



Community Investors Bancorp, Inc.

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Dear Shareholders,

Fiscal year 2022 was another resounding success, in terms of our record-breaking financial performance, as well as the completion of many strategic initiatives. It has not been without its challenges; however, as rising gas prices, rising interest rates and the threat of a recession continues to place pressures on our retail and commercial customers. In addition, the labor market continues to challenge businesses to hire and retain employees.

There were many highlights, as well. As stated last year, this fiscal year started off with the completion of conversion of our core processing system. It was a challenging initiative, but one that will provide better access and technology to our customers, as well as a significant cost savings for the Bank.

In addition, we have undertaken several growth opportunities. We continue to look for opportunities to expand our Residential Secondary Market mortgage lending operation, as we opened a Loan Production Office in Marion, Ohio, as well as grow our presence in the Mansfield, Ohio market. On the Commercial side, we acquired a Commercial Secondary Market mortgage lending company in November, 2021. This was done to take advantage of the increased volume in Commercial Lending in Central Ohio, as well as a support system for our existing residential origination in the surrounding areas. We also continue the strategic growth in the commercial lending segment as we put more resources into the Mansfield, Marion, Findlay and Bellefontaine markets

Naturally, the concern with growth is problem loans and delinquency, but due to the diligence and hard work in that area, we again posted record lows (and well below peer) in both categories. That is a tribute to everyone involved in the lending process, as well as those directly responsible for the collection of these loans.

In the early part of 2022, the Bank again underwent a very successful Safety and Soundness examination, which was conducted by the OCC. We continue to enjoy a very healthy and collaborative relationship with our Regulatory agencies, which will only help in moving us forward into the next year.

Finally, in May 2022, First Federal Community Bank was recognized by American Banker Magazine in the Top 200 Publicly Traded Community Banks. We were #140, using data provided by S&P Global Market Intelligence, and based on three-year return on average equity.

The Bank reported net earnings of \$1,652,000, or \$2.08 per basic share, for the year ended June 30, 2022 (FY2022). This represents a decrease of \$684,000, or 29.3% compared to net earnings of \$2,336,000 or \$2.94 per basic share, reported for the year ended June 30, 2021 (FYE2021). The decrease in 2022 earnings reflects a decrease of noninterest income of \$2,698,000 or 31.0%. However, an increase in net interest income of \$612,000 or 9.50% from 2021 helped offset the decrease in noninterest income. Additionally due to historically low delinquency and more certainty of COVID-19 pandemic impact, the Bank was able to scale back the provision for loan loss for FYE 2022, also contributing to lessen the impact of the decrease in noninterest income. Continued loan growth, specifically commercial loan growth, combined with careful management of our cost of funds contributed to the increase in net interest income. Increasing interest rates in the second half of FY2022, significantly contributed to a slow-down in refinancing activity in the secondary market and the decrease in noninterest income. In order to improve our products, services and expansion capabilities, we continue strategically investing in technology, personnel, and cost savings initiatives.

Community Investors Bancorp, Inc. (the Bank) reported total assets at June 30, 2022, of \$233.8 million, an increase of \$11.4 million or 5.1% from June 30, 2021, including gross loans of \$175.4 million, an increase of \$23.9 million or 15.7% from 2021. Deposits grew by \$21.8 million, a 12.6% increase from

2021. Total stockholders' equity decreased by \$0.845 million to \$16.7 million as a result of net income plus the change in unrealized losses on investments. In addition, dividends of \$318,000 or \$.40 per share were paid on common shares during the fiscal year.

As you can see, 2022 was a very full, exciting, profitable and challenging year. It is not done without the complete commitment and dedication of our 90 associates across all branches. They live the motto that "we are here to make good things happen for others". I owe them a tremendous debt of gratitude for our success!

On behalf of everyone at First Federal, I would like to thank you for your continued support of our employees, the Bank, and our Communities.