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CAPSTAR FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC. ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER 2016 RESULTS

NASHVILLE, TN, January 30, 2017/GlobeNewswire/ -- CapStar Financial Holdings, Inc. ("CapStar") (NASDAQ:CSTR) reported net income of \$2.9 million, or \$0.23 per share on a fully diluted basis, for the three months ended December 31, 2016, compared to \$2.1 million, or \$0.20 per share, for the three months ended December 31, 2015. For the year ended December 31, 2016, CapStar reported net income of \$9.1 million, or \$0.81 per share on a fully diluted basis, compared to \$7.6 million, or \$0.73 per share, for the year ended December 31, 2015.

"CapStar experienced an exciting year in 2016 with the completion of our initial public offering in September," said Claire W. Tucker, president and chief executive officer of CapStar "Our team of experienced bankers did an excellent job delivering sound, profitable growth as evidenced by 19% growth in loans and leases and 38% growth in demand and NOW deposits. In addition, 2016 was a record year for net income, excluding the reversal of our valuation allowance of our deferred tax asset in 2012."

Profitability

- Return on average assets ("ROAA") for the three months ended December 31, 2016 was 0.88% compared to 0.73% for the same period in 2015. ROAA for 2016 was 0.72% compared to 0.66% in 2015.
- Return on average equity ("ROAE") for the three months ended December 31, 2016 was 8.35% compared to 7.61% for the same period in 2015. ROAE for 2016 was 7.57% compared to 7.08% in 2015.
- The net interest margin ("NIM") for the three months ended December 31, 2016 was 3.17% compared to 3.22% for the same period in 2015. NIM for 2016 was 3.17% compared to 3.19% in 2015.
- The efficiency ratio for the three months ended December 31, 2016 was 65.8% compared to 68.1% for the same period in 2015. The efficiency ratio for 2016 was 66.9% compared to 71.0% in 2015.

Growth

- Average gross loans and leases for the quarter increased 18.7%, to \$939 million for the three months ended December 31, 2016 compared to \$791 million for the same period in 2015.
- Average total deposits for the quarter increased 17.0%, to \$1.1 billion for the three months ended December 31, 2016 compared to \$973 million for the same period in 2015.
- Average Demand and NOW deposits for the quarter increased 38.1%, to \$482 million for the three months ended December 31, 2016 compared to \$349 million for the same period in 2015.

• Mortgage loan originations increased 36.2%, to \$128 million for the three months ended December 31, 2016 compared to \$94 million for the same period in 2015.

"By many measures, 2016 was a successful year. Our team produced 13% revenue growth, contained expense growth to 7%, maintained sound credit quality, and delivered 20% net income growth. We believe our shareholders will be similarly pleased with these results," said Rob Anderson, chief financial officer and chief administrative officer of CapStar.

Soundness

- The allowance for loan and lease losses represented 1.24% of total loans at December 31, 2016 compared to 1.25% at December 31, 2015.
- Non-performing assets as a percent of total loans and other real estate owned was 0.39% at December 31, 2016 compared to 0.36% at December 31, 2015.
- Net recoveries totaled 0.02% for the three months ended December 31, 2016 compared to 0.04% for the same period in 2015. Net charge-offs for the year ended December 31, 2016 totaled 0.15% compared to 0.36% for the same period in 2015.
- The total risk based capital ratio increased to 12.6% at December 31, 2016 compared to 11.42% at December 31, 2015.

Conference Call and Webcast Information

CapStar will host a conference call and webcast at 5:00 p.m. Central Time on Monday, January 30, 2017. During the call, management will review the fourth quarter results and operational highlights. Interested parties may listen to the call by dialing (844) 412-1002. The conference ID number is 50977213. A simultaneous webcast may be accessed on CapStar's website at www.capstarbank.com. An archived version of the webcast will be available in the same location shortly after the live call has ended.

About CapStar Financial Holdings, Inc.

CapStar Financial Holdings, Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee, and operates primarily through its wholly owned subsidiary, CapStar Bank, a Tennessee-chartered state bank. CapStar Bank is a commercial bank that seeks to establish and maintain comprehensive relationships with its clients by delivering customized and creative banking solutions and superior client service. As of December 31, 2016, on a consolidated basis, CapStar had total assets of \$1.3 billion, net loans of \$923.6 million, total deposits of \$1.1 billion, and shareholders' equity of \$139.2 million. Visit www.capstarbank.com for more information.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this earnings release are forward-looking statements that reflect CapStar's current views with respect to, among other things, future events and CapStar's financial and operational performance. These statements are often, but not always, made through the use of words or phrases such as "may," "should," "could," "predict," "potential," "believe," "will likely result," "expect," "continue," "will," "anticipate," "seek," "estimate," "intend," "plan," "project," "projection," "forecast," "goal," "target," "would," and "outlook," or the negative version of those words or other comparable words of a future or forward-looking nature. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, and are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about CapStar's industry, management's beliefs and certain assumptions made by management, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and beyond CapStar's control. The inclusion of these forward-looking statements should not be regarded as a representation by CapStar or any other person that such expectations, estimates and projections will be achieved. Accordingly, CapStar cautions you that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, assumptions and uncertainties that are difficult to predict. Although CapStar believes that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable as of the date made, actual results may prove to be materially different from the results

expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. There are or will be important factors that could cause CapStar's actual results to differ materially from those indicated in these forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, the risk factors previously disclosed in the "Risk Factors" section included in our prospectus filed with the SEC on September 23, 2016 pursuant to Rule 424(b)(4) under the Securities Act. If one or more events related to these or other risks or uncertainties materialize, or if CapStar's underlying assumptions prove to be incorrect, actual results may differ materially from our forward-looking statements. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of this earnings release, and CapStar does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or review any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as required by law. New risks and uncertainties may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for CapStar to predict their occurrence or how they will affect CapStar.

Consolidated Statements of Income (unaudited)

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	December 31, 2016 2015		2016	2015		
Interest income:						
Loans, including fees	\$ 10,680,975	\$ 9,009,779	\$ 40,212,379	\$ 34,844,200		
Securities:						
Taxable	851,621	874,971	3,447,684	4,152,507		
Tax-exempt	316,800	277,980	1,158,061	1,080,008		
Federal funds sold	7,052	5,342	19,159	18,480		
Restricted equity securities	71,332	67,997	280,985	268,171		
Interest-bearing deposits in financial institutions	79,454	35,304	276,488	140,367		
Total interest income	12,007,234	10,271,373	45,394,756	40,503,733		
Interest expense:						
Interest-bearing deposits	393,486	214,335	1,489,470	748,082		
Savings and money market accounts	718,660	693,235	2,859,064	2,732,985		
Time deposits	518,398	466,514	2,084,771	2,031,267		
Federal funds purchased	694	9,083	21,612	23,687		
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	_	1,894	1,311	14,625		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	195,723	48,865	475,308	179,866		
Total interest expense	1,826,961	1,433,926	6,931,536	5,730,512		
Net interest income	10,180,273	8,837,447	38,463,220	34,773,221		
Provision for loan and lease losses	69,884	350,000	2,828,633	1,650,675		
Net interest income after provision for loan and lease losses	10,110,389	8,487,447	35,634,587	33,122,546		
Noninterest income:	. , , ,	, , ,	. , , ,	. , , ,		
Service charges on deposit accounts	302,831	242,282	1,108,153	909,698		
Loan commitment fees	217,042	191,032	1,118,565	822,162		
Net gain (loss) on sale of securities	´ _	(40,561)	120,873	55,023		
Mortgage banking income	2,033,459	1,262,590	7,375,064	5,961,766		
Other noninterest income	400,689	262,814	1,361,794	1,134,861		
Total noninterest income	2,954,021	1,918,157	11,084,449	8,883,510		
Noninterest expense:						
Salaries and employee benefits	5,185,016	4,650,035	20,460,510	19,278,328		
Data processing and software	542,300	539,752	2,372,854	2,316,707		
Professional fees	405,947	355,255	1,553,680	1,469,031		
Occupancy	365,741	365,994	1,498,405	1,538,157		
Equipment	442,547	397,072	1,743,340	1,598,156		
Regulatory fees	348,427	225,994	1,090,735	914,959		
Other operating	1,351,527	788,918	4,409,324	3,861,435		
Total noninterest expense	8,641,505	7,323,020	33,128,848	30,976,773		
Income before income taxes	4,422,905	3,082,584	13,590,188	11,029,283		
Income tax expense	1,495,445	989,615	4,493,410	3,469,847		
Net income	\$ 2,927,460	\$ 2,092,969	\$ 9,096,778	\$ 7,559,436		
Per share information:	, , = 1, 130	. , , , , , , , , ,				
Basic net income per common share	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.89		
Diluted net income per common share	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.73		
Weighted average shares outstanding:						
Basic	11,194,534	8,574,964	9,328,236	8,538,970		
Diluted	12,787,677	10,434,171	11,212,026	10,381,895		

Selected Quarterly Financial Data (unaudited)

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Income Statement Data: 12/31/16 9/30/16 6/30/16 3/31/16 12/31/15 Net interest income \$ 10,180,273 \$ 10,125,515 \$ 9,201,155 \$ 8,956,275 \$ 8,837,4 Provision for loan and lease losses 69,884 1,638,669 182,863 937,216 350,0 Net interest income after provision for loan and lease 8,837,4 8,837,4 9,84 1,638,669 182,863 937,216 350,0	00
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losses 10,110,389 8,486,845 9,018,292 8,019,059 8,487,4	47
Service charges on deposit accounts 302,831 276,751 303,144 225,427 242,2	
Loan commitment fees 217,042 328,785 142,618 430,122 191,0	
Net gain (loss) on sale of securities — (3,964) 85,876 38,961 (40,5	
Mortgage banking income 2,033,459 2,339,310 1,654,843 1,347,452 1,262,5	
Other noninterest income 400,689 250,582 381,711 328,809 262,8	
Total noninterest income 2,954,021 3,191,463 2,568,192 2,370,772 1,918,1	
Salaries and employee benefits 5,185,016 5,119,356 4,938,383 5,217,755 4,650,0	
Data processing and software 542,300 627,335 634,742 568,477 539,7	
Professional fees 405,947 390,862 426,132 330,738 355,2	
Occupancy 365,741 351,691 371,092 409,881 365,9	
Equipment 442,547 458,053 436,168 406,571 397,0	
Regulatory fees 348,427 250,424 264,625 227,260 225,5	
Other operating 1,351,527 1,329,084 879,652 849,059 788,9	
Total noninterest expense 8,641,505 8,526,805 7,950,794 8,009,741 7,323,0	
Net income before income tax expense 4,422,905 3,151,504 3,635,690 2,380,090 3,082,5	
Income tax expense 1,495,445 1,042,282 1,159,438 796,245 989,6	
Net income \$ 2,927,460 \$ 2,109,222 \$ 2,476,252 \$ 1,583,845 \$ 2,092,9	
Weighted average shares - basic 11,194,534 8,792,665 8,682,438 8,628,683 8,574,5	_
Weighted average shares - diluted 12,787,677 10,799,536 10,675,916 10,572,193 10,434,1	
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Balance Sheet Data (at period end):	
Cash and cash equivalents \$ 80,110,806 \$ 73,450,735 \$ 97,546,046 \$ 76,706,579 \$ 100,184,8	41
Securities available for sale 182,354,987 167,213,109 171,336,596 189,807,985 173,382,9	
Securities held to maturity 46,863,640 46,227,968 43,331,042 42,953,364 43,093,9	
Loans held for sale 42,110,581 61,251,662 57,014,256 29,530,174 35,729,3	
Total loans and leases 935,250,703 924,030,515 887,437,485 837,690,395 808,396,0	
Allowance for loan and lease losses (11,633,531) (11,510,464) (10,453,603) (10,298,559) (10,131,73)	
Total assets 1,333,675,063 1,318,057,325 1,310,417,841 1,223,179,646 1,206,800,2	
Non-interest-bearing deposits 197,787,618 191,469,462 193,541,662 220,686,364 190,580,4	
Interest-bearing deposits 930,934,634 944,590,330 949,759,113 865,650,400 847,879,8	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances 55,000,000 30,000,000 40,000,000 15,000,000 45,000,000	
Total liabilities 1,194,467,666 1,179,630,825 1,196,099,660 1,112,320,842 1,098,214,1	73
Shareholders' equity \$ 139,207,396 \$ 138,426,500 \$ 114,318,181 \$ 110,858,804 \$ 108,586,1	07
Total common shares outstanding 11,204,515 11,191,021 8,683,902 8,677,902 8,577,0	51
Total preferred shares outstanding 878,049 878,049 1,609,756 1,609,756 1,609,756	
Book value per common share \$ 11.62 \$ 11.57 \$ 11.26 \$ 10.87 \$ 10	74
Market value per common share (1) 21.96 16.92 -	-
Capital ratios:	
Total risk based capital 12.60% 12.45% 10.67% 11.26% 11	42%
Tier 1 risk based capital 11.61% 11.46% 9.73% 10.26% 10	41%
Common equity tier 1 capital 10.90% 10.75% 8.34% 8.75% 8	89%
Leverage 10.46% 10.47% 8.90% 9.16% 9	33%

⁽¹⁾ CapStar Financial Holdings, Inc. completed its initial public offering during the third quarter of 2016. As such, market values per share of common stock are not provided for previous periods.

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	Five Quarter Comparison									
		12/31/16	_	9/30/16	_	6/30/16	_	3/31/16		12/31/15
Average Balance Sheet Data:										
Average cash and cash equivalents	\$	66,757,676	\$	55,054,076	\$, ,-	\$	67,706,162	\$	63,187,062
Average investment securities		226,032,691		218,462,999		232,587,954		220,281,801		216,982,746
Average loans held for sale		52,483,255		63,640,373		43,055,160		29,798,738		27,338,722
Average loans and leases		938,887,232		918,301,556		873,984,373		822,111,590		790,899,319
Average assets	1	,324,620,495		1,296,870,515		1,247,076,866		1,181,427,683		1,140,126,959
Average interest bearing deposits		942,922,989		944,794,017		909,027,610		837,952,639		781,893,266
Average total deposits	1	,138,778,930		1,132,037,604		1,093,452,418		1,027,457,215		973,109,277
Average Federal Home Loan Bank										
advances		33,478,261		29,565,217		27,417,582		28,021,978		39,891,304
Average liabilities	1	,185,091,445		1,179,480,497		1,134,506,177		1,070,607,967		1,030,995,222
Average shareholders' equity		139,529,051		117,390,018		112,570,689		110,819,715		109,131,737
Performance Ratios:										
Annualized return on average assets		0.88%		0.65%		0.80%		0.54%		0.73%
Annualized return on average equity		8.35%		7.15%		8.85%		5.75%		7.61%
Net interest margin		3.17%	ó	3.23%	ó	3.09%	ó	3.18%)	3.22%
Annualized Non-interest income to										
average assets		0.89%		0.98%		0.83%		0.81%		0.67%
Efficiency ratio		65.8%	ó	64.0%	6	67.6%	ó	70.7%)	68.1%
Loans by Type:										
Commercial and industrial	\$	379,619,518	\$	389,717,893	\$	389,087,927	\$	381,548,046	\$	353,442,069
Commercial real estate - owner										
occupied		106,734,888		108,920,619		104,345,021		104,243,080		108,132,048
Commercial real estate - non-owner										
occupied		195,586,977		163,625,512		171,426,074		161,466,867		143,064,438
Construction and development		94,491,256		91,366,437		63,744,151		52,479,785		52,521,802
Consumer real estate		97,014,959		96,918,661		91,090,508		90,393,165		93,785,260
Consumer		5,974,465		7,045,978		7,486,178		8,291,223		8,668,242
Other		56,795,954		67,805,899		61,669,965		40,698,880		50,196,845
Asset Quality Data:										
Allowance for loan and lease losses to		1.240	,	1.250	,	1 100	,	1.000		1.250/
total loans		1.24%	Ó	1.25%	Ó	1.18%	Ó	1.23%)	1.25%
Allowance for loan and lease losses to		2210	,	2700	,	1700	,	1040/		277.0/
non-performing loans	Φ	321%		279%		179%		184%		377%
Nonaccrual loans	\$	3,619,422	\$	4,122,942	\$	5,829,423	\$	5,586,503	\$	2,689,000
Troubled debt restructurings		1,271,897		1,288,324		-		_		125,000
Loans - 90 days past due & still										
accruing Total non performing loons		3,619,422		4 122 042		5 920 422		5 506 502		2 690 000
Total non-performing loans OREO and repossessed assets		3,019,422		4,122,942		5,829,423		5,586,503		2,689,000
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Total non-performing assets Non-performing loans to total loans		3,619,422 0.39%	,	4,122,942 0.45%	,	5,829,423 0.66%	,	0.67%		0.33%
Non-performing assets to total assets		0.27%	0	0.31%	0	0.44%	0	0.46%)	0.24%
Non-performing assets to total loans and OREO		0.39%	<u>,</u>	0.450	/-	0.660	,	0.670/		0.260/
Annualized net charge-offs to average		0.39%	U	0.45%	U	0.66%	U	0.67%		0.36%
loans		-0.02%	6	0.25%	6	0.01%	6	0.38%		-0.04%
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	\$	(53,183)						770,386		(81,689)
Other Information:	φ	(33,163)	φ	301,009	φ	21,019	φ	170,300	φ	(01,009)
Full-time equivalent employees		170		168		166		163		162
Tun-time equivalent employees		170		108		100		103		102

Analysis of Interest Income and Expense, Rates and Yields (unaudited)

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For the Three Months Ended December 31,

		2016		<u> </u>	2015	
	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate
Interest-Earning Assets						
Loans (1)	\$ 938,887	\$ 10,198	4.32%	\$ 790,899	\$ 8,756	4.39%
Loans held for sale	52,483	483	3.66%	27,339	254	3.69%
Securities:						
Taxable investment securities	172,771	923	2.14%	175,527	943	2.15%
Investment securities exempt from						
federal income tax (2)	53,262	317	2.38%	41,456	278	2.68%
Total securities	226,033	1,240	2.19%	216,983	1,221	2.25%
Cash balances in other banks	56,263	79	0.56%	51,636	35	0.27%
Funds sold	2,449	7	1.15%	3,039	5	0.70%
Total interest-earning assets	1,276,115	12,007	3.74%	1,089,896	10,271	3.74%
Noninterest-earning assets	48,505			50,231		
Total assets	\$1,324,620			\$1,140,127		
Interest-Bearing Liabilities						
Interest-bearing transaction accounts	\$ 286,572	393	0.55%	\$ 158,122	214	0.54%
Savings and money market deposits	455,201	719	0.63%	448,667	693	0.61%
Time deposits	201,151	518	1.03%	175,103	467	1.06%
Borrowings and repurchase agreements	33,696	197	2.32%	45,986	60	0.52%
Total interest-bearing liabilities	976,620	1,827	0.74%	827,878	1,434	0.69%
Noninterest-bearing deposits	195,856			191,216		
Total funding sources	1,172,475			1,019,094		
Noninterest-bearing liabilities	12,617			11,900		
Shareholders' equity	139,529			109,132		
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$1,324,621			\$1,140,126		
Net interest spread (3)			3.00%			3.05%
Net interest income/margin (4)		\$ 10,180	3.17%		\$ 8,837	3.22%

⁽¹⁾ Average loan balances include nonaccrual loans. Interest income on loans includes amortization of deferred loan fees, net of deferred loan costs.

⁽²⁾ Balances for investment securities exempt from federal income tax are not calculated on a tax equivalent basis.

⁽³⁾ Net interest spread is the average yield on total interest-earning assets minus the average rate on total interest-bearing liabilities.

⁽⁴⁾ Net interest margin is net interest income divided by total interest-earning assets.

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	For the Year Ended December 31,							
	Average Outstanding Balance	2016 Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate	Average Outstanding Balance	2015 Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate		
Interest-Earning Assets								
Loans (1)	\$ 888,541	\$ 38,450	4.33%	\$ 744,151	\$ 33,722	4.53%		
Loans held for sale	47,303	1,763	3.73%	29,324	1,123	3.83%		
Securities:								
Taxable investment securities	176,977	3,729	2.11%	220,167	4,421	2.01%		
Investment securities exempt from								
federal income tax (2)	47,353	1,158	2.45%	40,160	1,080	2.69%		
Total securities	224,330	4,887	2.18%	260,327	5,501	2.11%		
Cash balances in other banks	51,147	276	0.54%	54,143	140	0.26%		
Funds sold	2,153	19	0.89%	3,094	18	0.60%		
Total interest-earning assets	1,213,475	45,395	3.74%	1,091,039	40,504	3.71%		
Noninterest-earning assets	49,288			49,721				
Total assets	\$1,262,763			\$1,140,760				
Interest-Bearing Liabilities								
Interest-bearing transaction accounts	\$ 269,113	1,489	0.55%	\$ 143,939	748	0.52%		
Savings and money market deposits	445,873	2,859	0.64%	465,622	2,733	0.59%		
Time deposits	193,881	2,085	1.08%	197,535	2,031	1.03%		
Borrowings and repurchase agreements	32,371	499	1.54%	39,581	219	0.55%		
Total interest-bearing liabilities	941,238	6,932	0.74%	846,677	5,731	0.68%		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	189,270			176,577				
Total funding sources	1,130,507			1,023,255				
Noninterest-bearing liabilities	12,133			10,778				
Shareholders' equity	120,123			106,727				
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$1,262,763			\$1,140,760				
Net interest spread (3)			3.00%			3.04%		
Net interest income/margin (4)		\$ 38,463	3.17%		\$ 34,773	3.19%		

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⁽³⁾ Net interest spread is the average yield on total interest-earning assets minus the average rate on total interest-bearing liabilities.

⁽⁴⁾ Net interest margin is net interest income divided by total interest-earning assets.