

Arbor Realty Trust Reports Second Quarter 2023 Results and Increases Quarterly Dividend to \$0.43 per Share

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Company Highlights:

- Diversified, annuity-based operating platform with a multifamily focus that generates strong distributable earnings and dividends in all cycles
 - GAAP net income of \$0.41 per diluted common share
 - Distributable earnings¹ of \$0.57 per diluted common share, well in excess of our current dividend, representing a 75% payout ratio
 - Raised cash dividend on common stock to \$0.43 per share; a \$0.01 per share, or 2% increase, representing an annualized dividend of \$1.72 per share
 - Strong liquidity position with ~\$1 billion in cash and liquidity and ~\$265 million of restricted cash in replenishable CLO vehicles with a weighted average cost of 1.67% over benchmark rates²
 - Agency loan originations of \$1.42 billion and a servicing portfolio of ~\$29.45 billion, up 2%
 - Structured loan originations of \$209.0 million and a portfolio of ~\$13.49 billion

UNIONDALE, N.Y., July 28, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: ABR), today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2023. Arbor reported net income for the quarter of \$76.2 million, or \$0.41 per diluted common share, compared to net income of \$69.9 million, or \$0.41 per diluted common share for the quarter ended June 30, 2022. Distributable earnings for the quarter was \$114.0 million, or \$0.57 per diluted common share, compared to \$93.7 million, or \$0.52 per diluted common share for the quarter ended June 30, 2022.

Agency Business

Loan Origination Platform

	Ager	Agency Loan Volume (in thousands)					
		Quarter Ended					
	Jur	e 30, 2023	Marc	h 31, 2023			
Fannie Mae	\$	1,079,910	\$	795,021			
Freddie Mac		217,884		101,332			
FHA		62,552		148,940			
Private Label		50,256		41,107			
SFR-Fixed Rate		11,837		5,461			
Total Originations	\$	1,422,439	\$	1,091,861			
Total Loan Sales	\$	1,410,724	\$	932,699			
Total Loan Commitments	\$	1,133,312	\$	1,500,110			

For the quarter ended June 30, 2023, the Agency Business generated revenues of \$76.7 million, compared to \$80.4 million for the first quarter of 2023. Gain on sales, including fee-based services, net on the GSE/Agency business (excluding private label and SFR) was \$22.2 million for the quarter, reflecting a margin of 1.67%, compared to \$13.1 million and 1.72% for the first quarter of 2023. Income from mortgage servicing rights was \$16.2 million for the quarter, reflecting a rate of 1.43% as a percentage of loan commitments, compared to \$18.5 million and 1.23% for the first quarter of 2023.

At June 30, 2023, loans held-for-sale was \$485.1 million, with financing associated with these loans totaling \$463.3 million.

Fee-Based Servicing Portfolio

The Company's fee-based servicing portfolio totaled \$29.45 billion at June 30, 2023. Servicing revenue, net was \$32.3 million for the quarter and consisted of servicing revenue of \$48.0 million, net of amortization of mortgage servicing rights totaling \$15.6 million.

	Fee-Based Servicing Portfolio (\$ in thousands)								
	J	une 30, 2023		M	March 31, 2023				
	UPB	Wtd. Avg. Fee	Wtd. Avg. Life (years)	UPB	Wtd. Avg. Fee	Wtd. Avg. Life (years)			
Fannie Mae	\$ 20,002,570	0.489%	7.7	\$ 19,508,256	0.495%	8.0			

Freddie Mac	5,245,325	0.248%	8.8	5,180,607	0.247%	9.1
Private Label	2,305,000	0.193%	7.5	2,233,500	0.196%	7.7
FHA	1,303,812	0.145%	20.0	1,242,669	0.147%	19.8
Bridge	299,578	0.111%	3.5	467,881	0.116%	2.9
SFR-Fixed Rate	290,266	0.200%	5.9	279,712	0.200%	5.9
Total	\$ 29,446,551	0.401%	8.4	\$ 28,912,625	0.403%	8.6

Loans sold under the Fannie Mae program contain an obligation to partially guarantee the performance of the loan ("loss-sharing obligations") and includes \$34.5 million for the fair value of the guarantee obligation undertaken at June 30, 2023. The Company recorded a \$7.6 million provision for loss sharing associated with CECL for the second quarter of 2023. At June 30, 2023, the Company's total CECL allowance for loss-sharing obligations was \$32.2 million, representing 0.16% of the Fannie Mae servicing portfolio.

Structured Business

Portfolio and Investment Activity

	Structured Portfolio Activity (\$ in thousands)									
	Quarter Ended									
		June 30, 202	23		March 31, 2023					
	UPB		%		UPB	%				
Bridge:										
Multifamily	\$	98,530	47%	\$	186,100	70%				
SFR		108,964	52%		76,089	28%				
		207,494	99%		262,189	98%				
Mezzanine/Preferred Equity		1,500	1%		5,845	2%				
Total Originations	\$	208,994	100%	\$	268,034	100%				
Number of Loans Originated		26			24					
SFR Commitments	\$	200,182		\$	54,350					
Runoff	\$	685,220		\$	1,186,649					

	Structured Portfolio (\$ in thousands)								
		June 30, 202	March 31, 2023						
		UPB	%		UPB	%			
Bridge:									
Multifamily	\$	11,887,768	88%	\$	12,034,638	88%			
SFR		1,023,959	8%		982,026	7%			
Other		256,575	2%		282,275	2%			
		13,168,302	98%		13,298,939	97%			
Mezzanine/Preferred Equity		312,812	2%		311,819	2%			
SFR Permanent		10,493	< 1%		32,966	< 1%			
Total Portfolio	\$	13,491,607	100%	\$	13,643,724	100%			

At June 30, 2023, the loan and investment portfolio's unpaid principal balance, excluding loan loss reserves, was \$13.49 billion, with a weighted average current interest pay rate of 8.76%, compared to \$13.64 billion and 8.60% at March 31, 2023. Including certain fees earned and costs associated with the loan and investment portfolio, the weighted average current interest pay rate was 9.07% at June 30, 2023, compared to 8.83% at March 31, 2023.

The average balance of the Company's loan and investment portfolio during the second quarter of 2023, excluding loan loss reserves, was \$13.66 billion with a weighted average yield of 9.19%, compared to \$14.15 billion and 8.94% for the first quarter of 2023. The increase in average yield was primarily due to increases in the benchmark index rates in the second quarter of 2023.

During the second quarter of 2023, the Company recorded a \$16.0 million provision for loan losses associated with CECL. At June 30, 2023, the Company's total allowance for loan losses was \$169.1 million. The Company had seven non-performing loans with a carrying value of \$122.4 million, before loan loss reserves of \$10.1 million, compared to four loans with a carrying value of \$7.7 million, before loan loss reserves of \$5.1 million at March 31, 2023.

Financing Activity

The balance of debt that finances the Company's loan and investment portfolio at June 30, 2023 was \$12.11 billion with a weighted average interest rate including fees of 7.25% as compared to \$12.65 billion and a rate of 6.97% at March 31, 2023.

The average balance of debt that finances the Company's loan and investment portfolio for the second quarter of 2023 was \$12.46 billion, as compared to \$13.02 billion for the first quarter of 2023. The average cost of borrowings for the second quarter of 2023 was 7.11%, compared to 6.69% for the first quarter of 2023. The increase in average cost was primarily due to increases in the benchmark index rates in the second quarter of 2023.

Dividend

The Company announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.43 per share of common stock for the quarter ended June 30, 2023. The dividend is payable on August 31, 2023 to common stockholders of record on August 15, 2023. The ex-dividend date is August 14, 2023.

Earnings Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call today at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time. A live webcast and replay of the conference call will be available at <u>www.arbor.com</u> in the investor relations section of the Company's website, or you can access the call telephonically at least ten minutes prior to the conference call. The dial-in numbers are (800) 225-9448 for domestic callers and (203) 518-9708 for international callers. Please use participant passcode ABRQ223 when prompted by the operator.

A telephonic replay of the call will be available until August 4, 2023. The replay dial-in numbers are (800) 934-4548 for domestic callers and (402) 220-1175 for international callers.

About Arbor Realty Trust, Inc.

Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: ABR) is a nationwide real estate investment trust and direct lender, providing loan origination and servicing for multifamily, single-family rental (SFR) portfolios, and other diverse commercial real estate assets. Headquartered in New York, Arbor manages a multibillion-dollar servicing portfolio, specializing in government-sponsored enterprise products. Arbor is a leading <u>Fannie Mae DUS®</u> lender and <u>Freddie Mac Optigo®</u> Seller/Servicer, and an approved FHA Multifamily Accelerated Processing (MAP) lender. Arbor's product platform also includes <u>bridge</u>, <u>CMBS</u>, <u>mezzanine and preferred equity</u> loans. Rated by Standard and Poor's and Fitch Ratings, Arbor is committed to building on its reputation for service, quality, and customized solutions with an unparalleled dedication to providing our clients excellence over the entire life of a loan.

Safe Harbor Statement

Certain items in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on management's current expectations and beliefs and are subject to a number of trends and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Arbor can give no assurance that its expectations will be attained. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from Arbor's expectations include, but are not limited to, changes in economic conditions generally, and the real estate markets specifically, continued ability to source new investments, changes in interest rates and/or credit spreads, and other risks detailed in Arbor's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 and its other reports filed with the SEC. Such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release. Arbor expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in Arbor's expectations with regard thereto or change in events, conditions, or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

Notes

- During the quarterly earnings conference call, the Company may discuss non-GAAP financial measures as defined by SEC Regulation G. In addition, the Company has used non-GAAP financial measures in this press release. A supplemental schedule of non-GAAP financial measures and the comparable GAAP financial measure can be found on the last page of this release.
- 2. Amounts reflect approximate balances as of July 25, 2023.

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ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Income - (Unaudited) (\$ in thousands—except share and per share data)

	Quarter Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2023		2022		2023		2022	
Interest income	\$	335,737	\$	201,328	\$	663,685	\$	368,026
Interest expense		227,195		107,067		446,569		189,627
Net interest income		108,542		94,261		217,116		178,399

Other revenue:								
Gain on sales, including fee-based services, net		22,587		16,510		37,176		18,166
Mortgage servicing rights		16,201		17,567		34,659		32,879
Servicing revenue, net		32,347		20,714		61,913		41,769
Property operating income		1,430		290		2,811		586
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net		(7,384)		8,606		(3,161)		25,992
Other income (loss), net		45		(13,249)		4,923		(10,048)
Total other revenue		65,226		50,438		138,321		109,344
Other expenses:								
Employee compensation and benefits		41,310		38,900		83,708		80,925
Selling and administrative		12,584		13,188		26,207		27,735
Property operating expenses		1,365		542		2,747		1,077
Depreciation and amortization		2,387		2,031		5,011		4,014
Provision for loss sharing (net of recoveries)		7,672		(1,949)		10,848		(2,611)
Provision for credit losses (net of recoveries)		13,878		5,067		36,395		7,426
Total other expenses		79,196		57,779		164,916		118,566
Income before extinguishment of debt, income from equity affiliates, and								
income taxes		94,572		86,920		190,521		169,177
Loss on extinguishment of debt		(1,247)		-		(1,247)		(1,350)
Income from equity affiliates		5,560		6,547		19,886		13,759
Provision for income taxes		(5,553)		(5,352)		(13,582)		(13,540)
Net income		93,332		88,115	. <u> </u>	195,578		168,046
Preferred stock dividends		10,342		11,214		20,684		20,270
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		6,826		6,992		14,411		13,808
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	76,164	\$	69,909	\$	160,483	\$	133,968
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.42	\$	0.43	\$	0.88	\$	0.85
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.41	\$	0.41	\$	0.87	\$	0.82
Weighted average shares outstanding:								
Basic	18	1,815,469	16	3,044,217	181,468,002		158,258,813	
Diluted	21	6,061,876	19	5,013,810	2	15,489,604	1	90,357,030
Dividends declared per common share	\$	0.42	\$	0.38	\$	0.82	\$	0.75

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Consolidated Balance Sheets

(\$ in thousands-except share and per share data)

		June 30, 2023		cember 31, 2022
	(Unaudited)			
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	846,362	\$	534,357
Restricted cash		396,866		713,808
Loans and investments, net (allowance credit losses of \$169,054 and \$132,559)		13,271,359		14,254,674
Loans held-for-sale, net		485,126		354,070
Capitalized mortgage servicing rights, net		394,410		401,471
Securities held-to-maturity, net (allowance credit losses of \$4,534 and \$3,153)		155,210		156,547
Investments in equity affiliates		72,806		79,130
Due from related party		73,263		77,419
Goodwill and other intangible assets		93,723		96,069

Other assets		368,502	371,440
Total assets	\$	16,157,627 \$	17,038,985
Liabilities and Equity:			
Credit and repurchase facilities	\$	3,579,080 \$	3,841,814
Securitized debt	Ψ	7,168,104	7,849,270
Securitized dept		1,331,875	1,385,994
Convertible senior unsecured notes		281,737	280,356
Junior subordinated notes to subsidiary trust issuing preferred securities		143,506	143,128
Due to related party		3,556	12,350
Due to borrowers		102,495	61,237
Allowance for loss-sharing obligations		66,681	57,168
Other liabilities		320,952	335,789
Total liabilities		12,997,986	13,967,106
Equity:			
Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, cumulative, redeemable, \$0.01 par value: 100,000,000 shares			
authorized, shares issued and outstanding by period:		633,684	633.684
Special voting preferred shares - 16,293,589 shares		000,001	000,001
6.375% Series D - 9,200,000 shares			
6.25% Series E - 5,750,000 shares			
6.25% Series F - 11,342,000 shares			
Common stock, \$0.01 par value: 500,000,000 shares authorized - 183,067,388			
and 178,230,522 shares issued and outstanding		1,831	1,782
Additional paid-in capital		2,280,632	2,204,481
Retained earnings		107,561	97,049
Total Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. stockholders' equity		3,023,708	2,936,996
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Noncontrolling interest		135,933	134,883
Total equity		3,159,641	3,071,879
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Total liabilities and equity	\$	16,157,627 \$	17,038,985

ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Statement of Income Segment Information - (Unaudited) (in thousands)

	Quarter Ended June 30, 2023									
		Structured Business		Agency Business	Oth Elimina	ner / htions ⁽¹⁾	Co	nsolidated		
Interest income	\$	322,105	\$	13,632	\$	-	\$	335,737		
Interest expense		220,966		6,229		-		227,195		
Net interest income		101,139		7,403		-		108,542		
Other revenue:										
Gain on sales, including fee-based services, net		-		22,587		-		22,587		
Mortgage servicing rights		-		16,201		-		16,201		
Servicing revenue		-		47,952		-		47,952		
Amortization of MSRs		-		(15,605)		-		(15,605)		
Property operating income		1,430		-		-		1,430		
Loss on derivative instruments, net		-		(7,384)		-		(7,384)		
Other income (loss), net		760		(715)		-		45		
Total other revenue		2,190		63,036		-		65,226		

Other expenses:

Employee compensation and benefits	13,438	27,872	-	41,310
Selling and administrative	5,833	6,751	-	12,584
Property operating expenses	1,365	-	-	1,365
Depreciation and amortization	1,214	1,173	-	2,387
Provision for loss sharing (net of recoveries)	-	7,672	-	7,672
Provision for credit losses (net of recoveries)	 14,369	 (491)	 -	 13,878
Total other expenses	 36,219	 42,977	 -	 79,196
Income before extinguishment of debt, income from equity affiliates, and income taxes	67,110	27,462	-	94,572
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(1,247)	-	-	(1,247)
Income from equity affiliates	5,560	-	-	5,560
Provision for income taxes	 (1,200)	 (4,353)	 -	 (5,553)
Net income	 70,223	 23,109	 	 93,332
Preferred stock dividends	10,342	-	-	10,342
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	 -	-	 6,826	 6,826
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 59,881	\$ 23,109	\$ (6,826)	\$ 76,164

(1) Includes income allocated to the noncontrolling interest holders not allocated to the two reportable segments.

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Balance Sheet Segment Information - (Unaudited) (in thousands)

	June 30, 2023							
	Structured Business	Ageno Busine	-	Consolidated				
Assets:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 468,5	15 \$ 377,	847	\$ 846,362				
Restricted cash	391,8	72 4,	994	396,866				
Loans and investments, net	13,271,3	59	-	13,271,359				
Loans held-for-sale, net		- 485,	126	485,126				
Capitalized mortgage servicing rights, net		- 394,	410	394,410				
Securities held-to-maturity, net		- 155,	210	155,210				
Investments in equity affiliates	72,8	06	-	72,806				
Goodwill and other intangible assets	12,5	00 81,	223	93,723				
Other assets	358,5	28 83,	237	441,765				
Total assets	\$14,575,5	80 \$1,582,	047	\$16,157,627				
Liabilities:								
Debt obligations	\$12,041,0	14 \$ 463,	288	\$12,504,302				
Allowance for loss-sharing obligations		- 66,	681	66,681				
Other liabilities	309,8	75 117,	128	427,003				
Total liabilities	\$12,350,8	89 \$ 647,	097	\$12,997,986				

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Reconciliation of Distributable Earnings to GAAP Net Income - (Unaudited) (\$ in thousands—except share and per share data)

Quarter Ended June 30,

		2023		2022		2023		2022	
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	76,164	\$	69,909	\$	160,483	\$	133,968	
Adjustments:									
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		6,826		6,992		14,411		13,808	
Income from mortgage servicing rights		(16,201)		(17,567)		(34,659)		(32,879)	
Deferred tax benefit		(7,360)		(706)		(4,197)		(2,426)	
Amortization and write-offs of MSRs		21,204		27,625		39,927		55,295	
Depreciation and amortization		4,058		2,617		8,353		5,186	
Loss on extinguishment of debt		1,247		-		1,247		1,350	
Provision for credit losses, net		16,810		5,849		40,515		7,546	
(Gain) loss on derivative instruments, net		8,085		(4,155)		1,034		(4,453)	
Stock-based compensation		3,193		3,149	· <u> </u>	9,094		9,241	
Distributable earnings (1)	\$	114,026	\$	93,713	\$	236,208	\$	186,636	
Diluted distributable earnings per share (1)	\$	0.57	\$	0.52	\$	1.19	\$	1.06	
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding (1) (2)		198,791,261		179,873,329		198,239,006		175,252,399	

(1) Amounts are attributable to common stockholders and OP Unit holders. The OP Units are redeemable for cash, or at the Company's option for shares of the Company's common stock on a one-for-one basis.

(2) The diluted weighted average shares outstanding were adjusted to exclude the potential shares issuable upon conversion and settlement of the Company's convertible senior notes principal balance. For the quarters ended June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, the diluted weighted average shares outstanding excluded 17,270,615 and 15,140,481 of these potentially issuable shares, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, the diluted weighted average shares outstanding excluded 17,250,598 and 15,104,631 of these potentially issuable shares, respectively.

The Company is presenting distributable earnings because management believes it is an important supplemental measure of the Company's operating performance and is useful to investors, analysts and other parties in the evaluation of REITs and their ability to provide dividends to stockholders. Dividends are one of the principal reasons investors invest in REITs. To maintain REIT status, REITs are required to distribute at least 90% of their REIT-taxable income. The Company considers distributable earnings in determining its quarterly dividend and believes that, over time, distributable earnings is a useful indicator of the Company's dividends per share.

The Company defines distributable earnings as net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders computed in accordance with GAAP, adjusted for accounting items such as depreciation and amortization (adjusted for unconsolidated joint ventures), non-cash stock-based compensation expense, income from MSRs, amortization and write-offs of MSRs, gains/losses on derivative instruments primarily associated with Private Label loans not yet sold and securitized, changes in fair value of GSE-related derivatives that temporarily flow through earnings (net of any tax impact), deferred tax provision (benefit), CECL provisions for credit losses (adjusted for realized losses as described below) and gains/losses on the receipt of real estate from the settlement of loans (prior to the sale of the real estate). The Company also adds back one-time charges such as acquisition costs and one-time gains/losses on the early extinguishment of debt and redemption of preferred stock.

The Company reduces distributable earnings for realized losses in the period management determines that a loan is deemed nonrecoverable in whole or in part. Loans are deemed nonrecoverable upon the earlier of: (1) when the loan receivable is settled (i.e., when the loan is repaid, or in the case of foreclosure, when the underlying asset is sold); or (2) when management determines that it is nearly certain that all amounts due will not be collected. The realized loss amount is equal to the difference between the cash received, or expected to be received, and the book value of the asset.

Distributable earnings is not intended to be an indication of the Company's cash flows from operating activities (determined in accordance with GAAP) or a measure of its liquidity, nor is it entirely indicative of funding the Company's cash needs, including its ability to make cash distributions. The Company's calculation of distributable earnings may be different from the calculations used by other companies and, therefore, comparability may be limited.



Source: Arbor Realty Trust