

# First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited And Its Subsidiaries

## A Subsidiary of First Citizens Holdings Limited



First Citizens

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements Six Months Ended 31 March 2023

(Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)

### Chairman's Report

The First Citizens Group concluded another profitable quarter for the period ended 31 March 2023, recording a profit before tax of \$234.8 million. This brought the year to date profit before tax for the six-month period to \$510.2 million. Profit after tax for the six-month period amounted to \$364.3 million, representing an 8.7% increase when compared to the corresponding period to March 2022. This overall improvement in profitability is a positive demonstration of the Group's drive towards a recovery to our pre-Covid performance. The Group's Total Assets, as at 31 March 2023, were valued at \$44.7 billion, a slight decline of 1.6% when compared to 30 September 2022. We remain focused on loan growth within our standard risk guidelines. This focus has resulted in growth in loans from \$18.9 billion to \$19.5 billion, or 3.3%, for the period from 30 September 2022. This, coupled with the prudent management of our funding base, has resulted in a 19.9% growth in Net Interest Income relative to the same period in the last financial year.

In light of this performance, the Board has declared a second interim dividend of \$0.38 per ordinary share, which brings the total interim dividend for the six-month period to \$0.81 per ordinary share. This represents a 9.5% increase when compared to the same period last year of \$0.74. This dividend will be paid on 31 May 2023 to shareholders on record as at 11 May 2023. Our policy of paying quarterly dividends is aligned to the Group's strategy of consistently delivering value to our shareholders.

The Group continues to be cautious on the outlook for USD interest rates. Given the current statements emanating out of the US, continue to position our USD investment portfolio for a period of heightened USD interest rates by, rebalancing into shorter term instruments. This should ultimately allow increased investment income as USD rates reset. Domestically, economic activity is on the path of gradual improvement; the labour market, liquidity, inflation, and credit activity in both energy and non-energy sectors are all estimated to return relatively favourable performances. As these developments are still in their early stages, we will actively monitor conditions and proactively adjust our strategies as required.

First Citizens' drive for growth and the delivery of value to our shareholders remain important aspects of the way we serve. Investments continue both in our physical infrastructure as well as in our digital capabilities as we strive to meet the needs of all our customers. We also have a very strong social investment programme, designed to uplift our communities by supporting environmental and social needs.

Let me take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to our dedicated employees, loyal customers, my fellow directors, shareholders and all other stakeholders. Your continued support and contributions to the First Citizens Group remain essential to our continued growth and success.

*Anthony Isidore Smart*

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Chairman

25 April 2023

### Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement Of Financial Position

	Unaudited Mar 2023 \$'000	Unaudited Mar 2022 \$'000	Audited Sept 2022 \$'000
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Statutory Deposits	11,086,174	10,069,180	11,527,904
Financial assets			
- Investments	12,258,499	16,314,805	13,203,048
- Loans and receivables less allowance for loan losses:			
Loans to customers	19,524,946	18,074,988	18,886,554
Loans notes	--	36,850	--
Other assets	499,934	719,085	530,169
Investment in joint ventures & associates	248,926	236,530	244,114
Property, plant and equipment	756,046	577,850	694,494
Intangible asset	257,338	229,513	261,087
Defined benefit asset	98,081	--	91,814
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>44,729,944</b>	<b>46,258,801</b>	<b>45,439,184</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Customers' deposits and other funding instruments	32,657,367	32,745,764	32,307,435
Due to other banks	1,316,741	1,733,115	1,304,140
Creditors and accrued expenses	720,806	824,806	734,676
Lease Liabilities	240,862	91,221	184,457
Debt securities in issue	1,716,157	2,951,169	2,951,169
Notes due to related companies	58,000	58,000	58,000
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>36,709,933</b>	<b>38,404,075</b>	<b>37,539,877</b>
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>			
Share capital	458,557	458,557	458,557
Statutory reserve	1,241,412	1,241,412	1,241,412
Fair value reserve	912,829	1,104,645	932,384
Retained earnings	5,407,213	5,050,112	5,266,954
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>8,020,011</b>	<b>7,854,726</b>	<b>7,899,307</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>44,729,944</b>	<b>46,258,801</b>	<b>45,439,184</b>

On 25 April 2023, the Board of Directors of First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited authorised these consolidated financial statements for issue.

Director *Anthony Isidore Smart*

Director *Edwin Wharf*

### Condensed Consolidated Interim Income Statement

	Unaudited Three months ended		Unaudited Six months ended		Audited Sept 2022
	Mar 2023 \$'000	Mar 2022 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Mar 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>450,644</b>	<b>361,623</b>	<b>867,447</b>	<b>723,734</b>	<b>1,491,279</b>
Other income	149,021	162,534	302,621	337,813	647,332
<b>Total net revenue</b>	<b>599,665</b>	<b>524,157</b>	<b>1,170,068</b>	<b>1,061,547</b>	<b>2,138,611</b>
Impairment expenses net recoveries	(7,748)	(11,699)	989	(6,329)	25,267
Expenses	(361,616)	(296,593)	(671,229)	(596,381)	(1,267,878)
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>230,301</b>	<b>215,865</b>	<b>499,828</b>	<b>458,837</b>	<b>896,000</b>
Share of profit in associates and joint venture	4,539	5,076	10,335	10,480	26,720
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	<b>234,840</b>	<b>220,941</b>	<b>510,163</b>	<b>469,317</b>	<b>922,720</b>
Taxation	(70,074)	(67,295)	(145,882)	(134,120)	(189,212)
<b>Profit after taxation</b>	<b>164,766</b>	<b>153,646</b>	<b>364,281</b>	<b>335,197</b>	<b>733,508</b>
<b>Earnings Per Share Basic</b>			<b>\$1.45</b>	<b>\$1.32</b>	<b>\$2.91</b>
<b>Weighted Average Number of Shares Basic</b>			<b>251,354</b>	<b>251,354</b>	<b>251,354</b>

### Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Comprehensive Income

	Unaudited Three months ended		Unaudited Six months ended		Audited Sept 2022
	Mar 2023 \$'000	Mar 2022 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Mar 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
<b>Profit after taxation</b>	<b>164,766</b>	<b>153,646</b>	<b>364,281</b>	<b>335,197</b>	<b>733,508</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>					
<b>Items that will not be classified to profit or loss</b>					
Remeasurement of defined benefit liability	--	--	--	--	(41,519)
Net gains on investments in equity instruments designated at FVOCI	(52,639)	1,650	(57,622)	(366)	(22,507)
Revaluation of property, plant and equipment net of tax	--	--	--	--	407
	(52,639)	1,650	(57,622)	(366)	(63,619)
<b>Items may be classified to profit or loss</b>					
Exchange difference on translation	(9,362)	(11,519)	(2,842)	(3,508)	(5,496)
Reclassified to profit or loss on disposal	(1,242)	(31,706)	10,924	(44,510)	(43,451)
Net (losses) / gains on financial assets measured at FVOCI	986	(111,568)	29,985	(167,937)	(276,016)
	(9,618)	154,793	38,067	(215,955)	(324,963)
	(62,257)	153,143	(19,555)	(216,321)	(388,582)
Total other comprehensive income					
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>	<b>105,509</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>344,726</b>	<b>118,876</b>	<b>344,926</b>

### Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Changes In Equity

	Share Capital \$'000	Statutory Reserve \$'000	Other Reserve \$'000	Retained Earnings \$'000	Shareholders' Equity \$'000
<b>Balance at 1 October 2022</b>	<b>458,557</b>	<b>1,241,412</b>	<b>932,384</b>	<b>5,266,954</b>	<b>7,899,307</b>
Total comprehensive (loss)/income	--	--	(19,555)	364,281	344,726
Dividends	--	--	--	(224,022)	(224,022)
<b>Balance at 31 March 2023</b>	<b>458,557</b>	<b>1,241,412</b>	<b>912,829</b>	<b>5,407,213</b>	<b>8,020,011</b>
<b>Balance at 1 October 2021</b>	<b>458,557</b>	<b>1,241,412</b>	<b>1,320,966</b>	<b>4,924,472</b>	<b>7,945,407</b>
Total comprehensive income	--	--	(216,321)	335,197	118,876
Dividends	--	--	--	(209,557)	(209,557)
<b>Balance at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>458,557</b>	<b>1,241,412</b>	<b>1,104,645</b>	<b>5,050,112</b>	<b>7,854,726</b>
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Total Comprehensive income	--	--	(388,582)	733,508	344,926
Dividends	--	--	--	(391,026)	(391,026)
<b>Balance at 30 September 2022</b>	<b>458,557</b>	<b>1,241,412</b>	<b>932,384</b>	<b>5,266,954</b>	<b>7,899,307</b>

### Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Cash Flow

	Unaudited Mar 2023 \$'000	Unaudited Mar 2022 \$'000	Audited Sep 2022 \$'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Profit before taxation	510,163	469,317	922,720
Adjustments to reconcile profit to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Cashflows from operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities	(292,997)	(245,740)	(505,343)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Net change in loans to customers	(626,640)	15,348	(764,512)
Net change in customers' deposits and other funding	349,932	(183,545)	(621,875)
Net change in other assets	(15,020)	(66,699)	(13,822)
Net change in statutory deposits with Central Bank	64,703	1,048,767	(565,313)
Net change in creditors and accrued expenses	(42,269)	(137,504)	(67,099)
Interest received	999,036	896,069	1,802,578
Interest paid	(144,141)	(158,328)	(309,295)
Net change in investments	917,416	(859,549)	2,068,263
Taxes paid	(84,003)	(137,206)	(308,099)
Net cash flow from operating activities	1,126,017	171,613	715,483
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</b>			
Net change in loan notes	--	36,850	73,700
Net change in short-term investments	(472,489)	(456,992)	565,436
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,778	1,901	1,229
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(46,516)	(41,024)	(138,618)
	(517,227)	(459,265)	501,747
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities</b>			
Repayment of debt securities	(1,235,012)	(20,802)	(20,802)
Repayment of lease liabilities	(16,862)	(12,845)	(34,211)
Dividend paid	(224,022)	(209,557)	(391,026)
Net cash flow from financing activities	(1,475,896)	(243,204)	(446,039)
Net cash (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(867,106)	(530,856)	771,191
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	4,626,277	3,864,595	3,864,595
Effect of exchange rate change	4,990	(3,510)	(9,509)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	3,764,161	3,330,229	4,626,277
<b>REPRESENTED BY:-</b>			
Cash and due from banks and Statutory Deposits	11,086,174	10,069,180	11,527,904
Due to other banks	(1,316,741)	(1,733,115)	(1,304,140)
Less:			
Statutory Deposits	(5,087,749)	(3,538,373)	(5,152,452)
Short Term Investments (Maturity over 3 months)	(917,523)	(1,467,463)	(445,035)
	3,764,161	3,330,229	4,626,277

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### Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements

#### 1 General Information

First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited (FCGFH) and its subsidiaries (together the Group or First Citizens Group) provide retail, commercial and corporate banking as well as investment banking services. The Group operates primarily in Trinidad and Tobago and the Eastern Caribbean region.

FCGFH is a subsidiary of First Citizens Holdings Limited (Holdings), a company owned by the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT). First Citizens Holdings Limited is the majority shareholder of FCGFH, with shareholding interest of 60.1%. Its registered office is located at 9 Queen's Park East, Port of Spain.

On October 18, 2021, FCGFH became the parent company of First Citizens Bank Limited (the Bank) and the listed publicly traded shares on the Trinidad & Tobago Stock Exchange. Shares held in the Bank were replaced with shares in FCGFH in the same ratio as previously held at the time of the change.

The Group currently comprises the following entities:

Entity	Nature of operations	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest
First Citizens Depository Services Limited (formerly First Citizens Asset Management Limited)	The company acts as custodian for third parties and provides paying agent services	Trinidad & Tobago	100%
First Citizens Bank (Barbados) Limited	Banking, including the provision of mortgages for residential and commercial properties	Barbados	100%
First Citizens Costa Rica SA	Service related transactions	Costa Rica	100%
First Citizens Financial Services (St. Lucia) Limited	Selected banking and financial service operations	St. Lucia	100%
First Citizens Investment Services Limited and its Subsidiaries	Investment & asset management services and repo business	Trinidad & Tobago	100%
First Citizens Trustee Services Limited	Provision of trustee, administration and paying agency services	Trinidad & Tobago	100%

The Group also has investment in the following entities:

Entity	Nature of operations	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest
Infolink Services Limited	Provision of automated banking reciprocity services	Trinidad & Tobago	25%
St. Lucia Electricity Services Limited	Provision of electrical power to consumers	St. Lucia	19%
Term Finance (Holdings) Limited	Provision of short-term loans to individuals and small-medium size businesses	Trinidad & Tobago	19.99%

#### 2 Basis of preparation

The interim consolidated financial statement for the six months period ended 31 March 2023, has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

#### 3 Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim financial statement are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

#### 4 Commitments

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
<b>Capital Commitments</b>			
Capital expenditure approved by the Directors but not provided for in these accounts	194,108	140,838	122,266
<b>Credit Commitments</b>			
Commitments for loans approved not yet disbursed	849,073	615,344	635,350

#### 5 Credit impairment losses net recoveries

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
<b>Expected Credit Losses</b>			
Loans and advances	(2,143)	(14,876)	17,252
Other financial assets	3,132	8,547	8,015
	989	(6,329)	25,267

#### 6 Related Party Transactions

##### (a) Directors and key management personnel

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	36,575	36,005	62,187
Loans and receivables	19,955	15,719	15,864
Interest income	412	265	625
Customers' Deposits	34,041	22,782	29,979
Interest expense	162	140	292
Other Funding instruments	2,006	6,846	8,852
Interest expense-Other funding	75	86	192

### Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements (cont'd)

#### (b) Transactions with Parent

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
Customers' Deposit	4,831	3,858	3,704
Long-term notes	58,000	58,000	58,000
Loan Note	--	2,607	--
Interest income on loan notes	--	299	1,049
Due from parent	286	271	18

#### (c) Pension Plan

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
Employer's contribution	28,931	28,703	54,125

#### (d) Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

On the formation of the Bank, it was agreed that the assets and liabilities of the predecessor financial institutions would be transferred to the Bank and the non-performing portfolio sold to a liquidating company in consideration for an equivalent amount of Government-guaranteed notes and commercial paper. In addition, the Central Bank agreed to put specific liquidity arrangements in place by way of a long-term loan. The current amount outstanding on these obligations and the related income and expenses are disclosed below:

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
<b>Assets</b>			
Loan notes with Taurus Services Limited	--	34,243	--
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Due to GORTT	26,572	26,572	26,567
<b>Interest Income</b>			
Loan notes	--	3,927	6,351

#### (e) Other transactions with the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

In addition to the balances in (d) above, the Group in its ordinary course of business enters into lending, deposit and investment transactions with the GORTT, other state owned institutions, state agencies and local government bodies. Transactions and balances between the Group and these related parties are as follows:

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
Loans to customers	3,207,920	3,508,657	3,535,333
Interest income	108,458	104,480	217,355
Customers' deposits	10,602,175	9,761,918	9,945,476
Interest expense	9,127	6,842	15,571
Investments	6,896,523	10,261,110	7,277,213
Investment income	185,274	183,610	348,757
Other funding instruments	419,389	810,880	731,220
Interest expense	2,153	4,608	9,635

(f) The (COVID - 19) Small & Medium Enterprises (SME) Stimulus Loan is an initiative the GORTT embarked upon, geared specifically towards bringing relief to the Small and Medium Enterprises businesses that were negatively affected as a result of the crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The GORTT provided a guarantee for 75% or 100% of the loan value. The interest on these loans will be paid by the GORTT for the duration of the loan.

	March 2023 \$'000	March 2022 \$'000	Sept 2022 \$'000
SME Loans	63,890	26,634	63,756
Interest income	953	256	942

#### 7 Litigation

The Group is involved in claims and counterclaims arising from the conduct of its business. Based on the facts now known to the Group, the Directors believe that the outcome of these matters would not have a material adverse effect on the position of the Group.

#### 8 Segment Reporting

The segmental information used by the Executive and Senior Management is as follows:-

Period ended 31 March 2023	Retail & Corporate Banking \$'000	Treasury & Investment Banking \$'000	Trustee & Asset Management \$'000	Group Functions \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	Total \$'000
Total Net Revenue	843,588	543,687	50,014	2,228	(269,449)	1,170,068
Profit Before Taxation	484,116	396,394	24,854	(143,179)	(252,022)	510,163
Total Assets	22,914,612	22,789,122	460,345	667,459	(2,101,593)	44,729,945

Period ended 31 March 2022	Retail & Corporate Banking \$'000	Treasury & Investment Banking \$'000	Trustee & Asset Management \$'000	Group Functions \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	Total \$'000
Total Net Revenue	780,170	384,182	52,101	(3,545)	(151,361)	1,061,547
Profit Before Taxation	436,137	281,886	27,603	(142,108)	(134,201)	469,317
Total Assets	22,540,436	24,502,586	613,640	630,169	(2,028,030)	46,258,801

Period ended 30 September 2022	Retail & Corporate Banking \$'000	Treasury & Investment Banking \$'000	Trustee & Asset Management \$'000	Group Functions \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	Total \$'000
Total Net Revenue	1,575,403	628,343	106,748	410,654	(582,537)	2,138,611
Profit Before Taxation	890,178	407,480	55,832	111,511	(542,281)	922,720
Total Assets	22,196,082	23,796,593	632,791	7,174,440	(8,360,722)	45,439,184