quality Data:					
Nonaccrual loans	\$	127	\$	672	
Accruing loans past due 90 days or more		-		88	
Asset Quality Ratios:					
Nonperforming assets as a percent of total assets		0.03%		0.21%	
Nonperforming loans as a percent of total assets		0.03%		0.21%	
Nonperforming loans as a percent of total loans		0.04%		0.27%	
Net chargeoffs as a percent of average loans		0.00%		0.00%	
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total loans		3.28%		3.41%	
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of nonperforming loans		7657.48%		1243.42%	
Regulatory Capital ratios (Bank only):					
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets)		20.62%		20.77%	
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets)		19.35%		19.50%	
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)		17.12%		18.24%	
Common Equity Tier 1 capital		19.35%		19.50%	

SOURCE: Madison County Financial, Inc.