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Redwood Trust Reports Fourth Quarter 2014 Results

MILL VALLEY, Calif., Feb. 23, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Redwood Trust, Inc. (NYSE:RWT) today reported net income for the fourth quarter of 2014 of \$27 million, or \$0.31 per fully diluted share. This compares to net income of \$45 million, or \$0.50 per fully diluted share, for the third quarter of 2014 and net income of \$25 million, or \$0.29 per fully diluted share, for the fourth quarter of 2013.

Redwood also reported estimated REIT taxable income of \$16 million, or \$0.19 per share, for the fourth quarter of 2014. This compares to estimated REIT taxable income of \$18 million, or \$0.21 per share, for the third quarter of 2014 and REIT taxable income of \$16 million, or \$0.20 per share, for the fourth quarter of 2013.

At December 31, 2014, Redwood reported a book value per share of \$15.05, as compared to \$15.21 at September 30, 2014, and \$15.10 at December 31, 2013.

Additional information on Redwood's business, financial results, and taxable income can be found in The Redwood Review, a quarterly publication available on Redwood's website at www.redwoodtrust.com. In order to complete the formatting of its Annual Report on Form 10-K with eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL) tags, Redwood plans to file this Annual Report with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Monday, March 2, 2015, and make it available on Redwood's website.

Redwood will host an earnings call today, February 23, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time / 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time to discuss its fourth quarter 2014 financial results. The number to dial in order to listen to the conference call is 1-888-244-2459 in the U.S. and Canada. International callers must dial 1-913-312-0975. Callers should reference call ID #8227877. A replay of the call will be available through midnight on March 9, 2015, and can be accessed by dialing 1-877-870-5176 in the U.S. and Canada or 1-858-384-5517 internationally and entering access code #8227877. Live audio of the conference call will also be accessible over the internet at www.redwoodtrust.com, where a link to the call will be posted on Redwood's home page. To listen to the call over the internet, go to the Redwood website at least 15 minutes before the call to register and to download and install any needed audio software. An audio replay of the call will also be available on Redwood's website following the call.

Cautionary Statement: This press release and the related conference call contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements related to estimates of taxable income and the filing of our Annual Report on Form 10-K. Forward-looking statements involve

numerous risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ from our beliefs, expectations, estimates, and projections and, consequently, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Forward-looking statements are not historical in nature and can be identified by words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "will," "should," "expect," "believe," "intend," "seek," "plan" and similar expressions or their negative forms, or by references to strategy, plans, or intentions. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including, among other things, those described in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption "Risk Factors." Other risks, uncertainties, and factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected may be described from time to time in reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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Consolidated Income Statements (1) (\$ in millions, except share and per share data)		Fourth		Third		Second		First		Fourth	
		Quarter 2014	Quarter 2014		Quarter 2014		Quarter 2014		Quarter 2013		
Interest income	\$	65	\$	63	\$	58	\$	55	\$	57	
Interest expense		(24)		(23)		(21)		(19)		(20)	
Net interest income		41		40		37		36		38	
(Provision) reversal of provision for loan losses		(2)		2		-		(1)		(4)	
Net interest income after provision		40		42		37		35		34	
Noninterest income											
Mortgage banking activities		11		18		6		(1)		17	
MSR income		(9)		6		(2)		1		6	
Other market valuation adjustments		4		(4)		(4)		(6)		1	
Realized gains, net		5		9		1		1		2	
Total noninterest income (loss), net		11		29		1		(5)		25	
Operating expenses		(26)		(21)		(22)		(20)		(20)	
Other income (expense)		-		2		-		-		(12)	
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes		3		(5)				2		(2)	
Net income	\$	27	\$	45	\$	16	\$	12	\$	25	
Average diluted shares (thousands)		85,384	9	6,956	8	5,033	84	1,941	84	4,395	
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.31	\$	0.50	\$	0.18	\$	0.14	\$	0.29	
Regular dividends declared per common share	\$	0.28	\$	0.28	\$	0.28	\$	0.28	\$	0.28	

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(\$ in millions, except share and per share data)	Yea	Years Ended December 31,					
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Interest income	\$	242	\$	226			
Interest expense		(87)		(81)			
Net interest income		155		145			
Provision for loan losses		(1)		(5)			
Net interest income after provision		154		140			
Noninterest income							
Mortgage banking activities		35		102			
MSR income		(4)		20			
Other market valuation adjustments		(10)		(6)			
Realized gains, net		`15		<u>2</u> 5			
Total noninterest income, net		36		142			
Operating expenses		(90)		(87)			
Other income (expense)		2		(12)			
Provision for income taxes		(1)		(11)			
Net income	\$	101	\$	173			
Average diluted shares (thousands)	8	35,099		93,695			
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.15	\$	1.94			
Regular dividends declared per common							
share	\$	1.12	\$	1.12			

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Consolidated Balance Sheets (1) (\$ in millions, except share and per share	31-Dec			•		31-Mar		31-Dec		
data)	 2014		2014		2014		2014		2013	
Residential loans Commercial loans Real estate securities Mortgage servicing rights Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,399 567 1,379 139 270	\$	3,288 498 1,395 135 150	\$	2,724 469 1,845 71 157	\$	2,465 491 1,743 65 150	\$	2,166 432 1,683 65 173	
Other assets	165		146		112		93		89	
Total Assets	\$ 5,919	\$	5,612	\$	5,379	\$	5,007	\$	4,609	
Short-term debt Other liabilities Asset-backed securities issued Long-term debt	\$ 1,794 129 1,545 1,195	\$	1,888 104 1,656 697	\$	1,718 97 1,768 547	\$	1,289 100 1,854 513	\$	863 81 1,943 476	
Total liabilities	4,663		4,345		4,130		3,756		3,363	
Stockholders' equity	1,256		1,267		1,249		1,251		1,246	
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 5,919	\$	5,612	\$	5,379	\$	5,007	\$	4,609	
Shares outstanding at period end (thousands)	83,443		83,284		83,080		82,620		82,505	
GAAP book value per share	\$ 15.05	\$	15.21	\$	15.03	\$	15.14	\$	15.10	

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