

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated Reports 2019 Third Quarter Earnings Of \$0.34 Per Common Share

Results Include 3% Year-Over-Year Increase in Earnings Per Common Share and 17% Year-Over-Year Increase in Tangible Book Value Per Common Share

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 24, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Huntington Bancshares Incorporated (Nasdaq: HBAN; www.huntington.com) reported net income for the 2019 third quarter of \$372 million, a decrease of 2% from the year-ago quarter. Earnings per common share (EPS) for the 2019 third quarter were \$0.34, up 3% from the year-ago quarter. Tangible book value per common share as of 2019 third quarter-end was \$8.25, a 17% year-over-year increase. Return on average assets was 1.37%, return on average common equity was 13.4%, and return on average tangible common equity was 17.3%.



"Our solid third quarter results reflect continued momentum across our businesses despite a challenging operating environment," said Steve Steinour, chairman, president, and CEO. "We are pleased with 4% revenue growth, especially the growth in noninterest income. With the prevailing outlook for additional interest rate cuts, we remain committed to disciplined expense management and have taken actions to reduce our expense growth. We remain on track to deliver full-year positive operating leverage in 2019, and we are currently projecting positive operating leverage again in 2020."

"Consumer confidence remains at a high level, and consumers continue to perform well. We experienced strong origination activity in our home lending and auto finance businesses, while maintaining our underwriting discipline. Consistent with recent economic data pointing toward slowing growth, compounded by uncertainty related to trade and tariffs, we have seen a shift in tone from some of our manufacturing customers, which has impacted certain of their investments and expansions. While our commercial loan pipeline remains consistent with a year ago, providing us near-term confidence, we have a more measured outlook for commercial loan growth over the medium term."

"As we have stated the past few quarters, we do not foresee a recession in the near term. Our core earnings power, strong capital, aggregate moderate-to-low risk appetite, and long-term strategic alignment position us to withstand economic headwinds should they emerge," Steinour said.

2019 Third Quarter Highlights compared with 2018 Third Quarter:

- Fully-taxable equivalent total revenue increased \$42 million, or 4%.
- Fully-taxable equivalent net interest income decreased \$5 million, or 1%.
- Net interest margin decreased 12 basis points to 3.20%.
- Noninterest income increased \$47 million, or 14%, driven by a \$23 million, or 74%, increase in mortgage banking income.
- Noninterest expense increased \$16 million, or 2%.
- Efficiency ratio of 54.7%, down from 55.3%.
- Average loans and leases increased \$2.3 billion, or 3%, year-over-year, including a \$1.5 billion, or 4%, increase in commercial loans and a \$0.8 billion, or 2%, increase in consumer loans.
- Average core deposits increased \$1.7 billion, or 2%, year-over-year.
- Net charge-offs equated to 0.39% of average loans and leases, up from 0.16%.
- Nonperforming asset ratio of 0.64%, up from 0.55%.
- Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) risk-based capital ratio of 10.02%, up from 9.89% and consistent with our 9% to 10% operating guideline.
- Tangible common equity (TCE) ratio of 8.00%, up from 7.25%.
- Tangible book value per common share increased \$1.19, or 17%, to \$8.25.
- Repurchased \$68 million of common stock (5.2 million shares at an average price of \$13.02 per share).

Table 1 – Earnings Performance Summary

	Third				Second			First		Fourth			
(in millions, except per share data)		Quarter			Quarter			Quarter			Quarter		
Net Income	\$	372		\$	364		\$	358		\$	334		
Diluted earnings per common share		0.34			0.33			0.32			0.29		
Return on average assets		1.37	%		1.36	%		1.35	%		1.25	1	
Return on average common equity		13.4			13.5			13.8			12.9		
Return on average tangible common equity		17.3			17.7			18.3			17.3		
Net interest margin		3.20			3.31			3.39			3.41		
Efficiency ratio		54.7			57.6			55.8			58.7		

Tangible book value per common share	\$ 8.25		\$ 7.97		\$ 7.67		\$ 7.34
Cash dividends declared per common share	0.15		0.14		0.14		0.14
Average diluted shares outstanding	1,051		1,060		1,066		1,073
Average earning assets	\$ 99,692		\$ 99,188		\$ 99,212		\$ 97,752
Average loans and leases	75,096		74,932		74,775		73,822
Average core deposits	79,335		78,723		79,033		79,078
Tangible common equity / tangible assets ratio	8.00	%	7.80	%	7.57	%	7.21
Common equity Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	10.02		9.88		9.84		9.65
NCOs as a % of average loans and leases	0.39	%	0.25	%	0.38	%	0.27
NAL ratio	0.58		0.57		0.56		0.45
ALLL as a % of total loans and leases	1.05		1.03		1.02		1.03

Net Interest Income, Net Interest Margin, and Average Balance Sheet

Table 2 – Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin Performance Summary – Year-over-Year Net Interest Margin Compression Outpaced Increase in Average Earning Assets

				2019	_	2	2018			
Third Second		Second		First		Fourth		Third		
(\$ in millions)		Quarter		Quarter	Quarter		Quarter		. <u> </u>	Quarter
Net interest income	\$	799	\$	812	\$	822	\$	833	\$	802
FTE adjustment		6		7		7		8		8
Net interest income - FTE		805		819		829		841		810
Noninterest income		389		374		319		329		342
Total revenue - FTE	\$	1,194	\$	1,193	\$	1,148	\$	1,170	\$	1,152

Yield / Cost					_
Total earning assets	4.21 %	4.35 %	4.40 %	4.32 %	4.16 %
Total loans and leases	4.67	4.80	4.85	4.76	4.60
Total securities	2.74	2.79	2.86	2.84	2.73
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1.36	1.39	1.35	1.23	1.13
Total interest-bearing deposits	0.98	0.97	0.94	0.84	0.73
Net interest rate spread	2.85	2.96	3.05	3.09	3.03
Impact of noninterest-bearing funds on margin	0.35	0.35	0.34	0.32	0.29
Net interest margin	3.20 %	3.31 %	3.39 %	3.41 %	3.32 %

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Fully-taxable equivalent (FTE) net interest income for the 2019 third quarter decreased \$5

million, or 1%, from the 2018 third quarter. This reflected a 12 basis point decrease in the FTE net interest margin (NIM) to 3.20%, partially offset by the benefit from a \$2.9 billion, or 3%, increase in average earning assets. The NIM compression reflected a 23 basis point increase in average interest-bearing liability costs, partially offset by a 5 basis point year-over-year increase in average earning asset yields and a 6 basis point increase in the benefit from noninterest-bearing funds. The increase in average interest-bearing liability costs primarily reflects higher interest-bearing deposit costs (up 25 basis points). The increase in earning asset yields was driven by higher consumer loan yields (up 18 basis points) as securities yields were relatively flat (up 1 basis point) and commercial loan yields decreased modestly (down 5 basis points). Embedded within these yields and costs, FTE net interest income during the 2019 third quarter included \$11 million, or approximately 4 basis points, of purchase accounting impact compared to \$17 million, or approximately 7 basis points, in the year-ago quarter.

Compared to the 2019 second quarter, FTE net interest income decreased \$13 million, or 2%, reflecting the NIM compression of 11 basis points, partially offset by a 1% increase in average earning assets. The NIM compression reflected a 14 basis point decrease in average earning asset yields, partially offset by a 3 basis point decrease in average interest-bearing liability costs. The decrease in earning asset yields was primarily driven by the impact of lower LIBOR rates in the quarter on commercial loan yields. The decrease in average interest-bearing liability costs primarily reflects lower short-term borrowings costs. The purchase accounting impact on the NIM was approximately 4 basis points in the 2019 third quarter, down 1 basis point from the prior quarter.

Table 3 – Average Earning Assets – C&I and Residential Mortgage Loan Growth Drive Year-over-year Earning Asset Growth

		2019		2018					
	Third	Second	First	Fourth	Third				
(\$ in billions)	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter				
Commercial and industrial	\$ 30.6	\$ 30.6	\$ 30.5	\$ 29.6	\$ 28.9				
Commercial real estate	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.2				
Total commercial	37.6	37.5	37.4	36.5	36.0				
Automobile	12.2	12.2	12.4	12.4	12.4				
Home equity	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.8	9.9				
Residential mortgage	11.2	11.0	10.8	10.6	10.2				
RV and marine	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.0				
Other consumer	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2				
Total consumer	37.5	37.4	37.4	37.3	36.7				
Total loans and leases	75.1	74.9	74.8	73.8	72.8				
Total securities	23.1	22.9	23.1	22.7	23.2				
Held-for-sale and other earning assets	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	0.8				
Total earning assets	\$ 99.7	\$ 99.2	\$ 99.2	\$ 97.8	\$ 96.8				

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Average earning assets for the 2019 third quarter increased \$2.9 billion, or 3%, from the year-ago quarter, primarily reflecting a \$2.3 billion, or 3%, increase in average loans and leases. Average commercial and industrial (C&I) loans increased \$1.8 billion, or 6%,

reflecting growth in corporate banking, dealer floorplan, and asset finance. Average residential mortgage loans increased \$1.0 billion, or 10%, driven by the successful expansion of our home lending business within our existing markets and the lower rate environment. Average RV and marine loans increased \$0.5 billion, or 17%, reflecting market share increases across our markets, while maintaining our commitment to super prime originations. Held-for-sale and other earning assets increased \$0.7 billion, or 86%, primarily due to the inclusion of deposits in Federal Reserve Bank balances. These balances were treated as non-earning assets prior to the fourth quarter 2018. Partially offsetting these increases, average home equity loans and lines of credit decreased \$0.5 billion, or 5%, reflecting a shift in consumer preferences.

Compared to the 2019 second quarter, average earning assets increased \$0.5 billion, or 1%, from the prior quarter. Average total consumer loans were relatively unchanged, as modest increases in residential mortgage and RV and marine loans were largely offset by a decline in home equity loans.

On June 14, 2019, Huntington completed the sale of the Wisconsin retail branches, which included \$117 million of loans held-for-sale.

Table 4 – Average Liabilities – Money Market Drives Continued Year-over-Year Growth in Core Deposits

				2018				
	Th	ird	5	Second	First		Fourth	
(\$ in billions)	Qua	ırter	(Quarter	 Quarter		Quarter	
Demand deposits - noninterest-bearing	\$ 19	9.9	\$	19.8	\$ 19.9	\$	20.4	\$
Demand deposits - interest-bearing	19	9.8		19.7	 19.8		19.9	
Total demand deposits	39	9.7		39.5	39.7		40.3	
Money market deposits	24	1.3		23.3	22.9		22.6	
Savings and other domestic deposits	9	9.7		10.1	10.3		10.5	
Core certificates of deposit	5	5.7		5.9	 6.1		5.7	
Total core deposits	79	9.3		78.7	79.0		79.1	
Other domestic deposits of \$250,000 or more	C).3		0.3	0.3		0.3	
Brokered deposits and negotiable CDs	2	2.6		2.7	 3.4		3.5	
Total deposits	\$ 82	2.2	\$	81.7	\$ 82.7	\$	82.9	\$
Short-term borrowings	\$ 2	2.3	\$	3.2	\$ 2.3	\$	1.0	\$
Long-term debt	9	9.5		8.9	 9.0		8.9	
Total debt	\$ 11	1.8	\$	12.1	\$ 11.3	\$	9.9	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$ 74	1.2	\$	74.0	\$ 74.1	\$	72.4	\$

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Average total interest-bearing liabilities for the 2019 third quarter increased \$2.3 billion, or 3%, from the year-ago quarter. Average total deposits increased \$0.8 billion, or 1%, while average total core deposits increased \$1.7 billion, or 2%. Average money market deposits increased \$2.7 billion, or 13%, reflecting growth driven by promotional pricing over the past six quarters and a continued shift in consumer product mix. Average core certificates of

deposit increased \$0.8 billion, or 15%, reflecting the consumer deposit growth initiatives in the third quarter of 2018. Savings and other domestic deposits decreased \$1.8 billion, or 15%, primarily reflecting a continued shift in consumer product mix. Average short-term borrowings and long-term debt increased \$0.6 billion, or 35%, and \$0.6 billion, or 7%, respectively, as a result of earning asset growth. Partially offsetting these increases, average brokered deposits and negotiable CDs decreased \$0.9 billion, or 26%, reflecting a shift to lower cost funding sources.

Compared to the 2019 second quarter, average total interest-bearing liabilities increased \$0.2 billion, or less than 1%. Average total deposits increased \$0.5 billion, or 1%, as the \$1.0 billion, or 4%, increase in money market accounts more than offset the \$0.4 billion, or 4%, decrease in savings deposits, primarily reflecting promotional money market pricing and a continued shift in consumer product mix. Reflecting changes in the wholesale funding mix, average long-term debt increased \$0.6 billion, or 7%, due to the \$0.8 billion senior note issuance in August, while average short-term borrowings decreased \$0.8 billion, or 26%.

On June 14, 2019, Huntington completed the sale of the Wisconsin retail branches, which included \$725 million of deposits.

Noninterest Income

Table 5 – Noninterest Income – Mortgage Banking and Capital Markets Fuel Growth in Noninterest Income

				2018						
	Th	nird	5	Second		First	Fourth			Third
(\$ in millions)	Qua	Quarter		Quarter		Quarter	Quarter			Quarte
Service charges on deposit accounts	\$	98	\$	92	\$	87	\$	94	\$	93
Card and payment processing income		64		63		56		58		57
Trust and investment management services		44		43		44		42		43
Mortgage banking income		54		34		21		23		31
Capital markets fees		36		34		22		34		26
Insurance income		20		23		21		21		19
Bank owned life insurance income		18		15		16		16		19
Gain on sale of loans and leases		13		13		13		16		16
Securities gains (losses)		_		(2)		_		(19)		(2)
Other income		42		59		39		44		40
Total noninterest income	\$ 3	89	\$	374	\$	319	\$	329	\$	342

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Total noninterest income for the 2019 third quarter increased \$47 million, or 14%, from the year-ago quarter. Mortgage banking income increased \$23 million, or 74%, primarily reflecting higher overall salable spreads and \$8 million of income from net mortgage servicing rights (MSR) risk management. Capital markets fees increased \$10 million, or 38%, driven by increased underwriting activity associated with the Hutchinson, Shockey, Erley & Co. acquisition. Card and payment processing income increased \$7 million, or 12%, and service charges on deposit accounts increased \$5 million, or 5%, both primarily reflecting increased account activity.

Compared to the 2019 second quarter, total noninterest income increased \$15 million, or 4%. Mortgage banking income increased \$20 million, or 59%, primarily reflecting higher overall salable spreads and a \$10 million increase in net MSR risk management. Service charges on deposit accounts increased \$6 million, or 7%, primarily reflecting seasonality. Partially offsetting these increases, other income decreased \$17 million, or 29%, primarily reflecting the \$15 million gain on the sale of the Wisconsin retail branches and a \$5 million mark-to-market adjustment on economic hedges in the 2019 second quarter, whereas the 2019 third quarter included a \$6 million increase in mezzanine gains.

Noninterest Expense

Table 6 – Noninterest Expense – Continued Investment in Digital and Mobile Technology

				2019		2018						
		Third		Second		First	Fourth			Third		
(\$ in millions)	(Quarter		Quarter	Quarter		. <u> </u>	Quarter		Quarte		
Personnel costs	\$	406	\$	428	\$	394	\$	399	\$	388		
Outside data processing and other services		87		89		81		83		69		
Net occupancy		38		38		42		70		38		
Equipment		41		40		40		48		38		
Deposit and other insurance expense		8		8		8		9		18		
Professional services		16		12		12		17		17		
Marketing		10		11		7		15		12		
Amortization of intangibles		12		12		13		13		13		
Other expense		49		62	. <u> </u>	56	. <u> </u>	57		58		
Total noninterest expense	\$	667	\$	700	\$	653	\$	711	\$	651		
(in thousands)												
Average full-time equivalent employees		15.7		15.8		15.7		15.7		15.8		

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Total noninterest expense for the 2019 third quarter increased \$16 million, or 2%, from the year-ago quarter. Personnel costs increased \$18 million, or 5%, primarily reflecting a shift toward colleagues supporting our core strategies and the implementation of annual merit increases in the 2019 second quarter. Outside data processing and other services increased \$18 million, or 26%, primarily driven by higher technology investment costs. Deposit and other insurance expense decreased \$10 million, or 56%, due to the discontinuation of the FDIC surcharge in the 2018 fourth quarter. Other expense decreased \$9 million, or 16%, primarily as a result of operational losses in the third quarter 2018 and reduced OREO and other credit-related expense.

Total noninterest expense decreased \$33 million, or 5%, from the 2019 second quarter. Personnel costs decreased \$22 million, or 5%, primarily reflecting the timing of equity compensation expense in the second quarter and lower benefits expense. Other expense decreased \$13 million, or 21%, primarily as a result of a \$5 million Columbus Foundation donation and other discretionary spend in the 2019 second quarter.

Table 7 – Credit Quality Metrics – NCOs Near Low End of Average Through-the-Cycle Target Range

				2019				2018					
(\$ in millions)	Se	ptembe	r 30,	 June 30	0,		March 3	31,	De	cembe	r 31,	S	
Total nonaccrual loans and leases	\$	438		\$ 425		\$	417		\$	340		\$	
Total other real estate		12		14			18			23			
Other NPAs (1)		32		 21			26			24			
Total nonperforming assets		482		460			461			387			
Accruing loans and leases past due 90+ days		163		 152			147			170			
NPAs + accruing loans and leases past due 90+ days	\$	645		\$ 612		\$	608		\$	557		\$	
NAL ratio (2)		0.58	%	0.57	%		0.56	%		0.45	%		
NPA ratio (3)		0.64		0.61			0.61			0.52			
(NPAs+90 days)/(Loans+OREO)		0.86		0.82			0.81			0.74			
Provision for credit losses	\$	82		\$ 59		\$	67		\$	60		\$	
Net charge-offs		73		48			71			50			
Net charge-offs / Average total loans		0.39	%	0.25	%		0.38	%		0.27	%		
Allowance for loans and lease losses (ALLL) Allowance for unfunded loan commitments and	\$	783		\$ 774		\$	764		\$	772		\$	
letters of credit		101		 101			100			96			
Allowance for credit losses (ACL)	\$	884		\$ 875		\$	864		\$	868		\$	
ALLL as a % of:													
Total loans and leases		1.05	%	1.03	%		1.02	%		1.03	%		
NALs		179		182			183			228			
NPAs		163		168			166			200			

- (1) Other nonperforming assets include certain impaired securities and/or nonaccrual loans held-for-sale.
- (2) Total NALs as a % of total loans and leases.
- (3) Total NPAs as a % of sum of loans and leases, other real estate owned, and other NPAs.

See Pages 12-15 of Quarterly Financial Supplement for additional detail.

Overall asset quality performance remained consistent with prior periods although there was some volatility in the commercial portfolio. The consumer portfolio metrics continue to reflect our focus on high quality borrowers. The commercial portfolios showed higher net charge-offs (NCOs) in the third quarter primarily associated with two energy credits. The overall commercial portfolio has generally performed consistently, with some quarter-to-quarter volatility as a result of the absolute low level of problem loans.

Nonperforming assets (NPAs) increased to \$482 million, or 0.64% of total loans and leases and OREO, from \$403 million, or 0.55%, a year ago. Nonaccrual loans and leases increased \$68 million, or 18%, to \$438 million, or 0.58% of total loans and leases. The year-over-year increase was centered in the C&I portfolio and was partially offset by a decrease in the commercial real estate and home equity portfolios. OREO balances decreased \$15 million, or 56%, primarily reflecting a continued reduction in residential properties. On a year-over-year basis, there was an increase in Other NPAs associated with the securities portfolio as well as one energy credit, which was partially charged off and moved to held-forsale this quarter. On a linked quarter basis, NALs increased \$13 million, or 3%, while NPAs increased \$22 million, or 5%.

The provision for credit losses increased \$29 million year-over-year to \$82 million in the 2019 third quarter. Net charge-offs increased \$44 million to \$73 million. The increase was centered in two specific energy credit relationships, which made up nearly three-fourths of the total commercial net charge-offs. Consumer charge-offs have remained consistent with

expectations over the past year. NCOs represented an annualized 0.39% of average loans and leases in the current quarter, up from 0.25% in the prior quarter and up from 0.16% in the year-ago quarter. We remain confident in the long-term performance of our credit portfolios.

The allowance for loan and lease losses as a percentage of total loans and leases increased to 1.05% compared to 1.04% a year ago, while the ALLL as a percentage of period-end total NALs decreased to 179% from 206% over the same period. The increase in the ALLL was primarily a result of loan growth and portfolio management activity. We believe the levels of the ALLL and ACL are appropriate given the low level of problem loans and the current composition of the overall loan and lease portfolio.

Capital

Table 8 – Capital Ratios – Building Capital Ratios in Preparation for CECL Implementation

		20									
(\$ in billions)	Septemb	Ju	June 30,			March 31,			December 31,		
Tangible common equity / tangible assets ratio	8.00	%		7.80	%		7.57	%		7.21	%
Common equity tier 1 risk-based capital ratio (1)	10.02	%		9.88	%		9.84	%		9.65	%
Regulatory Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio (1)	11.41	%	1	1.28	%		11.25	%		11.06	%
Regulatory Total risk-based capital ratio (1)	13.29	%	1	3.13	%		13.11	%		12.98	%
Total risk-weighted assets (1)	\$ 86.7		\$	86.3		\$	86.0		\$	85.7	

⁽¹⁾ September 30, 2019 figures are estimated. Amounts are presented on a Basel III standardized approach basis for calculating risk-weighted assets.

See Pages 16-17 of Quarterly Financial Supplement for additional detail.

The tangible common equity to tangible assets ratio was 8.00% at September 30, 2019, up 75 basis points from a year ago. Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) risk-based capital ratio was 10.02%, up from 9.89% a year ago. The regulatory Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio was 11.41% compared to 11.33% at September 30, 2018. All capital ratios were impacted by the repurchase of \$445 million of common stock (33.3 million shares at an average price of \$13.63 per share) over the last four quarters, including \$68 million repurchased during the 2019 third quarter.

Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes was \$67 million in the 2019 third quarter compared to \$62 million in the 2018 third quarter. The effective tax rates for the 2019 third quarter and 2018 third quarter were 15.4% and 14.1%, respectively. The 2019 third quarter and 2018 third quarter included \$1 million and \$3 million, respectively, of tax benefits related to stock-based compensation.

At September 30, 2019, we had a net federal deferred tax liability of \$213 million and a net state deferred tax asset of \$34 million.

Expectations - 2019

Full-year 2019 net interest income is expected to increase approximately 1% versus 2018, while full-year noninterest income is expected to increase approximately 9% to 12%. Full-year noninterest expense is expected to increase approximately 2% to 2.5%.

Average loans and leases are expected to increase approximately 4% on an annual basis. Average total deposits are expected to increase approximately 3% on an annual basis.

Asset quality metrics are expected to remain better than our average through-the-cycle target ranges, with some moderate quarterly volatility.

The effective tax rate for the 2019 fourth quarter is expected to be in the range of 15.5% to 16.5%.

Conference Call / Webcast Information

Huntington's senior management will host an earnings conference call on October 24, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. (Eastern Daylight Time). The call may be accessed via a live Internet webcast at the Investor Relations section of Huntington's website, www.huntington.com, or through a dial-in telephone number at (877) 407-8029; Conference ID #13694410. Slides will be available in the Investor Relations section of Huntington's website about an hour prior to the call. A replay of the webcast will be archived in the Investor Relations section of Huntington's website. A telephone replay will be available approximately two hours after the completion of the call through November 1, 2019 at (877) 660-6853 or (201) 612-7415; conference ID #13694410.

Please see the 2019 Third Quarter Quarterly Financial Supplement for additional detailed financial performance metrics. This document can be found on the Investor Relations section of Huntington's website, http://www.huntington.com.

About Huntington

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated is a regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, with \$109 billion of assets and a network of 868 full-service branches, including 12 Private Client Group offices, and 1,442 ATMs across seven Midwestern states. Founded in 1866, The Huntington National Bank and its affiliates provide consumer, small business, commercial, treasury management, wealth management, brokerage, trust, and insurance services. Huntington also provides vehicle finance, equipment finance, national settlement, and capital market services that extend beyond its core states. Visit huntington.com for more information.

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While there is no assurance that any list of risks and uncertainties or risk factors is complete, below are certain factors which could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained or implied in the forward-looking statements: changes in general economic, political, or industry conditions; uncertainty in U.S. fiscal and monetary policy, including the interest rate policies of the Federal Reserve Board; volatility and disruptions in global capital and credit markets; movements in interest rates; reform of LIBOR; competitive pressures on product pricing and services; success, impact, and timing of our business strategies, including market acceptance of any new products or services implementing our "Fair Play" banking philosophy; the nature, extent, timing, and results of governmental actions, examinations, reviews, reforms, regulations, and interpretations, including those related to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the Basel III regulatory capital reforms, as well as those involving the OCC, Federal Reserve, FDIC, and CFPB; and other factors that may affect our future results. Additional factors that could cause results to differ materially from those described above can be found in our 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K, as well as our subsequent Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings, which are on file with the SEC and available in the "Investor Relations" section of our website, http://www.huntington.com, under the heading "Publications and Filings."

All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and are based on information available at that time. We do not assume any obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect circumstances or events that occur after the date the forward-looking statements were made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events except as required by federal securities laws. As forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties, caution should be exercised against placing undue reliance on such statements.

Basis of Presentation

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This document contains GAAP financial measures and non-GAAP financial measures where management believes it to be helpful in understanding Huntington's results of operations or financial position. Where non-GAAP financial measures are used, the comparable GAAP financial measure, as well as the reconciliation to the comparable GAAP financial measure, can be found in this document, conference call slides, or the Form 8-K related to this document, all of which can be found in the Investor Relations section of Huntington's website, http://www.huntington.com.

Annualized Data

Certain returns, yields, performance ratios, or quarterly growth rates are presented on an "annualized" basis. This is done for analytical and decision-making purposes to better discern underlying performance trends when compared to full-year or year-over-year amounts. For example, loan and deposit growth rates, as well as net charge-off percentages, are most often expressed in terms of an annual rate like 8%. As such, a 2% growth rate for a quarter would represent an annualized 8% growth rate.

Fully-Taxable Equivalent Interest Income and Net Interest Margin

Income from tax-exempt earning assets is increased by an amount equivalent to the taxes that would have been paid if this income had been taxable at statutory rates. This adjustment puts all earning assets, most notably tax-exempt municipal securities and certain lease assets, on a common basis that facilitates comparison of results to results of competitors.

Earnings per Share Equivalent Data

Significant income or expense items may be expressed on a per common share basis. This is done for analytical and decision-making purposes to better discern underlying trends in total corporate earnings per share performance excluding the impact of such items. Investors may also find this information helpful in their evaluation of our financial performance against published earnings per share mean estimate amounts, which typically exclude the impact of Significant Items. Earnings per share equivalents are usually calculated by applying an effective tax rate to a pre-tax amount to derive an after-tax amount, which is divided by the average shares outstanding during the respective reporting period. Occasionally, when the item involves special tax treatment, the after-tax amount is disclosed separately, with this then being the amount used to calculate the earnings per share equivalent.

Rounding

Please note that columns of data in this document may not add due to rounding.

Significant Items

From time to time, revenue, expenses, or taxes are impacted by items judged by management to be outside of ordinary banking activities and/or by items that, while they may be associated with ordinary banking activities, are so unusually large that their outsized impact is believed by management at that time to be infrequent or short term in nature. We refer to such items as "Significant Items". Most often, these Significant Items result from factors originating outside the company – e.g., regulatory actions/assessments, windfall gains, changes in accounting principles, one-time tax assessments/refunds, and litigation actions. In other cases they may result from management decisions associated with significant corporate actions out of the ordinary course of business – e.g., merger/restructuring charges, recapitalization actions, and goodwill impairment.

Even though certain revenue and expense items are naturally subject to more volatility than others due to changes in market and economic environment conditions, as a general rule volatility alone does not define a Significant Item. For example, changes in the provision for credit losses, gains/losses from investment activities, and asset valuation write-downs reflect ordinary banking activities and are, therefore, typically excluded from consideration as a Significant Item.

Management believes the disclosure of "Significant Items", when appropriate, aids analysts/investors in better understanding corporate performance and trends so that they can ascertain which of such items, if any, they may wish to include/exclude from their analysis of the company's performance - i.e., within the context of determining how that

performance differed from their expectations, as well as how, if at all, to adjust their estimates of future performance accordingly. To this end, management has adopted a practice of listing "Significant Items" in our external disclosure documents (e.g., earnings press releases, quarterly performance discussions, investor presentations, and Forms 10-Q and 10-K).

"Significant Items" for any particular period are not intended to be a complete list of items that may materially impact current or future period performance. A number of items could materially impact these periods, including those which may be described from time to time in Huntington's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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