# **To Our Shareholders**

# **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Eastern Michigan Financial Corporation's (EMFC) earnings through the third quarter of 2019 were \$3,170,000 or \$2.64 per share, up significantly from the same period in 2018. Return on Average Equity (ROE) during this time increased to 11.77% as compared to 8.71% in 2018. Return on Average Assets (ROA) increased as well, 1.14% versus 0.85% through the first three quarters of 2018.

EMFC's Capital to Assets ratio as of September 30, 2019, was 9.54%, compared to 9.64% as of September 30, 2018.

Book value per share increased by \$3.56 per share from the third quarter 2018 to \$31.73 and market value per share was \$26.75 as of the last known trade at quarter's end.

Total assets were \$400,172,000 compared to \$348,378,000 for the same quarter in 2018, an increase of 14.87%. Loans increased by 4.22% over third quarter 2018, ending at \$183,966,000. Deposits were \$360,681,000 at quarter's end, a 14.95% increase over the same period last year.

# SHAREHOLDER DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors of EMFC declared a third quarter 2019 dividend of \$0.25 per share. This dividend is an increase of \$0.08 from our last quarterly dividend. For the last several years, the Board has been consistent in declaring a bonus dividend in the fourth quarter of each year. As the Board is confident in the continued ability of EMFC to generate value for its shareholders, it is anticipated the Board will move away from the bonus dividend to a more consistent quarterly dividend.

### MANAGEMENT COMMENTS

Through the third quarter of 2019, EMFC has experienced a record year. With net income to date exceeding \$3,000,000, final year-end profit is expected to far surpass annual net income generated in any previous year. Earnings for the third quarter of 2019 were the highest quarterly earnings achieved as an organization at \$1,210,000. EMFC also recently achieved a landmark by having total assets exceed \$400,000,000 for the first time in its history.

Balance sheet growth has been driven by a nearly 15% deposit balance increase over the last year. This was principally achieved by management's focused effort to increase municipal deposit business. While these types of deposits may increase overall cost of funds, they have boosted net income growth. Further, as these balances tend to fluctuate more than other deposit types, we do maintain higher balances invested in Fed Funds to provide needed liquidity.

This has been a very challenging year for local farmers. A wet spring delayed and even prevented planting, and was followed by a dry summer which will likely result in lower crop yields. Many of our borrowers obtained a degree of relief by filing claims under their crop insurance coverage for acres they were unable to plant. The federal government's Market Facilitation Program has been an additional source of assistance to those impacted by the trade war, with most farmers receiving the first half of their compensation payment last month.

# COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

News for the dairy industry has been somewhat better as milk prices have increased and the futures market shows additional upward movement.

This letter to shareholders represents a milestone in my career. It will be the last time I communicate with you via this forum as I am retiring at year-end. As planned nearly four years ago when Will Oldford joined Eastern Michigan Bank as President, he will be expanding his responsibilities and become the new Chief Executive Officer upon my departure. EMFC has been fortunate to build a solid team of professionals to assist Will, with Errin Levitt as Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Chad Deaner as Vice President, Senior Lender, and Stacie Bales as Vice President, Operations.

I have seen a wealth of changes in my 38 plus years of banking, but the fundamentals remain the same. Banking is still a personal service business based on trust and relationships. As a community bank, this is where EMFC can excel.

Thank you for the trust you place in this organization every day, and more personally, thank you for the trust you have placed in me. I have valued your support over these past nearly 15 years. Together, we have weathered some challenging times, but came through as a stronger, more vibrant organization, positioned extremely well for the future.

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Chief Executive Officer

Eastern Michigan

Financial Corporation

# **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS** (unaudited)

ASSETS	September 30, 2019 2018			
Cash and due from banks Securities Federal funds sold & other deposits	\$ 55,607 101,934 40,653	\$	31,885 101,098 20,759	
Loans Allowance for loan losses Other assets	183,966 (1,523) 19,535		176,510 (1,367) 19,493	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 400,172	\$	348,378	
LIABILITIES Deposits				
Non-interest bearing	\$ 83,165	\$	69,116	
Interest bearing	277,516		244,665	
Total deposits	360,681		313,781	
Other liabilities	 1,331		1,006	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 362,012	\$	314,787	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Common stock (issued 1,202,754 in 2019				
and 1,192,349 in 2018)	\$ 6,013	\$	5,962	
Surplus	2,259		2,404	
Retained earnings	29,954		26,694	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	 (66)		(1,469)	
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 38,160	\$	33,591	
TOTAL LIABILITIES &				
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 400,172	\$	348,378	
FINANCIAL RATIOS				
Return on Average Equity (annualized)	11.77%		8.71%	
Return on Average Assets (annualized)	1.14%		0.85%	
Capital to Assets	9.54%		9.64%	
Allowance for Loan Loss / Loans	0.83%		0.77%	

(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (unaudited)

		Nine Months Ended September 30,		
INTEREST INCOME		2019		2018
Interest & fees on loans	\$	6,692	\$	6,230
Interest on federal funds sold & other deposits		1,167		414
Interest on investment securities		1,806		1,476
TOTAL INTEREST INCOME		9,665		8,120
INTEREST EXPENSE		661		341
NET INTEREST INCOME		9,004		7,779
PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES		102		388
NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER				
PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES		8,902		7,391
OTHER INCOME		1,297		1.425
OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		6,359		6,040
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		3,840		2,776
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		670		656
NET INCOME	\$	3,170	\$	2,120
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EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE	\$	2.64	\$	1.78

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# **STOCK INFORMATION**

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2019	2010
1,202,754	1,192,349
288	296
\$ 0.59	\$ 0.43
31.73	28.17
26.75	24.27
	288 \$ 0.59 31.73

Stock Listing:

Symbol: EFIN

**Bulletin Board** 

2010

2018

Over-The-Counter

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