

## Safe Sound and Secure

In light of the recent events and developing situation regarding the failure of Silicon Valley Bank as well as Signature Bank, I have outlined below some facts and thoughts that hopefully will assure you that Evermore Bank is in sound financial condition and all deposits are safe.

- Evermore Bank has not purchased any bonds and therefore has no unrealized bond losses on our financial statements.
- Evermore Bank's loan to deposit ratio is a sound 67%, which is a low leverage ratio.
- Silicon Valley Bank 's business model was built on lending to venture capital start-up, high risk technology companies whereby SVB took on high risk loans in return for stock warrants in these companies. EB's business model is quite the opposite, whereby we do not trade risk for higher return.
- EB's asset/liability management philosophy is to stay relatively short in duration on both sides of the balance sheet ledger. Lending rates are fixed for 5 years or less. This averts interest rate and duration risk.
- EB's loans to total assets is only 26%; we remain well capitalized and highly liquid.
- EB does not invest in any crypto related business.
- Silicon Valley Bank grew their deposits by roughly \$16 Billion in 24 months and therefore was pressured to purchase long duration bonds which lost their value due to the recent rise in interest rates. Evermore Bank's business model and plan is to slowly grow the bank and not be pressured to a high risk long duration loan portfolio.
- Community Banks with granular deposit bases are largely immune from SVB's issues.

As always, please feel free to reach out to us with any questions and please continue to be fully confident that Evermore Bank is strong, secure and is a source of financial strength.

Sincerely,

Steven Sanzone CEO & Founder Evermore Bank