



GREAT AMERICAN BANCORP, INC.

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GREAT AMERICAN BANCORP, INC. **UNAUDITED RESULTS FOR FIRST QUARTER 2009 – NET INCOME OF \$427,000**

Champaign, Illinois - Great American Bancorp, Inc. (Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board/GTPS), the holding company for First Federal Savings Bank of Champaign-Urbana, reported net income of \$427,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2009, which is an increase of \$88,000, or 26.0% from the \$339,000 reported for the three months ended March 31, 2008. Basic earnings per share were \$0.80 for the quarter ended March 31, 2009 compared to \$0.57 for the three months ended March 31, 2008, while fully diluted earnings per share were \$0.80 for the first quarter of 2009 and \$0.56 for the first quarter of 2008.

Net income for the first three months of 2009 was higher compared to the same period in 2008 primarily due to an increase in noninterest income, mainly gains on the sale of residential home mortgage loans.

Net interest income was \$1,351,000 for the quarter ended March 31, 2009; decreasing \$39,000 or 2.8% from \$1,390,000 reported for the first quarter of 2008. Interest income was \$1,848,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2009 compared to \$2,109,000 for the same quarter in 2008, decreasing \$261,000 or 12.4%, due to decreases in interest income from loans and financial institutions and other.

Total loan income decreased \$133,000 or 6.8% from \$1,966,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 to \$1,833,000 for the first quarter of 2009. This decrease was primarily in interest generated on 1-4 family residential mortgage loans, commercial business loans and revolving consumer loans. The reductions in interest income in these loan categories were mainly due to the sharp decline in market interest rates during the latter part of 2008, which affected both rates on new loans and adjustable rate loans where the interest rate is tied to the prime rate. The prime rate declined from 5.25% on March 31, 2008 to a low of 3.25% in December 2008. The prime rate remained at 3.25% during the first quarter of 2009. The yield on total average outstanding net loans decreased from 7.01% in 2008 to 6.49% in 2009.

The balance of total average net loans outstanding during the first quarter of 2009 increased \$1.80 million from \$112.77 million during the first quarter of 2008 to \$114.57 million during the first quarter of 2009. The growth in the balance of total average net loans occurred primarily in construction loans, commercial business loans and consumer loans, offset by a reduction in the balance of total average 1-4 family residential mortgage loans.

Interest income from deposits with financial institutions and other, which are all over-night or short-term deposits, decreased \$124,000 due to significantly lower short-term market interest rates during 2009. The Federal Funds Target Rate, as established by the Federal Open Market Committee, declined from 2.00% on March 31, 2008 to a range of between zero and 25 basis points by December 31, 2008. The rate remained at this lower range during the first quarter of 2009. The average yield on deposits with financial institutions and other declined from 3.05% for the first quarter of 2008 to 0.10% for 2009, a decrease of 295 basis points.

Interest expense decreased \$222,000 or 30.9%, from \$719,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2008 to \$497,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2009. Interest expense on deposits decreased \$217,000 or 39.5%, due primarily to decreases in interest expense on Insured Money Market Accounts (“IMMA”) and certificates of deposit. Interest expense on IMMA deposits decreased \$67,000 in 2009 due to management lowering the offering rates on these deposits as market interest rates declined during 2008. The average rate paid on IMMA deposits decreased from 2.49% for the first quarter of 2008 to 1.17% for the first quarter of 2009. Interest expense on certificates of deposit decreased \$146,000 in 2009, due mainly to a reduction in the average balance of total certificates of deposit and a decrease in the offering rates on new and renewing certificates of deposit. The average balance of total certificates of deposit declined from \$38.21 million during the three months ended March 31, 2008 to \$36.27 million for the first quarter of 2009. This decline was mainly due to depositors transferring maturing longer-term certificates to IMMA and NOW accounts during the latter part of 2008 due to declining certificate of deposit offering rates. The average rate accrued on certificates of deposit was 2.77% for the first three months of 2009 compared to 4.15% for the same period in 2008. The average balance of total IMMA accounts increased from \$21.18 million for the first quarter of 2008 to \$22.21 million during the first quarter of 2009, while the total average balance of NOW deposits increased from \$22.49 million for the first three months of 2008 to \$24.76 million for the same quarter in 2009.

Interest expense on Federal Home Loan Bank advances was slightly lower for the quarter ended March 31, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008 due to a decrease in average outstanding advances during 2009. Total Federal Home Loan Bank advances averaged \$13.39 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2009 compared to an average of \$14.00 million for the same quarter in 2008. The average rate accrued on Federal Home Loan Bank advances was 4.88% for the first quarter of 2009 and 4.68% for the same period in 2008.

The Company recorded \$60,000 to the provision for loan losses in the first quarter of 2009 compared to zero for the same quarter in 2008. The provision recorded in 2009 resulted from management’s analyses of potential losses related to nonperforming and other problem loans identified during the quarter.

Noninterest income totaled \$1,165,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2009, \$226,000 higher than the \$939,000 recorded for the quarter ended March 31, 2008. This increase occurred primarily in

net gains on sales of loans. Net gains on sales of loans were \$264,000 higher in 2009 due to the Company selling \$18.57 million in loans during the first quarter of 2009 compared to \$3.77 million in the first quarter of 2008. The majority of loans sold during 2009 were refinanced single family residential mortgage loans that had been previously sold into the secondary market. Home mortgage interest rates were at historical lows during the first quarter of 2009, which spurred tremendous growth in home mortgage refinancing activity.

Noninterest expense was \$1,776,000 for the first quarter of 2009, decreasing \$18,000 from the \$1,794,000 recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2008. This decrease was primarily in professional fees, marketing expense, and other expenses.

Income tax expense was \$253,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2009 compared to \$196,000 for the same period in 2008. The effective tax rates for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 were 37.2% and 36.6% respectively.

Total assets at March 31, 2009 were \$150.50 million compared to \$142.55 million at December 31, 2008. Total cash and cash equivalents increased \$11.36 million, from \$15.69 million at December 31, 2008 to \$27.05 million at March 31, 2009 mainly due to growth in deposits and loan repayments exceeding loan originations. Total net loans decreased from \$115.78 million at December 31, 2008 to \$112.75 million at March 31, 2009. The decrease occurred mainly in 1-4 family residential loans. Total deposits increased from \$110.57 million at December 31, 2008 to \$119.64 million at March 31, 2009. This growth was primarily in short-term NOW, IMMA, and savings accounts.

First Federal Savings Bank of Champaign-Urbana is head quartered in Champaign, Illinois, and operates through its administrative/branch office in Champaign and through two other full service branches located in Champaign and Urbana. The Bank also provides full service brokerage activities through a third-party broker-dealer. The Bank's subsidiary, Park Avenue Service Corporation, sells insurance products through the GTPS Insurance Agency. The Bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

This earnings report may contain certain forward-looking statements which are based on management's current expectations regarding economic, legislative, and regulatory issues that may impact the Company's earnings in future periods. Factors that could cause future results to vary materially from current management expectations include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions, changes in interest rates, deposit flows, real estate values, and competition, changes in accounting principles, policies, or guidelines, changes in legislation or regulation, and other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory and technological factors affecting the Company's operations, pricing, products and services. Great American Bancorp, Inc. stock is traded on the Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board system under the symbol "GTPS."

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Great American Bancorp, Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets
March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008
(in thousands, except share data)

	March 31, 2009 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2008
Assets		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 16,023	\$ 4,433
Interest-bearing demand deposits	11,029	11,254
Cash and cash equivalents	27,052	15,687
Securities available for sale	873	979
Securities held to maturity	98	104
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	1,210	1,210
Loans held for sale	599	870
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$936 and \$881	112,150	114,906
Premises and equipment, net	5,255	5,298
Goodwill	485	485
Real estate owned	900	900
Other assets	1,874	2,112
Total assets	\$ 150,496	\$ 142,551
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Liabilities		
Deposits		
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 15,767	\$ 14,792
Interest-bearing	103,871	95,774
Total deposits	119,638	110,566
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	13,000	14,000
Advances from borrowers for taxes and insurance	422	277
Other liabilities	2,466	2,396
Total liabilities	135,526	127,239
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' Equity		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued	--	--
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized and issued	10	10
Additional paid-in-capital	3,310	3,310
Retained earnings	26,735	26,382
Unearned incentive plan shares	(55)	(55)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	88	89
Common stock in treasury, at cost, (2009-470,325 shares; 2008-447,825 shares)	(15,118)	(14,424)
Total stockholders' equity	14,970	15,312
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 150,496	\$ 142,551

GREAT AMERICAN BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statements of Income
For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2009 and 2008
(unaudited, in thousands, except share data)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008
Interest and Dividend Income		
Loans	\$ 1,833	\$ 1,966
Securities	11	15
Deposits with financial institutions and other	4	128
Total interest and dividend income	<u>1,848</u>	<u>2,109</u>
Interest Expense		
Deposits	332	549
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	161	163
Other	4	7
Total interest expense	<u>497</u>	<u>719</u>
Net Interest Income	1,351	1,390
Provision for Loan Losses	60	--
Net Interest Income After Provision for Loan Losses	<u>1,291</u>	<u>1,390</u>
Noninterest Income		
Insurance sales commissions	516	519
Customer service fees	200	216
Other service charges and fees	69	78
Net gain on sales of loans	329	65
Loan servicing fees	36	32
Other	15	29
Total noninterest income	<u>1,165</u>	<u>939</u>
Noninterest Expense		
Salaries and employee benefits	1,145	1,122
Occupancy expense	152	149
Equipment expense	135	131
Professional fees	51	64
Marketing expense	47	72
Printing and office supplies	61	57
Directors and committee fees	34	34
Amortization of mortgage servicing rights	23	12
Real estate owned expenses	8	--
Other	120	153
Total noninterest expenses	<u>1,776</u>	<u>1,794</u>
Income Before Income Taxes	680	535
Income tax expenses	253	196
Net Income	<u>\$ 427</u>	<u>\$ 339</u>
Basic Earnings per Share	<u>\$ 0.80</u>	<u>\$ 0.57</u>
Diluted Earnings per Share	<u>\$ 0.80</u>	<u>\$ 0.56</u>

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Selected Financial Data

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	As of March 31, 2009	As of Dec. 31, 2008
Total assets	\$ 150,496	\$ 142,551
Total loans, net	112,749	115,776
Loan loss reserve	936	881
Non-performing assets	305	331
Non-performing assets to total assets	0.20%	0.23%
Allowance for loan losses to total assets	0.62%	0.62%
Investment securities	971	1,083
Total deposits	119,638	110,566
Checking deposits	40,999	38,623
Money market deposits	25,105	20,241
Passbook savings deposits	16,964	15,592
Certificates of deposit	36,570	36,110
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	13,000	14,000
Total stockholders' equity	14,970	15,312

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008
	(unaudited)	
Net interest margin (annualized)	4.12%	4.22%
ROA (annualized)	1.19%	0.94%
ROE (annualized)	11.59%	8.56%