# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 7, 2018

# **REDWOOD TRUST, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-13759 (Commission File Number) 68-0329422 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Belvedere Place Suite 300 Mill Valley, California 94941

(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

(415) 389-7373 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

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#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition;

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 7, 2018, Redwood Trust, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter endedSeptember 30, 2018 and *The Redwood Review* - 3rd Quarter 2018, copies of which are attached as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, respectively, to this current report on Form 8-K.

On November 7, 2018, Redwood Trust, Inc. issued a press release announcing its Board of Directors' authorization to declare a fourth quarter regular dividend of \$0.30 per share, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.3 to this current report on Form 8-K. The fourth quarter 2018 dividend is payable on December 28, 2018 to stockholders of record on December 14, 2018.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and Item 7.01 and the attached Exhibits 99.1, 99.2 and 99.3 is furnished to and not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01.	Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d)	Exhibits
Exhibit 99.1 Exhibit 99.2 Exhibit 99.3	Press Release dated November 7, 2018 The Redwood Review – 3rd Quarter 2018 Press Release dated November 7, 2018

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 7, 2018

**REDWOOD TRUST, INC.** 

By: /s/ Collin L. Cochrane

Collin L. Cochrane Chief Financial Officer

## Exhibit Index

Exhibit No.	Exhibit Title
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated November 7, 2018
Exhibit 99.2	<u>The Redwood Review – 3rd Quarter 2018</u>
Exhibit 99.3	Press Release dated November 7, 2018



#### **REDWOOD TRUST REPORTS THIRD QUARTER 2018 RESULTS**

MILL VALLEY, CA – Wednesday, November 7, 2018 – Redwood Trust, Inc. (NYSE:RWT) (the "Company" or "Redwood") today reported its financial results for the hird quarter of 2018.

#### **Quarterly Financial Highlights**

- GAAP net income was\$41 million, or \$0.42 per diluted common share
- Non-GAAP core earning(1) were \$37 million, or \$0.39 per diluted common share
- Book value per common share increased to \$16.42 from \$16.23 at June 30, 2018 and \$15.67 at September 30, 2017
- Economic return on book value(2) of 3.0% for the third quarter and 9.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018
- Recourse debt-to-equity leverage ratio(3) of 3.1x

#### Business Highlights

- Deployed a record \$281 million of capital into new investments in the third quarter of 2018, bringing year-to-date deployment to \$575 million through the end of September 2018
- Through partnership with 5 Arches, began acquiring single-family rental loans and made an initial investment in a portfolio of fix-and-flip loans
- Closed three Sequoia securitizations, bringing the total to 11 for 2018 and over 50 postcrisis
- Raised \$117 million of equity capital in first follow-on offering of common stock since 2009

"With our recent capital raise and record capital deployment in the third quarter, we made tangible progress towards our strategic goals of scaling our platform and broadening our reach across the full housing finance spectrum. Most importantly, we continued to deliver strong returns for our shareholders during a period of rising interest rates and heightened market volatility," commented Chris Abate, Chief Executive Officer of Redwood Trust.

A further discussion of Redwood's business, financial results, core earnings and taxable income, as well as a discussion of management's 2018 outlook, is included in the third quarter Redwood Review, which is available on the Company's website at <u>www.redwoodtrust.com</u>.

<sup>(1)</sup> A reconciliation of GAAP net income to non-GAAP core earnings and a reconciliation of GAAP earnings per diluted share to non-GAAP core earnings per diluted share, along with additional information about Redwood's core earnings measure, is included in the tables that follow.

<sup>(2)</sup> Economic return on book value is based on the periodic change in GAAP book value per common share plus dividends declared per common share during the

period. (3) Recourse debt excludes\$3.4 billion of consolidated debt (ABS issued) that is non-recourse to Redwood.

Financial Performance			Three Months Ended	
(\$ in millions, except per share data)	September 30, 2018		June 30, 2018	September 30, 2017
GAAP net income	\$	41	\$ 33	\$ 36
GAAP net income per diluted common share	\$	0.42	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.41
Non-GAAP core earnings	\$	37	\$ 36	\$ 30
Non-GAAP core earnings per diluted common share	\$	0.39	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.35
REIT taxable income (estimated)	\$	23	\$ 27	\$ 20
REIT taxable income per share (estimated)	\$	0.27	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.26
GAAP book value per share	\$	16.42	\$ 16.23	\$ 15.67
Dividend per common share	\$	0.30	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.28
Economic return on book value		3.0%	2.5%	4.3 %
Recourse debt-to-equity leverage ratio		3.1x	3.4x	3.2x
Capital deployment	\$	281	\$ 186	\$ 119
Jumbo loans purchased	\$	1,804	\$ 1,952	\$ 1,462
Jumbo loans securitized or sold	\$	1,929	\$ 1,938	\$ 1,393

#### Conference Call and Webcast

Redwood will host an earnings call today, November 7, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time / 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time to discuss its third quarter 2018 financial results. The number to dial in order to listen to the conference call is 1-866-548-4713 in the U.S. and Canada. International callers must dial 1-323-794-2093. Callers should reference call ID #3216233. A replay of the call will be available through midnight on November 21, 2018, and can be accessed by dialing 1-844-512-2921 in the U.S. and Canada or 1-412-317-6671 internationally and entering access code #3216233.

The live conference call will also be webcast in listen-only mode in the Newsroom section of Redwood's website under "Events." An audio replay of the call will also be available on Redwood's website following the call. Redwood plans to file its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Friday, November 9, 2018, and also make it available on Redwood's website.

Cautionary Statement: This press release and the related conference call contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements related to estimates of 2018 REIT taxable income and the expected timing for the filing of Redwood's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties. Redwood's actual results may differ from Redwood's beliefs, expectations, estimates, and projections and, consequently, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements are not historical in nature and can be identified by words such as "anticipate," "will," "should," "expect," "believe," "intend," "seek," "flan" and similar expressions or their negative forms, or by references to strategy, plans, or intentions. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including, among other things, those described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption "Risk Factors." Other risks, uncertainties, and factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected may be described from time to time in reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

<u>Consolidated Income Statements</u> (1) (\$ in millions, except share and per share data)		Third Quarter 2018		Quarter		Quarter		SecondFirstQuarterQuarter20182018		r Quarter		Quarter Quarter		er Quarter Quarter		Quarter		rter Quarter		er Quarter		Third Quarter 2017
Interest income	\$	99	\$	83	\$	77	\$	71	\$	63												
Interest expense		(64)		(48)		(42)		(36)		(27)												
Net interest income		35		35		35		35		35												
Non-interest income																						
Mortgage banking activities, net		11		11		27		3		21												
Investment fair value changes, net		10		1		2		—		—												
Other income, net		3		3		2		3		3												
Realized gains, net		7		5		9		5		2												
Total non-interest income, net		32		20		40		11		26												
Operating expenses		(21)		(19)		(23)		(20)		(20)												
(Provision for) benefit from income taxes		(5)		(3)		(5)		5		(5)												
Net income	\$	41	\$	33	\$	47	\$	31	\$	36												
Weighted average diluted shares (thousands) <sup>(2)</sup>		114,683		100,432		108,195		109,621		102,703												
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.42	\$	0.38	\$	0.50	\$	0.35	\$	0.41												
Regular dividends declared per common share	\$	0.30	\$	0.30	\$	0.28	\$	0.28	\$	0.28												

(1) Certain totals may not foot due to rounding.

(2) In the periods presented above, weighted average diluted shares included shares from the assumed conversion of our convertible and/or exchangeable debt in accordance with GAAP diluted EPS provisions. Actual shares outstanding at September 30, 2018, June 30, 2018, March 31, 2018, December 31, 2017, and September 30, 2017 were 82,930, 75,743, 75,703, 76,600, and 77,123, respectively.

Consolidated Income Statements <sup>(1)</sup>		Nine Months Ended September 30,							
(\$ in millions, except share and per share data)	lions, except share and per share data) 20			2017					
Interest income	\$	259	\$	177					
Interest expense		(154)		(73)					
Net interest income		105		104					
Non-interest income									
Mortgage banking activities, net		48		51					
Investment fair value changes, net		13		10					
Other income, net		9		9					
Realized gains, net		21		9					
Total non-interest income		91		79					
Operating expenses		(64)		(57)					
Provision for income taxes		(12)		(17)					
Net income	\$	121	\$	109					
Weighted average diluted shares (thousands)		107,792		99,398					
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	1.30	\$	1.26					
Regular dividends declared per common share	\$	0.88	\$	0.84					

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#### **Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to**

Non-GAAP Core Earnings <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Three Months Ended									
(\$ in millions, except per share data)	September 30, 2018			June 30, 2018	September 30, 2017					
GAAP net income	\$	41	\$	33	\$	36				
Adjustments:										
Eliminate mark-to-market changes on long-term investments and associated derivatives <sup>(3)</sup>		(12)		(3)		(6)				
Include cumulative gain (loss) on long-term investments sold, net $^{\rm (4)}$		8		7		1				
Income taxes associated with core earnings adjustments <sup>(5)</sup>		—		_		(1)				
Total adjustments		(4)		4	-	(6)				
Non-GAAP core earnings	\$	37	\$	36	\$	30				
GAAP net income per diluted common share	\$	0.42	\$	0.38	\$	0.41				
Non-GAAP core earnings per diluted common share (6)	\$	0.39	\$	0.41	\$	0.35				
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(1) Certain totals may not foot due to rounding.

(2) Core earnings is a non-GAAP measure of Redwood's earnings and results of operations. Specifically, management has defined core earnings as: GAAP net income adjusted to (i) eliminate the impact of quarterly mark-to-market changes on the fair value of long-term investments (and associated derivatives) related to changes in benchmark interest rates and credit spreads, (ii) include the cumulative net gains or losses on long-term investments accounted for as trading securities under GAAP that were sold during the period presented, net of any gains or losses from derivatives associated with the investments sold, and (iii) include the hypothetical income taxes associated with core earnings adjustments.

Management utilizes this core earnings measure internally as one way of analyzing Redwood's performance over multiple periods, as it believes it provides useful comparative results absent the impact of certain quarterly mark-to-market changes and other items that management believes are not reflective of core results. Core earnings should not be utilized in isolation, nor should it be considered as an alternative to GAAP net income or other measurements of results of operations computed in accordance with GAAP. A further discussion of core earnings is included in the third quarter Redwood Review.

(3) Adjustments eliminate the mark-to-market changes on the fair value of loans held-for-investment, trading securities, other investments, and associated derivatives that are primarily related to changes in benchmark interest rates and credit spreads. Details on the components of investment fair value changes, net, are included in the Appendix of the Redwood Reviews for the respective quarters presented.

(4) Adjustment includes the cumulative net gains or losses on long-term investments accounted for as trading securities under GAAP that were sold during the period presented, net of any realized gains or losses from derivatives associated with the investments sold. Cumulative gains and losses are calculated by multiplying the difference between the sales price and original purchase price by the face value of the securities sold.

(5) We apply estimated effective tax rates to core earnings adjustments occurring within Redwood's taxable REIT subsidiaries to estimate the hypothetical income tax expense or benefit associated with those adjustments.

(6) Additional information on the calculation of non-GAAP core EPS can be found in Table 2 in the *Financial Tables* section of the Redwood Reviews for the respective quarters presented.



Consolidated Balance Sheets <sup>(1)</sup> (\$ in millions, except share and per share data)	_	30-Sep 2018		30-Jun 2018		31-Mar 2018		31-Dec 2017		30-Sep 2017
Residential loans	\$	5,922	\$	5,491	\$	5,146	\$	5,115	\$	4,185
Business purpose loans	Ŷ	116	Ŷ		Ŷ		Ψ		Ŷ	
Multifamily loans <sup>(2)</sup>		942		_		_		_		_
Real estate securities		1,470		1,454		1,358		1,477		1,356
Cash and cash equivalents		174		185		179		145		258
Other assets		516		383		318		304		332
Total assets	\$	9,140	\$	7,513	\$	7,000	\$	7,040	\$	6,131
Short-term debt	\$	1,424	\$	1,426	\$	1,504	\$	1,939	\$	1,238
Other liabilities		176		157		157		149		166
Asset-backed securities issued		3,407		1,930		1,542		1,165		944
Long-term debt, net		2,771		2,770		2,576		2,575		2,574
Total liabilities		7,778		6,284		5,780		5,828		4,922
Stockholders' equity		1,361		1,229		1,220		1,212		1,209
Total liabilities and equity	\$	9,140	\$	7,513	\$	7,000	\$	7,040	\$	6,131
Shares outstanding at period end (thousands)		82,930		75,743		75,703		76,600		77,123
GAAP book value per share	\$	16.42	\$	16.23	\$	16.12	\$	15.83	\$	15.67

(1) Certain totals may not foot due to rounding.

(2) During the third quarter of 2018, we invested in subordinate bonds issued in Agency multifamily securitizations and were required to consolidate the securitizations under GAAP.

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#### **CAUTIONARYSTATEMENT**

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Statements regarding the following subjects, among others, are forward-looking by their nature: statements we make regarding Redwood's business strategy and strategic focus, statements related to our financial outlook and expectations for 2018, statements regarding our available capital and sourcing additional capital both internally and from the capital markets, and other statements regarding pending business activities and expectations and estimates relating to our business and financial results. Additional detail regarding the forward-looking statements in this Redwood Review and the important factors that may affect our actual results in 2018 are described in the Appendix of this Redwood Review under the heading "Forward-Looking Statements."

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#### INTRODUCTION

# Note to Readers:

We file annual reports (on Form 10-K) and quarterly reports (on Form 10-Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These filings and our earnings press releases provide information about Redwood and our financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). These documents, as well as information about our business and a glossary of terms we use in this and other publications, are available through our website, <u>www.redwoodtrust.com</u>. We encourage you to review these documents.

References herein to "Redwood," the "company," "we," "us," and "our" include Redwood Trust, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries. Note that because we round numbers in the tables to millions, except per share amounts, some numbers may not foot due to rounding. References to the "third quarter" refer to the quarter ended September 30, 2018, and references to the "second quarter" refer to the quarter ended June 30, 2018, unless otherwise specified.

We hope you find this Review helpful to your understanding of our business. We thank you for your input and suggestions, which have resulted in our changing the form and content of The Redwood Review over time.

Selected Financial Highlights									
Quarter:Year	GAAP Income per Share	REIT Taxable Income per Share <sup>(1)</sup>	Annualized GAAP Return on Equity	GAAP Book Value per Share	Dividends per Share	Economic Return on Book Value <sup>(2)</sup>			
Q318	\$0.42	\$0.27	12%	\$16.42	\$0.30	3.0%			
Q218	\$0.38	\$0.35	11%	\$16.23	\$0.30	2.5%			
Q118	\$0.50	\$0.44	15%	\$16.12	\$0.28	3.6%			
Q417	\$0.35	\$0.44	10%	\$15.83	\$0.28	2.8%			
Q317	\$0.41	\$0.26	12%	\$15.67	\$0.28	4.3%			
Q217	\$0.43	\$0.25	12%	\$15.29	\$0.28	2.9%			
Q117	\$0.43	\$0.22	13%	\$15.13	\$0.28	3.0%			
Q416	\$0.31	\$0.34	9%	\$14.96	\$0.28	3.4%			
Q316	\$0.58	\$0.34	19%	\$14.74	\$0.28	5.8%			

(1) REIT taxable income per share for 2018 is an estimate until we file our tax return.

(2) Economic return on book value is based on the periodic change in GAAP book value per common share plus dividends declared per common share during the period.

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#### **SHAREHOLDERLETTER**

# **Dear Fellow Shareholders:**

With a full quarter in the books as a management team, we'd be remiss not to convey our sincere appreciation for the support we've received from our long-term shareholders. Our game plan in the third quarter was a bit unconventional - we ran an up-tempo offense, squarely in the face of mortgage market headwinds. But the payoff has been tangible - third quarter earnings comfortably exceeded our recently increased quarterly dividend, book value rose for the 10th consecutive quarter, and we deployed \$281 million of capital into new investments, the most for any quarter in Redwood's 24-year history. Successfully deploying our capital where it is most impactful to the housing market and accretive for shareholders remains our top priority going forward.

Generating positive results in today's market has proven challenging for many industry participants. Interest rates rose precipitously during the third quarter, further straining home affordability while sending refinance activity to 14-year lows. This environment has, for the first time in years, caused potential borrowers to question whether it's still a good time to purchase a home. While these challenges have our foremost attention, they have not, in our opinion, significantly altered the credit quality of the housing sector - a typical concern as production channels become strained. Loans remain well underwritten and suitable for applicants, with very few exceptions. And many high-quality borrowers - both owner-occupants and housing investors - remain underserved. Highlighted by our Redwood Choice program and single-family rental initiative, we believe our product suite has plenty of room to run, and is responsive to trends that drive the flow of capital in housing.

Chief among these trends are constraints on the supply of homes and attendant changes in demand. As millennials age, the composition of new household formation (i.e., renting versus owning) is an open question, one driven by a variety of factors including personal choice and financial feasibility. So, while a recent uptick in homeownership may well prove sustainable, we aren't betting on an eventual return to pre-crisis levels. As such, much of our R&D efforts are geared towards programs and financing solutions to serve both owner-occupants and housing investors.

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#### S H A R E H O L D E R L E T T E R

For Redwood, the relative strength of mortgage credit spreads during an otherwise volatile period has underscored the inherent value of our business model, which allows us to create our own investments and more directly control production quality. We are further complementing this competency by deepening relationships that give us access to opportunities unavailable to others. Almost two-thirds of the quarter's investments were in proprietary opportunities sourced either internally or through strategic partnerships that we continue to nurture and grow. And they spanned several areas of housing, including multifamily securities, business purpose mortgage loans, and securities backed by re-performing mortgage loans, highlighting the versatility of our approach. We also made significant progress on several meaningful initiatives that should bear fruit in the fourth quarter and early 2019. While our recent investments will contribute immediately to revenue and earnings growth, they also drive the scaling of our overall platform, a key strategic goal and a topic we've touched on a lot recently. Unlocking this operating leverage should result in significant additional earnings growth over time as we expand our assets under management.

The momentum we built in the third quarter allowed us to put the proceeds from our late-July equity offering to work in short order. As we look to the future and the opportunities before us, our perspective on raising common stock is unchanged. We only look to raise equity when we think it's in the best interest of shareholders. This approach implies profitable growth (i.e., increased earnings per share and book value per share) that also embodies the risk posture we have employed throughout our history with respect to recourse debt. As our focus evolves toward larger and more repeatable investment opportunities, we should be able to attract dedicated forms of capital to finance them, further enabling us to achieve earnings growth for existing shareholders.

Balancing an expanding asset mix is our residential mortgage banking platform, which reprices risk daily and distributes it through the securitization and whole loan markets. This facet of our risk framework continues to serve us well, given the ripple effects of declining industry originations and a swath of mortgage lenders vying for their own share of a smaller origination pool. Adjusting to the reality of a declining origination market, we expect our full year jumbo loan purchases to be near the low end of our original \$7 to \$8 billion range for 2018. We'd note that, even at the low end of that range, loan purchases in 2018 continue to trend toward a record year - with full-year mortgage banking volumes currently expected to be about 20% higher than in 2017. We also expect full-year earnings for our mortgage banking business to be at the higher end of our originally forecasted range - an important testament to the long-term durability of our platform.

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We are also keeping a watchful eye on Washington amid the outcome of the recent mid-term elections. With the Democrats retaking control of the U.S. House of Representatives, all signs now point towards housing finance developments occurring through Administration-based regulatory reforms, as the prospect of bipartisan legislation diminishes. Before our next Shareholder Letter is published, there may very well be a new head of the FHFA - the regulatory agency that oversees the two housing-related Government Sponsored Enterprises, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. This change could have widespread downstream effects related to GSE reform and increased private sector participation in the mortgage finance markets - which should be positive for private market credit-focused investors such as Redwood. In fact, we have already begun to see the FHFA sunset recent GSE initiatives in the single-family rental sector, and the resumption of one GSE distributing more subordinate credit risk on securities backed by conforming loans. We have not factored GSE reform efforts into our forecasting, as there is a wide range of possible outcomes. But we continue to stay close to policymakers in Washington and expect to be a major part of any private capital solutions that may arise.

All told, it's an exciting time for Redwood as we work to reoptimize our role in housing finance. Though the current environment is challenging and fluid, it's one in which our strongest competitive advantage shines through. The quality of our people drives our workflows and analytics, and cultivates the partnerships critical to our business plan. These reinforce the quality of our earnings, as measured by their durability and diversification for shareholders.

We appreciate your partnership on this journey.

Christopher J. Abate Chief Executive Officer

Dashiell I. Robinson President

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# **Third Quarter Highlights**

Key Earnings and Financial Metrics									
		Three Months Ended							
		9/30/2018		6/30/2018					
GAAP Earnings per Share	\$	0.42	\$	0.38					
Non-GAAP Core Earnings per Share (1)	\$	0.39	\$	0.41					
Book Value per Share	\$	16.42	\$	16.23					
Economic Return on Book Value (2)		3.0%		2.5 %					
Recourse leverage (3)		3.1x		3.4x					

Ñ Increased capital deployment and improved asset pricing in our investment portfolio, coupled with solid mortgage banking results, drove strong earnings and book value growth, leading to a 3.0% total economic return for the quarter.

Ñ We deployed a record \$281 million of capital into new investments in the third quarter of 2018, bringing year-to-date deployment to \$575 million through the end of September 2018.

Ñ Through our partnership with 5 Arches, we began acquiring single-family rental loans and made an initial investment in a portfolio of fix-and-flip loans.

Ñ Residential jumbo loan purchase commitments were \$1.5 billion, and we purchased \$1.8 billion of jumbo loans during the third quarter of 2018.

Ñ We closed three Sequoia securitizations of residential jumbo loans, totaling \$1.1 billion, during the third quarter, including our 50th post-crisis securitization, and sold \$0.8 billion of jumbo whole loans to third parties.

Ñ In July, we raised \$117 million of equity capital in our first follow-on offering of common stock since 2009.

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<sup>(1)</sup> For details on GAAP and non-GAAP core earnings, see the Quarterly Earnings and Analysis section that follows on page 8 and the Non-GAAP Measurements section of the Appendix.

<sup>(2)</sup> Economic return on book value is based on the periodic change in GAAP book value per common share plus dividends declared per common share during the period.

<sup>(3)</sup> Recourse debt excludes \$3.4 billion of consolidated debt (ABS issued) that is non-recourse to Redwood.

# **Quarterly Earnings and Analysis**

Below we present GAAP net income and non-GAAP core earnings for the third and second quarters of 2018.

GAAP Net Income						
(\$ in millions, except per share dat	a)					
	Three M	Three Months Ended				
	9/30/2018		6/30/2018			
Interest income	\$ 99	\$	83			
Interest expense	(64	)	(48)			
Net interest income	35		35			
Non-interest income						
Mortgage banking activities, net	11		11			
Investment fair value changes, net	10		1			
Other income, net	3		3			
Realized gains, net	7		5			
Total non-interest income, net	32		20			
Operating expenses	(21	)	(19)			
Provision for income taxes	(5	)	(3)			
GAAP net income	\$ 41	\$	33			
GAAP net income per diluted common share	\$ 0.42	\$	0.38			

Non-GAAP Core Earnings <sup>(1)</sup>			
(\$ in millions, except per share data)			
	Three Mor	iths E	nded
	9/30/2018		6/30/2018
Economic net interest income (1)	\$ 33	\$	32
Non-interest income			
Mortgage banking activities, net	11		11
Core other fair value changes, net <sup>(1)</sup>	_		—
Other income, net	3		3
Core realized gains, net (1)	15		12
Total non-interest income, net	30		26
Operating expenses	(21)		(19)
Core provision for income taxes (1)	(5)		(2)
Core earnings (1)	\$ 37	\$	36
Core EPS (2)	\$ 0.39	\$	0.41

(1) Additional information on Redwood's non-GAAP measures, including: economic net interest income; core other fair value changes, net; core realized gains, net; core provision for income taxes; and core earnings as well as reconciliations to associated GAAP measures, is included in the Non-GAAP Measurements section of the Appendix.

(2) Additional information on the calculation of non-GAAP core EPS can be found in Table 2 in the *Financial Tables* section of this Redwood Review.

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- Ñ Economic net interest income (which represents GAAP net interest income adjusted to include i) the change in basis for fair value investments, and ii) net interest received or paid on hedges associated with fair value investments) increased to \$33 million for the third quarter of 2018, from \$32 million for the second quarter of 2018. The increase was primarily due to the benefit of continued net capital deployment at our investment portfolio, partially offset by higher interest expense on the convertible debt we issued late in the second quarter. Gross interest income and interest expense increased meaningfully from the second quarter to the third quarter of 2018, primarily due to the consolidation of two Choice securitizations and two Agency multifamily securitizations we invested in during the third quarter of 2018.
- Ñ Mortgage banking activities, net, was \$11 million for the third quarter of 2018, consistent with the second quarter of 2018. Improving securitization and whole loan execution in the third quarter generated higher gross margins, which was partially offset by a decline in loan purchase commitments during the third quarter.
- Ñ GAAP investment fair value changes, net increased to \$10 million for the third quarter of 2018, from \$1 million for the second quarter of 2018, primarily due to spread tightening on our securities portfolio in the third quarter. On a non-GAAP core earnings basis, we eliminate the mark-to-market changes on long-term investments (and associated derivatives), and allocate the remaining portion of mark-to-market adjustments associated with the changes in basis and hedge expense on fair value instruments to economic net interest income.
- Ñ Realized gains in the third quarter were \$7 million on a GAAP basis and \$15 million on a non-GAAP core basis, resulting from the sale of \$114 million of securities, which freed up \$106 million of capital for reinvestment after the repayment of associated debt.
- Ñ Operating expenses increased to \$21 million in the third quarter of 2018 from \$19 million in the second quarter of 2018, primarily resulting from higher variable compensation expense commensurate with higher earnings in the third quarter.
- N The increase in the tax provision to \$5 million during the third quarter of 2018, from \$3 million for the second quarter of 2018, was primarily due to higher realized gains from security sales and spread tightening during the third quarter on securities held at our taxable subsidiary. A reconciliation of GAAP and taxable income is set forth in Table 6 in the *Financial Tables* section of this Redwood Review.
- Ñ Additional details on our earnings are included in the Segment Results section that follows.

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# Segment Results \*

## **Investment Portfolio**

The following table presents segment contribution from our investment portfolio for the third and second quarters of 2018.

(\$ in millions)					
		Three Mon	ths Ended		
	9/3	30/2018	6/30/2018		
GAAP net interest income	\$	39	\$	3	
Change in basis and hedge expense		(2)		(2	
Economic net interest income (1)		37		3	
Other fair value changes, net (1)		12		4	
Other income, net		3		3	
Realized gains, net		7		5	
Operating expenses		(3)		(2	
Provision for income taxes		(3)		(1	
Segment contribution	\$	54	\$	44	
Core earnings adjustments (2)					
Eliminate mark-to-market changes on long-term investments and associated derivatives		(12)		(4	
Include cumulative gain (loss) on long-term investments sold, net		8		7	
Income taxes associated with core earnings adjustments		_		-	

(1) Consistent with management's definition of economic net interest income and other fair value changes, net set forth in the Non-GAAP Measurements section of the Appendix, these measures, as presented above, are calculated in the same manner, inclusive only of amounts allocable to this segment.

(2) Consistent with management's definition of core earnings set forth on page 36, non-GAAP core segment contribution reflects GAAP segment contribution adjusted to reflect the portion of core earnings adjustments allocable to this segment.

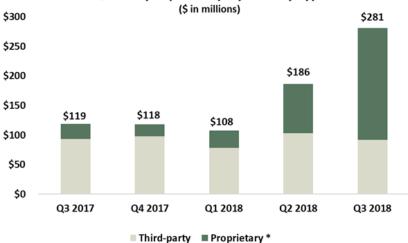
Ñ Segment contribution from our investment portfolio improved during the third quarter, as higher net capital deployment drove increased net interest income, continued portfolio optimization resulted in elevated gains, and spread tightening in our securities portfolio benefited valuations.

Ñ Credit fundamentals in our investment portfolio remain strong, benefiting from continued strength in the general economy and in housing.

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<sup>\*</sup> We report on our business using two distinct segments: Investment Portfolio and Mortgage Banking. Table 3 in the *Financial Tables* section of this Redwood Review includes a comprehensive presentation of our segment results reconciled to net income.

# Investment Portfolio Capital Deployment



Quarterly Capital Deployment by Type

- Ñ We deployed \$189 million of capital into proprietary investments in the third quarter, including \$30 million into Sequoia RMBS, \$47 million into fix-and-flip loans originated and asset-managed by 5 Arches, \$55 million into multifamily b-pieces, and a \$58 million deposit towards a reperforming loan pool investment that will settle in full during the fourth quarter of 2018.
- Ñ We deployed \$92 million into third-party investments in the third quarter, including \$12 million of residential securities, \$71 million of Agency CRT securities, and \$9 million of Agency multifamily securities.
- Ñ Our investment in these multifamily b-pieces required us to consolidate \$942 million of Agency multifamily loans, and \$876 million of non-recourse Agency-issued ABS debt. In addition to the first-loss b-pieces, we hold second-loss securities in one of these consolidated Agency securitizations.
- Ñ In association with the \$58 million deposit we made in the third quarter, we expect to deploy an additional \$75 million of capital in the fourth quarter of 2018 to close our re-performing loan pool investment. Ultimately, our investment in this re-performing loan pool will consist of subordinate securities issued in an Agency securitization collateralized by these re-performing residential mortgage loans.

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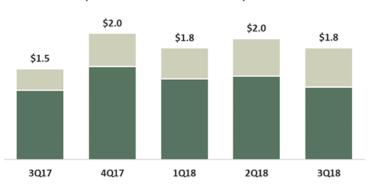
<sup>\*</sup> Proprietary investments include investments sourced either internally or through strategic relationships.

## Mortgage Banking

Mortgage Banking Segment Contribution												
(\$ in millions)												
		Three Mor	nths I	Ended								
		9/30/2018		6/30/2018								
Net interest income	\$	7	\$									
Mortgage banking activities, net		11		1								
Operating expenses		(7)		(								
Provision for income taxes		(2)		(								
Segment contribution	\$	9	\$	9								

Ñ Segment contribution from our mortgage banking business remained consistent during the third quarter of 2018 as a benefit from higher gross margins relative to the second quarter of 2018 was partially offset by lower jumbo residential loan purchase commitments. We define gross margins for this segment as net interest income plus mortgage banking activities, net, divided by loan purchase commitments.

Ñ Jumbo residential loan purchase volumes in the third quarter of 2018, as presented below, decreased 8% from the prior quarter and increased 23% from the same quarter last year. At September 30, 2018, our pipeline of jumbo residential loans identified for purchase was \$0.8 billion.



## Select purchase volume Choice purchase volume

Ñ During the third quarter of 2018, we completed \$1.9 billion of jumbo residential loan sales, including one Select securitization, two Choice securitizations, and \$0.8 billion of whole loan sales to third parties.

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# **Book Value**

\$17.00 \$16.42 \$16.50 \$16.23 \$16.12 \$16.00 \$15.83 \$15.67 \$15.50 \$15.00 \$14.50 \$14.00 Q3 2017 Q4 2017 Q1 2018 Q2 2018 Q3 2018

Consistent earnings and a credit-focused investment strategy that is less sensitive to interest rate changes have allowed us to grow book value for 10 consecutive quarters. The following chart presents our quarter-end book values over the last year.

- Ñ Our GAAP book value increased \$0.19 per share to \$16.42 per share during the third quarter of 2018. This increase was driven primarily by earnings exceeding the dividend and an increase in the value of derivatives hedging our long-term debt.<sup>(1)</sup>
- Ñ Our economic return on book value<sup>(2)</sup> was 3.0% during the third quarter of 2018, and represented our 10th consecutive quarter of positive economic returns.
- N As housing credit investors, we employ hedging strategies that seek to minimize our exposure to interest rates, and our book value is most sensitive to changes in actual and perceived credit performance and the outlook for economic growth. While rates have risen over the past several quarters, we have also seen strong economic growth and improved housing credit performance, which has supported strong book value growth for Redwood during that time.

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<sup>(1)</sup> A detailed rollforward of book value per share is included in Table 5 in the Financial Tables section of this Redwood Review.

<sup>(2)</sup> Economic return on book value is based on the periodic change in GAAP book value per common share plus dividends declared per common share during the period.

# **Capital Allocations**

We use a combination of equity and corporate debt (which we collectively refer to as "capital") to fund our business.



# Capital Allocation: By Source and By Business Use (as of September 30, 2018)

- Ñ Our total capital of \$2.1 billion at September 30, 2018 included \$1.4 billion of equity capital and \$0.8 billion of the total \$2.8 billion of long-term debt on our consolidated balance sheet. This \$0.8 billion portion of debt includes \$201 million of exchangeable debt due in 2019, \$245 million of convertible debt due in 2023, \$200 million of convertible debt due in 2024, and \$140 million of trust-preferred securities due in 2037 and has a weighted average cost of approximately 6.1%.
- N We also utilize various forms of short-term and long-term collateralized debt to finance certain investments and to warehouse our inventory of certain residential loans held-for-sale. We do not consider this collateralized debt as "capital" and, therefore, exclude it from our capital allocation analysis.
- Ñ The *Balance Sheet Analysis* portion of the *Financial Insights* section that follows describes our long-term and short-term borrowings in further detail.

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	<b>Capital Allocatio</b> By Investment T September 30, 2 (\$ in millions) GAAP Fair Val	ype 018	etail <sub>Colla</sub>	% of Total Capital		
Residential loans (1)	\$ 2,	,430	\$	(2,000)	\$ 430	20%
Securities portfolio						
Third party residential securities		758		(256)	502	24%
Sequoia residential securities (2)		489		(180)	309	14%
Multifamily securities		484		(344)	139	7%
Total securities portfolio	1,	731		(781)	951	45%
Business purpose loans		96		(49)	46	2%
Other investments		141		_	141	7%
Other assets/(liabilities)		159		(38)	121	6%
Cash and liquidity capital					234	N/A
Total Investments	\$ 4	,557	\$	(2,868)	\$ 1,922	90%
Mortgage banking					\$ 210	10%
Total					\$ 2,132	100%

(1) Includes \$43 million of FHLB stock, \$42 million of cash and cash equivalents, and \$25 million of restricted cash.

(2) In addition to our \$1.5 billion of securities on our GAAP balance sheet, securities presented above also include \$195 million and \$67 million of securities retained from Sequoia Choice and Freddie Mac K-Series securitizations, respectively. For GAAP purposes, we consolidate these securitizations.

- Ñ In July of 2018, we issued \$117 million of common equity.
- N Additionally, during the third quarter of 2018, we continued to optimize our portfolio by selling appreciated, lower-yielding securities and deploying capital into higher-yielding alternatives, including into new initiatives. (See Tables 8 and 9 in the *Financial Tables* section for additional detail on asset activity and balances.)
- N As of September 30, 2018, our cash and liquidity capital included \$150 million of available capital. We may seek to raise additional capital to make long-term investments or for other purposes. To the extent we seek additional capital to fund our operations and investment activities, our approach to raising capital will continue to be based on what we believe to be in the best interest of our shareholders.

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# 2018 Financial Outlook<sup>(1)</sup>

Our results through the first nine months of 2018 have already exceeded our expected full year dividend payments of \$1.18 per share, and we are on track to achieve our key operating metrics for 2018 that we provided in our fourth quarter 2017 Redwood Review. Below we provide an update on these metrics:

#### Mortgage Banking

Our mortgage banking business had solid performance in the first nine months of 2018. Gross margins were above our long-term expected range of 75 to 100 basis points and annualized returns-to-date on allocated capital<sup>(2)</sup> were also above our target range of 10% to 20%. For the full year of 2018 we expect margins and returns on allocated capital to be at the higher-end of our expected range. Our year-to-date purchase volume of \$5.6 billion (including \$1.8 billion of Redwood Choice loans) puts us on track to meet our full-year target, albeit at the lower-end of our expected \$7 to \$8 billion range.

#### Investment Portfolio

Our investment portfolio performed well in the first nine months of 2018, generating annualized returns on allocated capital <sup>(3)</sup> in-line with our expectations of 9% to 11%. For the full year of 2018, we continue to expect portfolio returns to be in line with our 2018 return expectations. This assumes additional realized gains from portfolio optimization and a benefit from higher yields as we redeploy capital into new opportunities.

#### Corporate

Total operating expenses were \$64 million in the first nine months of 2018, and included \$21 million of mortgage banking expenses and \$7 million of portfolio expenses (each of which are included in the segment returns provided above), as well as \$36 million of corporate expenses. We currently expect full-year corporate operating expenses of between \$45 and \$50 million, with variable compensation commensurate with company performance.

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<sup>(1)</sup> As with all forward-looking statements, our forward-looking statements relating to our 2018 financial outlook are subject to risks and uncertainties, including, among other things, those described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption "Risk Factors" and other risks, uncertainties, and factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described above and under the heading "Forward-Looking Statements" in the *Appendix* to this Redwood Review, including those described in the "Cautionary Statement" at the beginning of this Redwood Review. Although we may update our 2018 financial outlook subsequently in 2018, as a general matter we undertake no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes net interest income, mortgage banking activities, direct operating expenses, and taxes. Excludes corporate operating expenses. Returns are calculated based on average capital allocated during the period.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes net interest income, changes in fair value of the investments and their associated hedges that flow through GAAP earnings, realized gains, direct operating expenses, taxes, and other income. Excludes unrealized gains and losses on our AFS securities portfolio, and corporate operating expenses. Returns are calculated based on average capital allocated during the period.

# **Balance Sheet Analysis**

The following table presents our consolidated balance sheets at September 30, 2018 and June 30, 2018.

Consolidated Balance She	eets (1)	
(\$ in millions)		
	9/30/2018	6/30/2018
Residential loans	\$ 5,922	\$ 5,491
Business purpose loans	116	_
Multifamily loans	942	_
Real estate securities	1,470	1,454
Cash and cash equivalents	174	185
Other assets	516	383
Total assets	\$ 9,140	\$ 7,513
Short-term debt		
Mortgage loan warehouse debt	\$ 578	\$ 719
Security repurchase facilities	781	707
Business purpose loan warehouse facilities	65	_
Other liabilities	176	157
Asset-backed securities issued	3,407	1,930
Long-term debt, net	2,771	2,770
Total liabilities	7,778	6,284
Stockholders' equity	1,361	1,229
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 9,140	\$ 7,513

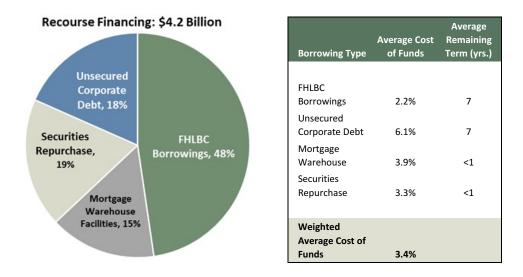
(1) Our consolidated balance sheets include assets of consolidated variable interest entities ("VIEs") that can only be used to settle obligations of these VIEs and liabilities of consolidated VIEs for which creditors do not have recourse to the primary beneficiary (Redwood Trust, Inc.). At September 30, 2018 and June 30, 2018, assets of consolidated VIEs totaled \$3.7 billion and \$2.1 billion, respectively, and liabilities of consolidated VIEs totaled \$3.4 billion and \$1.9 billion, respectively. See Table 10 in the *Financial Tables* section of this Redwood Review for additional detail on consolidated VIEs.

Ñ During the third quarter of 2018, we invested in the subordinate bonds of two Agency multifamily securitizations and were required to consolidate the securitizations under GAAP. See Table 9 in the *Financial Tables* section of this Redwood Review for additional information on these securitizations.

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# **Recourse Financing**

We finance our business with a diversified mix of long-term and short-term recourse debt. The following charts present the composition of our recourse debt and its characteristics at the end of the third quarter:



- Ñ Our long-term unsecured corporate debt is comprised of \$200 million of 5.625% convertible notes due in 2024, \$245 million of 4.75% convertible notes due in 2023, \$201 million of 5.625% exchangeable notes due in 2019, and \$140 million of trust-preferred securities due in 2037 (that we hedge to yield approximately 6.9%).
- Ñ Our FHLBC borrowings and securities repurchase debt are used to finance our whole loan and securities investments, respectively, and we utilize mortgage warehouse facilities to finance our mortgage banking activities. These are discussed in further detail in the following sections.
- Ñ Our recourse debt to equity leverage ratio was 3.1x at the end of the third quarter of 2018, a reduction from 3.4x at the end of the second quarter. We expect our leverage to increase as our available capital is fully deployed.
- N In addition to our recourse financing, we have ABS debt issued by securitization entities that we consolidate that is non-recourse to us.

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# **Residential Loan Investments**

- Ñ At September 30, 2018, we had \$2.3 billion of residential loans held-for-investment. These loans are prime-quality, first lien jumbo loans, most of which were originated between 2013 and 2018. At September 30, 2018, 87% of these loans were fixed-rate and the remainder hybrid, and in aggregate, had a weighted average coupon of 4.09%.
- N At September 30, 2018, the weighted average FICO score of borrowers backing these loans was 769 (at origination) and the weighted average loanto-value ("LTV") ratio of these loans was 66% (at origination). At September 30, 2018, 0.01% of these loans (by unpaid principal balance) were more than 90 days delinquent.
- N We finance our residential loan investments with \$2.0 billion of FHLB debt through our FHLB-member subsidiary. The interest cost for these borrowings resets every 13 weeks, and we seek to effectively fix the interest cost of this debt over its weighted average maturity by using a combination of swaps, TBAs, and other derivative instruments.
- Ñ In connection with these borrowings, our FHLB-member subsidiary is required to hold \$43 million of FHLB stock.

## **Business Purpose Loan Investments**

- N At September 30, 2018, our \$96 million of business purpose loans held-for-investment were comprised of short-term, fix-and-flip loans, most of which were originated in 2018. At September 30, 2018, the weighted average coupon on these loans was 9.14%, and the LTV ratio was 76% (at origination).
- Ñ We finance our business purpose loan investments with \$49 million of short-term warehouse debt.

## **Other Investments**

Ñ At September 30, 2018, we had \$141 million of other investments, including \$64 million of MSRs retained from our Sequoia securitizations, \$39 million of investments in customized financing for our jumbo loan sellers, our \$11 million investment in 5 Arches, and \$28 million related to our net investment in GSE risk share transactions completed in 2015 and 2016.

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# Securities Portfolio

At September 30, 2018, we had \$1.7 billion invested in real estate securities. We categorize these securities by (i) whether they were issued through our Sequoia platform, by third parties, or by an Agency in a CRT, and (ii) by priority of cash flow (senior, mezzanine, and subordinate). The following table presents the fair value of our real estate securities at September 30, 2018.

Securities Portfolio - By Source and Security Type												
September 30, 2018												
(\$ in millions)												
		erest-Only ecurities		Senior		Mezzanine		Subordinate		Total	% of Total Securities	
Sequoia <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	82	\$	_	\$	232	\$	175	\$	489	27%	
Third Party New Issue (2)		34		77		122		158		390	23%	
Third Party Legacy (2)		2		115		_		16		133	8%	
Agency CRT (3)		-		_		_		236		236	14%	
Total residential securities	\$	117	\$	192	\$	354	\$	585	\$	1,248	72%	
Multifamily securities (3)(4)		_		_		429		55		484	28%	
Total securities portfolio	\$	117	\$	192	\$	783	\$	640	\$	1,731	100%	

(1) Presents securities retained from our Sequoia securitizations that were issued from 2012 through 2018. These securities included \$19 million of interest-only securities, \$133 million of mezzanine securities, and \$43 million of subordinate securities retained from our Sequoia Choice securitizations, which were consolidated for GAAP purposes.

(2) Presents RMBS issued by third parties after 2012 as New Issue and prior to 2008 as Legacy.

(3) Agency CRT and Multifamily securities were issued after 2012.

(4) Multifamily securities include \$12 million of mezzanine securities and \$55 million of subordinate securities issued from Agency multifamily securitizations that are consolidated for GAAP purposes.

At September 30, 2018, our securities consisted of fixed-rate assets (75%), adjustable-rate assets (19%), hybrid assets that reset within the next year (5%), and hybrid assets that reset between 12 and 36 months (1%). For the portions of our securities portfolio that are sensitive to changes in interest rates, we seek to minimize this interest rate risk by using various derivative instruments.

We finance our holdings of real estate securities with a combination of capital and collateralized debt in the form of repurchase (or "repo") financing. At September 30, 2018, we had short-term debt incurred through repurchase facilities of \$781 million, which was secured by \$918 million of real estate securities. The remaining \$813 million of securities were financed with capital.

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The following table presents the fair value of our real estate securities that are financed with repurchase debt, at September 30, 2018.

	Real Estate	e Securities	Fina	nced with Rep	ourchas	se Debt				
		Se	ptembe	er 30, 2018						
(\$ in millions, except weighted average price)										
	Real Estate Securities		Re	purchase Debt	Allocate	d Capital		tted Average Price <sup>(1)</sup>	Financing Haircut (2)	
Residential securities										
Senior	\$	174	\$	(160)	\$	15	\$	98	9%	
Mezzanine		319		(277)		42	\$	96	13%	
Total residential securities		493		(437)		57				
Multifamily securities		425		(344)		81	\$	97	19%	
Total	\$	918	\$	(781)	\$	138	\$	95	15%	

(1) GAAP fair value per \$100 of principal.

(2) Allocated capital divided by GAAP fair value.

Ñ In addition to the allocated capital listed in the table above that directly supports our repurchase facilities (i.e., "the haircut"), we continue to hold a designated amount of supplemental risk capital available for potential margin calls or future obligations relating to these facilities.

Ñ At September 30, 2018, we had securities repurchase facilities with eight different counterparties.

Ñ Additional information on the residential securities we own is set forth in Table 9 in the *Financial Tables* section of this Redwood Review.

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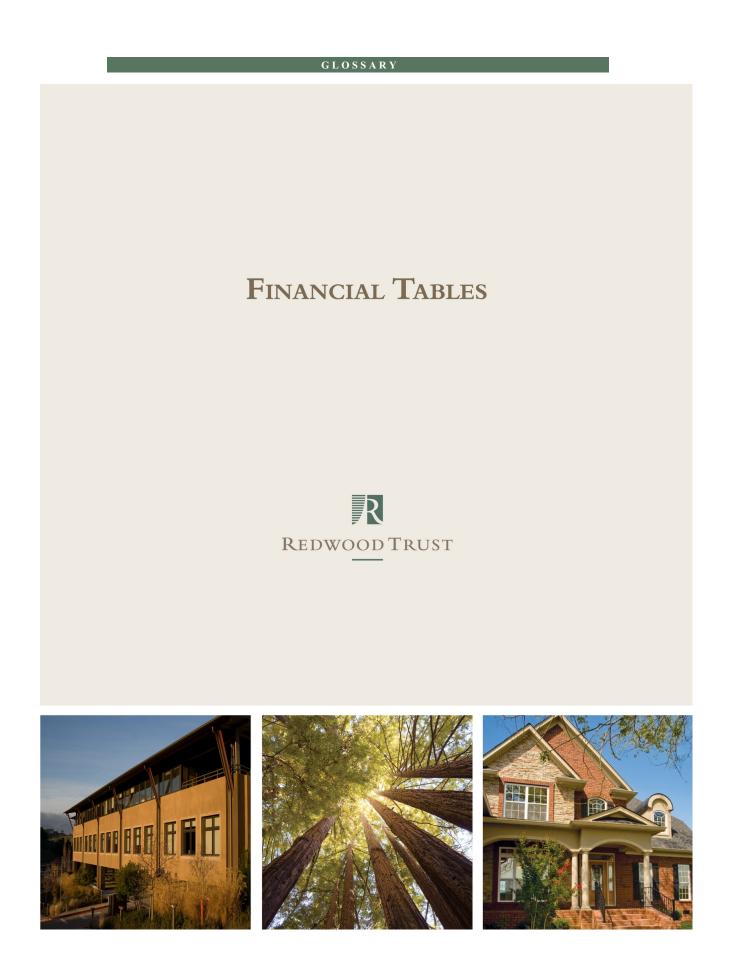
# Residential Loans Held-for-Sale

- Ñ At September 30, 2018, we had \$866 million of residential mortgages held-for-sale financed with \$578 million of warehouse debt. These loans included \$720 million of Select loans, and \$147 million of expanded-prime Choice loans.
- Ñ Our warehouse capacity at September 30, 2018 totaled \$1.4 billion across four separate counterparties.
- Ñ At September 30, 2018, our pipeline of jumbo residential loans identified for purchase was \$0.8 billion.
- Ñ We seek to minimize the exposure we have to interest rates on our loan pipeline (for loans both on balance sheet and identified for purchase) by using a combination of TBAs, interest rate swaps, and other derivative instruments.
- Ñ At September 30, 2018, we had 492 loan sellers, which included 188 jumbo sellers and 304 MPF Direct sellers from various FHLB districts.

#### **Business Purpose Loans Held-for-Sale**

- Ñ A t September 30, 2018, we had \$20 million of business purpose loans held-for-sale, collateralized by single-family rental properties.
- Ñ At September 30, 2018, the weighted average coupon on these loans was 5.71% and the LTV was 65% (at origination).
- Ñ We financed these loans with \$16 million of short-term warehouse debt.

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## Table 1: GAAP Earnings (in thousands, except per share data)

	2018 Q3	2018 Q2	2018 Q1	2017 Q4	2017 Q3	2017 Q2	2017 Q1	2016 Q4	2016 Q3	Nine Months 2018	Nine Months 2017
Interest income	\$ 96,074	\$ 79,128	\$ 72,559	\$ 67,370	\$ 58,106	\$ 54,419	\$ 49,367	\$ 50,612	\$ 54,781	\$247,761	\$161,892
Discount amortization on securities, net	3,323	3,848	4,060	4,098	4,631	4,805	5,261	5,722	6,125	11,231	14,697
Total interest income	99,397	82,976	76,619	71,468	62,737	59,224	54,628	56,334	60,906	258,992	176,589
Interest expense on short-term debt	(14,146)	(12,666)	(10,424)	(9,841)	(7,158)	(6,563)	(4,453)	(4,848)	(5,405)	(37,236)	(18,174)
Interest expense on short-term convertible notes $^{(1)}$	_	(509)	(3,011)	(3,025)	(3,024)	(2,787)	_	_	_	(3,520)	(5,811)
Interest expense on ABS issued from consolidated trusts	(27,421)	(16,349)	(11,401)	(7,917)	(3,956)	(3,705)	(3,530)	(3,278)	(3,193)	(55,171)	(11,191)
Interest expense on long-term debt	(22,784)	(18,689)	(16,678)	(15,325)	(13,305)	(11,179)	(13,048)	(12,411)	(12,999)	(58,151)	(37,532)
Total interest expense	(64,351)	(48,213)	(41,514)	(36,108)	(27,443)	(24,234)	(21,031)	(20,537)	(21,597)	(154,078)	(72,708)
Net interest income	35,046	34,763	35,105	35,360	35,294	34,990	33,597	35,797	39,309	104,914	103,881
Reversal of provision for loan losses – Commercial	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	859	_	_
Net interest income after provision	35,046	34,763	35,105	35,360	35,294	34,990	33,597	35,797	40,168	104,914	103,881
Non-interest income											
Mortgage banking activities, net	11,224	10,596	26,576	3,058	21,200	12,046	17,604	13,979	9,766	48,396	50,850
Investment fair value changes, net	10,332	889	1,609	384	324	8,115	1,551	(9,888)	11,918	12,830	9,990
Realized gains, net	7,275	4,714	9,363	4,546	1,734	1,372	5,703	1,972	6,615	21,352	8,809
Other income	3,453	3,322	2,118	2,963	2,812	3,764	2,897	3,700	5,413	8,893	9,473
Total non-interest income (loss), net	32,284	19,521	39,666	10,951	26,070	25,297	27,755	9,763	33,712	91,471	79,122
Fixed compensation expense	(5,922)	(5,775)	(6,439)	(5,555)	(5,233)	(5,321)	(6,002)	(5,310)	(5,253)	(18,136)	(16,556)
Variable compensation expense	(4,923)	(1,825)	(6,907)	(5,861)	(6,467)	(4,313)	(3,933)	(4,757)	(5,802)	(13,655)	(14,713)
Equity compensation expense	(3,033)	(3,835)	(2,697)	(2,507)	(2,337)	(3,121)	(2,176)	(1,976)	(2,031)	(9,565)	(7,634)
Loan acquisition costs	(1,887)	(2,155)	(1,818)	(1,625)	(1,187)	(1,005)	(1,205)	(1,064)	(1,393)	(5,860)	(3,397)
Other operating expense	(5,725)	(5,419)	(5,169)	(4,819)	(4,698)	(4,881)	(4,910)	(4,717)	(5 <i>,</i> 876)	(16,313)	(14,489)
Total operating expenses	(21,490)	(19,009)	(23,030)	(20,367)	(19,922)	(18,641)	(18,226)	(17,824)	(20,355)	(63,529)	(56,789)
(Provision for) benefit from income taxes	(4,919)	(2,528)	(4,896)	4,989	(5,262)	(5,322)	(6,157)	(2,381)	(972)	(12,343)	(16,741)
Net income	\$ 40,921	\$ 32,747	\$ 46,845	\$ 30,933	\$ 36,180	\$ 36,324	\$ 36,969	\$ 25,355	\$ 52,553	\$120,513	\$109,473
Diluted average shares <sup>(2)</sup>	114,683	100,432	108,195	109,621	102,703	97,494	97,946	85,838	97,832	107,792	99,398
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.58	\$ 1.30	\$ 1.26

(1) Represents interest expense on \$250 million of convertible notes that were reclassified from Long-term debt to Short-term debt as the maturity of the notes was less than one year as of April 2017. These convertible notes were repaid in April 2018.

(2) Diluted average shares includes shares from the assumed conversion of our convertible and/or exchangeable debt in certain periods, in accordance with GAAP diluted EPS provisions. See Table 2 that follows for details of this calculation for the current and prior quarter and our respective Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Annual Reports on Form 10-K for prior periods.

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Table 1: GAAP Earnings 24

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## Table 2: GAAP and Non-GAAP Core Basic and Diluted Earnings (1) per Common Share (in thousands, except per share data)

	2018 Q3	2018 Q2
GAAP Earnings per Common Share ("EPS"):		
Net income attributable to Redwood	\$ 40,921	\$ 32,747
Less: Dividends and undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities	(1,231)	(1,074
Net income allocated to common shareholders for GAAP basic EPS	39,690	31,673
Incremental adjustment to dividends and undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities	(53)	(82
Add back: Interest expense on convertible notes for the period, net of tax $(2)$	8,666	6,335
Net income allocated to common shareholders for GAAP diluted EPS	\$ 48,303	\$ 37,926
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	80,797	75,381
Net effect of dilutive equity awards	443	278
Net effect of assumed convertible notes conversion to common shares <sup>(2)</sup>	33,443	24,773
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	114,683	100,432
GAAP Basic Earnings per Common Share	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.42
GAAP Diluted Earnings per Common Share	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.38
Non-GAAP Core Earnings per Common Share:		
Non-GAAP core earnings	\$ 36,691	\$ 36,330
Less: Dividends and undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities	(1,101)	(1,191
Non-GAAP core earnings allocated to common shareholders for core basic EPS	35,590	35,139
Incremental adjustment to dividends and undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities	(91)	(53
Add back: Interest expense on convertible notes for the period, net of tax $(2)$	8,666	6,335
Non-GAAP core earnings allocated to common shareholders for core diluted EPS	\$ 44,165	\$ 41,421
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	80,797	75,381
Net effect of dilutive equity awards	443	278
Net effect of assumed convertible notes conversion to common shares <sup>(2)</sup>	33,443	 24,773
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	114,683	100,432
Non-GAAP Core Basic Earnings per Common Share	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.47
Non-GAAP Core Diluted Earnings per Common Share	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.41

(1) A reconciliation of GAAP net income to non-GAAP core earnings is included in the Quarterl *Farnings and Analysis* section that starts on page 8 and a definition of core earnings is included in the *lon-GAAP Measurements* section of the *Appendix*.

Certain convertible notes were determined to be dilutive in the periods presented and were included in the calculations of diluted EPS under the "if-converted" method. Under this method, the periodic interest expense (net of applicable taxes) for dilutive notes is added back to the numerator and the number of shares that the notes are entitled to (if converted, regardless of whether they are in or out of the money) are included in the denominator.

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Table 2: GAAP and Non-GAAP Core Earnings per Basic and Diluted Common Share 25

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# Table 3: Segment Results (\$ in thousands)

	2018	2018	2018	2017	2017	2017	2017	2016	2016	Nine Months	Nine Months
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	2018	2017
Investment Portfolio											
Net interest income											
Residential loans											
At Redwood	\$ 12,478	\$ 13,842	\$ 15,842	\$ 16,032	\$ 16,916	\$ 18,461	\$ 18,448	\$ 18,676	\$ 19,069	\$ 42,162	\$ 53,825
At consolidated Sequoia Choice entities	2,880	2,002	1,386	836	22	_	-	-	-	6,268	22
Business purpose loans	974	_	_	-	-	_	_	-	_	974	_
Residential securities	19,412	19,700	19,778	20,287	19,342	18,163	17,081	16,368	16,441	58,890	54,586
Multifamily and commercial investments	2,209	1,860	1,888	1,749	1,298	1,978	1,457	2,853	6,653	5,957	4,733
Other investments	751	161	_	—	-	_	-	-	-	912	_
Total net interest income	38,704	37,565	38,894	38,904	37,578	38,602	36,986	37,897	42,163	115,163	113,166
Reversal of provision for loan losses	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	859	-	_
Non-interest income											
Investment fair value changes, net	10,566	1,600	1,590	4,568	1,372	9,115	3,359	(7,862)	12,176	13,756	13,846
Other income	3,334	3,322	2,118	2,963	2,812	3,764	2,897	3,700	5,413	8,774	9,473
Realized gains	7,275	4,714	9,363	4,546	1,734	2,124	5,703	1,972	6,615	21,352	9,561
Total non-interest income, net	21,175	9,636	13,071	12,077	5,918	15,003	11,959	(2,190)	24,204	43,882	32,880
Operating expenses	(2,659)	(1,858)	(2,007)	(1,657)	(1,324)	(1,454)	(1,593)	(2,732)	(2,751)	(6,524)	(4,371)
Provision for income taxes	(2,840)	(1,130)	(888)	(838)	(433)	(2,320)	(1,737)	(761)	(732)	(4,858)	(4,490)
Segment contribution	\$ 54,380	\$ 44,213	\$ 49,070	\$ 48,486	\$ 41,739	\$ 49,831	\$ 45,615	\$ 32,214	\$ 63,743	\$147,663	\$137,185
Mortgage Banking											
Net interest income	\$ 6,890	\$ 5,455	\$ 6,760	\$ 6,887	\$ 6,491	\$ 4,012	\$ 4,550	\$ 5,579	\$ 5,005	\$ 19,105	\$ 15,053
Non-interest income											
Mortgage banking activities	11,224	10,596	26,576	3,058	21,200	12,046	17,604	13,979	9,766	48,396	50,850
Operating expenses	(6,570)	(5,739)	(8,632)	(7,104)	(6,107)	(6,021)	(5,881)	(6,077)	(5,807)	(20,941)	(18,009)
(Provision for) benefit from income taxes	(2,079)	(1,398)	(4,008)	5,827	(4,829)	(3,002)	(4,420)	(1,620)	(240)	(7,485)	(12,251)
Segment contribution	\$ 9,465	\$ 8,914	\$ 20,696	\$ 8,668	\$ 16,755	\$ 7,035	\$ 11,853	\$ 11,861	\$ 8,724	\$ 39,075	\$ 35,643
	(22.02.1)	(20.225)	(22.024.)	(25.225)	(22.24.1)	(20.545)	(22, 425.)	(40 705)	(10.01.()	(66.995)	(62.055.)
Corporate/other	(22,924)	(20,380)	(22,921)	(26,221)	(22,314)	(20,542)	(20,499)	(18,720)	(19,914)	(66,225)	(63,355)
GAAP net income	\$ 40,921	\$ 32,747	\$ 46,845	\$ 30,933	\$ 36,180	\$ 36,324	\$ 36,969	\$ 25,355	\$ 52,553	\$120,513	\$109,473

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Table 3: Segment Results 26

# Table 4: Segment Assets and Liabilities (\$ in thousands)

		Septemb	er 30, 2018			June 3	30, 2018	
	Investment Portfolio	Mortgage Banking	Corporate/ Other	Total	Investment Portfolio	Mortgage Banking	Corporate/ Other	Total
Residential loans								
At Redwood	\$ 2,320,662	\$ 866,444	\$ —	\$3,187,106	\$ 2,313,336	\$1,104,660	\$ —	\$3,417,996
At consolidated Sequoia entities	2,181,195	-	553,958	2,735,153	1,481,145	-	592,029	2,073,174
Business purpose loans	95,515	20,105	-	115,620	-	-	-	_
Multifamily loans	942,165	-	-	942,165	-	-	-	_
Real estate securities	1,470,084	-	-	1,470,084	1,453,936	-	-	1,453,936
Cash and cash equivalents	44,179	3,735	125,602	173,516	40,654	-	144,125	184,779
Other assets	382,874	19,642	113,475	515,991	302,707	19,640	60,319	382,666
Total assets	\$ 7,436,674	\$ 909,926	\$ 793,035	\$9,139,635	\$ 5,591,778	\$1,124,300	\$ 796,473	\$7,512,551
Short-term debt								
Mortgage loan warehouse debt	\$ —	\$ 578,157	\$ —	\$ 578,157	\$ —	\$ 719,394	\$ —	\$ 719,394
Security repurchase facilities	780,818	_	_	780,818	706,894	_	-	706,894
Business purpose loan warehouse facilities	49,441	15,859	-	65,300	_	-	-	_
Other liabilities	55,590	15,580	104,908	176,078	56,450	18,414	82,561	157,425
ABS issued	2,862,062	-	544,923	3,406,985	1,347,427	_	582,235	1,929,662
Long-term debt, net	1,999,999	-	770,971	2,770,970	1,999,999	_	770,222	2,770,221
Total liabilities	\$ 5,747,910	\$ 609,596	\$1,420,802	\$7,778,308	\$ 4,110,770	\$ 737,808	\$1,435,018	\$6,283,596

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Table 4: Segment Assets and Liabilities 27

# Table 5: Changes in Book Value per Share (\$ in per share)

	2018 Q3	2018 Q2	2018 Q1	2017 Q4	2017 Q3	2017 Q2	2017 Q1	2016 Q4	2016 Q3	Nine Months 2018	Nine Months 2017
Beginning book value per share	\$ 16.23	\$ 16.12	\$ 15.83	\$ 15.67	\$ 15.29	\$ 15.13	\$ 14.96	\$ 14.74	\$ 14.20	\$ 15.83	\$ 14.96
Earnings	0.42	0.38	0.50	0.35	0.41	0.43	0.43	0.31	0.58	1.30	1.26
Changes in unrealized gains on securities, net, from:											
Realized gains recognized in earnings	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.09)	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.02)	(0.04)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.18)	(0.09)
Amortization income recognized in earnings	(0.03)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.07)	(0.06)	(0.10)	(0.15)
Mark-to-market adjustments, net	0.01	0.01	_	0.12	0.27	0.09	0.11	(0.02)	0.20	0.02	0.47
Total change in unrealized gains on securities, net	(0.07)	(0.08)	(0.13)	0.05	0.19	0.02	0.02	(0.10)	0.13	(0.26)	0.23
Dividends	(0.30)	(0.30)	(0.28)	(0.28)	(0.28)	(0.28)	(0.28)	(0.28)	(0.28)	(0.88)	(0.84)
Issuance of common stock	0.01	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	0.01	
Share repurchases	-	_	0.01	_	_	_	_	_	-	0.01	
Equity compensation, net	0.03	0.03	0.03	(0.02)	0.02	_	(0.01)	(0.05)	0.02	0.09	0.01
Changes in unrealized losses on derivatives hedging long-term debt	0.06	0.05	0.11	0.02	_	(0.03)	0.02	0.34	0.01	0.21	(0.01)
Other, net	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.02	(0.01)	-	0.08	0.11	0.06
Ending book value per share	\$ 16.42	\$ 16.23	\$ 16.12	\$ 15.83	\$ 15.67	\$ 15.29	\$ 15.13	\$ 14.96	\$ 14.74	\$ 16.42	\$ 15.67
Economic return on book value $^{(1)}$	3.0%	2.5%	3.6%	2.8%	4.3%	2.9%	3.0%	3.4%	5.8%	9.3%	10.4%

(1) Economic return on book value is based on the periodic change in GAAP book value per common share plus dividends declared per common share during the period.

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Table 5: Changes in Book Value per Share 28

# Table 6: Taxable and GAAP Income <sup>(1)</sup> Differences and Dividends (In thousands, except for per share data)

	Estimat	ed Nine Month	s 2018 (2)	Actual	Twelve Months	2017 (2)	Actual	Twelve Months	2016 (2)
	Taxable Income	GAAP Income	Differences	Taxable Income	GAAP Income	Differences	Taxable Income	GAAP Income	Differences
Taxable and GAAP Income Differences									
Interest income	\$ 193,090	\$ 258,992	\$ (65,902)	\$ 225,079	\$ 248,057	\$ (22,978)	\$ 233,258	\$ 246,355	\$ (13,097)
Interest expense	(99,035)	(154,078)	55,043	(89,662)	(108,816)	19,154	(76,396)	(88,528)	12,132
Net interest income	94,055	104,914	(10,859)	135,417	139,241	(3,824)	156,862	157,827	(965)
Reversal of provision for loan losses	—	-	-	-	_	-	_	7,102	(7,102)
Realized credit losses	(1,430)	_	(1,430)	(3,442)	_	(3,442)	(7,989)	_	(7,989)
Mortgage banking activities, net	47,120	48,396	(1,276)	44,143	53,908	(9,765)	26,477	38,691	(12,214)
Investment fair value changes, net	1,396	12,830	(11,434)	(11,191)	10,374	(21,565)	(10,410)	(28,574)	18,164
Operating expenses	(57,707)	(63,529)	5,822	(73,203)	(77,156)	3,953	(88,416)	(88,786)	370
Other income (expense), net	12,710	8,893	3,817	31,325	12,436	18,889	89,715	20,691	69,024
Realized gains, net	40,357	21,352	19,005	(736)	13,355	(14,091)	284	28,009	(27,725)
(Provision for) benefit from income taxes	(386)	(12,343)	11,957	(516)	(11,752)	11,236	(155)	(3,708)	3,553
Income	\$ 136,115	\$ 120,513	\$ 15,602	\$ 121,797	\$ 140,406	\$ (18,609)	\$ 166,368	\$ 131,252	\$ 35,116
REIT taxable income	\$ 82,912			\$ 90,122			\$ 97,576		
Taxable income at taxable subsidiaries	53,203			31,675			68,792		
Taxable income	\$ 136,115			\$ 121,797			\$ 166,368		
Shares used for taxable EPS calculation	82,930			76,600			76,835		
REIT taxable income per share	\$ 1.06			\$ 1.17			\$ 1.27		
Taxable income (loss) per share at taxable									
subsidiaries	\$ 0.69			\$ 0.42			\$ 0.90		
Taxable income per share <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 1.75			\$ 1.59			\$ 2.17		
<u>Dividends</u>									
Dividends declared	\$ 68,792			\$ 86,271			\$ 86,240		
Dividends per share <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0.88			\$ 1.12			\$ 1.12		

(1) Taxable income for 2018 is an estimate until we file our tax returns for this year. To the extent we expect to pay tax at the corporate level (generally as a result of activity at our taxable REIT subsidiaries), we are required to record a tax provision for GAAP reporting purposes. Any tax provision (or benefit) is not necessarily the actual amount of tax currently due (or receivable as a refund) as a portion of our provision (or benefit) is deferred in nature. It is our intention to retain any excess inclusion income generated in 2018 at our TRS and not pass it through to our shareholders.

(2) Reconciliation of GAAP income to taxable income (loss) for prior quarters is provided in the respective Redwood Reviews for those quarters.

(3) Taxable income (loss) per share is based on the number of shares outstanding at the end of each quarter. The annual and year-to-date taxable income (loss) per share is the sum of the quarterly per share estimates.

(4) Dividends in 2017 were characterized as 71% ordinary dividend income (or \$61 million) and 29% qualified dividend income (or \$25 million). Dividends in 2016 were characterized as 100% ordinary income (or \$86 million).

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Table 6: Taxable and GAAP Income Differences and Dividends 29

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Leverage ratios and book

# Table 7: Financial Ratios and Book Value (\$ in thousands, except per share data)

	2018 Q3	2018 Q2	2018 Q1	2017 Q4	2017 Q3	2017 Q2	2017 Q1	2016 Q4	2016 Q3	Nine Months 2018	Nine Months 2017
Financial performance ratios											
Net interest income	\$ 35,046	\$ 34,763	\$ 35,105	\$ 35,360	\$ 35,294	\$ 34,990	\$ 33,597	\$ 35,797	\$ 39,309	\$ 104,914	\$ 103,881
Operating expenses	\$ (21,490)	\$ (19,009)	\$ (23,030)	\$ (20,367)	\$ (19,922)	\$ (18,641)	\$ (18,226)	\$ (17,824)	\$ (20,355)	\$ (63,529)	\$ (56,789)
GAAP net income	\$ 40,921	\$ 32,747	\$ 46,845	\$ 30,933	\$ 36,180	\$ 36,324	\$ 36,969	\$ 25,355	\$ 52,553	\$ 120,513	\$ 109,473
Average total assets	\$8,483,995	\$7,134,026	\$6,922,611	\$6,652,937	\$ 5,851,133	\$5,685,460	\$5,471,154	\$5,613,048	\$5,880,281	\$7,519,264	\$ 5,670,666
Average total equity	\$1,331,497	\$1,226,735	\$1,218,015	\$1,207,879	\$1,189,540	\$1,167,438	\$1,158,732	\$1,137,948	\$1,111,507	\$1,259,165	\$1,172,021
Operating expenses / average total assets	1.01%	1.07%	1.33%	1.22%	1.36%	1.31%	1.33%	1.27%	1.38%	1.13%	1.34%
Operating expenses / total capital	4.03%	3.80%	5.13%	4.56%	4.47%	4.22%	4.08%	4.03%	4.65%	3.97%	4.25%
Operating expenses / average total equity	6.46%	6.20%	7.56%	6.74%	6.70%	6.39%	6.29%	6.27%	7.33%	6.73%	6.46%
GAAP net income / average total assets	1.93%	1.84%	2.71%	1.86%	2.47%	2.56%	2.70%	1.81%	3.57%	2.14%	2.57%
GAAP net income / average equity (GAAP ROE)	12.29%	10.68%	15.38%	10.24%	12.17%	12.45%	12.76%	8.91%	18.91%	12.76%	12.45%

value per share									
Short-term debt	\$1,424,275	\$1,426,288	\$1,504,460	\$1,938,682	\$1,238,196	\$1,294,807	\$ 563,773	\$ 791,539	\$1,117,405
Long-term debt – Other <sup>(1)</sup>	2,785,264	2,785,264	2,585,264	2,585,264	2,585,264	2,340,264	2,627,764	2,627,764	2,627,764
Total debt at Redwood	\$4,209,539	\$4,211,552	\$4,089,724	\$4,523,946	\$3,823,460	\$3,635,071	\$3,191,537	\$3,419,303	\$3,745,169
ABS issued at consolidated entities									
Legacy Sequoia entities ABS issued	\$ 544,923	\$ 582,235	\$ 615,849	\$ 622,445	\$ 657,960	\$ 692,606	\$ 728,391	\$ 773,462	\$ 819,868
Sequoia Choice entities ABS issued	1,986,456	1,347,427	926,238	542,140	286,328	-	_	_	_
Freddie Mac K-Series entities ABS Issued	875,606	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total ABS issued <sup>(1)</sup>	\$3,406,985	\$1,929,662	\$1,542,087	\$1,164,585	\$ 944,288	\$ 692,606	\$ 728,391	\$ 773,462	\$ 819,868
Consolidated debt	\$7,616,524	\$6,141,214	\$5,631,811	\$5,688,531	\$4,767,748	\$4,327,677	\$3,919,928	\$4,192,765	\$4,565,037
Stockholders' equity	\$1,361,327	\$1,228,955	\$1,219,983	\$1,212,287	\$1,208,640	\$1,179,424	\$1,165,771	\$1,149,428	\$1,130,130
Total capital <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 2,132,298	\$1,999,177	\$1,795,572	\$1,787,701	\$1,783,301	\$1,765,784	\$1,787,266	\$1,770,074	\$1,750,000
Recourse debt at Redwood to stockholders' equity <sup>(3)</sup>	l 3.1x	3.4x	3.4x	3.7x	3.2x	3.1x	2.7x	3.0x	3.3x
Consolidated debt to stockholders' equity	5.6x	5.0x	4.6x	4.7x	3.9x	3.7x	3.4x	3.6x	4.0x
Shares outstanding at period end (in thousands)	82,930	75,743	75,703	76,600	77,123	77,117	77,039	76,835	76,682
Book value per share	\$ 16.42	\$ 16.23	\$ 16.12	\$ 15.83	\$ 15.67	\$ 15.29	\$ 15.13	\$ 14.96	\$ 14.74
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Long-term debt - other and ABS issued presented above do not include deferred securities issuance costs.

(2) Our total capital of \$2.1 billion at September 30, 2018 included \$1.4 billion of equity capital and \$0.8 billion of the total \$2.8 billion of long-term debt on our consolidated balance sheet.

(3) Excludes ABS issued at consolidated entities and commercial secured borrowings associated with commercial A-notes that were sold, but treated as secured borrowings under GAAP.

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Table 7: Financial Ratios and Book Value 30

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# Table 8: Loans and Securities Activity (\$ in thousands)

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	2018 Q3	2018 Q2	2018 Q1	2017 Q4	2017 Q3	2017 Q2	2017 Q1	Nine Months 2018	Nine Months 2017
Residential Loans, Held-for-Sale									
Beginning carrying value	\$1,104,660	\$1,130,185	\$1,427,945	\$ 925,681	\$ 837,371	\$ 376,607	\$ 835,399	\$1,427,945	\$ 835,399
Acquisitions	1,804,125	1,951,566	1,815,294	1,950,180	1,462,116	1,221,051	1,108,304	5,570,985	3,791,472
Sales	(1,133,078)	(1,408,358)	(1,594,531)	(834,977)	(1,393,323)	(694,875)	(1,377,637)	(4,135,967)	(3,465,836)
Principal repayments	(21,198)	(14,612)	(17,017)	(14,771)	(16,436)	(9,273)	(12,995)	(52,827)	(38,703)
Transfers between portfolios	(896,129)	(561,710)	(507,616)	(601,554)	20,025	(61,922)	(184,996)	(1,965,455)	(226,893)
Changes in fair value, net	8,064	7,589	6,110	3,386	15,928	5,783	8,532	21,763	30,242
Ending fair value	\$ 866,444	\$ 1,104,660	\$1,130,185	\$1,427,945	\$ 925,681	\$ 837,371	\$ 376,607	\$ 866,444	\$ 925,681
Residential Loans, Held-for-Investment at Redwood									
Beginning carrying value	\$2,313,336	\$2,375,785	\$2,434,386	\$2,268,802	\$2,360,234	\$2,350,013	\$2,261,016	\$2,434,386	\$2,261,016
Principal repayments	(76,144)	(79,375)	(74,954)	(93,916)	(74,530)	(60,055)	(93,666)	(230,473)	(228,251)
Transfers between portfolios	100,533	31,936	55,775	273,994	(20,045)	61,922	184,996	188,244	226,873
Changes in fair value, net	(17,063)	(15,010)	(39,422)	(14,494)	3,143	8,354	(2,333)	(71,495)	9,164
Ending fair value	\$ 2,320,662	\$ 2,313,336	\$2,375,785	\$2,434,386	\$2,268,802	\$2,360,234	\$ 2,350,013	\$2,320,662	\$ 2,268,802
Securities									
Beginning fair value	1,453,936	1,357,720	\$1,476,510	\$1,356,272	\$1,218,503	\$1,165,940	\$1,018,439	\$1,476,510	\$1,018,439
Acquisitions	161,534	223,022	144,465	204,733	188,138	116,860	170,729	529,021	475,727
Sales	(106,972)	(103,685)	(234,509)	(75,887)	(47,076)	(69,676)	(21,760)	(445,166)	(138,512)
Effect of principal payments	(26,571)	(17,022)	(15,707)	(21,503)	(19,497)	(15,854)	(14,911)	(59,300)	(50,262)
Transfers between portfolios	(11,091)	-	-	-	-	_	-	(11,091)	-
Change in fair value, net	(752)	(6,099)	(13,039)	12,895	16,204	21,233	13,443	(19,890)	50,880
Ending fair value	\$1,470,084	\$1,453,936	\$1,357,720	\$1,476,510	\$1,356,272	\$1,218,503	\$1,165,940	\$1,470,084	\$ 1,356,272

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Table 8: Loans and Securities Activity 31

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	2018 Q3
sidential Loans Held-for-Investment at Redwood	\$2,320,662
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# Table 9: Investment Portfolio Detailed Balances (\$ in thousands)

	2018	2018	2018	2017	2017	2017	2017	2016	2016
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3
Residential Loans Held-for-Investment at Redwood	\$2,320,662	\$2,313,336	\$2,375,785	\$2,434,386	\$2,268,802	\$2,360,234	\$2,350,013	\$2,261,016	\$2,282,674
Business Purpose Loans (Fix-and-Flip) Held-for-Investment	95,515	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Securities with Sub-Categories									
Residential									
Senior - New Issue	76,950	49,099	_	-	-	-	_	_	_
Senior - Legacy	97,374	113,799	127,240	140,988	153,232	128,330	137,210	136,547	71,290
Senior - IO	86,072	89,230	82,062	69,975	62,767	48,632	38,889	37,066	24,492
Senior - Re-REMIC	17,254	33,691	38,370	38,875	39,033	73,337	73,730	85,479	161,234
Mezzanine - New issue	221,358	239,107	228,114	331,451	334,915	343,013	368,919	315,397	283,561
Subordinate - New issue	301,847	272,508	239,565	247,897	209,554	195,039	191,321	177,760	165,721
Subordinate - Agency CRT	235,720	239,767	245,654	300,713	286,780	229,510	198,197	152,126	134,460
Subordinate - Legacy	16,255	17,950	19,707	22,586	26,920	30,333	18,993	22,294	23,542
Multifamily (mezzanine)	417,254	398,785	377,008	324,025	243,071	170,309	138,681	91,770	72,610
Total Securities on Balance Sheet	1,470,084	1,453,936	1,357,720	1,476,510	1,356,272	1,218,503	1,165,940	1,018,439	936,910
Sequoia Choice Securities <sup>(1)</sup>	194,739	133,718	87,381	77,922	30,975	_	_	_	_
Freddie Mac K-Series Securities <sup>(1)</sup>	66,559	-	_	-	-	-	_	-	_
Adjusted Total Securities	1,731,382	1,587,654	1,445,101	1,554,432	1,387,247	1,218,503	1,165,940	1,018,439	936,910
Other Investments									
Mortgage Servicing Rights	63,785	64,674	66,496	63,598	62,928	63,770	111,013	118,526	106,009
Investment in 5 Arches	10,772	10,973	_	-	-	-	_	_	_
Participation in Loan Warehouse Facility	39,219	41,658	_	-	-	-	_	-	-
Total earning assets	\$4,261,335	\$ 4,018,295	\$ 3,887,382	\$4,052,416	\$3,718,977	\$3,642,507	\$ 3,626,966	\$3,397,981	\$ 3,325,593
Supplemental Information									
Residential Loans at Consolidated Sequoia Choice Entities	\$2,181,195	Ċ1 401 14F	\$1,013,619	\$ 620,062	Ś 317.303	ś –	ć	ė	ė
(2)	\$ 2,181,195	\$1,481,145	\$ 1,013,019	ο σ20,002	\$ 317,303	ş —	ş —	- د د	ş —
Multifamily Loans at Consolidated Freddie Mac K-Series Entities <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 942,165	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

(1) Represents securities retained from our consolidated Sequoia Choice securitizations and securities owned in consolidated Freddie Mac K-Series securitizations.

Represents the gross assets of securitizations consolidated on our balance sheet in accordance with GAAP. (2)

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Table 9: Investment Portfolio Detailed Balances 32

# Table 10: Consolidating Balance Sheet (\$ in thousands)

		9	September 30, 2	018				June 30, 2018	3	
		C	onsolidated VIEs	; (1)			c	Consolidated VIE	<sub>S</sub> (1)	
	At Redwood <sup>(1)</sup>	Legacy Sequoia	Sequoia Choice	Freddie Mac K-Series	Redwood Consolidated	At Redwood <sup>(1)</sup>	Legacy Sequoia	Sequoia Choice	Freddie Mac K-Series	Redwood Consolidated
Residential loans	\$3,187,106	\$ 553,958	\$2,181,195	\$ —	\$ 5,922,259	\$3,417,996	\$ 592,029	\$1,481,145	\$ —	\$ 5,491,170
Business purpose loans	115,620	-	_	_	115,620	-	-	_	_	-
Multifamily loans	_	_	_	942,165	942,165	-	_	_	_	_
Real estate securities	1,470,084	_	_	_	1,470,084	1,453,936	_	_	_	1,453,936
Cash and cash equivalents	173,516	_	_	_	173,516	184,779	_	_	_	184,779
Other assets (2)	500,169	3,922	9,057	2,843	515,991	373,069	3,631	5,966	_	382,666
Total assets	\$5,446,495	\$ 557,880	\$2,190,252	\$ 945,008	\$ 9,139,635	\$5,429,780	\$ 595,660	\$1,487,111	\$ —	\$ 7,512,551
Short-term debt	\$1,424,275	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,424,275	\$1,426,288	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,426,288
Other liabilities	165,228	590	7,654	2,606	176,078	151,788	589	5,048	_	157,425
ABS issued	_	544,923	1,986,456	875,606	3,406,985	-	582,235	1,347,427	_	1,929,662
Long-term debt, net	2,770,970	_	_	_	2,770,970	2,770,221	_	_	_	2,770,221
Total liabilities	4,360,473	545,513	1,994,110	878,212	7,778,308	4,348,297	582,824	1,352,475	-	6,283,596
Equity	1,086,022	12,367	196,142	66,796	1,361,327	1,081,483	12,836	134,636	_	1,228,955
Total liabilities and equity	\$5,446,495	\$ 557,880	\$2,190,252	\$ 945,008	\$ 9,139,635	\$5,429,780	\$ 595,660	\$1,487,111	\$ —	\$ 7,512,551

(1) The format of this consolidating balance sheet is provided to more clearly delineate between the assets belonging to consolidated Sequoia and Freddie Mac K-Series securitization entities that we are required to consolidate on our balance sheet in accordance with GAAP, but which are not legally ours, and the liabilities of these consolidated entities, which are payable only from the cash flows generated by their assets and are, therefore, nonrecourse to us, and the assets that are legally ours and the liabilities of ours for which there is recourse to us.

(2) At both September 30, 2018 and June 30, 2018, other assets at Redwood included a total o \$42 million of assets held by third-party custodians and pledged as collateral to the GSEs in connection with credit risk-sharing arrangements relating to conforming residential loans. These pledged assets can only be used to settle obligations to the GSEs under these risk-sharing arrangements.

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Table 10: Consolidating Balance Sheet 33

# Appendix R **REDWOOD TRUST**





# **DIVIDENDPOLICY**

# **Dividend Policy**

# Summary

As a REIT, Redwood is required to distribute to shareholders at least 90% of its REIT taxable income, excluding net capital gains. To the extent Redwood retains REIT taxable income, including net capital gains, it is taxed at corporate tax rates. Redwood also earns taxable income at its taxable REIT subsidiaries (TRS), which it is not required to distribute.

# **Dividend Policy Overview**

In recent years, our Board of Directors has maintained a policy of paying regular quarterly dividends in excess of the amount required to comply with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to REITs. In December 2017, the Board of Directors announced its intention to pay a regular dividend of \$0.28 per share per quarter in 2018. During the first quarter of 2018, the Board of Directors declared and paid a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.28 per share. In May 2018, the Board of Directors declared an increase in the regular dividend and subsequently paid regular quarterly dividends of \$0.30 per share for the second and third quarters of 2018. In November 2018, the Board of Directors declared a regular dividend of \$0.30 per share for the fourth quarter of 2018, which is payable on December 28, 2018 to shareholders of record on December 14, 2018.

# **Dividend Distribution Requirement**

Our estimated REIT taxable income was \$23 million, or \$0.27 per share, for the third quarter of 2018 and \$27 million, or \$0.35 per share, for the second quarter of 2018. Under normal circumstances, our minimum REIT dividend requirement would be 90% of our annual REIT taxable income. However, we currently maintain a \$55 million federal net operating loss carry forward (NOL) at the REIT that affords us the option of retaining REIT taxable income up to the NOL amount, tax free, rather than distributing it as dividends. Federal income tax rules require the dividends paid deduction to be applied to reduce REIT taxable income before the applicability of NOLs is considered. It is possible that our estimated REIT taxable income will exceed our dividend distributions in 2018; therefore, we may utilize a portion of our NOL in 2018 and any remaining amount will carry forward into 2019.

# Income Tax Characterization of Dividend for Shareholders

We currently expect all of the distributions to shareholders in 2018 will be taxable as dividend income. Additionally, a portion of our 2018 dividend distributions are expected to be characterized as long-term capital gains for federal income tax purposes.

Beginning in 2018, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act provides that individual taxpayers may deduct 20% of their ordinary REIT dividends from taxable income. This results in a maximum federal effective tax rate of 29.6% on an individual taxpayer's ordinary REIT dividends, compared to the highest marginal rate of 37%. This deduction does not apply to REIT dividends classified as qualified dividends or long-term capital gains dividends, as those dividends are taxed at a maximum rate of 20% for individuals.

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# **Core Earnings**

Core earnings is a non-GAAP measure of Redwood's earnings and results of operations. Specifically, management has defined core earnings as: GAAP net income adjusted to (i) eliminate the impact of quarterly mark-to-market changes on the fair value of long-term investments (and associated derivatives) related to changes in benchmark interest rates and credit spreads, (ii) include the cumulative net gains or losses on long-term investments accounted for as trading securities under GAAP that were sold during the period presented, net of any gains or losses from derivatives associated with the investments sold, and (iii) include the hypothetical income taxes associated with core earnings adjustments.

Management utilizes this core earnings measure internally as one way of analyzing Redwood's performance over multiple periods, as it believes it provides useful comparative results absent the impact of certain quarterly mark-to-market changes on investments held through the end of the period presented and inclusive of all realized gains and losses from securities sales.

Specifically, the quarterly mark-to-market changes in the value of our long-term investments in loans, trading securities, and other investments, as well as the associated derivatives, resulting from changes in benchmark interest rates and credit spreads may not be reflective of the total return management would expect to earn from them over the longer-term.

Additionally, the adjustment to include cumulative net gains or losses from the sale of trading securities is to ensure that core earnings presents consistently the impact of the sales of investments regardless of whether they are accounted for as (i) trading securities or (ii) available-for-sale securities, in each case under GAAP, as outlined below.

- Under GAAP, available-for-sale securities are reported at their fair value with periodic changes in fair value recognized through the balance sheet in Shareholders' equity. When an available-for-sale security is sold, the cumulative gain or loss since purchase is recognized through the income statement, in Realized gains, net, in the period the sale occurred. As a result, any such cumulative gains or losses are reflected in core earnings in the period the sale occurred.
- Under GAAP, trading securities are reported at their fair value with periodic changes in fair value recognized through the income statement in
  Investment fair value changes, net. Certain of these periodic changes in fair value (as described above) are excluded from core earnings. Core
  earnings includes an adjustment to include the cumulative net gains or losses (from purchase through the sale of the investment) for sold trading
  securities in the period they are sold. The result is to consistently present within core earnings the cumulative gains or losses from the sale of
  long-term investments, regardless of how they are accounted for under GAAP.

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Core earnings also includes adjustments to show the hypothetical tax provision or benefit that would be associated with the core earnings adjustments made to net income. As a REIT, we are subject to income taxes on earnings generated at our taxable REIT subsidiaries (TRS) and generally not subject to income taxes on earnings generated at the REIT (to the extent we distribute our REIT taxable income as dividends). In order to present the hypothetical income taxes associated with core earnings adjustments made to net income, estimated effective tax rates are applied to the core earnings adjustments occurring within our TRS.

The following table presents a reconciliation of GAAP net income to non-GAAP core earnings.

Reconciliatio	on of Non-GAAP Co	ore Earn	ings						
		Three Months Ended September 30, 2018							
	-	GAAI			Adjustments	Non-GAAP			
Net interest income	ç	i	35	\$	- \$	35			
Non-interest income									
Mortgage banking activities, net			11		_	11			
Investment fair value changes, net (1)			10		(12)	(2			
Other income, net			3		_	3			
Realized gains, net (2)			7		8	15			
Total non-interest income, net			32		(5)	28			
Operating expenses			(21)		_	(21			
Provision for income taxes (3)			(5)		_	(5			
GAAP Net Income/Non-GAAP Core Earnings	\$		41	\$	(4) \$	37			
			Th	ree M	onths Ended June 30, 2018				
		GAAI	,		Adjustments	Non-GAAP			

		Three Months Ended June 50, 2018					
	G	GAAP Ac	ljustments No	on-GAAP			
Net interest income	\$	35 \$	— \$	35			
Non-interest income							
Mortgage banking activities, net		11	_	11			
Investment fair value changes, net <sup>(1)</sup>		1	(3)	(2)			
Other income, net		3	_	3			
Realized gains, net (2)		5	7	12			
Total non-interest income, net		20	4	24			
Operating expenses		(19)	_	(19)			
Provision for income taxes <sup>(3)</sup>		(3)	-	(3)			
GAAP Net Income/Non-GAAP Core Earnings	\$	33 \$	4 \$	36			

(1) References in this Redwood Review to core investment fair value changes, net refer to GAAP investment fair value changes, net as adjusted by the amount described in the "Adjustments" column, as further described above under the heading "Core Earnings."

(2) References in this Redwood Review to core realized gains, net refer to GAAP realized gains, net as adjusted by the amount described in the "Adjustments" column, as further described above under the heading "Core Earnings."

(3) References in this Redwood Review to core provision for income taxes refer to GAAP provision for income taxes as adjusted by the amount described in the "Adjustments" column, as further described above under the heading "Core Earnings."

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Additionally, we use core earnings as described above to calculate basic and diluted core earnings per share. To calculate these measures, we follow the same methodology for calculating basic and diluted earnings per share for GAAP, but substitute core earnings for GAAP earnings in the calculation. A detailed presentation of these calculations is presented in Table 2 of the Financial Tables section of this document.

The following table presents the components of investment fair value changes, net, of our Investment Portfolio segment that are included and excluded from core earnings, by investment type, for the third and second quarters of 2018.

Components of Investment Portfolio Fair Value Changes, Net						
by Investment Type						
(\$ in millions)						
		Three Months Ended				
		9/30/2018	6/30/2018			
Market valuation changes on:						
Residential loans held-for-investment at fair value						
Change in fair value from the reduction in basis <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	— \$	_			
Other fair value changes (2)		(17)	(15)			
Total change in fair value of residential loans held-for-investment		(17)	(15)			
Real estate securities classified as trading						
Change in fair value from the reduction in basis (1)		(3)	(3)			
Other fair value changes (2)		9	3			
Total change in fair value of real estate securities		6	_			
Risk management derivatives						
Interest component of hedges (3)		1	_			
Other fair value changes (4)		21	17			
Total change in fair value of risk management derivatives		21 22	17 17			
Total investment portfolio fair value changes, net	\$	11 \$	2			

(1) Reflects the change in fair value due to principal changes, which is calculated as the change in principal on a given investment during the period, multiplied by the amount that the prior quarter ending price or acquisition price for that investment is above or below par in percentage terms.

(2) Reflects changes in prepayment assumptions and credit spreads on our residential loans, trading securities and conforming risk-sharing investments primarily due to changes in benchmark interest rates. This item is excluded from management's definition of core earnings.

(3) Reflects the net interest paid or received on hedges associated with fair value investments.

(4) Reflects the change in fair value of our risk management derivatives that are associated with changes in benchmark interest rates during the period. This item is excluded from management's definition of core earnings.

We caution that core earnings, core realized gains, core provision for income taxes, core segment contribution, and core earnings per share should not be utilized in isolation, nor should they be considered as alternatives to GAAP net income, GAAP realized gains, GAAP provision for income taxes, GAAP net income per share, or other measurements of results of operations computed in accordance with GAAP.

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# **Economic Net Interest Income and Measures of Fair Value Changes**

Economic net interest income is a non-GAAP measure of Redwood's net interest income. Management has defined economic net interest income as GAAP net interest income adjusted to include: i) the change in basis for fair value investments (loans held-for-investment at fair value and real estate securities classified as trading), and ii) net interest received or paid on hedges associated with fair value investments. Management utilizes economic net interest income internally as an additional metric to analyze the performance of its investments, as it believes it presents a more comprehensive view of an investment's current return, by including the impact of hedges it uses to manage interest rate risk on an investment and also including the change in basis of an investment that factors into its economic yield.

Specifically, many of our investments pay a fixed-rate of interest and are financed with floating rate debt. As interest rates rise, net interest income for these investments decreases. However, if these investments are hedged with swaps or other derivative instruments, there is an offsetting change in the net interest received or paid on the associated hedge. By including the net interest of associated hedges in economic net interest income, it allows us to better assess our hedge-adjusted returns for investments we hedge.

Additionally, for loans or securities that are carried at a fair value above or below their par value, any receipt of principal (or associated underlying notional principal) during the period results in a realization of the premium or discount to par (the "change in basis") that affects yield. We include this amount in economic net interest income as we view it similarly to discount accretion or premium amortization on an available-for-sale security, which is incorporated into interest income when calculating an effective yield.

The following table reconciles GAAP net interest income to non-GAAP economic net interest income.

Reconciliation to Non-GAAP Economic Net Interest Income					
(\$ in millions;	)				
		Three Months Ended			
	9/3	9/30/2018		6/30/2018	
Net interest income	\$	35	\$	35	
Adjustments					
Change in basis of fair value investments		(2)		(2)	
Interest component of hedges		1		-	
Non-GAAP economic net interest income	\$	33	\$	32	

We also calculate economic net interest income for our Investment Portfolio segment, which is shown and reconciled to GAAP net interest income for our Investment Portfolio segment on page 10. We caution that economic net interest income should not be utilized in isolation, nor should it be considered as an alternative to GAAP net interest income.

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Other fair value changes, net and core other fair value changes, net are non-GAAP measures of Redwood's investment fair value changes.

- Other fair value changes, net represents GAAP investment fair value changes, net, adjusted to exclude the same adjustments that are included in economic net interest income, as described above. Effectively, these adjustment amounts are excluded from investment fair value changes, net and included with net interest income to calculate economic net interest income.
- Core other fair value changes, net represents non-GAAP other fair value changes, net, adjusted to exclude the component of mark-to-market changes on long-term investments and associated derivatives that were not otherwise included in the adjustment to arrive at Other fair value changes, net.

The following table presents a reconciliation of GAAP investment fair value changes, net to non-GAAP other fair value changes, net and non-GAAP core other fair value changes, net.

Reconciliation to Non-GAAP Other Fair Value Changes, Net and							
Non-GAAP Core Other Fair Value Changes, Net							
(\$ in millions)							
		Three Months Ended					
	9/	30/2018		6/30/2018			
Investment fair value changes, net	\$	10	\$	1			
Adjustments							
Change in basis of fair value investments		2		2			
Interest component of hedges		(1)		-			
Non-GAAP Other Fair Value Changes, Net	\$	12	\$	3			
Core adjustments							
Eliminate mark-to-market changes on long-term investments and associated derivatives		(12)		(3)			
Non-GAAP Core Other Fair Value Changes, Net	\$	_	\$	_			

We caution that neither other fair value changes, net nor core other fair value changes, net should be utilized in isolation, nor should either of them be considered as an alternative to GAAP investment fair value changes, net.

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### FORWARD-LOOKINGSTATEMENTS

As noted above under the heading "Cautionary Statement," this Redwood Review contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ from our expectations, estimates, and projections and, consequently, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Forward-looking statements are not historical in nature and can be identified by words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "will," "should," "expect," "believe," "intend," "seek," "plan," and similar expressions or their negative forms, or by references to strategy, plans, goals, or intentions. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including, among other things, those described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption "Risk Factors." Other risks, uncertainties, and factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected are described below and may be described from time to time in reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q, and 8-K. We undertake no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Statements regarding the following subjects, among others, are forward-looking by their nature: (i) statements we make regarding Redwood's business strategy and strategic focus, including statements relating to our overall market position, strategy and long-term prospects (including trends driving the flow of capital in the housing finance market, our strategic initiatives designed to capitalize on those trends, our ability to attract capital to finance those initiatives, our approach to raising capital, and the prospects for federal housing finance reform); (ii) statements related to our financial outlook and expectations for 2018, including with respect to: 2018 GAAP earnings, mortgage banking activities (including target returns on allocated capital, loan acquisition volume, and gross margins), our investment portfolio (including target returns on allocated capital), and corporate operating expenses; (iii) statements related to our mortgage banking activities, including our expectation that full year jumbo loan purchases will be near the low end of our original \$7 to \$8 billion range for 2018, and that full year mortgage banking volumes are expected to be about 20% higher than in 2017; (iv) statements related to our investment portfolio and investment opportunities, including that we expect to deploy an additional \$75 million of capital in the fourth quarter of 2018 to close our re-performing loan pool investment; (v) statements relating to acquiring residential mortgage loans in the future that we have identified for purchase or plan to purchase, including the amount of such loans that we identified for purchase during the third quarter of 2018 and at September 30, 2018, and expected fallout and the corresponding volume of residential mortgage loans expected to be available for purchase; (vi) statements relating to our estimate of our available capital (including that we estimate our available capital at September 30, 2018 was approximately \$150 million), and expectations relating to sourcing additional capital from continued optimization of our investment portfolio and from capital markets; (vii) statements we make regarding our dividend policy, including with respect to our regular quarterly dividends in 2018; and (viii) statements regarding our expectations and estimates relating to the characterization for income tax purposes of our dividend distributions, our expectations and

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estimates relating to tax accounting, tax liabilities and tax savings, and GAAP tax provisions, and our estimates of REIT taxable income and TRS taxable income.

Important factors, among others, that may affect our actual results include:

- the pace at which we redeploy our available capital into new investments and initiatives;
- our ability to scale our platform and systems, particularly with respect to our new initiatives;
- interest rate volatility, changes in credit spreads, and changes in liquidity in the market for real estate securities and loans;
- changes in the demand from investors for residential mortgages and investments, and our ability to distribute residential mortgages through our whole-loan distribution channel;
- our ability to finance our investments in securities and our acquisition of residential mortgages with short-term debt;
- changes in the values of assets we own:
- general economic trends, the performance of the housing, real estate, mortgage, credit, and broader financial markets, and their effects on the prices of earning assets and the credit status of borrowers;
- federal and state legislative and regulatory developments, and the actions of governmental authorities, including the new U.S. presidential administration, and in particular those affecting the mortgage industry or our business (including, but not limited to, the Federal Housing Finance Agency's rules relating to FHLB membership requirements and the implications for our captive insurance subsidiary's membership in the FHLB);
- strategic business and capital deployment decisions we make;
- developments related to the fixed income and mortgage finance markets and the Federal Reserve's statements regarding its future open market activity and monetary policy;
- our exposure to credit risk and the timing of credit losses within our portfolio;
- the concentration of the credit risks we are exposed to, including due to the structure of assets we hold and the geographical concentration of real estate underlying assets we own;
- our exposure to adjustable-rate mortgage loans;
- the efficacy and expense of our efforts to manage or hedge credit risk, interest rate risk, and other financial and operational risks;
- changes in credit ratings on assets we own and changes in the rating agencies' credit rating methodologies;
- changes in interest rates;
- changes in mortgage prepayment rates;
- changes in liquidity in the market for real estate securities and loans;
- our ability to finance the acquisition of real estate-related assets with short-term debt;
- the ability of counterparties to satisfy their obligations to us:
- our involvement in securitization transactions, the profitability of those transactions, and the risks we are exposed to in engaging in securitization transactions;

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- exposure to claims and litigation, including litigation arising from our involvement in securitization transactions;
- ongoing litigation against various trustees of RMBS transactions;
- whether we have sufficient liquid assets to meet short-term needs;
- our ability to successfully compete and retain or attract key personnel;
- our ability to adapt our business model and strategies to changing circumstances;
- changes in our investment, financing, and hedging strategies and new risks we may be exposed to if we expand our business activities;
- our exposure to a disruption or breach of the security of our technology infrastructure and systems;
- exposure to environmental liabilities;
- our failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations;
- our failure to maintain appropriate internal controls over financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures;
- the impact on our reputation that could result from our actions or omissions or from those of others; changes in accounting principles and tax rules;
- our ability to maintain our status as a REIT for tax purposes;
- limitations imposed on our business due to our REIT status and our status as exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940;
- decisions about raising, managing, and distributing capital; and
- other factors not presently identified.

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# **Redwood Trust Corporate Information**

# EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT:

Christopher J. Abate Chief Executive Officer

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# REDWOOD TRUST DECLARES \$0.30 PER SHARE DIVIDEND FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 2018

MILL VALLEY, C – Wednesday, November 7, 2018 – Redwood Trust, Inc. (NYSE:RWT) today announced that its Board of Directors authorized the declaration of a fourth quarter regular dividend of \$0.30 per share. The fourth quarter 2018 dividend is payable on December 28, 2018 to stockholders of record on December 14, 2018.

"The payment of regular dividends remains a priority for Redwood. Ourfourth quarter dividend will mark our 78th consecutive quarterly dividend," said Christopher Abate, Redwood's Chief Executive Officer.

For more information about Redwood Trust, Inc., please visit our website at:<u>www.redwoodtrust.com</u>.