

ASB FINANCIAL CORP.

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ASB Financial Corp. Reports Net Earnings For The Nine and Three Months Ended March 31, 2011

Portsmouth, Ohio - ASB Financial Corp, parent company of American Savings Bank, fsb, reported net earnings for the nine months ended March 31, 2012, of \$1.3 million, or diluted earnings per share of \$.78, a decrease of \$234,000, or 15.8%, from the \$1.5 million, or \$.93 per diluted share in net earnings recorded for the nine months ended March 31, 2011.

The \$234,000, or 15.8%, decrease in net earnings resulted primarily from a \$250,000, or 52.6%, increase in provision for losses on loans and decreases of \$42,000, or 4.7%, in other income and \$19,000, or 0.3% in net interest income, which were partially offset by a decrease of \$78,000, or 14.9%, in provision for income taxes. The increase in provisions for losses on loans was due to management's analysis of the appropriate level for the allowance for loan losses and the decrease in net interest income was due a decline in overall market interest rates.

Net earnings for the three months ended March 31, 2012, totaled \$465,000, or \$.29 per diluted share, compared to net earnings of \$515,000, or \$.33 per diluted share, for the quarter ended March 31, 2011. The decrease in net earnings of \$50,000, or 9.9%, was due primarily to a \$92,000 or 4.3% decrease in net interest income and a \$6,000 or 0.4% increase in General admin and other expenses. These were partially offset by a \$23,000, or 8.6% increase in other income and decreases of \$25,000 or 14.0% in provision for income taxes.

At March 31, 2012, ASB Financial Corp. reported total assets of \$231.2 million, total liabilities of \$210.1 million, including deposits of \$195.1 million, and shareholders' equity of \$21.1 million.

American Savings Bank, fsb, serving Southern Ohio and Northeastern Kentucky, was founded in 1892. The common shares of ASB are traded through Pinksheets.com under the symbol ASBN.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
(In thousands)

ASSETS	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2011
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,473	\$ 9,627
Investment securities	19,217	18,507
Mortgage –backed securities	24,573	22,550
Loans receivable	165,213	167,005
Other assets	<u>11,733</u>	<u>11,610</u>
Total assets	\$ 231,209	\$ 229,299
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits	\$ 195,123	\$ 192,798
Borrowings	13,028	13,010
Other liabilities	<u>1,983</u>	<u>2,585</u>
Total liabilities	210,134	208,393
Shareholders' equity	<u>21,075</u>	<u>20,906</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 231,209	\$ 229,299

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(In thousands, except share data)

	Nine months ended		Three months ended	
	March 31,		March 31,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Total interest income	\$7,881	\$8,541	\$2,583	\$2,811
Total interest expense	<u>1,746</u>	<u>2,387</u>	<u>554</u>	<u>690</u>
Net interest income	6,135	6,154	2,029	2,121
Provision for losses on loans	<u>725</u>	<u>475</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
Net interest income after provision for losses on loans	5,410	5,679	1,829	1,921
Other income	849	891	291	268
General, administrative and other expense	<u>4,569</u>	<u>4,568</u>	<u>1,501</u>	<u>1,495</u>
Earnings before income taxes	1,690	2,002	619	694
Federal income taxes	<u>444</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>179</u>
NET EARNINGS	\$ 1,246	\$ 1,480	\$ 465	\$ 515
EARNINGS PER SHARE				
Basic	<u>\$.78</u>	<u>\$.93</u>	<u>\$.29</u>	<u>\$.33</u>
Diluted	<u>\$.78</u>	<u>\$.93</u>	<u>\$.29</u>	<u>\$.33</u>