Ending balances

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## TRICO BANCSHARES ANNOUNCES QUARTERLY RESULTS

CHICO, Calif. – (October 26, 2016) – TriCo Bancshares (NASDAQ: TCBK) (the "Company"), parent company of Tri Counties Bank, today announced earnings of \$12,199,000, or \$0.53 per diluted share, for the three months ended September 30, 2016. For the three months ended September 30, 2015 the Company reported earnings of \$12,694,000, or \$0.55 per diluted share. Diluted shares outstanding were 23,098,534 and 23,005,980 for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The following is a summary of the components of the Company's consolidated net income, average common shares, and average diluted common shares outstanding for the periods indicated:

	Three month	ns ended		
	September 30,			
(dollars and shares in thousands)	2016	2015	\$ Change	% Change
Net Interest Income	\$42,270	\$39,993	\$2,277	5.7%
Reversal of provision for loan losses	3,973	866	3,107	
Noninterest income	11,066	11,642	(576)	(4.9%)
Noninterest expense	(37,416)	(31,439)	(5,977)	19.0%
Provision for income taxes	(7,694)	(8,368)	674_	(8.1%)
Net income	\$12,199	\$12,694	(\$495)	(3.9%)
Average common shares	22,825	22,757	68	0.3%
Average diluted common shares	23,099	23,006	93	0.4%

The following is a summary of certain of the Company's consolidated assets and deposits as of the dates indicated:

(\$'s in thousands)	2016	2015	\$ Change	% Change
Total assets	\$4,467,131	\$4,021,628	\$445,503	11.1%
Total loans	2,712,226	2,469,566	242,660	9.8%
Total investments	1,168,314	1,097,368	70,946	6.5%
Total deposits	\$3,836,012	\$3,457,872	\$378,140	10.9%
Qtrly Avg balances	As of Sept	ember 30,		
Qtrly Avg balances (\$'s in thousands)	As of Sept	ember 30, 2015	\$ Change	% Change
`			\$ Change \$454,030	% Change 11.5%
(\$'s in thousands)	2016	2015		
(\$'s in thousands) Total assets	2016 \$4,407,322	2015 \$3,953,292	\$454,030	11.5%

As of September 30,

Included in the period ending balances and quarterly average balances is the addition of a \$45 million certificate of deposit from the State of California on September 16, 2015, bringing the total of such certificates of deposit from the State of California to \$50 million, and the addition of deposits from the acquisition of three bank branches from Bank of America, that totaled \$161 million on the date of acquisition, March 18, 2016. These three acquired branches are located in the cities of Arcata, Eureka, and Fortuna in Humboldt County, California. The Bank paid \$3,204,000 for deposit relationships with balances of \$161,231,000, loans with balances of \$289,000, premises and equipment valued at \$1,590,000, other assets valued at \$141,000, and recorded a core deposit intangible asset of \$2,046,000 and goodwill of \$849,000.

Also included in the Company's results of operations for the three months ended September 30, 2016 is the impact of the sale on August 22, 2016, of two performing loans with recorded book value of \$166,000, and 48 nonperforming loans with recorded book value, including pre-sale write downs and purchase discounts, of approximately

\$2,757,000. The loans sold on August 22, 2016 had contractual amounts outstanding of \$6,558,000. Net sale proceeds of \$4,980,000 resulted in the recovery of loan balances previously charged off of \$1,727,000, additional loan charge offs of \$159,000, and interest income of \$488,000 from the recovery of interest payments previously applied to principal balances.

Also included in the Company's results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 is the impact of the purchase, on May 19, 2016 of seven performing multi-family commercial real estate loans valued at \$22,503,000, and the sale, on March 31, 2016, of twenty-seven nonperforming loans, nine substandard performing loans, and three purchased credit impaired loans with total recorded book value of approximately \$24,810,000.

Loans acquired through purchase, or acquisition of other banks, are classified by the Company as Purchased Not Credit Impaired (PNCI), Purchased Credit Impaired – cash basis (PCI – cash basis), or Purchased Credit Impaired – other (PCI – other). Loans not acquired in an acquisition or otherwise "purchased" are classified as "originated". Often, such purchased loans are purchased at a discount to face value, and part of this discount is accreted into (added to) interest income over the remaining life of the loan. A loan may also be purchased at a premium to face value, in which case, the premium is amortized into (subtracted from) interest income over the remaining life of the loan. Generally, as time goes on, the effects of loan discount accretion and loan premium amortization decrease as the purchased loans mature or pay off early. Upon the early pay off of a loan, any remaining (unaccreted) discount or (unamortized) premium is immediately taken into interest income; and as loan payoffs may vary significantly from quarter to quarter, so may the impact of discount accretion and premium amortization on interest income. Further details regarding interest income from loans, including fair value discount accretion, may be found under the heading "Supplemental Loan Interest Income Data" in the Consolidated Financial Data table at the end of this press release.

The Company's primary source of revenue is net interest income, or the difference between interest income on interest-earning assets and interest expense on interest-bearing liabilities. Included in the Company's net interest income is interest income from municipal bonds that is almost entirely exempt from Federal income tax. These municipal bonds are classified as investments – nontaxable, and the Company may present the interest income from these bonds on a fully tax equivalent (FTE) basis. Following is a summary of the components of net interest income for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Three month September			
(dollars and shares in thousands)	2016	2015	\$ Change	% Change
Interest income	\$43,709	\$41,332	\$2,377	5.8%
Interest expense	(1,439)	(1,339)	(100)	7.5%
FTE adjustment	587	299	287	96.1%
Net interest income (FTE)	\$42,857	\$40,292	\$2,564	6.4%
Net interest margin (FTE)	4.23%	4.46%		
Purchased loan discount accretion:				
Amount	\$2,229	\$3,125		
Effect on average loan yield	0.34%	0.51%		
Effect on net interest margin (FTE)	0.22%	0.35%		
Interest income recovered via loan sales:				
Amount	\$488	\$0		
Effect on average loan yield	0.07%	0.00%		
Effect on net interest margin (FTE)	0.05%	0.00%		

Net interest income (FTE) during the three months ended September 30, 2016 increased \$2,564,000 (6.4%) from the same period in 2015 to \$42,857,000. The increase in net interest income (FTE) was primarily due to a \$242,284,000 (10.0%) increase in the average balance of loans to \$2,669,954,000, and a \$61,996,000 (95.5%) increase in the average balance of investments – nontaxable to \$126,910,000 that were partially offset by a 21 basis point decrease in the average yield on loans from 5.57% during the three months ended September 30, 2015 to 5.36% during the three months ended September 30, 2016, and a 20 basis point decrease in the average yield on investments – taxable from 2.69% during the three months ended September 30, 2015 to 2.49% during the three months ended September 30, 2016. The decrease in average loan yields is primarily due to declines in market yields on new and renewed

loans compared to yields on repricing, maturing, and paid off loans. The decrease in the average yield of investments - taxable is primarily due to declines in market yields on new investments compared to yields on existing investments, and to recent declines in mortgage rates that lead to an increase in mortgage refinancing activity that in turn lead to faster estimated mortgage prepayment speeds and an accelerated level of interest income-reducing premium amortization on existing mortgage backed investment securities. The increases in average loan and investments - nontaxable balances added \$3,374,000 and \$761,000, respectively, to net interest income (FTE) while the decreases in average loan and investments- taxable yields reduced net interest income (FTE) by \$1,419,000 and \$533,000, respectively, when compared to the year-ago quarter. Included in interest income from loans during the three months ended September 30, 2016 was \$2,229,000 of discount accretion from purchased loans compared to \$3,125,000 of discount accretion from purchased loans during the three months ended September 30, 2015. Included in interest income from loans during the three months ended September 30, 2016 was \$488,000 of interest income that was previously applied to the principal balance of loans in nonaccrual status that were sold during the three months ended September 30, 2016. For more information related to loan interest income, including loan purchase discount accretion, see the Supplemental Loan Interest Income Data in the tables at the end of this announcement.

The following table shows the components of net interest income and net interest margin on a fully tax-equivalent (FTE) basis for the periods indicated:

## ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN NET INTEREST MARGIN ON EARNING ASSETS

Three Horizon Land Sequence of	(unaudited, dollars in thousands)									
Normal   N		•		*			Three Months Ended			
New Park		September 30, 2016					September 30, 2015			
Earning assets   Earn		Average	Income/	Yield/	Average	Income/	Yield/			
Earning assets		Balance	Expense	Rate	Balance	Expense	Rate	Balance	Expense	Rate
Loans         \$2,669,954         \$35,769         5.36%         \$2,579,774         \$34,338         5.32%         \$2,427,670         \$33,814         5.57%           Investments - taxable         1,073,030         6,687         2.49%         1,085,230         6,945         2.56%         1,028,931         6,923         2.69%           Investments - nontaxable         126,910         1,565         4,93%         126,326         1,560         4,94%         64,914         797         4,91%           Cash at Federal Reserve and other banks         185,552         275         0.59%         247,398         332         0.54%         95,397         97         0.41%           Total earning assets         4,055,446         44,296         4.37%         4,038,728         43,175         4.28%         3,616,912         41,631         4.60%           Other assets, net         351,875         8         349,222         8         336,380         338,353,292         336,380         349,393,292         336,380         349,395,393         324         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%         4.60%	Assets									
Investments - taxable   1,073,030   6,687   2.49%   1,085,230   6,945   2.56%   1,028,931   6,923   2.69%   Investments - nontaxable   126,910   1,565   4.93%   126,326   1,560   4.94%   64,914   797   4.91%   Cash at Federal Reserve and other banks   185,552   275   0.59%   247,398   332   0.54%   95,397   97   0.41%   Total earning assets   4,055,446   44,296   4.37%   4,038,728   43,175   4.28%   3,616,912   41,631   4.60%   4,040   4,04	Earning assets									
Investments - nontaxable   126,910   1,565   4.93%   126,326   1,560   4.94%   64,914   797   4.91%   Cash at Federal Reserve and other banks   185,552   275   0.59%   247,398   332   0.54%   95,397   97   0.41%   Total earning assets   4,055,446   44,296   4.37%   4,038,728   43,175   4.28%   3,616,912   41,631   4.60%   4.60%   4.407,322   5.4407,322   5.44387,950   5.44387	Loans	\$2,669,954	\$35,769	5.36%	\$2,579,774	\$34,338	5.32%	\$2,427,670	\$33,814	5.57%
Cash at Federal Reserve and other banks         185,552         275         0.59%         247,398         332         0.54%         95,397         97         0.41%           Total earning assets         4,055,446         44,296         4.37%         4,038,728         43,175         4.28%         3,616,912         41,631         4.60%           Other assets, net Total assets         351,875         349,222         336,380         33953,292         336,380         339,53292         336,380         336,380         336,380         336,380         336,380         336,380         336,380         336,380         338,383         338,383         338,383,395,3292         338,383         338,383         338,383,395,3292         338,380         338,380         338,380         338,383         338,383,395,3292         338,383         338,383         338,383,395,3292         338,383         338,383         338,383         338,383         338,383,395,3292         338,383	Investments - taxable	1,073,030	6,687	2.49%	1,085,230	6,945	2.56%	1,028,931	6,923	2.69%
other banks         185,552         275         0.59%         247,398         332         0.54%         95,397         97         0.41%           Total earning assets         4,055,446         44,296         4.37%         4,038,728         43,175         4.28%         3,616,912         41,631         4.60%           Other assets, net         351,875         349,222         336,380         338,953,292         336,380         336,380         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292         338,953,292	Investments - nontaxable	126,910	1,565	4.93%	126,326	1,560	4.94%	64,914	797	4.91%
Total earning assets	Cash at Federal Reserve and									
Other assets, net Total assets         351,875 (\$4,407,322)         349,222 (\$4,387,950)         336,380 (\$3,953,292)           Liabilities and shareholders' equity         Interest-bearing           Demand deposits         \$888,377         111 (\$0.05\)         \$886,417         120 (\$0.05\)         \$813,581         117 (\$0.06\)           Savings deposits         \$1,357,359 (\$426 (\$0.13\))         \$1,354,846 (\$423 (\$0.12\))         \$1,178,684 (\$368 (\$0.12\))         368 (\$0.12\)           Time deposits         \$340,709 (\$338 (\$0.40\))         \$350,215 (\$338 (\$0.39\))         \$324,427 (\$353 (\$0.44\))         353 (\$0.44\)           Other borrowings         \$18,951 (\$2 (\$0.05\))         \$19,152 (\$3 (\$0.06\))         \$6,994 (\$1 (\$0.05\))         \$10.05\)           Trust preferred securities         \$56,584 (\$562 (\$3.97\))         \$56,544 (\$546 (\$3.86\))         \$56,394 (\$500 (\$3.55\))         \$3.55\)           Total interest-bearing liabilities         \$2,661,981 (\$1,439 (\$0.22\))         \$2,667,174 (\$1,430 (\$0.21\))         \$2,380,081 (\$1,339 (\$0.23\))         \$3.55\)           Noninterest-bearing deposits         \$1,198,302 (\$1,186,958 (\$0.314 (\$0.3	other banks	185,552	275	0.59%	247,398	332	0.54%	95,397	97	0.41%
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Demand deposits   \$888,377   111   0.05%   \$886,417   120   0.05%   \$813,581   117   0.06%   Savings deposits   1,357,359   426   0.13%   1,354,846   423   0.12%   1,178,684   368   0.12%   Time deposits   340,709   338   0.40%   350,215   338   0.39%   324,427   353   0.44%   0.12%   0.05%   0.05%   0.05%   0.05%   0.05%   0.05%   0.06%   0.06%   0.06%   0.06%   0.06%   0.05%   0.05%   0.06%	Total assets	\$4,407,322	_		\$4,387,950	-		\$3,953,292	_	
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Other borrowings         18,951         2         0.05%         19,152         3         0.06%         6,994         1         0.05%           Trust preferred securities         56,584         562         3.97%         56,544         546         3.86%         56,394         500         3.55%           Total interest-bearing liabilities         2,661,981         1,439         0.22%         2,667,174         1,430         0.21%         2,380,081         1,339         0.23%           Noninterest-bearing deposits         1,198,302         1,186,958         1,073,537         1,073,537         0.33         0.34         0.314         0.34<	Savings deposits	1,357,359	426	0.13%	1,354,846	423	0.12%	1,178,684	368	0.12%
Trust preferred securities         56,584         562         3.97%         56,544         546         3.86%         56,394         500         3.55%           Total interest-bearing liabilities         2,661,981         1,439         0.22%         2,667,174         1,430         0.21%         2,380,081         1,339         0.23%           Noninterest-bearing deposits         1,198,302         1,186,958         1,073,537           Other liabilities         66,464         62,456         60,314           Shareholders' equity         480,575         471,362         439,360	Time deposits	340,709	338	0.40%	350,215	338	0.39%	324,427	353	0.44%
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Noninterest-bearing deposits       1,198,302       1,186,958       1,073,537         Other liabilities       66,464       62,456       60,314         Shareholders' equity       480,575       471,362       439,360	Trust preferred securities	56,584	562	3.97%	56,544	546	3.86%	56,394	500	3.55%
Other liabilities       66,464       62,456       60,314         Shareholders' equity       480,575       471,362       439,360	Total interest-bearing liabilities	2,661,981	1,439	0.22%	2,667,174	1,430	0.21%	2,380,081	1,339	0.23%
Shareholders' equity 480,575 471,362 439,360	Noninterest-bearing deposits	1,198,302			1,186,958			1,073,537		
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equity \$4,407,322 \$4,387,950 \$3,953,292	equity	\$4,407,322	_		\$4,387,950	_		\$3,953,292	_	
Net interest rate spread 4.15% 4.07% 4.37%	Net interest rate spread		=	4.15%		-	4.07%		=	4.37%
Net interest income/net interest margin (FTE) <u>42,857</u> 4.23% <u>41,745</u> 4.13% <u>40,292</u> 4.46%	Net interest income/net interest ma	rgin (FTE)	42,857	4.23%		41,745	4.13%		40,292	4.46%
FTE adjustment (587) (585) (299)	FTE adjustment		(587)	_		(585)	_		(299)	-
Net interest income (not FTE)         \$42,270         \$41,160         \$39,993	Net interest income (not FTE)		\$42,270	=		\$41,160	=		\$39,993	=

The Company recorded a reversal of provision for loan losses of \$3,973,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to a reversal of provision for loan losses of \$866,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2015. The \$3,973,000 reversal of provision for loan losses during the three months ended September 30, 2016 was primarily due to net loan recoveries of \$1,568,000 associated with the sale of loans on August 22, 2016, additional net loan recoveries of \$380,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016, net credit quality upgrades of substandard performing loans, and continued low historical loan loss experience, that were partially offset by the effect of a \$58,596,000 (2.2%) increase in loan balances during the three months ended September 30, 2016. A \$30,465,000 (20.4%) decrease in construction loans outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2016 also contributed to a decrease in the required allowance for loan losses at September 30, 2016, and the reversal of provision for loan losses during the three months ended September 30, 2016.

During the three months ended September 30, 2016 nonperforming loans increased \$975,000 (4.9%) to \$20,952,000, and represented a decrease from 1.47% of loans outstanding as of December 31, 2015, and an increase from 0.75% of loans outstanding at June 30, 2016, to 0.77% of loans outstanding as of September 30, 2016. The increase in nonperforming loans during the three months ended September 30, 2016 was due primarily to a \$5,200,000 commercial real estate loan being put on nonaccrual status that was partially offset by the sale of \$2,757,000 of nonperforming loans on August 22, 2016. The \$5,200,000 commercial real estate loan referred to above is located in Central California, and is an owner-occupied SBA 504 loan collateralized by an industrial warehouse building.

The following table presents the key components of noninterest income for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended				
	Septemb	er 30,			
(dollars in thousands)	2016	2015	\$ Change	% Change	
Service charges on deposit accounts	\$3,641	\$3,642	(\$1)	(0.0%)	
ATM fees and interchange	3,851	3,344	507	15.2%	
Other service fees	792	772	20	2.6%	
Mortgage banking service fees	537	521	16	3.1%	
Change in value of mortgage servicing rights	(799)	(585)	(214)	36.6%	
Total service charges and fees	8,022	7,694	328	4.3%	
Gain on sale of loans	953	722	231	32.0%	
Commission on NDIP	747	812	(65)	(8.0%)	
Increase in cash value of life insurance	709	770	(61)	(7.9%)	
Change in indemnification asset	(10)	(26)	16	(61.5%)	
Gain on sale of foreclosed assets	69	356	(287)	(80.6%)	
Other noninterest income	576	1,314	(738)	(56.2%)	
Total other noninterest income	3,044	3,948	(904)	(22.9%)	
Total noninterest income	\$11,066	\$11,642	(\$576)	(4.9%)	

Noninterest income decreased \$576,000 (4.9%) to \$11,066,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2015. The decrease in noninterest income was primarily due to a \$738,000 decrease in other noninterest income, a \$287,000 decrease in gain on sale of foreclosed assets, and a \$214,000 decrease in change in value of mortgage servicing rights, that were partially offset by a \$507,000 increase in ATM fees and interchange revenue, and a \$231,000 increase in gain on sale of loans. The \$738,000 decrease in other noninterest income was primarily due to the recovery, during the three months ended September 30, 2015, of \$870,000 of recoveries of loans from acquired institutions that were charged off prior to acquisition of those institutions by the Company. As such, these "pre-acquisition charge offs" were properly not recorded by the Company, and any related recoveries are recorded in other noninterest income by the Company. Such recoveries are unusual, and none occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2016. The \$287,000 decrease in gain on sale of foreclosed assets was due to a decrease in the number and balance of foreclosed assets, and the relative valuations of foreclosed assets during the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2015. The \$214,000 decrease in change in value of mortgage servicing rights (MSRs) is primarily due to a change in the required rate of return on MSRs by market participants that reduced the value of such MSRs during the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to a smaller decrease in the value of MSRs

during the three months ended September 30, 2015 that was primarily due to a decrease in estimated future MSR cash flows as a result of reduced mortgage rates and higher rates of early mortgage payoffs from mortgage refinancing. The \$507,000 increase in ATM fees and interchange revenue was primarily due to the Company's increased focus in this area, including the introduction of new services in this area during the quarter ended March 31, 2016. The \$231,000 increase in gain on sale of loans was due to continued high levels of refinance and home purchase activity, and increased focus in this area by the Company when compared to the year-ago quarter. The changes in noninterest income include the effects from the operation of three branches, including \$161,231,000 of deposits, acquired from Bank of America on March 18, 2016.

The following table presents the key components of the Company's noninterest expense for the periods indicated:

	Three mon Septem			
(dollars in thousands)	2016	2015	\$ Change	% Change
Base salaries, overtime and temporary help, net				
of deferred loan orgination costs	\$13,419	\$11,562	\$1,857	16.1%
Commissions and incentives	2,798	1,674	1,124	67.1%
Employee benefits	4,644	4,297	347	8.1%
Total salaries and benefits expense	20,861	17,533	3,328	19.0%
Occupancy	2,667	2,599	68	2.6%
Equipment	1,607	1,417	190	13.4%
Change in reserve for unfunded commitments	25	(40)	65	(162.5%)
Data processing and software	2,068	1,869	199	10.6%
Telecommunications	702	658	44	6.7%
ATM network charges	1,133	757	376	49.7%
Professional fees	1,018	999	19	1.9%
Advertising and marketing	1,049	926	123	13.3%
Postage	381	314	67	21.3%
Courier service	280	303	(23)	(7.6%)
Intangible amortization	359	290	69	23.8%
Operational losses	497	201	296	147.3%
Provision for foreclosed asset losses	9	106	(97)	(91.5%)
Foreclosed asset expense	37	105	(68)	(64.8%)
Assessments	654	642	12	1.9%
Write down of fixed asset	716	-	716	
Miscellaneous other expense	3,353	2,760	593	21.5%
Total other noninterest expense	16,555	13,906	2,649	19.0%
Total noninterest expense	\$37,416	\$31,439	\$5,977	19.0%
Average full time equivalent employees	1,022	934	88	9.4%

Salary and benefit expenses increased \$3,328,000 (19.0%) to \$20,861,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$17,533,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2015. Base salaries, overtime and temporary help, net of deferred loan origination costs increased \$1,857,000 (16.1%) to \$13,419,000. Base salaries, net of deferred loan origination costs increased \$1,502,000 (13.4%) to \$12,747,000 primarily due to annual merit increases, and an increase in average full-time equivalent employees of 88 (9.4%) to 1,022 for the three months ended September 30, 2016. Overtime expense increased \$107,000 to \$405,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016. Temporary help expense increased \$248,000 to \$267,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016. During the three months ended September 30, 2016, the Company incurred \$109,000 of nonrecurring overtime expense and \$179,000 of nonrecurring temporary help expense related to various information and customer service system conversions. These system conversions were initiated during the three months ended September 2016, and were completed on October 24, 2016.

Commissions and incentive compensation increased \$1,124,000 (67.1%) to \$2,798,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016. All categories of incentive compensation expense were higher than the year-ago quarter except commission expense related to the sale of nondeposit investment products. The increases in the other categories of incentive compensation, compared to the year-ago quarter, were primarily due to increased loan production and other performance measures to which incentive compensation is tied compared to such measures in the year-ago quarter.

Benefits & other compensation expense increased \$347,000 (8.1%) to \$4,644,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016 primarily due to the increases in average full-time equivalent employees and salaries expense, and their effects on group insurance and employer payroll tax expenses.

Other noninterest expense increased \$2,649,000 (19.0%) to \$16,555,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2015. The \$2,649,000 increase in other noninterest expense was primarily due to a \$716,000 expense related to a closed branch building, the value of which was written down to current market value, and subsequently sold during the three months ended September 30, 2016, a \$593,000 increase in miscellaneous other expense, a \$376,000 increase in ATM network charges, a \$296,000 increase in operational losses, a \$199,000 increase in data processing and software expense, and a \$190,000 increase in Equipment expense.

The \$593,000 increase in miscellaneous other noninterest expense included a \$126,000 (69.8%) increase in debit card production and transaction processing expense, and a \$98,000 (30.4%) increase in business meals and travel expense. Small increases in many other types of miscellaneous other noninterest expense accounted for the rest of the \$593,000 increase in miscellaneous other noninterest expense. Included in miscellaneous other noninterest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2016 were \$25,000 of nonrecurring training and business travel expenses related to the system conversions noted above. Included in other noninterest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2016 were \$36,000 of nonrecurring ATM network charges related to the system conversions noted above.

The \$296,000 increase in operational losses was primarily due to an increase in losses from fraudulent ATM and point of sale transactions.

The \$199,000 increase in data processing and software expense was primarily due to increased use of outsourced data processing services. The \$190,000 increase in equipment expense was primarily due to increased depreciation and rental expense from recently purchased and rented equipment and furniture.

Richard Smith, President and CEO of the Company commented, "We are pleased with the operating results in the quarter. During the third quarter many significant projects were implemented which were necessary to build out our technology infrastructure to facilitate our growth and expansion. We transferred our core system software to an outsourced solution along with our debit and ATM card services, and introduced a new business online and mobile banking solution for our customers. These system changes are major steps in our efforts to provide competitive new solutions and operating efficiencies for our company."

Smith added, "While technology projects dominated our workload during the quarter, core banking activities remained very active. Loan demand and loan balances continue to increase at a strong annual pace. In addition, our strong deposit market share continues to increase in the majority of the counties we serve in Northern California."

In addition to the historical information contained herein, this press release may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various uncertainties and risks that could affect their outcome. The Company's actual results could differ materially. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, variances in the actual versus projected growth in assets, return on assets, interest rate fluctuations, economic conditions in the Company's primary market area, demand for loans, regulatory and accounting changes, loan losses, expenses, rates charged on loans and earned on securities investments, rates paid on deposits, competitive effects, fee and other noninterest income earned, the outcome of litigation, as well as other factors detailed in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission which are incorporated herein by reference, including the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. These reports and this entire press release should be read to put such forward-looking statements in context and to gain a more complete understanding of the uncertainties and risks

involved in the Company's business. The Company does not intend to update any of the forward-looking statements after the date of this release.

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## TRICO BANCSHARES - CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

(Unaudited. Dollars in thousands, except share data)

Three months ended

<del>-</del>	September 30,	June 30,	March 31,	December 31,	September 30,
	2016	2016	2016	2015	2015
Statement of Income Data					
Interest income	\$43,709	\$42,590	\$42,794	\$42,490	\$41,332
Interest expense	1,439	1,430	1,392	1,349	1,339
Net interest income	42,270	41,160	41,402	41,141	39,993
(Benefit from reversal of) provision for	,	,	,	,	,
loan losses	(3,973)	(773)	209	(908)	(866)
Noninterest income:	, ,	, ,		, ,	,
Service charges and fees	8,022	8,099	7,305	7,935	7,694
Other income	3,044	3,146	2,485	3,510	3,948
Total noninterest income	11,066	11,245	9,790	11,445	11,642
Noninterest expense:	ŕ		•	,	•
Base salaries net of deferred					
loan origination costs	13,419	12,968	12,708	12,014	11,562
Incentive compensation expense	2,798	2,471	1,739	2,304	1,674
Employee benefits and other					
compensation expense	4,644	4,606	4,818	4,212	4,297
Total salaries and benefits expense	20,861	20,045	19,265	18,530	17,533
Other noninterest expense	16,555	18,222	14,486	16,154	13,906
Total noninterest expense	37,416	38,267	33,751	34,684	31,439
Income before taxes	19,893	14,911	17,232	18,810	21,062
Net income	\$12,199	\$9,405	\$10,674	\$11,422	\$12,694
Share Data					
Basic earnings per share	\$0.53	\$0.41	\$0.47	\$0.50	\$0.56
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.53	\$0.41	\$0.46	\$0.50	\$0.55
Book value per common share	\$21.11	\$20.76	\$20.34	\$19.85	\$19.48
Tangible book value per common share	\$17.99	\$17.63	\$17.18	\$16.81	\$16.42
Shares outstanding	22,827,277	22,822,325	22,785,173	22,775,173	22,764,295
Weighted average shares	22,824,868	22,802,653	22,782,865	22,769,793	22,757,453
Weighted average diluted shares	23,098,534	23,070,151	23,046,165	23,055,900	23,005,980
Credit Quality					
Nonperforming originated loans	\$13,083	\$10,022	\$12,660	\$22,824	\$24,052
Total nonperforming loans	20,952	19,977	24,034	37,119	38,898
Foreclosed assets, net of allowance	4,124	3,842	4,471	5,369	5,285
Loans charged-off	664	641	1,289	380	687
Loans recovered	\$2,612	\$536	\$1,457	\$781	\$2,616
Selected Financial Ratios					
Return on average total assets	1.11%	0.86%	1.01%	1.11%	1.28%
Return on average equity	10.15%	7.98%	9.25%	10.14%	11.56%
Average yield on loans	5.36%	5.32%	5.48%	5.60%	5.57%
Average yield on interest-earning assets	4.37%	4.28%	4.47%	4.53%	4.60%
Average rate on interest-bearing liabilities	0.22%	0.21%	0.22%	0.22%	0.23%
Net interest margin (fully tax-equivalent)	4.23%	4.13%	4.33%	4.39%	4.46%
<b>Supplemental Loan Interest Income Data:</b>					
Discount accretion PCI - cash basis loans	\$777	\$426	\$269	\$302	\$445
Discount accretion PCI - other loans	569	415	(45)	1,392	1,090
Discount accretion PNCI loans	883	1,459	868	573	1,590
All other loan interest income	\$33,540	32,038	33,646	32,571	30,689
Total loan interest income	\$35,769	\$34,338	\$34,738	\$34,838	\$33,814

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(Unaudited. Dollars in thousands)

Three months ended September 30, June 30, March 31, December 31, September 30, **Balance Sheet Data** 2016 2016 2016 2015 2015 Cash and due from banks \$315,088 \$216,786 \$388,878 \$303,461 \$209,298 Securities, available for sale 510,209 529,017 477,454 404,885 329,361 Securities, held to maturity 641,149 674,412 705,133 726,530 751,051 Restricted equity securities 16,956 16,956 16,956 16,956 16,956 Loans held for sale 7,777 2,904 2,240 1,873 5,152 Loans: Commercial loans 217,110 209,840 197,695 194,913 199,330 Consumer loans 377,016 381,114 401.076 395,283 403.081 1,998,913 1,913,024 1,757,082 Real estate mortgage loans 1,813,933 1,811,832 Real estate construction loans 119,187 149,652 128,843 120,909 110.073 Total loans, gross 2,712,226 2,653,630 2,541,547 2,522,937 2,469,566 Allowance for loan losses (33,484)(35,509)(36,388)(36,011)(36,518)5,369 Foreclosed assets 4,124 3,842 4,471 5,285 49,448 51,728 51,522 43,811 42,334 Premises and equipment 95,281 95,256 94,560 Cash value of life insurance 94,572 94,458 Goodwill 64,311 64,311 64,311 63,462 63,462 Other intangible assets 6,923 7,282 7,641 5,894 6,184 Mortgage servicing rights 6,208 6,720 7,140 7,618 7,467 Accrued interest receivable 10,819 11,602 11,075 10,786 10,212 Other assets 60,096 54,239 57,720 48,591 47,360 Total assets 4,352,492 4,394,956 4,220,722 4,021,628 \$4,467,131 Deposits: 1,221,503 1,181,702 1,100,607 Noninterest-bearing demand deposits 1,178,001 1,155,695 884,638 Interest-bearing demand deposits 910,638 867,638 853,961 817,034 Savings deposits 1,366,892 1,346,269 1,368,644 1,281,540 1,187,238 Time certificates 336,979 345,787 353,757 340,070 352,993 Total deposits 3,836,012 3,741,396 3,785,040 3,631,266 3,457,872 Accrued interest payable 774 727 751 774 795 2,908 Reserve for unfunded commitments 2,883 2,475 2,475 2,085 Other liabilities 69,695 57.587 68.064 65.293 53,681 Other borrowings 19,464 19,235 18,671 12,328 6,859 Junior subordinated debt 56,567 56,519 56,991 56,617 56,470 Total liabilities 3,985,241 3,878,624 3,931,520 3,768,606 3,578,283 Total shareholders' equity 481,890 473,868 463,436 452,116 443,345 Accumulated other comprehensive gain (loss) 4,953 6,073 1,772 (1,778)(2,298)Average loans 2,669,954 2,579,774 2,537,574 2,489,406 2,427,670 Average interest-earning assets 4,055,446 4,038,728 3,876,786 3,777,144 3,616,912 Average total assets 4,407,322 4,387,950 4.212.388 4.115.369 3,953,292 3,784,748 3,778,436 3,543,423 3,390,229 Average deposits 3,616,618 \$480.575 \$471.362 \$450,413 \$439,360 Average total equity \$461,520 14.7% Total risk based capital ratio 14.7% 15.1% 15.1% 15.2% 13.9% 13.8% 13.9% Tier 1 capital ratio 13.6% 13.6% Tier 1 common equity ratio 12.0% 12.0% 12.3% 12.2% 12.3% Tier 1 leverage ratio 10.6% 10.4% 10.7% 10.8% 11.0% Tangible capital ratio 9.3% 9.2% 9.5% 9.4% 9.1%

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