### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

**FORM 10-O** Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  $\boxtimes$ For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2024 Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Commission File Number: 001-09819 DYNEX CAPITAL, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 52-1549373 Virginia (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) 4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100 Glen Allen, Virginia 23060-9245 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (804) 217-5800 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share DX New York Stock Exchange 6.900% Series C Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable DXPRC New York Stock Exchange Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  $\boxtimes$ No Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). No Yes Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	$\boxtimes$
Non-accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	
		Emerging growth company	
	cate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extent to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. $\Box$	nded transition period for complying with any new or	r revised financial
Indicate by check mark whether the re Yes □ No ⊠	gistrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Excha	nge Act).	
On April 22, 2024, the registrant had 6	54,160,931 shares outstanding of common stock, \$0.01 par value,	which is the registrant's only class of common stock.	

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### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# DYNEX CAPITAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (\$s in thousands except per share data)

	M	arch 31, 2024	December 31, 2023		
ASSETS		(unaudited)			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	295,715	\$	119,639	
Cash collateral posted to counterparties		122,614		118,225	
Mortgage-backed securities (including pledged of \$5,570,076 and \$5,880,747, respectively), at fair value		5,840,559		6,038,948	
Derivative assets		8,386		54,361	
Accrued interest receivable		27,899		28,727	
Other assets, net		9,324		9,850	
Total assets	\$	6,304,497	\$	6,369,750	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Liabilities:					
Repurchase agreements	\$	5,284,708	\$	5,381,104	
Derivative liabilities		1,314		_	
Cash collateral posted by counterparties		8,507		46,001	
Accrued interest payable		35,672		53,194	
Accrued dividends payable		10,990		10,320	
Other liabilities		4,774		8,396	
Total liabilities		5,345,965		5,499,015	
Shareholders' equity:					
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 4,460,000 and 4,460,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$111,500 and \$111,500 aggregate liquidation preference, respectively)		107,843		107,843	
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 180,000,000 shares authorized; 64,160,931 and 57,038,247 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		641		570	
Additional paid-in capital		1,494,893		1,404,431	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(175,770)		(158,502)	
Accumulated deficit		(469,075)		(483,607)	
Total shareholders' equity		958,532		870,735	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	6,304,497	\$	6,369,750	

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ the\ unaudited\ condensed\ consolidated\ financial\ statements.$ 

# DYNEX CAPITAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(unaudited)

(\$s in thousands except per share data)

# Three Months Ended March 31,

		March 51,		
		2024		2023
INTEREST INCOME (EXPENSE)				
Interest income	\$	71,525	\$	30,846
Interest expense		(74,717)		(31,308)
Net interest expense		(3,192)		(462)
OTHER GAINS (LOSSES)				
Realized loss on sales of investments, net		_		(23,315)
Unrealized (loss) gain on investments, net		(70,024)		57,120
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net		124,635		(67,267)
Total other gains (losses), net		54,611		(33,462)
EXPENSES				
Compensation and benefits		(7,177)		(3,750)
Other general and administrative		(3,703)		(3,622)
Other operating expenses		(421)		(426)
Total operating expenses		(11,301)		(7,798)
Net income (loss)		40,118		(41,722)
Preferred stock dividends		(1,923)		(1,923)
Net income (loss) to common shareholders	\$	38,195	\$	(43,645)
Other comprehensive income: Unrealized (loss) gain on available-for-sale investments, net	\$	(17,268)	¢.	14,793
Reclassification of realized (loss) gain on available-for-sale investments, net	Ф	(17,208)	Ф	14,793
` '\$		(17,268)		14,793
Total other comprehensive (loss) income	6	20,927	\$	
Comprehensive income (loss) to common shareholders	<u> </u>	20,927	<b>D</b>	(28,852)
Weighted average common shares-basic		59,008,316		53,823,866
Weighted average common shares-diluted		59,717,332		53,823,866
Net income (loss) per common share-basic	\$	0.65	\$	(0.81)
Net income (loss) per common share-diluted	\$	0.64	\$	(0.81)

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ the\ unaudited\ condensed\ consolidated\ financial\ statements.$ 

# DYNEX CAPITAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (unaudited) (\$\sigma in thousands)

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	Preferred Stock		Common Stock			Additional Paid-in	Accumulated Other Comprehensive		Accumulated Deficit	Total Shareholders'	
	Shares	Amount	Shares Amoun			Capital	Loss		Dencit	Equity	
Balance as of December 31, 2023	4,460,000\$	107,843	57,038,247\$	570	\$	1,404,431	\$ (158,502)	\$	(483,607)	\$	870,735
Stock issuance	_	_	7,007,448	70		86,736	_		_		86,806
Restricted stock granted, net of amortization	_	_	46,544	_		510	_		_		510
Other share-based compensation, net of amortization	_	_	111,245	1		3,759	_		_		3,760
Adjustments for tax withholding on share-based compensation	_	_	(42,553)	_		(527)	_		_		(527)
Stock issuance costs	_	_	_	_		(16)	_		_		(16)
Net income	_	_	_	_		<u>`</u>	_		40,118		40,118
Dividends on preferred stock	_	_	_	_		_	_		(1,923)		(1,923)
Dividends on common stock	_	_	_	_		_	_		(23,663)		(23,663)
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_		_	(17,268)		_		(17,268)
Balance as of March 31, 2024	4,460,000\$	107,843	64,160,931 \$	641	\$	1,494,893	\$ (175,770)	\$	(469,075)	\$	958,532

	Preferred Stock		Common Stock			Additional Paid-in	Accumulated Other Comprehensive			Accumulated	Tot	tal Shareholders'
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount		Capital	Loss		•	Deficit	Equity	
Balance as of December 31, 2022	4,460,000 \$	107,843	53,637,095 \$	536	\$	1,357,514	\$	(181,346)	\$	(383,219)	\$	901,328
Stock issuance	_	_	199,274	2		2,769		_		_		2,771
Restricted stock granted, net of amortization	_	_	27,932	_		360		_		_		360
Other share-based compensation, net of amortization	_	_	33,213	1		649		_		_		650
Adjustments for tax withholding on share-based compensation	_	_	(20,600)	_		(276)		_		_		(276)
Stock issuance costs	_	_	_	_		(16)		_		_		(16)
Net loss	_	_	_	_		_		_		(41,722)		(41,722)
Dividends on preferred stock	_	_	_	_		_		_		(1,923)		(1,923)
Dividends on common stock	_	_	_	_		_		_		(21,137)		(21,137)
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_		_		14,793		_		14,793
Balance as of March 31, 2023	4,460,000 \$	107,843	53,876,914 \$	539	\$	1,361,000	\$	(166,553)	\$	(448,001)	\$	854,828

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ the\ unaudited\ condensed\ consolidated\ financial\ statements.$ 

# DYNEX CAPITAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(unaudited) (\$s in thousands)

# Three Months Ended March 31,

		March 31,			
	202	24	2023		
Operating activities:					
Net income (loss)	\$	40,118 \$	(41,722)		
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to cash provided by operating activities:					
Realized loss on sales of investments, net		_	23,315		
Unrealized loss (gain) on investments, net		70,024	(57,120)		
(Gain) loss on derivative instruments, net		(124,635)	67,267		
Amortization of investment premiums, net		14,059	19,642		
Other amortization and depreciation, net		501	585		
Share-based compensation expense		4,270	1,010		
Decrease (increase) in accrued interest receivable		828	(1,974)		
Decrease in accrued interest payable		(17,522)	(3,644)		
Change in other assets and liabilities, net		(4,747)	(3,622)		
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(17,104)	3,737		
Investing activities:					
Purchases of investments		_	(310,352)		
Principal payments received on trading securities		78,131	30,233		
Principal payments received on available-for-sale investments		18,874	22,318		
Principal payments received on mortgage loans held for investment		307	279		
Net receipts (payments) on derivatives, including terminations		172,784	(101,425)		
(Decrease) increase in cash collateral posted by counterparties		(37,494)	26,690		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		232,602	(332,257)		
Financing activities:					
Borrowings under repurchase agreements	1	2,273,321	5,428,877		
Repayments of repurchase agreement borrowings		2,369,717)	(5,136,158)		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		86,806	2,771		
Payments related to tax withholding for share-based compensation		(527)	(276)		
Dividends paid		(24,916)	(22,949)		
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(35,033)	272,265		
Net increase (decrease) in cash, including cash posted to counterparties		180,465	(56,255)		
Cash including cash posted to counterparties at beginning of period		237,864	449,877		
Cash including cash posted to counterparties at end of period	\$	418,329 \$	393,622		
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Activity:					
Cash paid for interest	\$	92,239 \$	34,952		

See accompanying notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

### NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Organization

Dynex Capital, Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia on December 18, 1987 and commenced operations in February 1988. The Company is an internally managed mortgage real estate investment trust, or mortgage REIT, which primarily earns income from investing on a leveraged basis in Agency mortgage-backed securities ("Agency MBS") and in to-be-announced securities ("TBAs" or "TBA securities"). Agency MBS have a guaranty of principal and interest payments by a U.S. government-sponsored entity ("GSE") such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, which are in conservatorship and are currently supported by a senior preferred stock purchase agreement from the U.S. Treasury. As of March 31, 2024, the majority of the Company's Agency MBS are secured by residential real property ("Agency RMBS"). The remainder of the Company's investments are in Agency commercial MBS ("Agency CMBS") and in both Agency and non-Agency CMBS interest-only ("CMBS IO"). Non-Agency MBS do not have a GSE guaranty of principal or interest payments.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (together, "Dynex" or, as appropriate, the "Company") have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") for interim financial information and with the instructions to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Article 10, Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and notes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all significant adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, considered necessary for a fair statement of results for the interim period have been included. Operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2024 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any other interim periods or for the entire year ending December 31, 2024. The unaudited consolidated financial statements included herein should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 (the "2023 Form 10-K") filed with the SEC.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements as well as the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The most significant estimates used by management include, but are not limited to, amortization of premiums and discounts and fair value measurements of its investments, including TBA securities accounted for as derivative instruments. These items are discussed further below within this note to the consolidated financial statements. The Company believes the estimates and assumptions underlying the consolidated financial statements included herein are reasonable and supportable based on the information available as of March 31, 2024.

### **Consolidation and Variable Interest Entities**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and the accounts of its majority owned subsidiaries and variable interest entities ("VIE") for which it is the primary beneficiary. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The Company consolidates a VIE if the Company is determined to be the VIE's primary beneficiary, which is defined as the party that has both (i) the power to control the activities that most significantly impact the VIE's financial performance; and (ii) the right to receive benefits or absorb losses that could potentially be significant to the VIE. The Company reconsiders its evaluation of whether to consolidate a VIE on an ongoing basis, based on changes in the facts and circumstances pertaining to the VIE. Though the Company invests in Agency and non-

Agency MBS which are generally considered to be interests in VIEs, the Company does not consolidate these entities because it does not meet the criteria to be deemed a primary beneficiary.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company has elected to be taxed as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Tax Code") and the corresponding provisions of state law. To qualify as a REIT, the Company must meet certain asset, income, ownership, and distribution tests. To meet these requirements, the Company's main source of income is interest earned from obligations secured by mortgages on real property, and the Company must distribute at least 90% of its annual REIT taxable income to shareholders. The Company's income will generally not be subject to federal income tax to the extent it is distributed as dividends to shareholders.

The Company assesses its tax positions for all open tax years and determines whether the Company has any material unrecognized liabilities and records these liabilities, if any, to the extent they are deemed more likely than not to have been incurred.

#### Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share

The Company calculates basic net income (loss) per common share by dividing net income (loss) to common shareholders for the period by weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding for that period. Please see Note 2 for the calculation of the Company's basic and diluted net income (loss) per common share for the periods indicated.

The Company currently has unvested restricted stock, service-based restricted stock units ("RSUs") and performance-based stock units ("PSUs") issued and outstanding. Restricted stock awards are considered participating securities and therefore are included in the computation of basic net income per common share using the two-class method because holders of unvested shares of restricted stock are eligible to receive non-forfeitable dividends. Holders of RSUs and PSUs accrue forfeitable dividend equivalent rights over the period outstanding, receiving dividend payments only upon the settlement date if the requisite service-based and performance-based conditions have been achieved, as applicable. As such, RSUs and PSUs are excluded from the computation of basic net income per common share but are included in the computation of diluted net income per common share unless the effect is to reduce a net loss or increase the net income per common share (also known as "anti-dilutive"). Upon vesting, restrictions on transfer expire on each share of restricted stock, RSU, and PSU, and each such share or unit becomes one unrestricted share of common stock and is included in the computation of basic net income per common share.

Because the Company's 6.900% Series C Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series C Preferred Stock") is redeemable at the Company's option for cash only and convertible into shares of common stock only upon a change of control of the Company (and subject to other circumstances) as described in Article IIIC of the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation, the effect of those shares and their related dividends are excluded from the calculation of diluted net income per common share for the periods presented.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include unrestricted demand deposits at highly rated financial institutions and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. The Company's cash balances fluctuate throughout the year and may exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insured limits from time to time. Although the Company bears risk to amounts in excess of those insured by the FDIC, the Company believes the risk of loss is mitigated by the financial position, creditworthiness, and strength of the depository institutions in which those deposits are held.

#### Cash Collateral Posted To/By Counterparties

The Company regularly pledges and receives amounts to cover margin requirements related to the Company's financing and derivative instruments. If the amount pledged to a counterparty exceeds the amount received from a counterparty, the net amount is recorded as an asset within "cash collateral posted to counterparties," and if the amount received from a counterparty exceeds the amount pledged to a counterparty, the net amount is recorded as a liability within "cash collateral posted by counterparties" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

The following table provides a reconciliation of "cash" and "cash posted to counterparties" reported on the Company's consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2024, that sum to the total of the same such amounts shown on the Company's consolidated statement of cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2024:

(\$s in thousands)	Mar	rch 31, 2024
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	295,715
Cash collateral posted to counterparties		122,614
Total cash including cash posted to counterparties shown on consolidated statement of cash flows	\$	418,329

#### **Mortgage-Backed Securities**

The Company's MBS are recorded at fair value on the Company's consolidated balance sheet. Changes in fair value of MBS purchased prior to January 1, 2021 are designated as available-for-sale ("AFS") with changes in fair value reported in other comprehensive income ("OCI") as an unrealized gain (loss) until the security is sold or matures. Effective January 1, 2021, the Company elected the fair value option ("FVO") for all MBS purchased on or after that date with changes in fair value reported in net income as "unrealized gain (loss) on investments, net" until the security is sold or matures. Management elected the fair value option so that GAAP net income will reflect the changes in fair value for its future purchases of MBS in a manner consistent with the presentation and timing of the changes in fair value of its derivative instruments. Upon the sale of an MBS, any unrealized gain or loss within OCI or net income is reclassified to "realized gain (loss) on sale of investments, net" within net income using the specific identification method.

Interest Income, Premium Amortization, and Discount Accretion. Interest income on MBS is accrued based on the outstanding principal balance (or notional balance in the case of IO securities) and the contractual terms. Premiums or discounts associated with the purchase of Agency MBS as well as any non-Agency MBS are amortized or accreted into interest income over the projected life of such securities using the effective interest method, and adjustments to premium amortization and discount accretion are made for actual cash payments. The Company's projections of future cash payments are based on input received from external sources and internal models and may include assumptions about the amount and timing of loan prepayment rates, fluctuations in interest rates, credit losses, and other factors. On at least a quarterly basis, the Company reviews and makes any necessary adjustments to its cash flow projections and updates the yield recognized on these assets.

<u>Determination of MBS Fair Value</u>. The Company estimates the fair value of the majority of its MBS based upon prices obtained from a pricing service. These prices are assessed for reasonableness using broker quotes and other third-party pricing services. Please refer to Note 6 for further discussion of MBS fair value measurements.

Allowance for Credit Losses. On at least a quarterly basis, the Company evaluates any MBS designated as AFS with a fair value less than its amortized cost for credit losses. If the difference between the present value of cash flows expected to be collected on the MBS is less than its amortized cost, the difference is recorded as an allowance for credit loss through net income up to and not exceeding the amount that the amortized cost exceeds current fair value. Subsequent changes in credit loss estimates are recognized in earnings in the period in which they occur. Because the majority of the Company's investments are higher credit quality and most are guaranteed by a

GSE, the Company is not likely to have an allowance for credit losses related to its MBS recorded on its consolidated balance sheet.

Interest accrued between payment dates on MBS is presented separately from the Company's investment portfolio as "accrued interest receivable" on its consolidated balance sheet. The Company does not estimate an allowance for credit loss for its accrued interest receivable because the interest is generally received within 30 days and amounts not received when due are written off against interest income.

#### Repurchase Agreements

The Company's repurchase agreements are used to finance its purchases of MBS and are accounted for as secured borrowings. The Company pledges its securities as collateral to secure a loan, which is equal to a specified percentage of the estimated fair value of the pledged collateral. The Company retains beneficial ownership of the pledged collateral, which is disclosed parenthetically on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. At the maturity of a repurchase agreement borrowing, the Company is required to repay the loan and concurrently receives back its pledged collateral from the lender, or, with the consent of the lender, the Company may renew the agreement at the then prevailing financing rate. A repurchase agreement lender may require the Company to pledge additional collateral in the event of a decline in the fair value of the collateral pledged. Repurchase agreement financing is recourse to the Company and the assets pledged. The repurchase facilities available to the Company are uncommitted with no guarantee of renewal.

#### **Derivative Instruments**

Changes in the fair value of derivative instruments, including gains and losses realized upon termination, maturity, or settlement, are recorded in "gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net" on the Company's consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss). Cash receipts and payments related to derivative instruments are classified in the investing activities section of the consolidated statements of cash flows in accordance with the underlying nature or purpose of the derivative transactions.

The Company's short positions in U.S. Treasury futures contracts are valued based on exchange pricing with daily margin settlements. The margin requirement varies based on the market value of the open positions and the equity retained in the account. Any margin excess or deficit outstanding is recorded as a receivable or payable as of the date of the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The Company realizes gains or losses on these contracts upon expiration at an amount equal to the difference between the current fair value of the underlying asset and the contractual price of the futures contract.

The Company's options on U.S. Treasury futures provide the Company the right, but not an obligation, to buy or sell U.S. Treasury futures at a predetermined notional amount and stated term in the future and are valued based on exchange pricing. The Company records the premium paid for the option contract as a derivative asset on its consolidated balance sheet and adjusts the balance for changes in fair value through "gain (loss) on derivative instruments" until the option is exercised or the contract expires. If the option contract expires unexercised, the realized loss is limited to the premium paid. If exercised, the realized gain or loss on the options is equal to the difference between the fair value of the underlying U.S. Treasury future and the premium paid for the option contract.

The Company may also purchase swaptions, which provide the Company the right, but not an obligation, to enter into an interest rate swap at a predetermined notional amount with a stated term and pay and receive rates in the future. The accounting for swaptions is similar to options on U.S. Treasury futures.

A TBA security is a forward contract ("TBA contract") for the purchase ("long position") or sale ("short position") of a non-specified Agency MBS at a predetermined price with certain principal and interest terms and certain types of collateral, but the particular Agency securities to be delivered are not identified until shortly before the settlement date. The Company accounts for long and short positions in TBAs as derivative instruments because the Company cannot assert that it is probable at inception and throughout the term of an individual TBA transaction

that its settlement will result in physical delivery of the underlying Agency RMBS or that the individual TBA transaction will settle in the shortest time period possible.

Please refer to Note 5 for additional information regarding the Company's derivative instruments as well as Note 6 for information on how the fair value of these instruments is calculated.

#### **Share-Based Compensation**

The Company's 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (the "2020 Plan") reserves for issuance up to 2,300,000 common shares for eligible employees, non-employee directors, consultants, and advisors to the Company to be granted in the form of stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), stock appreciation rights, performance-based stock units ("PSUs"), and performance-based cash awards (collectively, "awards"). As of March 31, 2024, 96,571 common shares are available for issuance under the 2020 Plan.

The Company has issued restricted stock and RSUs, which are treated as equity awards and recorded at their fair value using the closing stock price on the grant date. Compensation expense is generally recognized over a service period specified within each award with a corresponding credit to shareholders' equity using the straight-line method until the vesting date specified within each award or until the employee becomes eligible for retirement, if earlier than the vesting date. Compensation expense for subsequent equity awards to an employee who is retirement eligible is recognized immediately upon the grant date.

The Company also has PSUs issued and outstanding which contain Company performance-based and market performance-based conditions. PSUs subject to Company performance-based conditions are initially recognized as equity at their fair value which is measured using the closing stock price on the grant date multiplied by the number of units expected to vest based on an assessment of the probability of achievement of the Company performance-based conditions as of the grant date. The grant date fair value is recognized as expense using the straight-line method until the earlier of the vesting date specified within each award or the date the employee becomes eligible for retirement. Adjustments are made, if necessary, based on any change in probability of achievement which is re-assessed as of each reporting date and on at least a quarterly basis. PSUs subject to market performance-based conditions are recognized as equity at their grant date fair value determined through a Monte-Carlo simulation of the Company's common stock total shareholder return ("TSR") relative to the common stock TSR of the group of peer companies specified in the award agreement. Awards subject to market performance-based conditions are not assessed for probability of achievement and are not remeasured subsequent to issuance. The grant date fair value is recognized as expense using the straight-line method until the earlier of the vesting date specified within each award or the date the employee becomes eligible for retirement, even if the market performance-based conditions are not achieved.

The Company does not estimate forfeitures for any of its share-based compensation awards but adjusts for actual forfeitures in the periods in which they occur. Because RSUs and PSUs have forfeitable dividend equivalent rights, which are paid in cash only upon settlement, any accrued dividend equivalent rights ("DERs") on forfeited units are reversed with a corresponding credit to "Compensation and benefits" expense.

Please see Note 7 for additional information about the Company's share-based compensation awards.

### Contingencies

The Company did not have any pending lawsuits, claims, or other contingencies as of March 31, 2024 or December 31, 2023.

#### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

The Company evaluates Accounting Standards Updates ("ASU") issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board on at least a quarterly basis to evaluate applicability and significance of any impact on its financial condition and results of operations.

ASU 2023-07, "Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures" amended existing guidance to improve disclosures about a public entity's reportable segments and provide more detailed information about a reportable segment's expenses. ASU 2023-07 clarifies that an entity which has a single reportable segment is to provide all the disclosures required by Topic 280 and ASU 2023-07. The amendment is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. The adoption of ASU 2023-07 is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

There were no other accounting pronouncements issued during the three months ended March 31, 2024, that are applicable to the Company and expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

### NOTE 2 – NET INCOME (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE

Please refer to Note 1 for information regarding the Company's treatment of its preferred stock and stock awards in the calculation of its basic and diluted net income or loss per common share and to Note 7 for information regarding the Company's stock award activity for the periods presented. The following table presents the computations of basic and diluted net income or loss per common share for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,						
(\$s in thousands)		2024		2023			
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - basic		59,008,316		53,823,866			
Incremental common shares-unvested RSUs		379,880		_			
Incremental common shares-unvested PSUs		329,136					
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding - diluted		59,717,332		53,823,866			
Net income (loss) to common shareholders	\$	38,195	\$	(43,645)			
Net income (loss) per common share-basic	\$	0.65	\$	(0.81)			
Net income (loss) per common share-diluted	\$	0.64	\$	(0.81)			

The calculation of diluted net loss per common share for the three months ended March 31, 2023 excludes unvested RSUs and PSUs of 270,106, which would have been anti-dilutive for the period.

### NOTE 3 – MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES

The following tables provide details on the Company's MBS by investment type as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2024							December 31, 2023					
(\$s in thousands)		Par Value		Amortized Cost		Fair Value		Par Value		Amortized Cost		Fair Value	
Agency RMBS	\$	5,928,956	\$	5,900,650	\$	5,583,208	\$	6,022,502	\$	5,993,922	\$	5,763,532	
Agency CMBS		117,984		118,473		111,762		121,293		121,799		115,595	
CMBS IO (1)		n/a		153,001		145,589		n/a		167,314		159,718	
Non-Agency other		_		_		_		150		150		103	
Total	\$	6,046,940	\$	6,172,124	\$	5,840,559	\$	6,143,945	\$	6,283,185	\$	6,038,948	

<sup>(1)</sup> The notional balance for Agency CMBS IO and non-Agency CMBS IO was \$7,594,510 and \$3,529,181, respectively, as of March 31, 2024, and \$7,723,379 and \$3,860,007, respectively, as of December 31, 2023.

	March 31, 2024										
(\$s in thousands)		nortized Cost	Gross	Unrealized Gain	Gross	Unrealized Loss		Fair Value			
MBS measured at fair value through OCI:											
Agency RMBS	\$	882,334	\$	_	\$	(165,983)	\$	716,351			
Agency CMBS		103,209		_		(5,448)		97,761			
CMBS IO		113,599		1,505		(5,844)		109,260			
Non-Agency other		_		_		_		_			
Total	\$	1,099,142	\$	1,505	\$	(177,275)	\$	923,372			
MBS measured at fair value through net income:											
Agency RMBS	\$	5,018,316	\$	22,675	\$	(174,134)	\$	4,866,857			
Agency CMBS		15,264				(1,263)		14,001			
CMBS IO		39,402		_		(3,073)		36,329			
Total	\$	5,072,982	\$	22,675	\$	(178,470)	\$	4,917,187			
				Decembe	r 31, 2023	3					
(\$s in thousands)	Ar	nortized Cost	Gross	Unrealized Gain	Gross	Unrealized Loss		Fair Value			
MBS measured at fair value through OCI:											
Agency RMBS	\$	898,420	\$	_	\$	(148,606)	\$	749,814			
Agency CMBS		106,527		28		(5,159)		101,396			
CMBS IO		126,672		1,296		(6,014)		121,954			
Non-Agency other		150		_		(47)		103			
Total	\$	1,131,769	\$	1,324	\$	(159,826)	\$	973,267			
MBS measured at fair value through net income:											
Agency RMBS	\$	5,095,502	\$	48,459	\$	(130,243)	\$	5,013,718			
Agency CMBS		15,272		_		(1,073)		14,199			
CMBS IO		40,642		2		(2,880)		37,764			
Total	\$	5,151,416	\$	48,461	\$	(134,196)	\$	5,065,681			

The majority of the Company's MBS are pledged as collateral for the Company's repurchase agreements, which are disclosed in Note 4. Actual maturities of MBS are affected by the contractual lives of the underlying mortgage collateral, periodic payments of principal, prepayments of principal, and the payment priority structure of the security; therefore, actual maturities are generally shorter than the securities' stated contractual maturities.

The following table presents information regarding unrealized gains and losses on investments reported within net income (loss) on the Company's consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,								
(\$s in thousands)		2024		2023					
Agency RMBS	\$	(69,676)	\$	55,779					
Agency CMBS		(190)		237					
CMBS IO		(194)		1,092					
Other assets		36		12					
Total unrealized gain (loss) on investments, net	\$	(70,024)	\$	57,120					

The following table presents information regarding realized gains and losses on sales of MBS reported in the Company's consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) for the periods indicated:

Three Months Ended

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	Mai	rch 31,
(\$s in thousands)	2024	2023
Realized losses on sales of MBS - FVO	_	(23,315)
Total realized loss on sales of investments, net	<u> </u>	\$ (23,315)

The following table presents certain information for MBS designated as AFS that were in an unrealized loss position as of the dates indicated:

			M	Iarch 31, 2024		December 31, 2023								
(\$s in thousands)	]	Fair Value	G	ross Unrealized Losses	# of Securities		Fair Value	Gı	oss Unrealized Losses	# of Securities				
Continuous unrealized loss position for less than 12 months:														
Agency MBS	\$	4,314	\$	(183)	4	\$	3,926	\$	(149)	4				
Non-Agency MBS		636		(12)	3		1,736		(37)	8				
Continuous unrealized loss position for 12 months or longer:														
Agency MBS	\$	887,563	\$	(176,389)	71	\$	932,682	\$	(158,651)	78				
Non-Agency MBS		15,640		(691)	29		21,704		(989)	41				

The unrealized losses on the Company's MBS designated as AFS were the result of rising interest rates and declines in market prices and were not credit related; therefore, the Company did not have any allowance for credit losses as of March 31, 2024 or December 31, 2023. Although the unrealized losses are not credit related, the Company assesses its ability and intent to hold any MBS with an unrealized loss until the recovery in its value. This assessment is based on the amount of the unrealized loss and significance of the related investment as well as the Company's leverage and liquidity position. In addition, for its non-Agency MBS, the Company reviews the credit

ratings, the credit characteristics of the mortgage loans collateralizing these securities, and the estimated future cash flows including projected collateral losses.

#### NOTE 4 - REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

The Company's repurchase agreements outstanding as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 are summarized in the following tables:

		March 31, 2024		December 31, 2023					
Collateral Type	Balance	Weighted Average Rate	Fair Value of ollateral Pledged	Balance	Weighted Average Rate		Fair Value of ollateral Pledged		
(\$s in thousands)	 								
Agency RMBS	\$ 5,048,942	5.46 %	\$ 5,319,619	\$ 5,130,438	5.59 %	\$	5,613,212		
Agency CMBS	104,557	5.46 %	109,935	104,495	5.60 %		113,753		
Agency CMBS IO	112,156	5.74 %	120,037	120,979	5.83 %		127,823		
Non-Agency CMBS IO	19,053	6.16 %	20,485	25,192	6.25 %		25,959		
Total repurchase agreements	\$ 5,284,708	5.46 %	\$ 5,570,076	\$ 5,381,104	5.59 %	\$	5,880,747		

The Company had borrowings outstanding under 28 different repurchase agreements as of March 31, 2024, and its equity at risk did not exceed 10% with any counterparty as of that date. The Company received noncash collateral with a fair value of \$11.5 million pledged by its counterparties to compensate the Company for the increase in fair value of collateral previously pledged in excess of required margin related to its repurchase agreement borrowings outstanding as of March 31, 2024. In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 860, the fair value of this noncash collateral is not recorded on the Company's consolidated balance sheet unless the Company re-pledges the collateral or sells the collateral in the event of default by the counterparty. The Company had not re-pledged any of the noncash collateral pledged by its counterparties as of March 31, 2024.

The following table provides information on the remaining term to maturity and original term to maturity for the Company's repurchase agreements as of the dates indicated:

			March 31, 2024		December 31, 2023							
Remaining Term to Maturity	naining Term to Maturity Balance		Balance Weighted WAVG Original Term to Maturity				Weighted Average Rate	WAVG Original Term to Maturity				
(\$s in thousands)												
Less than 30 days	\$	2,440,188	5.48 %	58	\$	2,855,917	5.61 %	92				
30 to 90 days		2,305,208	5.46 %	71		2,525,187	5.58 %	86				
91 to 180 days		539,312	5.42 %	182		_	— %	_				
Total	\$	5,284,708	5.46 %	76	\$	5,381,104	5.59 %	89				

The Company's accrued interest payable related to its repurchase agreement borrowings decreased to \$35.7 million as of March 31, 2024 from \$53.2 million as of December 31, 2023.

The Company's counterparties, as set forth in the master repurchase agreement with the counterparty, require the Company to comply with various customary operating and financial covenants, including, but not limited to, minimum net worth, maximum declines in net worth in a given period, and maximum leverage requirements as well as maintaining the Company's REIT status. In addition, some of the agreements contain cross default features, whereby default under an agreement with one lender simultaneously causes default under agreements with other

lenders. To the extent that the Company fails to comply with the covenants contained in these financing agreements or is otherwise found to be in default under the terms of such agreements, the counterparty has the right to accelerate amounts due under the master repurchase agreement. The Company believes it was in full compliance with all covenants in master repurchase agreements under which there were amounts outstanding as of March 31, 2024.

The Company's repurchase agreements are subject to underlying agreements with master netting or similar arrangements, which provide for the right of setoff in the event of default or in the event of bankruptcy of either party to the transactions. The Company reports its repurchase agreements to these arrangements on a gross basis. The following table presents information regarding the Company's repurchase agreements as if the Company had presented them on a net basis as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

Cross Amount Not Offset in the Palence

							Sheet (1)				
(\$s in thousands)	F	oss Amount of Recognized Liabilities	Gross Amou Offset in th Balance She	e L	Net Amount of iabilities Presented the Balance Sheet		Financial truments Posted as Collateral		Cash Posted as Collateral		Net Amount
March 31, 2024:											
Repurchase agreements	\$	5,284,708	\$	- \$	5,284,708	\$	(5,284,708)	\$	_	\$	_
December 31, 2023:											
Repurchase agreements	\$	5,381,104	\$	- \$	5,381,104	\$	(5,381,104)	\$	_	\$	_

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts disclosed for collateral received by or posted to the same counterparty include cash and the fair value of MBS up to and not exceeding the net amount of the repurchase agreement liability presented in the balance sheet. The fair value of the total collateral received by or posted to the same counterparty may exceed the amounts presented. Please refer to the consolidated balance sheets for the total fair value of financial instruments pledged as collateral for derivatives and repurchase agreements, which is shown parenthetically, and the total cash pledged or received as collateral, which is disclosed as "cash collateral posted to/by counterparties."

Please see Note 5 for information related to the Company's derivatives, which are also subject to underlying agreements with master netting or similar arrangements.

#### **NOTE 5 – DERIVATIVES**

#### Types and Uses of Derivatives Instruments

*Interest Rate Derivatives.* During the periods presented herein, the Company used short positions in U.S. Treasury futures, interest rate swaptions, and put options on U.S. Treasury futures to mitigate the impact of changing interest rates on its repurchase agreement financing costs and the fair value of its investments.

TBA Transactions. The Company purchases TBA securities as a means of investing in non-specified fixed-rate Agency RMBS and may also periodically sell TBA securities as a means of economically hedging its exposure to Agency RMBS. The Company holds long or short positions in TBA securities by executing a series of transactions, commonly referred to as "dollar roll" transactions, which effectively delay the settlement of a forward purchase (or sale) of a non-specified Agency RMBS by entering into an offsetting TBA position, net settling the paired-off positions in cash, and simultaneously entering into an identical TBA long (or short) position with a later settlement date. TBA securities purchased (or sold) for a forward settlement date are generally priced at a discount relative to TBA securities settling in the current month. This discount, often referred to as "drop income" represents the economic equivalent of net interest income (interest income less implied financing cost) on the underlying Agency security from trade date to settlement date. The Company accounts for all TBAs (whether net long or net short positions, or collectively "TBA dollar roll positions") as derivative instruments because it cannot assert that it is probable at inception and throughout the term of an individual TBA transaction that its settlement will result in physical delivery of the underlying Agency RMBS, or that the individual TBA transaction will settle in the shortest

period possible.

The table below provides detail of the Company's "gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net" by type of derivative instrument for the periods indicated:

# Three Months Ended March 31.

		7	
Type of Derivative Instrument	2024		2023
(\$s in thousands)			
U.S. Treasury futures	\$ 139,810	\$	(106,373)
Put options on U.S. Treasury futures	_		(4,258)
TBA securities-long positions	 (15,175)		43,364
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net	\$ 124,635	\$	(67,267)

The table below provides the carrying amount by type of derivative instrument comprising the Company's derivative assets and liabilities on its consolidated balance sheets as of the dates indicated:

Type of Derivative Instrument	<b>Balance Sheet Location</b>	Balance Sheet Location Purpose				ber 31, 2023
			(\$s in the	ousands)		
TBA securities	Derivative assets	Investing	\$	8,386	\$	54,361
Total derivatives assets			\$	8,386	\$	54,361
			-			
TBA securities	Derivative liabilities	Investing	\$	1,314	\$	_
Total derivatives liabilities			\$	1,314	\$	_

The Company's U.S. Treasury futures contracts were in a liability position of \$(54.4) million as of March 31, 2024 and \$(219.9) million as of December 31, 2023, but because these instruments are considered legally settled on a daily basis, the carrying value on the Company's consolidated balance sheet nets to \$0. The amount of cash posted by the Company to cover required initial margin for its U.S. Treasury futures was \$122.4 million as of March 31, 2024 and \$118.2 million as of December 31, 2023, which was recorded within "cash collateral posted to counterparties."

The following table summarizes information about the Company's long positions in TBA securities as of the dates indicated:

(\$s in thousands)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Implied market value (1)	\$ 2,408,100	\$ 1,381,702
Implied cost basis (2)	2,401,028	1,327,341
Net carrying value (3)	\$ 7,072	\$ 54,361

- (1) Implied market value represents the estimated fair value of the underlying Agency MBS as of the dates indicated.
- (2) Implied cost basis represents the forward price to be paid for the underlying Agency MBS as of the dates indicated.
- (3) Net carrying value is the amount included on the consolidated balance sheets within "derivative assets" and "derivative liabilities" and represents the difference between the implied market value and the implied cost basis of the TBA securities as of the dates indicated.

### Volume of Activity

The table below summarizes changes in the Company's derivative instruments for the three months ended March 31, 2024:

Type of Derivative Instrument	Beginning Notional Amount-Long (Short)			Additions	Settlements, Terminations, or Pair-Offs	]	Ending Notional Amount-Long (Short)
(\$s in thousands)		<del></del>					(4-3-3)
U.S. Treasury futures	\$	(4,880,000)	\$	(5,325,000)	\$ 5,030,000	\$	(5,175,000)
TBA securities		1,403,000		5,811,000	(4,761,000)		2,453,000

### Offsetting

The Company's derivatives are subject to underlying agreements with master netting or similar arrangements, which provide for the right of setoff in the event of default or in the event of bankruptcy of either party to the transactions. The Company reports its derivative assets and liabilities subject to these arrangements on a gross basis. Please see Note 4 for information related to the Company's repurchase agreements, which are also subject to underlying agreements with master netting or similar arrangements. The following tables present information regarding those derivative assets and liabilities subject to such arrangements as if the Company had presented them on a net basis as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

Offsetting of Assets												
						_						
Gross Amount of Recognized Assets			Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet	Net Amount of Assets Presented in the Balance Sheet			Financial Instruments Received as Collateral		Cash Received as Collateral		Net Amount	
\$	8,386	\$	_	\$	8,386	\$	(1,144)	\$	(6,774)	\$	468	
\$	8,386	\$	_	\$	8,386	\$	(1,144)	\$	(6,774)	\$	468	
\$	54,361	\$	_	\$	54,361	\$	_	\$	(44,153)	\$	10,208	
\$	54,361	\$	_	\$	54,361	\$	_	\$	(44,153)	\$	10,208	
		\$         8,386           \$         8,386           \$         54,361	S         8,386         \$           \$         8,386         \$           \$         54,361         \$	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets         Offset in the Balance Sheet           \$ 8,386         \$ —           \$ 8,386         \$ —           \$ 54,361         \$ —	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets         Offset in the Balance Sheet         Assets the           \$ 8,386         \$ - \$           \$ 8,386         \$ - \$           \$ 54,361         \$ - \$	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets         Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet         Net Amount of Assets Presented in the Balance Sheet           \$ 8,386         \$ —         \$ 8,386           \$ 8,386         \$ —         \$ 8,386           \$ 54,361         \$ —         \$ 54,361	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets         Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet         Net Amount of Assets Presented in the Balance Sheet           \$ 8,386         \$ -         \$ 8,386         \$           \$ 8,386         \$ -         \$ 8,386         \$           \$ 54,361         \$ -         \$ 54,361         \$	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets         Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet         Net Amount of Assets Presented in the Balance Sheet         Net Amount of Instruments Received as Collateral           \$ 8,386         \$ -         \$ 8,386         \$ (1,144)           \$ 8,386         \$ -         \$ 8,386         \$ (1,144)           \$ 54,361         \$ -         \$ 54,361         \$ -	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets         Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet         Net Amount of Assets Presented in the Balance Sheet         Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet         Net Amount of Instruments Received as Collateral         Collateral           \$ 8,386         \$ -         \$ 8,386         \$ (1,144)         \$           \$ 8,386         \$ -         \$ 8,386         \$ (1,144)         \$           \$ 54,361         \$ -         \$ 54,361         \$ -         \$	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets         Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet         Net Amount of Assets Presented in the Balance Sheet         Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet         Financial Instruments Received as Collateral         Cash Received as Collateral           \$ 8,386         \$ —         \$ 8,386         \$ (1,144)         \$ (6,774)           \$ 8,386         \$ —         \$ 8,386         \$ (1,144)         \$ (6,774)           \$ 54,361         \$ —         \$ 54,361         \$ —         \$ (44,153)	Cross Amount of Recognized Assets   Cash Received as   Collateral	

		Offsetting of Liabilities												
							_	et in the Balance	ne Balance					
(\$s in thousands)	Red	Amount of ognized		Gross Amount Offset in the Balance Sheet	Liabil	t Amount of lities Presented Balance Sheet	In	Financial struments Posted as Collateral		Cash Posted as Collateral		Net Amount		
March 31, 2024														
TBA securities	\$	1,314	\$		\$	1,314	\$	(1,144)	\$	(170)	\$	_		
Derivative liabilities	\$	1,314	\$		\$	1,314	\$	(1,144)	\$	(170)	\$	_		
December 31, 2023														
TBA securities	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_		
Derivative liabilities	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_		

(1) Amounts disclosed for collateral received by or posted to the same counterparty include cash and the fair value of MBS up to and not exceeding the net amount of the derivative asset or liability presented in the balance sheet. The fair value of the total collateral received by or posted to the same counterparty may exceed the amounts presented. Please refer to the consolidated balance sheets for the total fair value of financial instruments pledged as collateral for derivatives and repurchase agreements, which is shown parenthetically, and the total cash pledged or received as collateral which is disclosed as "cash collateral posted to/by counterparties."

#### NOTE 6 – FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value is based on the assumptions market participants would use when pricing an asset or liability and also considers all aspects of nonperformance risk, including the entity's own credit standing, when measuring fair value of a liability. ASC Topic 820 established a valuation hierarchy of three levels as follows:

- · Level 1 Inputs are unadjusted, quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the measurement date.
- Level 2 Inputs include quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in inactive markets for identical or similar assets or liabilities; or inputs either directly observable or indirectly observable through correlation with market data at the measurement date and for the duration of the instrument's anticipated life.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs are supported by little or no market activity. The unobservable inputs represent management's best estimate of how market participants would price the asset or liability at the measurement date. Consideration is given to the risk inherent in the valuation technique and the risk inherent in the inputs to the model.

The following table presents the Company's financial instruments that are measured at fair value on the Company's consolidated balance sheet by their valuation hierarchy levels as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2024							December 31, 2023						
(\$s in thousands)	Lev	vel 1		Level 2		Level 3		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		
Assets:														
MBS	\$	_	\$	5,840,559	\$	_	\$	_	\$	6,038,845	\$	103		
TBA securities (1)		_		8,386		_		_		54,361		_		
Mortgage loans		_		_		1,531		_		_		1,793		
Total assets	\$	_	\$	5,848,945	\$	1,531	\$	_	\$	6,093,206	\$	1,896		
	_							_						
Liabilities:														
TBA securities (1)	\$		\$	1,314	\$		\$		\$		\$	_		
Total liabilities	\$		\$	1,314	\$		\$		\$		\$			

(1) TBA securities are reflected on consolidated balance sheets at their implied fair value, net of implied cost basis. Please refer to Note 5 for additional information.

The fair value measurements for the Company's TBA securities and the majority of its MBS are considered Level 2 because there are substantially similar securities actively trading or for which there has been recent trading activity in their respective markets and are based on prices received from a pricing service. In valuing a security, the pricing service primarily uses a market approach, which uses observable prices and other relevant information that is generated by market transactions of identical or similar securities, but may use an income approach, which uses valuation techniques such as discounted cash flow modeling. The Company reviews the prices it receives from the pricing service as well as the assumptions and inputs, if any, utilized by the pricing service for reasonableness.

Examples of the observable inputs and assumptions include market interest rates, credit spreads, and projected prepayment speeds, among other things. In addition, the prices received from the pricing service are assessed for reasonableness using broker quotes as well as other third-party pricing services.

The Company's mortgage loans held for investment are single-family mortgage loans, which were originated or purchased by the Company prior to 2000, and for which the Company has elected the fair value option. The fair value measurements for these mortgage loans and certain non-Agency MBS are considered Level 3 assets because there has been no recent trading activity of similar instruments upon which their fair value can be measured. The fair value for these Level 3 assets is measured by discounting the estimated future cash flows derived from cash flow models using certain inputs such as the security's credit rating, coupon rate, estimated prepayment speeds, expected weighted average life, collateral composition, and expected credit losses as well as certain other relevant information. The Company used a constant prepayment rate assumption of 10%, default rate of 2%, loss severity of 20%, and a discount rate of 10.2% in measuring the fair value of its Level 3 assets as of March 31, 2024.

The Company's short positions in U.S. Treasury futures contracts are valued based on exchange pricing and are classified accordingly as Level 1 measurements. The carrying value of the U.S. Treasury futures contracts on the Company's consolidated balance sheets is \$0 because the instruments require daily margin exchanges, which are considered by the settlement agent to represent legal settlement of the contracts on a daily basis.

### NOTE 7 - SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

Preferred Stock. The Company's Board of Directors has designated 6,600,000 shares of the Company's preferred stock for issuance as Series C Preferred Stock, of which the Company has 4,460,000 of such shares outstanding as of March 31, 2024. The Series C Preferred Stock has no stated maturity, is not subject to any sinking fund or mandatory redemption, and will remain outstanding indefinitely unless redeemed, repurchased, or converted into common stock pursuant to the terms of the Series C Preferred Stock. Except under certain limited circumstances described in Article IIIC of the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation, the Company may not redeem the Series C Preferred Stock prior to April 15, 2025. On or after that date, the Series C Preferred Stock may be redeemed at any time and from time to time at the Company's option at a cash redemption price of \$25.00 per share plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends. Because the Series C Preferred Stock is redeemable only at the option of the issuer, it is classified as equity on the Company's consolidated balance sheet.

The Series C Preferred Stock pays a cumulative cash dividend equivalent to 6.900% of the \$25.00 liquidation preference per share each year until April 15, 2025. The terms of the Series C Preferred Stock state that upon April 15, 2025 and thereafter, the Company will pay cumulative cash dividends at a percentage of the \$25.00 liquidation value per share equal to an annual floating rate of 3-month LIBOR plus a spread of 5.461%. When 3-month LIBOR ceases to be a published, the fallback provision provided in the terms of the Series C Preferred Stock will allow for the Company to appoint a third-party independent financial institution of national standing to select an industry accepted alternative base rate. The Company paid its regular quarterly dividend of \$0.43125 per share of Series C Preferred Stock on April 15, 2024 to shareholders of record as of April 1, 2024.

Common Stock. During the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company issued 7,007,448 shares of its common stock through its at-the-market ("ATM") program at an aggregate value of \$86.8 million, net of broker commissions and fees. The Company currently pays a monthly dividend on its common stock. The Company's timing, frequency, and amount of dividends declared on its common stock are determined by its Board of Directors. When declaring dividends, the Board of Directors considers the Company's taxable income, the REIT distribution requirements of the Tax Code, and maintaining compliance with dividend requirements of the Series C Preferred Stock, along with other factors that the Board of Directors may deem relevant from time to time.

Share-Based Compensation. The following table presents a rollforward of share-based awards for the periods indicated:

# Three Months Ended March 31,

	2024	2023								
Shares		eighted Average rant Date Fair Value Per Share	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value Per Share						
104,282	\$	12.61	133,951	\$	15.22					
46,544		12.50	27,932		11.97					
(76,865)		12.76	(36,573)		16.75					
73,961	\$	12.39	125,310	\$	14.05					
394,497	\$	13.06	86,666	\$	16.57					
214,755		12.50	106,850		11.97					
(68,896)		14.42	(33,213)		13.50					
540,356	\$	12.66	160,303	\$	14.14					
276,866	\$	13.17	201,284	\$	16.60					
322,132		12.50	160,277		11.97					
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598,998	\$	12.81	361,561	\$	16.60					
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- (1) The number of RSUs shown represent the target number of awards. Actual number of shares that will potentially settle may range from 0% if the recipient's service-based vesting condition is not met to 100% if the service-based vesting condition is met.
- (2) The number of PSUs shown represent the target number of awards. Actual number of shares that will potentially settle may range from 0% to 200% based on the achievement of the performance goals defined in each grant award.

As of March 31, 2024, the Company expects 95% of the remaining target PSUs will be settled on their vesting dates. The three-year performance period for 84,695 of target PSUs ended on December 31, 2023, of which 42,348 units were converted to shares of common stock during the three months ended March 31, 2024.

The Company has DERs accrued for RSUs and PSUs of \$0.4 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, as of March 31, 2024 compared to \$0.4 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2023, which is included on the Company's consolidated balance sheet within "accrued dividends payable." During the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company paid \$0.4 million in cash to settle DERs related to RSUs and PSUs awards granted in 2021.

Total share-based compensation expense recognized by the Company for the three months ended March 31, 2024 was \$4.3 million compared to \$1.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2023. The increase in share-based compensation for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 is due to accelerated recognition of expense for certain stock incentive awards granted in March 2024 to retirement eligible employees. The following table discloses the

Company's remaining compensation expense related to stock awards it has granted as of March 31, 2024, which will be amortized over the period disclosed:

		March 31, 2024					
(\$s in thousands)	Remainin	g Compensation Cost	WAVG Period of Recognition				
Restricted stock	\$	685	2.2 years				
RSUs		4,360	2.5 years				
PSUs		2,810	2.5 years				
Total	\$	7,855	2.5 years				

### NOTE 8 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On April 18, 2024, the Board of Directors of the Company authorized a new share repurchase program (the "Program"), which replaces the Company's prior repurchase program that expired on March 31, 2024. The Program authorizes the repurchase up to \$100 million of its common stock and up to \$50 million of its preferred stock through open market transactions, privately negotiated transactions, trading plans adopted in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), block transactions or otherwise. The Program permits the Company to repurchase shares of common stock or preferred stock at any time or from time-to-time at management's discretion. The Program is authorized through April 30, 2026, although it may be modified or terminated by the Board at any time.

#### ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes included in Part I, Item 1, "Financial Statements" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our audited consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes included in Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in our 2023 Form 10-K. References herein to "Dynex," the "Company," "we," "us," and "our" include Dynex Capital, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires. In addition to current and historical information, the following discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements relate to our future business, financial condition, or results of operations. For a description of certain factors that may have a significant impact on our future business, financial condition, or results of operations, see "Forward-Looking Statements" at the end of this discussion and analysis.

For more information about our business including our operating policies, investment philosophy and strategy, financing and hedging strategies, and other important information, please refer to Part I, Item 1, "Business" of our 2023 Form 10-K.

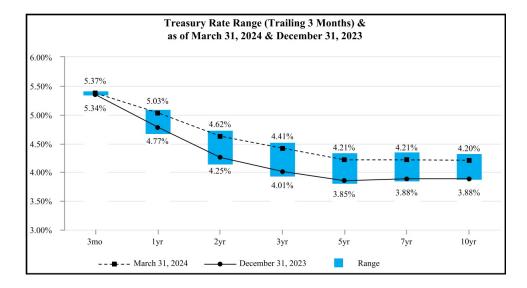
#### EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

At the end of 2023, the 10-year U.S. Treasury rate was at 3.88% and was down from a peak of almost 5% in October 2023. Many forecasts were predicting multiple U.S. Federal Funds rate cuts would be coming in 2024 and 2025. The economic data released in the first quarter of 2024 showed that the U.S. economy ended 2023 on a strong footing and started 2024 with solid momentum. GDP, which rose over 3% on an annualized basis in the fourth quarter of 2023, was tracking near 3% for the first quarter of 2024. The labor market remained strong, driving continued gains in consumer spending, especially in the services sectors.

With strong economic and employment news, the U.S. Federal Funds rate cuts anticipated at the beginning of 2024 have shifted to later in 2024, with some forecasters not predicting any Federal Funds rate cuts until 2025. This change in sentiment resulted in the back end of the yield curve increasing during the first quarter of 2024, with the 10-year U.S. Treasury closing at 4.20% as of March 31, 2024. The U.S. 10-year Treasury rate has continued increasing into the second quarter of 2024, from the lows seen at the end of 2023. The mortgage spreads to Treasuries were flat to slightly tighter as of March 31, 2024 compared to December 31, 2023, although spreads widened in February 2024 as the 10-year U.S. Treasury rate trended up. Dynex used this opportunity to add Agency RMBS TBAs to its investment portfolio.

#### Market Data

The charts below show the range of U.S. Treasury rates for the past three months and information regarding market spreads as of and for the periods indicated:



Market Spreads as of: Change in Spreads YTD **Investment Type:** March 31, 2024 December 31, 2023 Agency RMBS: (1) 2.0% coupon 84 76 8 2.5% coupon 84 78 6 79 3.0% coupon 84 5 3.5% coupon 78 75 3 4.0% coupon 74 74 4.5% coupon 71 73 (2) 5.0% coupon 68 69 (1) 5.5% coupon 65 66 (1) 6.0% coupon 62 60 2 Agency DUS (Agency CMBS)(2) 65 76 (11)Freddie K AAA IO (Agency CMBS IO)(2) 165 180 (15)AAA CMBS IO (Non-Agency CMBS IO)(2) 168 225 (57)

<sup>(1)</sup> Option adjusted spreads ("OAS") are based on Company estimates using third-party models and market data. OAS shown for prior periods may differ from previous disclosures because the Company regularly updates the third-party model used.

<sup>(2)</sup> Data represents the spread to swap rate on newly issued securities and is sourced from J.P. Morgan.

### Summary of Results

Our total economic return of \$0.28 per common share for the first quarter of 2024 consisted of a decline in book value of \$(0.11) per common share and dividends declared of \$0.39 per common share. Operating expenses for the first quarter of 2024 included an increase of \$0.05 per common share in share-based compensation expense due to accelerated vesting conditions for certain March 2024 grants.

Net gains on our hedging portfolio exceeded net losses on our investment portfolio by \$37.3 million. Though the 10-year U.S. Treasury rate increased over 30 basis points during the first quarter, which negatively impacted the fair value of our investment portfolio, losses were offset by modest spread tightening on some of our investments and gains on U.S. Treasury futures used as interest rate hedging instruments.

Book value was also impacted by approximately \$(0.07) per common share from equity issued during the first quarter. We did not issue any common shares from March 31, 2024 through the filing date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

The following table summarizes the changes in the Company's financial position during the first quarter of 2024:

(\$s in thousands except per share data)	inge in Fair Value	Components of Comprehensive Income		mmon Book Value Rollforward	Common hare
Balance as of December 31, 2023 (1)			\$	759,235	\$ 13.31
Net interest expense		\$ (3,192	)		
G & A and other operating expenses		(11,301	)		
Preferred stock dividends		(1,923	)		
Changes in fair value:					
MBS and loans	\$ (87,292)				
TBAs	(15,175)				
U.S. Treasury futures	139,810				
Total net change in fair value		37,343			
Comprehensive income to common shareholders				20,927	0.35
Capital transactions:					
Net proceeds from stock issuance (2)				90,533	(0.07)
Common dividends declared				(23,663)	(0.39)
Balance as of March 31, 2024 (1)			\$	847,032	\$ 13.20

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts represent total shareholders' equity less the aggregate liquidation preference of the Company's preferred stock of \$111.5 million, in thousands and on a per common share basis.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net proceeds from stock issuance include \$86.8 million from the common stock ATM program and \$3.7 million from share-based compensation grants, net of amortization. The amount shown for "per common share" includes the impact of the increase in the number of common shares outstanding.

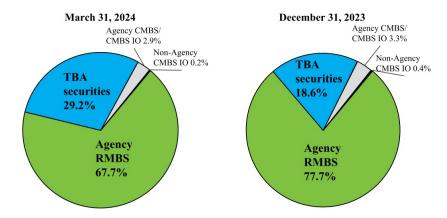
#### **Current Outlook**

While periods of volatility will always arise, we expect higher volatility to be less persistent than it was in the past two years, improving the ability to earn the leveraged yield spread on our mortgage portfolio relative to our Treasury futures hedging portfolio. Moreover, costs related to adjusting hedges should decline over time with more certainty around path of the Federal Reserve's monetary policy. In the medium- and long-term, we expect the portfolio to generate compelling returns for our shareholders. A thorough analysis of the global macroeconomic environment remains at the core of our disciplined investment process. Geopolitical risk and the U.S. election remain high on our considerations for evaluating investment opportunities. Over the medium – and long-run, we continue to expect tighter equilibrium spreads for Agency MBS and, in the absence of severe disruptions, would regard any short-term widening as opportunities for new investment.

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION

### Investment Portfolio

Our investment portfolio (including TBAs) as of March 31, 2024 increased 11% compared to December 31, 2023. The following charts compare the composition of our MBS portfolio including TBA securities as of the dates indicated:



The following tables compare our fixed-rate Agency RMBS investments, including TBA dollar roll positions, as of the dates indicated:

### March 31, 2024

					Weighted Average								
Coupon	Pa	r/Notional	Amortized Cost/ Implied Cost Basis (1)(3)	Fair Value <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	Loan Age (in months) <sup>(4)</sup>	3 Month CPR <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	Estimated Duration <sup>(6)</sup>	Market Yield <sup>(7)</sup>					
30-year fixed-rate:			(\$s in thousands)										
2.0%	\$	696,233	\$ 707,989	\$ 559,217	42	4.3 %	6.71	5.08 %					
2.5%		598,717	621,886	502,714	43	4.0 %	6.56	5.02 %					
4.0%		347,937	348,500	326,119	37	5.1 %	5.83	5.00 %					
4.5%		1,363,175	1,331,442	1,307,279	18	4.2 %	5.42	5.13 %					
5.0%		2,037,775	2,003,091	2,000,866	12	4.9 %	4.62	5.29 %					
5.5%		885,118	887,741	887,012	11	4.3 %	3.94	5.46 %					
TBA 4.0%		262,000	241,204	242,974	n/a	n/a	6.20	5.01 %					
TBA 4.5%		223,000	212,672	212,529	n/a	n/a	5.30	5.17 %					
TBA 5.0%		518,000	507,111	505,940	n/a	n/a	4.37	5.35 %					
TBA 5.5%		1,250,000	1,239,104	1,244,695	n/a	n/a	3.37	5.57 %					
TBA 6.0%		200,000	200,938	201,961	n/a	n/a	2.36	5.65 %					
Total	\$	8,381,955	\$ 8,301,678	\$ 7,991,306	20	4.5 %	4.79	5.28 %					

### December 31, 2023

						2000						
								Weighted Average				
Coupon				Amortized Cost/ Implied Cost Fair Basis (1)(3) Value (2)(3)		Fair Value <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	Loan Age (in months) <sup>(4)</sup>	3 Month CPR (4)(5)	Estimated Duration <sup>(6)</sup>	Market Yield (7)		
30-year fixed-rate:				(\$s in thousands)						·		
2.0%	\$	708,528	\$	720,611	\$	586,361	39	4.4 %	6.81	4.60 %		
2.5%		608,580		632,343		525,018	40	4.5 %	6.62	4.59 %		
4.0%		354,382		354,965		339,212	34	5.5 %	5.65	4.67 %		
4.5%		1,383,019		1,350,697		1,348,108	15	5.0 %	5.08	4.88 %		
5.0%		2,070,473		2,035,088		2,057,309	9	4.7 %	4.24	5.10 %		
5.5%		897,520		900,218		907,524	8	5.0 %	3.58	5.29 %		
TBA 4.0%		262,000		240,641		248,040	n/a	n/a	5.89	4.72 %		
TBA 4.5%		223,000		210,940		216,415	n/a	n/a	4.75	4.92 %		
TBA 5.0%		518,000		490,466		512,982	n/a	n/a	3.98	5.15 %		
TBA 5.5%		200,000		191,926		201,047	n/a	n/a	2.81	5.36 %		
TBA 6.0%		200,000		193,369		203,219	n/a	n/a	2.15	5.37 %		
Total	\$	7,425,502	\$	7,321,264	\$	7,145,235	17	4.8 %	4.72	4.98 %		

<sup>(1)</sup> Implied cost basis of TBAs represents the forward price to be paid for the underlying Agency MBS.

 <sup>(1)</sup> Implied too shots of TBAs is the implied market value of the underlying Agency security as of the end of the period.
 (2) Fair value of TBAs is the implied market value of the underlying Agency security as of the end of the period.
 (3) TBAs are included on the consolidated balance sheet within "derivative assets/liabilities" at their net carrying value which is the difference between their implied market value and implied cost basis. Please refer to Note 5 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

- (4) TBAs are excluded from this calculation as they do not have a defined weighted-average loan balance or age until mortgages have been assigned to the pool.
- (5) Constant prepayment rate ("CPR") represents the 3-month CPR of Agency RMBS held as of date indicated.
- (6) Duration measures the sensitivity of a security's price to the change in interest rates and represents the percent change in price of a security for a 100-basis point increase in interest rates. We calculate duration using third-party financial models and empirical data. Different models and methodologies can produce different estimates of duration for the same securities.
- (7) Represents the weighted average market yield projected using cash flows generated off the forward curve based on market prices as of the date indicated and assuming zero volatility.

Approximately 3% of our MBS portfolio as of March 31, 2024 is comprised of Agency CMBS, Agency CMBS IO, and non-Agency CMBS IO. Our Agency CMBS and Agency CMBS IO are backed by loans collateralized by multifamily properties, which have performed well for the last decade versus other sectors of the commercial real estate market. Our Agency CMBS IO are Class X1 from Freddie Mac Series K deals from which interest continues to be advanced even in the event of an underlying default up until liquidation. According to Freddie Mac, 99.6% of the loans in K-deals are current as of February 2024. Our non-Agency CMBS IO were all originated prior to 2018 with a weighted average remaining life of less than 2 years. The underlying loans for the non-Agency CMBS IO securities are collateralized by a number of different property types including: 27% retail, 25% office, 15% multifamily, 12% hotel and 21% all other real estate categories. In the current macroeconomic environment, we are not actively purchasing CMBS or CMBS IO as current risk versus reward remains unattractive relative to Agency RMBS.

The following table provides certain information regarding our CMBS and CMBS IO as of the dates indicated:

				Ma	rch 31, 2024	
(\$s in thousands)	Aı	mortized Cost		Fair Value	WAVG Life Remaining (1)	WAVG Market Yield (2)
Agency CMBS	\$	118,473	\$	111,762	3.9	4.99 %
Agency CMBS IO		132,314		124,484	5.8	5.41 %
Non-Agency CMBS IO		20,686		21,105	1.2	15.05 %
Total	\$	271,473	\$	257,351		
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	December 31, 2023									
(\$s in thousands)	Α	Amortized Cost		Fair Value	WAVG Life Remaining (1)	WAVG Market Yield (2)				
Agency CMBS	\$	121,799	\$	115,595	4.1	4.74 %				
Agency CMBS IO		140,824		133,302	5.9	5.19 %				
Non-Agency CMBS IO		26,490		26,416	1.1	13.32 %				
Total	\$	289,113	\$	275,313						

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the weighted average life remaining in years based on contractual cash flows as of the dates indicated.

### Repurchase Agreements

We have not experienced any difficulty in securing financing with any of our counterparties, and our repurchase agreement counterparties have not indicated any concerns regarding leverage or credit. Please refer to Note 4 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained within this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as well as "Results of Operations" and "Liquidity and Capital Resources" contained within this Item 2 for additional information relating to our repurchase agreement borrowings.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents the weighted average market yield projected using cash flows generated off the forward curve based on market prices as of the dates indicated and assuming zero volatility.

#### **Derivative Assets and Liabilities**

The table below discloses details on the Company's interest rate hedges held as of March 31, 2024 compared to hedging portfolio held as of December 31, 2023:

Notional Amount Long (Short)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023		
(\$s in thousands)				
30-year U.S. Treasury futures	\$ (700,000)	\$ (700,000)		
10-year U.S. Treasury futures	(4,475,000)	(4,180,000)		

Please refer to Note 5 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for details on our interest rate hedging instruments as well as "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" in Item 3 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table summarizes the results of operations for the periods discussed in this section:

	Three Months Ended									
\$s in thousands	March 31, 2024			December 31, 2023	March 31, 2023					
Net interest expense	\$	(3,192)	\$	(2,277)	\$	(462)				
Realized loss on sales of investments, net		_		_		(23,315)				
Unrealized (loss) gain on investments, net		(70,024)		263,992		57,120				
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net		124,635		(228,603)		(67,267)				
Operating expenses, net		(11,301)		(8,808)		(7,798)				
Preferred stock dividends		(1,923)		(1,923)		(1,923)				
Net income (loss) to common shareholders		38,195		22,381		(43,645)				
Other comprehensive (loss) income		(17,268)		59,267		14,793				
Comprehensive income (loss) to common shareholders	\$	20,927	\$	81,648	\$	(28,852)				

### Net Interest Expense for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2024 Compared to the Three Months Ended December 31, 2023

Interest income for the three months ended March 31, 2024 was relatively flat compared to the three months ended December 31, 2023 because we did not purchase any specified pools of MBS during the first quarter of 2024. Our interest expense on our repurchase agreement financing continues to exceed our interest income from investments due to the increased Federal Funds rate set by the Federal Reserve.

The following table presents information about our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and their performance for the periods indicated:

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			N	March 31, 2024				Dec	ember 31, 2023	
(\$s in thousands)	Interest Income/Expense		Average Balance (1)		Effective Yield/ Cost of Funds (3)(4)		Interest Income/Expense		rage Balance (1)	Effective Yield/ Cost of Funds (3)(4)
Agency RMBS	\$	64,281	\$	5,938,131	4.33 %	\$	63,816	\$	5,917,053	4.31 %
Agency CMBS		925		119,286	3.04 %		923		121,939	2.97 %
CMBS IO (5)		2,654		160,261	6.28 %		2,625		175,518	5.36 %
Non-Agency MBS and other investments		22		1,773	4.86 %		27		2,064	4.99 %
MBS and loans	\$	67,882	\$	6,219,451	4.36 %	\$	67,391	\$	6,216,574	4.32 %
Cash equivalents		3,643					3,797			
Total interest income	\$	71,525				\$	71,188			
Repurchase agreement financing		(74,717)		5,365,575	(5.51)%		(73,465)		5,168,821	(5.56)%
Net interest expense/net interest spread	\$	(3,192)			(1.15)%	\$	(2,277)		-	(1.24)%

- (1) Average balance for assets is calculated as a simple average of the daily amortized cost and excludes securities pending settlement if applicable.
- (2) Average balance for liabilities is calculated as a simple average of the daily borrowings outstanding during the period.
- (3) Effective yield is calculated by dividing interest income by the average balance of asset type outstanding during the reporting period. Unscheduled adjustments to premium/discount amortization/accretion, such as for prepayment compensation, are not annualized in this calculation.
- (4) Cost of funds is calculated by dividing annualized interest expense by the total average balance of borrowings outstanding during the period with an assumption of 360 days in a year.
- (5) Includes Agency and non-Agency issued securities.

#### Net Interest Expense for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2024 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2023

Our interest income from MBS and loans for the three months ended March 31, 2024 has increased more than 150% since the three months ended March 31, 2023, due to our purchases of higher coupon Agency RMBS over the past year. The majority of these purchases were financed using repurchase agreements. In addition to a larger average balance of borrowings, the financing cost for these short-term borrowing agreements, which are highly correlated with the Federal Funds rate (discussed in Executive Overview), has also increased since the first quarter of 2023. As a result, our net interest expense decreased to \$(3.2) million for the three months ended March 31, 2024, compared to \$(0.5) million for the three months ended March 31, 2023. However, our net interest spread for the three months ended March 31, 2024 improved 47 basis points compared to the same period in 2023.

The following table presents information about our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities and their performance for the periods indicated:

# Three Months Ended March 31,

				2024		2023						
(\$s in thousands)	Interest Income/Expense		Aver	rage Balance (1)	Effective Yield/ Cost of Funds (3)(4)	Interest Income/Expense		Average Balance (1)		Effective Yield/ Cost of Funds (3)(4)		
Agency RMBS	\$	64,281	\$	5,938,131	4.33 %	\$	23,526	\$	3,204,610	2.94 %		
Agency CMBS		925		119,286	3.04 %		884		128,625	2.80 %		
CMBS IO (5)		2,654		160,261	6.28 %		2,542		230,033	4.04 %		
Non-Agency MBS and other investments		22		1,773	4.86 %		40		2,700	4.98 %		
MBS and loans	\$	67,882	\$	6,219,451	4.36 %	\$	26,992	\$	3,565,968	3.00 %		
Cash equivalents		3,643					3,854					
Total interest income	\$	71,525				\$	30,846					
Repurchase agreement financing		(74,717)		5,365,575	(5.51)%		(31,308)		2,713,481	(4.62)%		
Net interest expense/net interest spread	\$	(3,192)			(1.15)%	\$	(462)		-	(1.62)%		

- (1) Average balance for assets is calculated as a simple average of the daily amortized cost and excludes securities pending settlement if applicable.
- (2) Average balance for liabilities is calculated as a simple average of the daily borrowings outstanding during the period.
- (3) Effective yield is calculated by dividing interest income by the average balance of asset type outstanding during the reporting period. Unscheduled adjustments to premium/discount amortization/accretion, such as for prepayment compensation, are not annualized in this calculation.
- (4) Cost of funds is calculated by dividing annualized interest expense by the total average balance of borrowings outstanding during the period with an assumption of 360 days in a year.
- (5) Includes Agency and non-Agency issued securities.

#### Gains (Losses) on Investments and Derivative Instruments

As discussed in "Executive Overview," the 10-year U.S. Treasury rate increased approximately 32 basis points during the three months ended March 31, 2024, which resulted in net unrealized gains of \$139.8 million for our hedging portfolio. Though the 32 basis point increase negatively impacted the fair value of our investment portfolio, these losses were partially buffered by modest spread tightening on some of our assets during the first quarter of 2024.

Conversely, during the three months ended December 31, 2023, our investment portfolio benefited from spread tightening across most of our assets and a falling 10-year U.S. Treasury rate. Higher prices on Agency MBS relative to U.S. Treasury futures resulted in net gains of \$381.6 million on our investment portfolio, outpacing net losses of \$(287.0) million on our interest rate hedges for the fourth quarter of 2023.

During the three months ended March 31, 2023, the fair value of our assets increased due to a decline of over 40 basis points in the 10-year U.S. Treasury rate, but these gains were partially offset by spread widening on most of our assets. As a result, the losses on our interest rate hedges resulting from the decline in the 10-year U.S. Treasury rate exceeded the net gains on our investment portfolio by \$(18.7) million during the first quarter of 2023.

The following provide details on realized and unrealized gains and losses within our investment and interest rate hedging portfolios for the periods indicated:

### Three Months Ended March 31, 2024

(\$s in thousands) Income Income	Unrealized Gain (Loss) Recognized in OCI	Total Change in Fair Value
Investment portfolio:		
Agency RMBS \$ — \$ (69,676) \$	(17,377)	\$ (87,053)
Agency CMBS — (190)	(316)	(506)
CMBS IO — (194)	378	184
Other non-Agency and loans 36	47	83
Subtotal — (70,024)	(17,268)	(87,292)
TBA securities <sup>(1)</sup> 32,114 (47,289)	_	(15,175)
Net gain (loss) on investments         \$ 32,114         \$ (117,313)         \$	(17,268)	\$ (102,467)
Interest rate hedging portfolio:		
U.S. Treasury futures \$ (25,658) \$ 165,468 \$	_	\$ 139,810
Net (loss) gain on interest rate hedges         \$ (25,658)         \$ 165,468		\$ 139,810
Total net gain (loss)         \$         6,456         \$         48,155         \$	(17,268)	\$ 37,343

### Three Months Ended December 31, 2023

	December 51, 2025							
(\$s in thousands)	Realized Gain (Loss) Recognized in Net Income		Unrealized Gain (Loss) Recognized in Net Income		Unrealized Gain Recognized in OCI		Total Change in Fair Value	
Investment portfolio:								
Agency RMBS	\$ _	\$	261,998	\$	54,070	\$	316,068	
Agency CMBS	_		911		2,660		3,571	
CMBS IO	_		1,075		2,529		3,604	
Other non-Agency and loans	 _		8		8		16	
Subtotal	_		263,992		59,267		323,259	
TBA securities (1)	(17,375)		75,742		_		58,367	
Net (loss) gain on investments	\$ (17,375)	\$	339,734	\$	59,267	\$	381,626	
Interest rate hedging portfolio:								
U.S. Treasury futures	\$ 38,548	\$	(326,051)	\$	_	\$	(287,503)	
Put options on U.S. Treasury futures	1,807		(1,273)		_		534	
Net gain (loss) on interest rate hedges	\$ 40,355	\$	(327,324)	\$	_	\$	(286,969)	
Total net gain	\$ 22,980	\$	12,410	\$	59,267	\$	94,657	

#### Three Months Ended March 31, 2023

	William 51, 2025							
(\$s in thousands)	Recog	d Gain (Loss) nized in Net ncome		realized Gain (Loss) Recognized in Net Income	F	Unrealized Gain Recognized in OCI	Tota	al Change in Fair Value
Investment portfolio:	<u>-</u>							
Agency RMBS	\$	(23,315)	\$	55,779	\$	11,238	\$	43,702
Agency CMBS		_		237		1,046		1,283
CMBS IO		_		1,092		2,507		3,599
Other non-Agency and loans				12		2		14
Subtotal		(23,315)		57,120		14,793		48,598
TBA securities (1)		(13,488)		56,852		_		43,364
Net (loss) gain on investments	\$	(36,803)	\$	113,972	\$	14,793	\$	91,962
Interest rate hedging portfolio:								
U.S. Treasury futures	\$	88,871	\$	(195,244)	\$	_	\$	(106,373)
Put options on U.S. Treasury futures		152		(4,410)		_		(4,258)
Net gain (loss) on interest rate hedges	\$	89,023	\$	(199,654)	\$	_	\$	(110,631)
Total net gain (loss)	\$	52,220	\$	(85,682)	\$	14,793	\$	(18,669)

<sup>1)</sup> Realized and unrealized gains (losses) on TBA securities are recorded within "gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net" on the Company's consolidated statements of comprehensive income.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Operating expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2024 increased \$2.5 million compared to the three months ended December 31, 2023 and increased \$3.5 million compared to the three months ended March 31, 2023 primarily due to increased share-based compensation expenses, of which \$3.2 million related to accelerated recognition of expense for certain stock incentive awards granted in March 2024 to retirement eligible employees.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In evaluating the Company's financial and operating performance, management considers book value per common share, total economic return (loss) to common shareholders, and other operating results presented in accordance with GAAP as well as certain non-GAAP financial measures, which include the following: EAD to common shareholders (including per common share), adjusted net interest income and the related metric adjusted net interest spread. Management believes these non-GAAP financial measures may be useful to investors because they are viewed by management as a measure of the investment portfolio's return based on the effective yield of its investments, net of financing costs and, with respect to EAD, net of other normal recurring operating income/expenses. Drop income generated by TBA dollar roll positions, which is included in "gain (loss) on derivatives instruments, net" on the Company's consolidated statements of comprehensive income, is included in these non-GAAP financial measures because management views drop income as the economic equivalent of net interest income (interest income less implied financing cost) on the underlying Agency security from trade date to settlement date. However, these non-GAAP financial measures are not a substitute for GAAP earnings and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other REITs because they may not be calculated in the same manner. Furthermore, though EAD is one of several factors our management considers in determining the appropriate level

of distributions to common shareholders, it should not be utilized in isolation, and it is not an accurate indication of the Company's REIT taxable income or its distribution requirements in accordance with the Tax Code.

Reconciliations of EAD to common shareholders and adjusted net interest income to the related GAAP financial measures are provided below.

		Three Mon	ths 1	Ended
Reconciliations of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures:	M	arch 31, 2024		December 31, 2023
(\$s in thousands except per share data)				
Comprehensive income to common shareholders	\$	20,927	\$	81,648
Less:				
Change in fair value of investments (1)		87,292		(323,259)
Change in fair value of derivative instruments, net (2)		(125,903)		227,759
EAD to common shareholders	\$	(17,684)	\$	(13,852)
Average common shares outstanding		59,008,316	-	56,691,069
EAD per common share	\$	(0.30)	\$	(0.24)
Net interest expense	\$	(3,192)	\$	(2,277)
TBA drop loss (3)		(1,268)		(844)
Adjusted net interest expense	\$	(4,460)	\$	(3,121)
Total operating expenses		(11,301)		(8,808)
Preferred stock dividends		(1,923)		(1,923)
EAD to common shareholders	\$	(17,684)	\$	(13,852)

- (1) Amount includes realized and unrealized gains and losses due to changes in the fair value of the Company's MBS.
- (2) Amount includes unrealized gains and losses from changes in fair value of derivatives (including TBAs accounted for as derivative instruments) and realized gains and losses on terminated derivatives and excludes TBA drop loss.
- (3) TBA drop income (loss) is calculated by multiplying the notional amount of the TBA dollar roll positions by the difference in price between two TBA securities with the same terms but different settlement dates.

We primarily use U.S. Treasury futures to hedge the impact of increasing interest rates on our borrowing costs and the fair value of our investments. In the past, we used interest rate swaps to hedge interest rate risk and included the net periodic interest benefit/cost of those instruments in each of the non-GAAP measures mentioned above. Management is using U.S. Treasury futures instead of interest rate swaps because U.S. Treasury futures generally have lower margin requirements and offer more liquidity and flexibility in the current volatile interest rate environment. The Company's realized gains on its U.S. Treasury futures as well as other interest rate hedges are included in GAAP earnings in the same reporting period in which the derivative instrument matures or is terminated but are not included in EAD or adjusted net interest income during any reporting period. Furthermore, because the majority of the U.S. Treasury futures and other derivative instruments are designated as hedges for tax purposes, the realized gains are not distributable to our shareholders until amortized into REIT taxable income over the period originally hedged. Additional information regarding the expected impact of deferred tax hedge amortization on our estimated REIT taxable income is discussed in "Executive Overview" and "Liquidity and Capital Resources."

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our primary sources of liquidity include borrowings under repurchase arrangements and monthly principal and interest payments we receive on our investments. Additional sources may also include proceeds from the sale of investments, equity offerings, and net payments received from counterparties for derivative instruments. We use our liquidity to purchase investments, to pay amounts due on our repurchase agreement borrowings, and to pay our operating expenses and dividends on our common and preferred stock. We also use our liquidity to meet margin

requirements for our repurchase agreements and derivative transactions, including TBA contracts, under the terms of the related agreements. We may also periodically use liquidity to repurchase shares of the Company's stock.

Our liquidity fluctuates based on our investment activities, our leverage, capital raising activities, and changes in the fair value of our investments and derivative instruments. Our measurement of liquidity includes unrestricted cash and cash equivalents and unencumbered Agency MBS, which are recognized as assets on our consolidated balance sheet. We also include in our measure of liquidity the fair value of noncash collateral pledged to us by our counterparties, which we typically receive when the fair value of our pledged collateral exceeds our current margin requirement. Though the fair value of this noncash collateral is not recorded on our consolidated balance sheet, we include this amount in our liquidity measure because we have the right repledge the noncash collateral pledged to us by our counterparties. Our liquidity as of March 31, 2024 was \$577.1 million, which consisted of unrestricted cash of \$295.7 million, unencumbered Agency MBS with a fair value of \$269.9 million, and noncash collateral received from our counterparties, which consisted of U.S. Treasuries and Agency RMBS, with a fair value of \$11.5 million. Our liquidity as of December 31, 2023 was \$453.6 million.

We continuously monitor our liquidity, especially with potential risk events on the horizon, such as uncertainty regarding Federal Reserve policy decisions, frequent potential for a government shutdown, the impact on global markets stemming from global central bank policies, and the wars between Russia and Ukraine and between Israel and Hamas. We continuously assess the adequacy of our liquidity under various scenarios based on changes in the fair value of our investments and derivative instruments due to market factors such as changes in the absolute level of interest rates and the shape of the yield curve, credit spreads, lender haircuts, and prepayment speeds, which in turn have an impact on derivative margin requirements. In performing these analyses, we will also consider the current state of the fixed income markets and the repurchase agreement markets in order to determine if market forces such as supply-demand imbalances or structural changes to these markets could change the liquidity of MBS or the availability of financing. We also communicate frequently with our counterparties. We have not experienced any material changes in the terms of our repurchase agreements with our counterparties, and they have not indicated to us any concerns regarding access to liquidity.

Our perception of the liquidity of our investments and market conditions significantly influences our targeted leverage. In general, our leverage will increase if we view the risk-reward opportunity of higher leverage on our capital outweighs the risk to our liquidity and book value. Our leverage, which we calculate using total liabilities plus the cost basis of TBA long positions, was 8.1 times shareholders' equity as of March 31, 2024. We include the cost basis of our TBA securities in evaluating our leverage because it is possible under certain market conditions that it may be uneconomical for us to roll a TBA long position into future months, which may result in us having to take physical delivery of the underlying securities and use cash or other financing sources to fund our total purchase commitment. Leverage based on repurchase agreement amounts outstanding was 5.5 times shareholders' equity as of March 31, 2024.

Our repurchase agreement borrowings are principally uncommitted with terms renewable at the discretion of our lenders and generally have original terms to maturity of overnight to six months, though in some instances we may enter into longer-dated maturities depending on market conditions. We seek to maintain unused capacity under our existing repurchase agreement credit lines with multiple counterparties, which helps protect us in the event of a counterparty's failure to renew existing repurchase agreements. As part of our continuous evaluation of counterparty risk, we maintain our highest counterparty exposures with broker dealer subsidiaries of regulated financial institutions or primary dealers.

The amount outstanding for our repurchase agreement borrowings will typically fluctuate in any given period as it is dependent upon a number of factors, but particularly the extent to which we are active in buying and selling securities, including the volume of activity in TBA dollar roll transactions versus buying specified pools. The following table presents information regarding the balances of our repurchase agreement borrowings as of and for the periods indicated:

		Repurchase Agreements	
(\$s in thousands)	Balance Outstanding As of Quarter End	Average Balance Outstanding For the Quarter Ended	Maximum Balance Outstanding During the Quarter Ended
March 31, 2024	\$ 5,284,708	\$ 5,365,575	\$ 5,469,434
December 31, 2023	5,381,104	5,168,821	5,381,354
September 30, 2023	5,002,230	4,773,435	5,037,440
June 30, 2023	4,201,901	3,447,406	4,203,788
March 31, 2023	2,937,124	2,713,481	2,959,263
December 31, 2022	2,644,405	2,727,274	3,072,483
September 30, 2022	2,991,876	2,398,268	3,082,138
June 30, 2022	2,202,648	2,486,217	2,949,918
March 31, 2022	2,952,802	2,806,212	2,973,475
December 31, 2021	2,849,916	2,701,191	2,873,523
September 30, 2021	2,527,065	2,529,023	2,590,185
June 30, 2021	2,321,043	2,155,200	2,415,037
March 31, 2021	2,032,089	2,158,121	2,437,163

For our repurchase agreement borrowings, we are required to post and maintain margin to the lender (i.e., collateral in excess of the repurchase agreement borrowing) in order to support the amount of the financing. This excess collateral is often referred to as a "haircut" and is intended to provide the lender protection against fluctuations in fair value of the collateral and/or the failure by us to repay the borrowing at maturity. Lenders have the right to change haircut requirements at maturity of the repurchase agreement and may change their haircuts based on market conditions and the perceived riskiness of the collateral pledged. If the fair value of the collateral falls below the amount required by the lender, the lender has the right to demand additional margin, or collateral. These demands are referred to as "margin calls," and if we fail to meet any margin call, our lenders have the right to terminate the repurchase agreement and sell any collateral pledged. The weighted average haircut for our borrowings as of March 31, 2024 was consistent with prior periods, which has typically averaged less than 5% for borrowings collateralized with Agency RMBS and CMBS and between 10-14% for borrowings collateralized with CMBS IO.

The collateral we post in excess of our repurchase agreement borrowing with any counterparty is also typically referred to by us as "equity at risk," which represents the potential loss to the Company if the counterparty is unable or unwilling to return collateral securing the repurchase agreement borrowing at its maturity. The counterparties with whom we have the greatest amounts of equity at risk may vary significantly during any given period due to the short-term and generally uncommitted nature of the repurchase agreement borrowings. As of March 31, 2024, we had amounts outstanding under 28 different repurchase agreements and did not have more than 10% of equity at risk with any counterparty or group of related counterparties.

We have various financial and operating covenants in certain of our repurchase agreements, which we monitor and evaluate on an ongoing basis for compliance as well as for impacts these customary covenants may have on our operating and financing flexibility. Currently, we do not believe we are subject to any covenants that materially restrict our financing flexibility. We were in full compliance with our debt covenants as of March 31, 2024, and we are not aware of circumstances which could potentially result in our non-compliance in the foreseeable future.

#### **Derivative Instruments**

Derivative instruments we enter into may require us to post initial margin at inception and daily variation margin based on subsequent changes in their fair value. Daily variation margin requirements also entitle us to receive collateral from our counterparties if the value of amounts owed to us under the derivative agreement exceeds

the minimum margin requirement. The collateral posted as margin by us is typically in the form of cash. As of March 31, 2024, we had cash collateral posted to our counterparties of \$122.6 million under these agreements.

Collateral requirements for interest rate derivative instruments are typically governed by the central clearing exchange and the associated futures commission merchant, which may establish margin requirements in excess of the clearing exchange. Collateral requirements for our TBA contracts are governed by the Mortgage-Backed Securities Division ("MBSD") of the Fixed Income Clearing Corporation and, if applicable, by our third-party brokerage agreements, which may establish margin levels in excess of the MBSD. Our TBA contracts, which are subject to master securities forward transaction agreements published by the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association as well as supplemental terms and conditions with each counterparty, generally provide that valuations for our TBA contracts and any pledged collateral are to be obtained from a generally recognized source agreed to by both parties. However, in certain circumstances, our counterparties have the sole discretion to determine the value of the TBA contract and any pledged collateral. In such instances, our counterparties are required to act in good faith in making determinations of value. In the event of a margin call, we must generally provide additional collateral on the same business day.

#### Dividends

As a REIT, we are required to distribute to our shareholders amounts equal to at least 90% of our REIT taxable income for each taxable year after certain deductions. When declaring dividends, our Board of Directors considers the Company's taxable income, the REIT distribution requirements of the Tax Code, financial performance measures, and maintaining compliance with dividend requirements of the Series C Preferred Stock, along with other factors that the Board of Directors may deem relevant from time to time.

Currently, we are primarily using U.S. Treasury futures to hedge the impact of increasing interest rates on our financing costs and fair value of our investments. Realized and unrealized gains (losses) on these derivative instruments are included in GAAP earnings in the same reporting period in which the derivative instrument matures or is terminated by the Company but are not included in EAD to common shareholders during any reporting period. Furthermore, because we designate the majority of our derivative instruments as interest rate hedges for tax purposes, realized gains and losses recognized in GAAP net income are generally not recognized in REIT taxable income until future periods. The following table provides the projected amortization of our net deferred tax hedge gains as of March 31, 2024 that will be recognized as taxable income over the periods indicated, though recognition of deferred tax hedge gains and losses may be accelerated if the underlying instrument originally hedged is terminated or paid off:

Period of Recognition for Remaining Hedge Gains, Net		March 31, 2024	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(\$ in thousands)	
Second quarter 2024	\$	25,509	
Third quarter 2024		25,583	
Fourth quarter 2024		25,680	
Fiscal year 2025		103,523	
Fiscal year 2026 and thereafter		649,895	
	\$	830,190	

As of March 31, 2024, we also had \$590.8 million in capital loss carryforwards, the majority of which expire by 2028, and NOL carryforwards of \$8.1 million, which will expire over the next two years. Due to these amounts and other temporary and permanent differences between GAAP net income and REIT taxable income coupled with the degree of uncertainty about the trajectory of interest rates, we cannot reasonably estimate how much the deferred tax hedge gains to be recognized will impact our dividend declarations during 2024 or in any given year.

We generally fund dividend distributions through portfolio cash flows. If we make dividend distributions in excess of our portfolio cash flows during the period, whether for purposes of meeting our REIT distribution requirements or other reasons, those distributions are generally funded either through our existing cash balances or

through the return of principal from our investments (either through repayment or sale). Please refer to "Operating and Regulatory Structure" within Part I, Item 1, "Business" as well as Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" of our 2023 Form 10-K for additional important information regarding dividends declared on our taxable income.

#### RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to Note 1 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained within Part I, Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for additional information.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based in large part upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. The preparation of our consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. We base these estimates and judgments on historical experience and assumptions believed to be reasonable under current facts and circumstances. Actual results, however, may differ from the estimated amounts we have recorded.

Critical accounting estimates are defined as those that require management's most difficult, subjective, or complex judgments, and which may result in materially different results under different assumptions and conditions. Our critical accounting estimates are discussed in Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of our 2023 Form 10-K under "Critical Accounting Estimates." There have been no significant changes in our critical accounting estimates during the three months ended March 31, 2024.

Certain written statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that are not historical facts constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Statements in this report addressing expectations, assumptions, beliefs, projections, future plans and strategies, future events, developments that we expect or anticipate will occur in the future, and future operating results, capital management, and dividend policy are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based upon management's beliefs, assumptions, and expectations as of the date of this report regarding future events and operating performance, taking into account all information currently available to us, and are applicable only as of the date of this report. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by use of words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "plan," "may," "will," "intend," "should," "could" or similar expressions. We caution readers not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements, which are not historical facts and may be based on projections, assumptions, expectations, and anticipated events that do not materialize. Except as required by law, we are not obligated to, and do not intend to, update, or revise any forward-looking statement whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Forward-looking statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q may include, but are not limited to statements about:

- Our business and investment strategy including our ability to generate acceptable risk-adjusted returns and our target investment allocations, and our views on the future performance of MBS and other investments;
- · Our views on the macroeconomic environment, monetary and fiscal policy, and conditions in the investment, credit, interest rate and derivatives markets;
- Our views on inflation, market interest rates and market spreads;
- Our views on the effect of actual or proposed actions of the Federal Reserve or other central banks with respect to monetary policy (including the targeted Fed Funds rate), and the potential impact of these actions on interest rates, borrowing costs, inflation or unemployment;
- · The effect of regulatory initiatives of the Federal Reserve, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, other financial regulators, and other central banks;

- Our financing strategy including our target leverage ratios, our use of TBA dollar roll transactions, and anticipated trends in financing costs including TBA dollar roll transaction costs, and our hedging strategy including changes to the derivative instruments to which we are a party, and changes to government regulation of hedging instruments and our use of these instruments;
- Our investment portfolio composition and target investments;
- · Our investment portfolio performance, including the fair value, yields, and forecasted prepayment speeds of our investments;
- Our liquidity and ability to access financing, and the anticipated availability and cost of financing;
- Our capital stock activity including the impact of stock issuances and repurchases;
- The amount, timing, and funding of future dividends;
- Our use of our tax NOL carryforward and other tax loss carryforwards;
- Future competition for, and availability of, investments, financing and capital:
- Estimates of future interest expenses, including related to the Company's repurchase agreements and derivative instruments;
- The status and effect of legislative reforms and regulatory rule-making or review processes, and the status of reform efforts and other business developments in the repurchase agreement financing market;
- Market, industry and economic trends, and how these trends and related economic data may impact the behavior of market participants and financial regulators;
- · The impact of recent bank failures, potential new regulations and the potential for other bank failures this year;
- The impact of debt ceiling negotiations on interest rates, spreads, the U.S. Treasury market as well as the impact more broadly on fixed income and equity markets:
- Uncertainties regarding the war between Russia and Ukraine or Israel and Hamas and the related impacts on macroeconomic conditions, including, among other things, interest rates;
- The financial position and credit worthiness of the depository institutions in which the Company's MBS and cash deposits are held;
- The impact of applicable tax and accounting requirements on us including our tax treatment of derivative instruments such as TBAs, interest rate swaps, options and futures;
- · Our future compliance with covenants in our master repurchase agreements, ISDA agreements, and debt covenants in our other contractual agreements;
- Our reliance on a single service provider of our trading, portfolio management, risk reporting and accounting services systems;
- The implementation in a timely and cost-effective manner of our operating platform, which includes trading, portfolio management, risk reporting, and accounting services systems, and the anticipated benefits thereof; and
- Possible future effects of the COVID-19 pandemic or any global health crisis.

Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from historical results or from any results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Not all of these risks and other factors are known to us. New risks and uncertainties arise over time, and it is not possible to predict those events or how they may affect us. The projections, assumptions, expectations, or beliefs upon which the forward-looking statements are based can also change as a result of these risks or other factors. If such a risk or other factor materializes in future periods, our business, financial condition, liquidity, and results of operations may vary materially from those expressed or implied in our forward-looking statements.

While it is not possible to identify all factors that may cause actual results to differ from historical results or from any results expressed or implied by forward-looking statements, or that may cause our projections, assumptions, expectations, or beliefs to change, some of those factors include the following:

- the risks and uncertainties referenced in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, especially those incorporated by reference into Part II, Item 1A, "Risk Factors";
- · our ability to find suitable reinvestment opportunities;
- · changes in domestic economic conditions;

- geopolitical events, such as terrorism, war or other military conflict, including increased uncertainty regarding the wars between Russia and the Ukraine and between Israel and Hamas, and the related impact on macroeconomic conditions as a result of such conflict;
- · changes in interest rates and credit spreads, including the repricing of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities;
- · our investment portfolio performance particularly as it relates to cash flow, prepayment rates and credit performance;
- the impact on markets and asset prices from changes in the Federal Reserve's policies regarding the purchases of Agency RMBS, Agency CMBS, and U.S. Treasuries;
- actual or anticipated changes in Federal Reserve monetary policy or the monetary policy of other central banks;
- adverse reactions in U.S. financial markets related to actions of foreign central banks or the economic performance of foreign economies including in particular China, Japan, the European Union, and the United Kingdom;
- · uncertainty concerning the long-term fiscal health and stability of the United States;
- the cost and availability of financing, including the future availability of financing due to changes to regulation of, and capital requirements imposed upon, financial institutions:
- the cost and availability of new equity capital;
- changes in our leverage and use of leverage;
- changes to our investment strategy, operating policies, dividend policy or asset allocations;
- the quality of performance of third-party service providers, including our sole third-party service provider for our critical operations and trade functions;
- the loss or unavailability of our third-party service provider's service and technology that supports critical functions of our business related to our trading and borrowing activities due to outages, interruptions, or other failures;
- the level of defaults by borrowers on loans underlying MBS;
- changes in our industry;
- · increased competition;
- changes in government regulations affecting our business;
- changes or volatility in the repurchase agreement financing markets and other credit markets;
- changes to the market for derivative instruments, including changes to margin requirements on derivative instruments;
- uncertainty regarding continued government support of the U.S. financial system and U.S. housing and real estate markets, or to reform the U.S. housing finance system including the resolution of the conservatorship of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac;
- the composition of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve;
- the political environment in the U.S.;
- · systems failures or cybersecurity incidents; and
- · exposure to current and future claims and litigation.

#### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk is the exposure to losses resulting from changes in market factors. Our business strategy exposes us to a variety of market risks, including interest rate, spread, prepayment, credit, liquidity, and reinvestment risks. These risks can and do cause fluctuations in our liquidity, comprehensive income and book value as discussed below.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Investing in interest-rate sensitive investments such as MBS and TBA securities subjects us to interest rate risk. Interest rate risk results from investing in securities that have a fixed coupon or a floating coupon that may not immediately adjust for changes in interest rates. Interest rate risk also results from the mismatch between the duration of our assets versus the duration of our liabilities and hedges. The amount of the impact will depend on the composition of our portfolio, our hedging strategy, the effectiveness of our hedging instruments as well as the magnitude and the duration of the change in interest rates.

We manage interest rate risk within tolerances set by our Board of Directors. We use interest rate hedging instruments to mitigate the impact of changing interest rates on the market value of our assets and on our interest expense from repurchase agreements used to finance our investments. Our hedging methods are based on many factors, including, but not limited to, our estimates with regard to future interest rates and expected levels of prepayments of our assets. If prepayments are slower or faster than assumed, the maturity of our investments will also differ from our expectations, which could reduce the effectiveness of our hedging strategies and may cause losses that adversely affect our cash flow. Estimates of prepayment speeds can vary significantly by investor for the same security, and therefore estimates of security and portfolio duration can vary significantly between market participants.

We continuously monitor market conditions, economic conditions, interest rates and other market activity and frequently adjust the composition of our investments and hedges throughout any given period. As such, the projections for changes in market value provided below are limited in usefulness because the modeling assumes no changes to the composition of our investment portfolio or hedging instruments as of the dates indicated. Changes in types of our investments, the returns earned on these investments, future interest rates, credit spreads, the shape of the yield curve, the availability of financing, and/or the mix of our investments and financings including derivative instruments may cause actual results to differ significantly from the modeled results shown in the tables below. There can be no assurance that assumed events used to model the results shown below will occur, or that other events will not occur, that will affect the outcomes; therefore, the modeled results shown in the tables below and all related disclosures constitute forward-looking statements.

Management considers changes in the shape of the interest rate curves in assessing and managing portfolio interest rate risk on the market value of its investments and common equity. Because interest rates do not typically move in a parallel fashion from period to period (as can be seen by the graph for U.S. Treasury rates in Item 2, "Executive Overview"), the tables below show the projected sensitivity of the market value of our financial instruments and the percentage change in shareholders' equity assuming instantaneous parallel shifts and non-parallel shifts in market interest rates.

March 31, 2024

	I	Parallel Decrease i	n Interest Rates o	f	Parallel Increase in Interest Rates of				
	100 Basi	is Points	50 Basis	s Points	50 Basis	s Points	100 Basi	s Points	
Type of Instrument (1)	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	
RMBS	3.2 %	31.5 %	1.7 %	16.6 %	(1.8)%	(17.6)%	(3.7)%	(35.7)%	
CMBS	— %	0.4 %	— %	0.2 %	— %	(0.2)%	— %	(0.3)%	
CMBS IO	— %	0.4 %	— %	0.2 %	— %	(0.2)%	— %	(0.4)%	
TBAs	0.9 %	8.8 %	0.5 %	5.1 %	(0.6)%	(6.2)%	(1.4)%	(13.2)%	
Interest rate hedges	(4.9)%	(47.7)%	(2.4)%	(23.5)%	2.3 %	22.8 %	4.6 %	44.8 %	
Total	(0.7)%	(6.7)%	(0.2)%	(1.5)%	(0.1)%	(1.4)%	(0.5)%	(4.9)%	

# December 31, 2023

	I	Parallel Decrease i	n Interest Rates of	f	Parallel Increase in Interest Rates of				
	100 Basi	s Points	50 Basis	s Points	50 Basi	s Points	100 Basi	s Points	
Type of Instrument (1)	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity	
RMBS	3.5 %	33.8 %	1.8 %	17.9 %	(2.0)%	(19.4)%	(4.1)%	(39.6)%	
CMBS	— %	0.4 %	— %	0.2 %	— %	(0.2)%	— %	(0.4)%	
CMBS IO	0.1 %	0.5 %	— %	0.3 %	— %	(0.3)%	(0.1)%	(0.5)%	
TBAs	0.6 %	5.9 %	0.3 %	3.3 %	(0.4)%	(4.0)%	(0.9)%	(8.5)%	
Interest rate hedges	(5.3)%	(51.6)%	(2.6)%	(25.3)%	2.5 %	24.6 %	5.0 %	48.7 %	
Total	(1.1)%	(11.0)%	(0.4)%	(3.6)%	0.1 %	0.8 %	<b>—</b> %	(0.3)%	

				March 3	31, 2024	December	31, 2023
Non-Pa	arallel Shifts	Basis Point Change in 2-year UST	Basis Point Change in 10-year UST	% of Market Value <sup>(1)</sup>	% of Common Equity	% of Market Value	% of Common Equity
	G. :	+25	+50	(0.1)%	(0.7)%	0.1 %	1.4 %
D : 1	Steepening	+50	+100	(0.4)%	(3.7)%	0.1 %	0.8 %
Bearish	El	+50	+25	(0.2)%	(1.7)%	—%	(0.5)%
	Flattening	+100	+50	(0.3)%	(2.7)%	—%	(0.3)%
		-25	+0	0.3 %	2.8 %	0.3 %	2.5 %
	Steepening	-50	-10	0.5 %	4.5 %	0.4 %	3.6 %
D 11: 1		-75	-25	0.5 %	5.4 %	0.4 %	3.8 %
Bullish		+0	-25	(0.1)%	(1.1)%	(0.2)%	(2.0)%
	Flattening	-10	-50	(0.3)%	(2.8)%	(0.5)%	(4.7)%
		-25	-75	(0.6)%	(6.0)%	(0.9)%	(8.8)%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes changes in market value of our investments and derivative instruments, including TBA securities, but excludes changes in market value of our financings which are not carried at fair value on our balance sheet due to their short-term maturities. The projections for market value do not assume any change in credit spreads.

In bearish-rate shifts where interest rates are increasing, models project the market value of our investments, net of hedging and our common equity as of March 31, 2024, will decline more versus that as December 31, 2023, primarily as a result of having a larger portfolio. We added a notional amount of approximately \$1.0 billion in TBAs during the first quarter of 2024. Furthermore, the larger portfolio as of March 31, 2024 means more extension risk in higher interest rate scenarios.

In bullish-rate shifts where the yield curve flattens due to declining interest rates, models projected the market value of our investments, net of hedges and our common equity as of March 31, 2024 will decline less versus that as of December 31, 2023, because of the additional duration of the aggregate portfolio resulting from the assets extending. In bullish-rate shifts where the yield curve steepens due to declining interest rates, models project higher increases in market value of our investments, net of hedges and common equity due to having a larger portfolio as of March 31, 2024 versus December 31, 2023.

#### Spread Risk

Spread risk is the risk of loss from an increase in the market spread between the yield on an investment versus its benchmark index. Changes in market spreads represent the market's valuation of the perceived riskiness of an asset relative to risk-free rates. Widening spreads reduce the market value of our investments as market participants require additional yield to hold riskier assets. Market spreads could change based on macroeconomic or systemic factors as well as the factors specific to a particular security such as prepayment performance or credit performance. Other factors that could impact credit spreads include technical issues such as supply and demand for a particular type of security or Federal Reserve monetary policy. We do not hedge spread risk given the complexity of hedging credit spreads and in our opinion, the lack of liquid instruments available to use as hedges.

Fluctuations in spreads typically vary based on the type of investment. Sensitivity to changes in market spreads is derived from models that are dependent on various assumptions, and actual changes in market value in response to changes in market spreads could differ materially from the projected sensitivity if actual conditions differ from these assumptions.

The table below shows the projected sensitivity of the market value of our investments given the indicated change in market spreads as of the dates indicated:

	March 31,	2024	December 3	1, 2023
	Percentage Cl	hange in	Percentage Cl	hange in
Basis Point Change in Market Spreads	Market Value of Investments (1)	% of Common Equity	Market Value of Investments <sup>(1)</sup>	% of Common Equity
+20/+50 (2)	(1.1)%	(10.6)%	(1.1)%	(10.8)%
+10	(0.5)%	(5.3)%	(0.5)%	(5.4)%
-10	0.5 %	5.3 %	0.5 %	5.4 %
-20/-50 (2)	1.1 %	10.6 %	1.1 %	10.8 %

- (1) Includes changes in market value of our MBS investments, including TBA securities.
- (2) Assumes a 20-basis point shift in Agency and non-Agency RMBS and CMBS and a 50-basis point shift in Agency and non-Agency CMBS IO.

#### **Prepayment Risk**

Prepayment risk is the risk of an early, unscheduled return of principal on an investment. We are subject to prepayment risk from premiums paid on investments, which are amortized as a reduction in interest income using the effective interest method under GAAP. Our comprehensive income and book value per common share may also be negatively impacted by prepayments if the fair value of the investment materially exceeds the par balance of the underlying security. Principal prepayments on our investments are influenced by changes in market interest rates and a variety of economic, geographic, government policy and other factors beyond our control, including GSE policy with respect to loan forbearance and delinquent loan buy-outs.

We seek to manage our prepayment risk on our MBS by diversifying our investments and investing in securities which either contain loans for which the underlying borrowers have disincentive to refinance or have some provision of prepayment prohibition or yield maintenance as is the case with CMBS and CMBS IO. Loans underlying our CMBS and CMBS IO securities typically have some form of prepayment protection provisions (such as prepayment lock-outs) or prepayment compensation provisions (such as yield maintenance or prepayment penalties). Because CMBS IO consist of rights to interest on the underlying commercial mortgage loan pools and do not have rights to principal payments on the underlying loans, prepayment risk on these securities is particularly acute without these prepayment protection provisions. There are no prepayment protections if the loan defaults and is partially or wholly repaid earlier as a result of loss mitigation actions taken by the underlying loan servicer.

Our prepayment risk as of March 31, 2024 has declined relative to prior periods as the majority of our MBS portfolio consists of securities owned near or below par and prepayment speeds have declined in the current higher interest rate environment. However, if higher yielding investments prepay at a faster rate than anticipated, we may be unable to reinvest the repayments at comparable yields. Our net interest income may be negatively impacted if the proceeds from prepayments are reinvested into assets with lower yields. In an increasing interest rate environment, lower yielding assets with a fixed rate may extend or prepay slower than anticipated. Because we finance our investments with short-term repurchase agreement financing, we may be required to finance our investments at a higher interest rate without the ability to reinvest principal into higher yielding securities. As a result of rising financing costs, our net interest income could fall or could be negative for extended periods of time.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that we will not receive all contractual amounts due on investments that we own due to default by the borrower or due to a deficiency in proceeds from the liquidation of the collateral securing the obligation. Credit losses on loans could result in lower or negative yields on our investments.

Agency RMBS and Agency CMBS have credit risk to the extent that Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac fails to remit payments on the MBS for which they have issued a guaranty of payment. Given the improved financial performance and conservatorship of these entities and the continued support of the U.S. government, we believe this risk is low.

Agency and non-Agency CMBS IO represent the right to excess interest (and not principal) on the underlying loans. These securities are exposed to the loss of investment basis in the event a loan collateralizing the security liquidates without paying yield maintenance or prepayment penalty. This will typically occur when the underlying loan is in default and proceeds from the disposition of the loan collateral are insufficient to pay the prepayment consideration. To mitigate credit risk of investing in CMBS IO, we invest in primarily AAA-rated securities that are stripped off senior tranches, which means we receive the highest payment priority and are the last to absorb losses in the event of a shortfall in cash flows. Our Agency CMBS IO are Class X1 from Freddie Mac Series K deals from which interest continues to be advanced even in the event of an underlying default up until liquidation, which is the triggering event that disrupts the Agency CMBS IO cash flow. For non-Agency CMBS IO, the servicer and master servicer will determine if interest will continue to be advanced upon default of a loan based on their estimate of liquidation proceeds. Senior non-Agency CMBS IO may benefit from changes in contractual cash flows, including modifications or loan extensions as the senior classes can remain outstanding beyond the original maturity date.

In addition, bilateral agreements expose us to increased credit risk related to our counterparties, and we may be at risk of loss of any collateral held by a repurchase or derivative counterparty if the counterparty becomes insolvent or files for bankruptcy.

#### **Liquidity Risk**

We have liquidity risk principally from the use of recourse repurchase agreements to finance our ownership of securities. Our repurchase agreements are renewable at the discretion of our lenders and do not contain guaranteed roll-over terms. If we fail to repay the lender at maturity, the lender has the right to immediately sell the collateral and pursue us for any shortfall if the sales proceeds are inadequate to cover the repurchase agreement financing. In addition, declines in the market value of our investments pledged as collateral for repurchase agreement borrowings and for our derivative instruments may result in counterparties initiating margin calls for additional collateral.

Our use of TBA long positions as a means of investing in and financing Agency RMBS also exposes us to liquidity risk in the event that we are unable to roll or terminate our TBA contracts prior to their settlement date. If we are unable to roll or terminate our TBA long positions, we could be required to take physical delivery of the underlying securities and settle our obligations for cash, which could negatively impact our liquidity position or force us to sell assets under adverse conditions if financing is not available to us on acceptable terms.

For further information, including how we attempt to mitigate liquidity risk and monitor our liquidity position, and in particular, during the current macroeconomic environment, please refer to "Liquidity and Capital Resources" in Item 2 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as well as within Item 7 of our 2023 Form 10-K.

#### Reinvestment Risk

We are subject to reinvestment risk as a result of the prepayment, repayment and sales of our investments. In order to maintain our investment portfolio size and our earnings, we need to reinvest capital received from these events into new interest-earning assets or TBA securities, and if market yields on new investments are lower or if financing costs are higher, our net interest income will decline. In addition, based on market conditions, our leverage, and our liquidity profile, we may decide to not reinvest the cash flows we receive from our investment portfolio even when attractive reinvestment opportunities are available, or we may decide to reinvest in assets with lower yield but greater liquidity. If we retain capital or pay dividends to return capital to shareholders rather than reinvest capital, or if we invest capital in lower yielding assets for liquidity reasons, the size of our investment portfolio and the amount of income generated by our investment portfolio will likely decline.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Our management evaluated, with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e), as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that, as of March 31, 2024, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended March 31, 2024 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

To the Company's knowledge, there are no pending or threatened legal proceedings, which, in management's opinion, individually or in the aggregate, could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations or financial condition.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes from the risk factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" of our 2023 Form 10-K. Risks and uncertainties identified in our forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q together with those previously disclosed in the 2023 Form 10-K or those that are presently unforeseen could result in significant adverse effects on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. See "Forward-Looking Statements" contained in Part I, Item 2, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as well as Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" in our 2023 Form 10-K.

#### ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

#### **Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

The Company's Board of Directors has authorized a share repurchase program (the "Program") of up to \$60 million of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock and up to \$30 million of the Company's Series C Preferred Stock through open market transactions, privately negotiated transactions, trading plans adopted in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, block transactions or otherwise. The Program permits the Company to repurchase shares of common stock or Series C Preferred Stock at any time or from time-to-time at management's discretion. The actual means and timing of any shares purchased under the Program will depend on a variety of factors, including, but not limited to, the market prices of the common stock and the Series C Preferred Stock, as applicable, general market and economic conditions, and applicable legal and regulatory requirements. The Program does not obligate the Company to purchase any shares, and any open market repurchases under the Program will be made in accordance with Exchange Act Rule 10b-18, which sets certain restrictions on the method, timing, price, and volume of open market stock repurchases. The Program was authorized through March 31, 2024. In April 2024, the Board of Directors authorized a new share repurchase program for up to \$100 million of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock and up to \$50 million of the Company's Series C Preferred Stock, authorized through April 30, 2026, although it may be modified or terminated by the Board of Directors at any time.

The Company did not repurchase any shares of its common stock or Series C Preferred Stock during the three months ended March 31, 2024.

# ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

# ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

None.

# ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

# Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, none of the Company's directors or Section 16 officers adopted or terminated any "Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangements" or any "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangements" (in each case, as defined in Item 408 of Regulation S-K).

# ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
3.1	Restated Articles of Incorporation, effective May 14, 2021 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Dynex's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 18, 2021).
3.1.1	Articles of Amendment of the Restated Articles of Incorporation, effective May 18, 2023 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1.1 to Dynex's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2023).
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws, effective as of May 11, 2021 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Dynex's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 12, 2021).
4.1	Specimen of Common Stock Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Dynex's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2019).
4.2	Specimen of 6,900% Series C Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.4 to Dynex's Registration Statement on Form 8-A12B filed February 18, 2020).
10.41.1*	Form of Performance Stock Unit Award Agreement for Executive Officers (for awards on or after March 8, 2024) under the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (filed herewith).
10.41.2*	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Executive Officers (for awards on or after March 8, 2024) under the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (filed herewith).
10.41.3*	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Executive Officers (for awards on or after March 10, 2023 through March 7, 2024) under the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (filed herewith).
10.41.4*	Form of Performance Stock Unit Award Agreement for Executive Officers (for awards on or after March 10, 2023 through March 7, 2024) under the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (filed herewith).
31.1	Certification of principal executive officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
31.2	Certification of principal financial officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
32.1	Certification of principal executive officer and principal financial officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
101	The following materials from Dynex Capital, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2024, formatted in iXBRL (Inline Extensible Business Reporting Language), filed herewith: (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (v) Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
104	The cover page from Dynex Capital, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2024, formatted in iXBRL (Inline Extensible Business Reporting Language) (included with Exhibit 101).

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

# DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.

Date: April 26, 2024 /s/ Byron L. Boston

Byron L. Boston

Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: April 26, 2024 /s/ Robert S. Colligan

Robert S. Colligan

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Secretary

(Principal Financial Officer)

# DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.

# 2020 STOCK AND INCENTIVE PLAN

# PERFORMANCE UNIT AWARD

This Performance Unit Award Agreement (this "Agreement") is made as of
RECITALS
WHEREAS, the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (as may be amended from time to time, the "Plan") permits the grant of Performance Units that vest based on attainment of Performance Goals (as defined below) in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Company desires to grant Performance Units to the Participant, and the Participant desires to accept such Performance Units, on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Performance Units granted pursuant to this Agreement shall vest based on the attainment of Performance Goals related to Total Economic Return ("TER") and continued employment; and
WHEREAS, the applicable provisions of the Plan are incorporated into this Agreement by reference, including the definitions of terms contained in the Plan (unless such terms are otherwise defined herein).
NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:
1. <u>Award of Performance Units</u> . The Company hereby awards to the Participant [] Performance Units (hereinafter, the "Target Award"), subject to the vesting and other conditions of this Agreement. Payment of the Performance Units will be based on performance against the metrics forth in <u>Schedule</u> (the "Performance Goals") and, except as otherwise provided herein, continued employment.
2. <u>Vesting</u> .
(a) General Vesting Terms. The Participant shall vest in a number of Performance Units with respect to the Target Award based on the attainment of the Performance Goals as of the end of the Performance Period (as defined below), provided that, except as set forth in Sections 2(b), 2(c) and 2(d), the Participant remains employed by the Company or a Subsidiary through December 31, 2026 (the "Vesting Date"). The performance period is the period beginning on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2026, unless earlier terminated in accordance with Sections 2(b), 2(c), or 2(d) below (the "Performance Period"). Except as specifically provided below in this Section 2, no Performance Units will vest for any reason prior to the Vesting Date and in the event of a termination of the Participant's employment prior to the Vesting Date, the Participant will forfeit to the Company all Performance Units that have not yet vested as of the termination date.

#### (b) <u>Involuntary Termination</u>.

- (i) Except as provided in Section 2(d) below, if the Participant incurs an Involuntary Termination (as defined below) prior to the Vesting Date, then on the date of such Involuntary Termination, the Participant will vest in a number of Performance Units based on attainment of the Performance Goals through the date of the Involuntary Termination as described in Schedule A. For purposes of calculating performance pursuant to this Section 2(b), the last day of the Performance Period shall be the earlier of (x) the date of the Involuntary Termination, and (y) December 31, 2026.
- (ii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Involuntary Termination" shall mean the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Company or a Subsidiary without Cause, other than on account of death or Disability (as defined below), or the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Participant for Good Reason, in either case, provided the Participant signs and does not revoke a release and waiver of claims in favor of the Company and its Affiliates in a form provided by the Company (a "Release").

#### (c) Retirement, Death or Disability.

- (i) Except as provided in  $\underline{Section\ 2(\underline{d})}$  below, if the Participant incurs a termination of employment on account of Retirement (as defined below), death, or Disability prior to the Vesting Date, then on the date of such termination of employment, the Participant will vest in a number of Performance Units based on the attainment of the Performance Goals through the date of such termination of employment as described in  $\underline{Schedule\ A}$ ,  $\underline{provided}$  that in the event the termination of employment is on account of Retirement or Disability, the Participant signs and does not revoke a Release. For purposes of calculating performance pursuant to this  $\underline{Section\ 2(c)}$ , the last day of the Performance Period shall be the earlier of (x) the date of the termination of employment, and (y) December 31, 2026.
- (ii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "**Disability**" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Participant's employment agreement with the Company.
- (iii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "**Retirement**" shall mean termination of employment other than for Cause after attaining age 65 with 10 years of service with the Company.

#### (d) Change of Control.

- (i) If a Change of Control occurs on or before December 31, 2026, the number of Performance Units that may vest shall be determined as of the date of the Change of Control based on performance through the date of the Change of Control, and such Performance Units shall vest if the Participant remains employed through the Vesting Date. For purposes of calculating performance pursuant to this <u>Section 2(d)</u> as of the date of the Change of Control, the last day of the Performance Period shall be the date immediately prior to the Change of Control.
- (ii) If the Participant's employment terminates on account of Involuntary Termination within six months prior to a Change of Control or on account of Involuntary Termination, Retirement, death, or Disability upon or within 18 months following a Change of Control, the Participant will immediately vest in the Performance Units calculated as described in Section 2(d)(i) above.
- (e) <u>Cause</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, in the event the Participant's employment is terminated by the Company or a Subsidiary for Cause, all outstanding

Performance Units (whether vested or unvested) held by the Participant shall immediately terminate and be of no further force or effect.

- (f) Other Termination. Except as provided in Sections 2(b), 2(c), and 2(d), in the event of a termination of employment prior to the Vesting Date, the Participant will forfeit all unvested Performance Units. No Performance Units will vest after the Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary has terminated for any reason.
- 3. <u>Performance Units Account.</u> The Company shall establish a bookkeeping account on its records for the Participant and shall credit the Participant's Performance Units to the bookkeeping account.
- 4. <u>Dividend Equivalents</u>. Dividend equivalents shall accrue with respect to the target number of Participant's Performance Units and shall be payable subject to the same vesting terms, vesting percentage and other conditions as the Performance Units to which they relate. Dividend equivalents shall be credited on the Performance Units when dividends are declared on shares of Stock from the Grant Date until the payment date for the vested Performance Units. The Company will keep records of dividend equivalents in a non-interest-bearing bookkeeping account for the Participant. No interest will be credited to any such account. Vested dividend equivalents shall be paid in cash at the same time and subject to the same terms as the underlying vested Performance Units. If and to the extent that the underlying Performance Units are forfeited, all related dividend equivalents shall also be forfeited.

#### 5. Conversion of Performance Units.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this <u>Section 5</u>, if the Performance Units vest in accordance with this Agreement, the Participant shall be entitled to receive payment of the vested Performance Units between January 1 and December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Vesting Date occurs, provided that the Company will use its best efforts to provide such payment to the Participant by March 15 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Vesting Date occurs.
- (b) If the Performance Units vest in accordance with Sections 2(b), 2(c), or 2(d)(ii) (i.e., Involuntary Termination, Retirement, Disability or death), the vested Performance Units shall be paid within 60 days after the date of the Participant's termination of employment, subject to the six month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable; provided that, if the Participant's employment terminates on account of an Involuntary Termination within six months prior to a Change of Control, any additional Performance Units that vest upon such Change of Control shall be paid upon such Change of Control, consistent with Code Section 409A and subject to the six month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable.
- (c) On the applicable payment date, each vested Performance Unit credited to the Participant's account shall be settled in whole shares of Stock of the Company equal to the number of vested Performance Units, subject to (i) the limitation of Section 5(d) below, (ii) compliance with the six month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable, and (iii) the payment of any federal, state and local withholding taxes as described in Section 12 below. The obligation of the Company to distribute shares of Stock shall be subject to the rights of the Company as set forth in the Plan and to all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and such approvals by governmental agencies as may be deemed appropriate by the Committee, including as set forth in Section 14 below.

- (d) For the avoidance of doubt, the Participant will forfeit all Performance Units if the Participant's employment is terminated for Cause prior to the payment date under this <u>Section 5</u>.
- **Certain Corporate Changes.** In the event of a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares, spin-off, recapitalization or merger in which the Company is the surviving corporation, or other change in the Company's capital stock (including, but not limited to, the creation or issuance to shareholders generally of rights, options or warrants for the purchase of common stock or preferred stock of the Company), the Committee shall adjust, as provided in the Plan, the number and class of shares or securities of the Company underlying the Performance Units held by the Participant, the maximum, target and threshold number of shares of Stock for which the Performance Units may vest, the Performance Goals, and the share price or class of Stock for purposes of the Performance Goals, in each case, as appropriate to reflect the effect of such event or change in the Company's capital structure in such a way as to preserve the value of the Performance Units. Any adjustment that occurs under the terms of this Section 6 or the Plan will not change the timing or form of payment with respect to any Performance Units except in accordance with Code Section 409A.
- 7. No Stockholder Rights. The Participant has no voting rights, no dividend rights, and no other ownership rights and privileges of a stockholder with respect to the shares of Stock subject to the Performance Units, except as provided in Section 4 above with respect to dividend equivalents.
- **8.** Retention Rights. Neither the award of Performance Units, nor any other action taken with respect to the Performance Units, shall confer upon the Participant any right to continue in the employ or service of the Company or a Subsidiary or shall interfere in any way with the right of the Company or a Subsidiary to terminate Participant's employment or service at any time.
- 9. <u>Amendment; Modification or Substitution</u>. This award may be amended, modified or substituted by the Committee, in whole or in part, in accordance with Section 15.1 of the Plan.
- 10. Notice. Any notice to the Company provided for in this Agreement shall be addressed to it in care of the Chief Financial Officer of the Company, or in their absence, the Secretary of the Company, 4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100, Glen Allen, VA 23060, and any notice to the Participant shall be addressed to such Participant at the current address shown on the payroll system of the Company or a Subsidiary thereof, or to such other address as the Participant may designate to the Company in writing. Any notice provided for hereunder shall be delivered by hand, sent by telecopy or electronic mail, or enclosed in a properly sealed envelope addressed as stated above, registered and deposited, postage and registry fee prepaid in the United States mail, or other mail delivery service. Notice to the Company shall be deemed effective upon receipt. By receipt of this Agreement, the Participant hereby consents to the delivery of information (including without limitation, information required to be delivered to the Participant pursuant to the applicable securities laws) regarding the Company, the Plan, and the Performance Units via the Company's electronic mail system or other electronic delivery system.
- 11. <u>Incorporation of Plan by Reference</u>. This Agreement is made pursuant to the terms of the Plan, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference, and shall in all respects be interpreted in accordance therewith. The decisions of the Committee shall be conclusive upon any question arising hereunder. The Participant's receipt of the Performance Units awarded under this Agreement constitutes the Participant's acknowledgment that all decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Plan, this Agreement, and/or the Performance Units shall be final and binding on the Participant, the Participant's beneficiaries, and any other person having or claiming an interest in such Performance Units. The settlement of any award with respect to Performance Units is subject to the provisions of the

Plan and to interpretations, regulations, and determinations concerning the Plan as established from time to time by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

- 12. Income Taxes, Withholding Taxes. The Participant agrees, as a condition of receiving the Performance Units, to pay to the Company or a Subsidiary, as applicable, or make arrangement satisfactory to the Company regarding the payment of, all applicable federal, state and local taxes (including the Participant's FICA obligation) required by law to be withheld with respect to the Performance Units. The Participant is solely responsible for the satisfaction of all taxes and penalties that may arise in connection with the Performance Units pursuant to this Agreement. At the time of taxation, the Company shall have the right to deduct from amounts payable with respect to the Performance Units, including by withholding shares of Stock, an amount equal to the federal (including FICA), state and local income and payroll taxes and other amounts as may be required by law to be withheld with respect to the Performance Units. Without limiting the foregoing, upon payment of the Performance Units, the Company shall withhold shares subject to the vested Performance Units to cover any of the applicable withholding for related FICA tax and income tax liabilities at the minimum applicable tax rate.
- 13. Governing Law. The validity, construction, interpretation, and effect of this instrument shall exclusively be governed by, and determined in accordance with, the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, excluding any conflicts or choice of law rule or principle.
- **Award Subject to Applicable Laws and Company Policies.** This Agreement shall be subject to any required approvals by any governmental or regulatory agencies. This award of Performance Units shall be subject to repayment to (*i.e.*, clawback by) the Company or a related entity as determined in good faith by the Committee or the Board in the event repayment is required by the terms of the Company's recoupment, clawback or similar policy as may be in effect from time to time or by applicable federal or state law or regulation or applicable listing standard of any national securities exchange or system on which the Stock is then listed or reported; provided that any such clawback or similar policy that is adopted by the Board after the Grant Date shall have a lookback period of not more than approximately three years, unless, in the opinion of counsel satisfactory to the Participant, required by applicable federal or state law or regulation or applicable listing standard.
- **15.** <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the successors and assignees of the Company. The Participant may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, or otherwise dispose of the Performance Units, except in the event of the Participant's death.
- 16. Code Section 409A. This award of Performance Units is intended to be exempt from or comply with the applicable requirements of Code Section 409A and shall be administered in accordance with Code Section 409A. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, if the Performance Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and the Performance Units become vested and settled upon the Participant's termination of employment, payment with respect to the Performance Units shall be delayed for a period of six months after the Participant's termination of employment if the Participant is a "specified employee" as defined under Code Section 409A (as determined by the Committee) and if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. If payment is delayed, the shares of Stock of the Company and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed within 30 days after the date that is the sixmonth anniversary of the Participant's termination of employment. If the Participant dies during the six-month delay, the shares of Stock and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed in accordance with the Participant's will or under the applicable laws of descent and distribution. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, payments made with respect to this award of Performance Units may only be made in a manner and upon an event permitted by Code Section

409A, and all payments to be made upon a termination of employment hereunder may only be made upon a "separation from service" as defined under Code Section 409A, if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. To the extent that any provision of this Agreement would cause a conflict with the requirements of Code Section 409A, or would cause the administration of the Performance Units to fail to satisfy the requirements of Code Section 409A, such provision shall be deemed null and void to the extent permitted by applicable law. In no event shall the Participant, directly or indirectly, designate the calendar year of payment. If the Performance Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and payment is subject to the execution of a Release, and if such payment could be made in more than one taxable year, payment shall be made in the later taxable year, if required by Code Section 409A.

[Signature Page Follows]

DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.	
Ву:	
Name: Title:	

be bound by the terms of the Plan and this Agreement, and (e) agrees that all decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be final and binding.

Signature page to Performance Unit Award

PARTICIPA	ANT:		
Name:			
Date:			

#### **SCHEDULE A**

The Performance Units will vest based on the attainment of TER Performance Goals, as described in this <u>Schedule A</u>, *provided* that, except as set forth in <u>Sections 2(b)</u>, <u>2(c)</u> and <u>2(d)</u> of the Agreement to which this <u>Schedule A</u> is attached, the Participant remains employed by the Company or a Subsidiary through the Vesting Date.

#### **Relative Performance Goals**

#### 1. Relative Performance Goals.

- (a) <u>Vesting</u>. Vesting of an aggregate of 50% of the Performance Units will be based on the Company's relative TER as compared to the TER for the Peer Group (as defined in Section 2(d) below) for the Performance Period ("**Relative TER**").
- (b) **Relative TER.** At the end of the Performance Period, the TER for the Company, and for each company in the Peer Group, is calculated as (A) (i) such company's Book Value (as defined below) per share of stock at the end of the Performance Period, <u>plus</u> (ii) the cumulative dividends declared by such company during the Performance Period, <u>divided by</u> (B) the Book Value per share of stock on the day immediately preceding the first day of the Performance Period (December 31, 2023). If the Performance Period ends on the Participant's termination of employment or a Change of Control occurring on or prior to December 31, 2026, as described in <u>Section 2</u> of the Agreement, then TER performance will be determined as of the end of the calendar quarter ending on or immediately preceding such termination of employment or Change of Control, as applicable.
- (c) "Book Value" per share of Stock is defined as the total common stockholders' equity, <u>divided by</u> the number of common shares of the company as of the applicable date and shall be derived from the company's financial statements, prepared in accordance with GAAP. For avoidance of doubt, Book Value per common share will be calculated using the liquidation preference of any preferred stock outstanding as of the date of the computation. The company's Book Value per share of Stock on December 31, 2023 was \$13.31.

#### 2. Relative TER Vesting Percentage.

- (a) Subject to Section 3 below, the number of Performance Units that will vest for the Performance Period with respect to the Relative TER tranche shall be determined by multiplying (i) 50% of the Target Award by (ii) the Relative TER Vesting Percentage, as determined under this Section 2.
- (b) The Relative TER Vesting Percentage will be determined based on the Company's TER for the Performance Period as compared to the TER of the companies in the Peer Group for the Performance Period, as follows:

Performance Level*	Relative TER	Relative TER Vesting Percentage
Maximum	80th Percentile or above	200%
Target	55th Percentile	100%
Threshold	30th Percentile	50%
Below Threshold	Below 30th Percentile	0%

<sup>\*</sup> If the Company's TER rank falls between the threshold and maximum measuring points, the Company's TER rank will be interpolated and rounded to the nearest whole percentage point.

(c)	The companies in the Peer Group will be determined on the first day of the Performance Period for purposes of the Relative TER calculatio
and will be char	ged only in accordance with Section 2(d) below. No company shall be added to the Peer Group during the Performance Period for purposes of
the Relative TE	R calculation.

- (d) The term "**Peer Group**" means the companies listed on <u>Exhibit A</u> and will be subject to change as follows:
- (i) In the event of a merger, acquisition or business combination transaction of a company in the Peer Group in which the company in the Peer Group is the surviving entity and remains publicly traded, the surviving entity shall remain a company in the Peer Group. Any entity involved in the transaction that is not the surviving company shall no longer be a company in the Peer Group.
- (ii) In the event of a merger, acquisition or business combination transaction of a company in the Peer Group, a "going private" transaction or other event involving a company in the Peer Group or the liquidation of a company in the Peer Group, in each case where the company in the Peer Group is not the surviving entity or is no longer publicly traded, the company shall no longer be a company in the Peer Group.
- (iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a bankruptcy of a company in the Peer Group where the company in the Peer Group is not publicly traded at the end of the Performance Period, such company shall remain a company in the Peer Group but shall be deemed to have a TER of negative 100% (-100%).

#### 3. <u>Vesting Cap Based on Absolute TER Performance and Absolute TSR Performance.</u>

- (a) After the Relative TER Vesting Percentage is determined, as described in <u>Section 2</u> above, the Absolute TER Performance and Absolute TSR Performance (as defined below) for the Performance Period will be evaluated to determine the actual number of Performance Units that vest based on Relative TER performance (the "Final Payout Percentage").
- (b) If either the Absolute TER Performance or the Absolute TSR Performance is negative, the Final Payout Percentage with respect to the Relative TER tranche will not exceed 100% of the target number of Performance Units covered by the Relative TER tranche (i.e., 50% of the total Target Award), even if the Relative TER Vesting Percentage determined under Section 2 above is greater than target. If both the Absolute TER Performance and the Absolute TSR Performance are zero or positive, the Final Payout Percentage for the Relative TER tranche will be the Relative TER Vesting Percentage determined under Section 2 above.
- (c) The term "Absolute TSR Performance" means the Company's total shareholder return during the Performance Period, which reflects the percentage change in the closing price of a share of Stock on the last trading day before the beginning of the Performance Period (*i.e.*, December 30, 2023) to the closing price of a share of Stock on the last trading day during the Performance Period (plus common stock dividends paid during the Performance Period, assuming immediate reinvestment of such dividends in additional shares of Stock). The Absolute TSR Performance shall be determined by the Committee using the Bloomberg Terminal's Total Return Analysis ("TRA") function to derive the total return percentage in respect of the Performance Period in accordance with the previous sentence. If the Bloomberg Terminal's TRA function is not available, the Absolute TSR Performance shall be determined using the equivalent successor to such function; provided that, if there is no such successor, the Absolute

TSR Performance in respect of the Performance Period shall be determined by the Committee in good faith using a generally accepted method for calculating total shareholder return.

(d) If the Absolute TSR Performance calculation is made as of the date of a Change of Control pursuant to <u>Section 2(d)</u> of the Agreement, the price per share of Stock for purposes of the Change of Control, as determined by the Committee, shall be used instead of the closing price per share of Stock on the last trading day of the Performance Period for purposes of calculating the Absolute TSR Performance.

#### Absolute Performance Goals

1. Vesting of 50% of the Target Award of Performance Units will be based on the Company's Absolute TER Performance over the Performance Period, as compared to the following reference points:

Performance Level*	TER Performance	TER Performance as a 3-year Percentage Increase**	Absolute TER Vesting Percentage
Maximum	\$6.19	42%	200%
Target	\$3.98	27%	100%
Threshold	\$1.77	12%	1%
Below Threshold			0%

<sup>\*</sup> If the Company's TER performance falls between the threshold and maximum measuring points, the Company's Absolute TER Performance will be interpolated and rounded to the nearest whole percentage point using conventional rounding.

- 2. "Absolute TER Performance" is expressed in dollar terms, and is calculated by (A) (i) the Company's Book Value per share of Stock at the end of the Performance Period, plus (ii) the cumulative dividends declared by the Company during the Performance Period, minus (B) the Book Value per share of Stock on the day immediately preceding the first day of the Performance Period (i.e., December 31, 2023, which is \$13.31). If the Performance Period ends on the Participant's termination of employment or a Change of Control occurring on or prior to December 31, 2026, then TER performance will be determined as of the end of the calendar quarter ending on or immediately preceding such termination of employment or Change of Control, as applicable, and the Committee shall prorate the absolute TER performance goal through the date as of which TER performance is determined, as the Committee deems appropriate.
- 3. "Book Value" shall have the meaning described in Section 1(c) above under "Relative Performance Goals."

#### **General Vesting Terms**

1. The actual number of Performance Units that vest will be based on the actual performance level achieved with respect to each Performance Goal. If the actual performance level achieved for any Performance Goal does not meet threshold performance for the applicable Performance Goal, then no Performance Units will be earned and vested for that Performance Goal pursuant to this Award. Threshold level performance may be achieved for one Performance Goal and not another based on the Company's actual performance during the Performance Period. The actual number of Performance Units

<sup>\*\*</sup> The percentages in this column are based on annual TER performance percentages of 14%, 9% and 4% for the Maximum, Target and Threshold performance levels, respectively, over the 3-year Performance Period.

that vest will be determined by the Committee based on the actual performance level achieved with respect to each Performance Goal during the Performance Period, factoring in the weighting for each Performance Goal. The maximum number of Performance Units that may become earned and vested pursuant to this Award is capped at 200% of the Target Award.

- 2. Provided that threshold level performance is achieved, if actual performance is between threshold and maximum performance, the number of Performance Units that will vest with respect to the Performance Goal, if any, will be interpolated on a straight line basis for pro-rata achievement for performance between threshold and maximum.
- 3. Any fractional Performance Unit resulting from the vesting of the Performance Units in accordance with this Agreement shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number. Any portion of the Performance Units that does not vest as of the end of the Performance Period shall be forfeited as of the end of the Performance Period.

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Schedule A - 4

# EXHIBIT A

# Dynex Capital, Inc. Peer Group

- 1.
- 2. 3.
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- AGNC Investment Corp ARMOUR Residential REIT, Inc Invesco Mortgage Capital, Inc. Orchid Island Capital, Inc. Two Harbors Investment Corp Annaly Mortgage Corporation, Inc. 6.

Exhibit A - 1

# **DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.**

# 2020 STOCK AND INCENTIVE PLAN

# RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD

This Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (this "Agreement") is made as of [\_\_\_\_\_\_], 2024 (the "Grant Date"), by Dynex

Capita	ıl, Inc.,	a Virginia corporation (the "Company"), to [], a Key Employee of the Company (the "Participant").
		RECITALS
of Res		<b>REAS</b> , the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (as may be amended from time to time, the "Plan") permits the grant Stock Units in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Plan;
Stock		<b>REAS</b> , the Company desires to grant Restricted Stock Units to the Participant, and the Participant desires to accept such Restricted on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Plan; and
contai		<b>REAS</b> , the applicable provisions of the Plan are incorporated into this Agreement by reference, including the definitions of terms he Plan (unless such terms are otherwise defined herein).
	NOW	, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:
1.	Awar	d of Restricted Stock Units.
vestin		Company hereby awards to the Participant [] Restricted Stock Units (hereinafter, the "Restricted Stock Units"), subject to the ther conditions of this Agreement.
2.	<u>Vestir</u>	ng.
	(a)	General Vesting Terms.
to this	Agree	(i) Provided the Participant remains employed by the Company or a Subsidiary through the applicable vesting date set forth in the "Vesting Date") and meets all applicable requirements set forth in this Agreement, the Restricted Stock Units awarded pursuant ment shall vest as follows, except as set forth in Sections 2(b) and 2(c) below (the period over which the Restricted Stock Units vest as the "Period of Restriction"):

# Vesting Date The first anniversary of the Grant Date February 28, 2026

February 28, 2027

# Vested Restricted Stock Units 33% of the awarded Restricted Stock Units 33% of the awarded Restricted Stock Units

34% of the awarded Restricted Stock Units

(ii) The vesting of the Restricted Stock Units is cumulative, but shall not exceed 100% of the Restricted Stock Units. If the foregoing schedule would produce fractional units, the number of Restricted Stock Units vesting shall be rounded up to the nearest whole unit, but not in excess of 100% of the Restricted Stock Units.

#### (b) **Involuntary Termination.**

- (i) If the Participant terminates employment during the Period of Restriction because of an Involuntary Termination, whether before, on the date of, or after a Change of Control, the Participant's unvested Restricted Stock Units will automatically vest in full on the date of such termination of employment.
- (ii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Involuntary Termination</u>" shall mean the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Company or a Subsidiary without Cause, other than on account of death or Disability, or the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Participant for Good Reason, in either case; provided the Participant signs and does not revoke a release and waiver of claims in favor of the Company and its Affiliates in a form provided by the Company (a "<u>Release</u>").
- (c) <u>Death or Disability</u>. In the event of the Participant's death or termination of employment on account of a Disability while employed by the Company or a Subsidiary during the Period of Restriction, the Participant's unvested Restricted Stock Units will automatically vest in full on the date of the Participant's death or termination of employment on account of Disability; provided that in the event the termination of employment is on account of Disability, the Participant signs and does not revoke a Release. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Disability</u>," shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Participant's employment agreement with the Company.
- (d) **Retirement.** In the event of the Participant's Retirement from the Company and its Subsidiaries during the Period of Restriction, the Participant's unvested Restricted Stock Units will automatically vest in full on the date of the Participant's Retirement; provided that the Participant signs and does not revoke a Release. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "**Retirement**" shall mean termination of employment other than for Cause after attaining age 65 with 10 years of service with the Company.
- (e) Other Termination. Except as provided in Sections 2(b), 2(c) and 2(d), in the event of a termination of employment, the Participant will forfeit all Restricted Stock Units that do not vest either on or before the termination date. No Restricted Stock Units will vest after the

Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary has terminated for any reason. For clarification purposes, in the event the Participant's employment is terminated by the Company or a Subsidiary for Cause, the outstanding Restricted Stock Units (whether vested or unvested) held by such Participant shall immediately terminate and be of no further force or effect.

#### 3. Restricted Stock Units Account.

The Company shall establish a bookkeeping account on its records for the Participant and shall credit the Participant's Restricted Stock Units to the bookkeeping account.

#### 4. <u>Dividend Equivalents.</u>

Dividend equivalents shall accrue with respect to the Participant's Restricted Stock Units and shall be payable subject to the same vesting terms and other conditions as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate. Dividend equivalents shall be credited on the Restricted Stock Units when dividends are declared on shares of Stock from the Grant Date until the payment date for the vested Restricted Stock Units. The Company will keep records of dividend equivalents in a non-interest-bearing bookkeeping account for the Participant. No interest will be credited to any such account. Vested dividend equivalents shall be paid in cash at the same time and subject to the same terms as the underlying vested Restricted Stock Units. If and to the extent that the underlying Restricted Stock Units are forfeited, all related dividend equivalents shall also be forfeited.

#### 5. Conversion of Restricted Stock Units.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section 5, if the Restricted Stock Units vest in accordance with Section 2(a), the Participant shall be entitled to receive payment of the vested Restricted Stock Units within 60 days after the applicable Vesting Date.
- (b) If the Restricted Stock Units vest in accordance with Section 2(b) (Involuntary Termination), Section 2(c) (death or Disability), or Section 2(d) (Retirement), the Participant shall receive payment of the vested Restricted Stock Units within 60 days after the date of the Participant's termination of employment on account of Involuntary Termination, death, Disability, or Retirement, as applicable, subject to the six month delay under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code, if applicable, as described in Section 16 below.
- (c) On the applicable payment date, each vested Restricted Stock Unit credited to the Participant's account shall be settled in whole shares of Stock of the Company equal to the number of vested Restricted Stock Units, subject to (i) the limitation of Section 5(d) below, (ii) compliance with the six-month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable, and (iii) the payment of any federal, state and local withholding taxes as described in Section 12 below. The obligation of the Company to distribute shares of Stock shall be subject to the rights of the Company as set forth in the Plan and to all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and such approvals by governmental agencies as may be deemed appropriate by the Committee, including as set forth in Section 14 below.

(d) For the avoidance of doubt, the Participant will forfeit all Restricted Stock Units if the Participant's employment is terminated for Cause prior to the payment date under this Section 5.

### 6. <u>Certain Corporate Changes.</u>

In the event of a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares, spin-off, recapitalization or merger in which the Company is the surviving corporation, or other change in the Company's capital stock (including, but not limited to, the creation or issuance to shareholders generally of rights, options or warrants for the purchase of common stock or preferred stock of the Company), the Committee shall adjust, as provided in the Plan, the number and class of shares or securities of the Company underlying the Restricted Stock Units held by the Participant, the maximum number of shares of Stock for which the Restricted Stock Units may vest, in each case, as appropriate to reflect the effect of such event or change in the Company's capital structure in such a way as to preserve the value of the Restricted Stock Units. Any adjustment that occurs under the terms of this Section 6 or the Plan will not change the timing or form of payment with respect to any Restricted Stock Units except in accordance with Code Section 409A.

# 7. No Stockholder Rights.

The Participant has no voting rights, no dividend rights and no other ownership rights and privileges of a stockholder with respect to the shares of Stock subject to the Restricted Stock Units, except as provided in Section 4 with respect to dividend equivalents.

#### 8. Retention Rights.

Neither the award of the Restricted Stock Units, nor any other action taken with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, shall confer upon the Participant any right to continue in the employ or service of the Company or a Subsidiary or shall interfere in any way with the right of the Company or a Subsidiary to terminate Participant's employment or service at any time.

#### 9. <u>Amendment, Modification or Substitution</u>.

This award may be amended, modified or substituted by the Committee, in whole or in part, in accordance with Section 15.1 of the Plan.

#### 10. Notice.

Any notice to the Company provided for in this Agreement shall be addressed to it in care of the Chief Financial Officer of the Company, or in their absence, the Secretary of the Company, 4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100, Glen Allen, VA 23060, and any notice to the Participant shall be addressed to such Participant at the current address shown on the payroll system of the Company or a Subsidiary thereof, or to such other address as the Participant may designate to the Company in writing. Any notice provided for hereunder shall be delivered by hand, sent by telecopy or electronic mail, or enclosed in a properly sealed envelope addressed as stated above, registered and deposited, postage and registry fee prepaid in the United States mail, or other mail delivery service. Notice to the Company shall be deemed effective upon receipt. By

receipt of this Agreement, the Participant hereby consents to the delivery of information (including without limitation, information required to be delivered to the Participant pursuant to the applicable securities laws) regarding the Company, the Plan, and the Restricted Stock Units via the Company's electronic mail system or other electronic delivery system.

#### 11. <u>Incorporation of Plan by Reference</u>.

This Agreement is made pursuant to the terms of the Plan, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference, and shall in all respects be interpreted in accordance therewith. The decisions of the Committee shall be conclusive upon any question arising hereunder. The Participant's receipt of the Restricted Stock Units awarded under this Agreement constitutes the Participant's acknowledgment that all decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Plan, this Agreement, and/or the Restricted Stock Units shall be final and binding on the Participant, the Participant's beneficiaries, and any other person having or claiming an interest in such Restricted Stock Units. The settlement of any award with respect to the Restricted Stock Units is subject to the provisions of the Plan and to interpretations, regulations, and determinations concerning the Plan as established from time to time by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

# 12. <u>Income Taxes; Withholding Taxes</u>.

The Participant agrees, as a condition of receiving the Restricted Stock Units, to pay to the Company or a Subsidiary, as applicable, or make arrangement satisfactory to the Company regarding the payment of, all applicable federal, state and local taxes (including the Participant's FICA obligation) required by law to be withheld with respect to the Restricted Stock Units. The Participant is solely responsible for the satisfaction of all taxes and penalties that may arise in connection with the Restricted Stock Units pursuant to this Agreement. At the time of taxation, the Company shall have the right to deduct from amounts payable with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, including by withholding shares of Stock, an amount equal to the federal (including FICA), state and local income and payroll taxes and other amounts as may be required by law to be withheld with respect to the Restricted Stock Units. Without limiting the foregoing, upon payment of the Restricted Stock Units, the Company shall withhold shares subject to the vested Restricted Stock Units to cover any of the applicable withholding for related FICA tax and income tax liabilities at the minimum applicable tax rate.

#### 13. Governing Law.

The validity, construction, interpretation, and effect of this instrument shall exclusively be governed by, and determined in accordance with, the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, excluding any conflicts or choice of law rule or principle.

# 14. Award Subject to Applicable Laws and Company Policies.

This Agreement shall be subject to any required approvals by any governmental or regulatory agencies. This award of the Restricted Stock Units shall be subject to repayment to (*i.e.*, clawback by) the Company or a related entity as determined in good faith by the Committee or the Board in the event repayment is required by the terms of the Company's recoupment, clawback or similar policy as may be in effect from time to time or by applicable federal or state

law or regulation or applicable listing standard of any national securities exchange or system on which the Stock is then listed or reported; provided that any such clawback or similar policy that is adopted by the Board after the Grant Date shall have a look-back period of not more than approximately three years, unless, in the opinion of counsel satisfactory to the Participant, required by applicable federal or state law or regulation or applicable listing standard.

#### 15. Assignment.

This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the successors and assignees of the Company. The Participant may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, or otherwise dispose of the Restricted Stock Units, except in the event of the Participant's death.

#### 16. Code Section 409A.

This award of Restricted Stock Units is intended to be exempt from or comply with the applicable requirements of Code Section 409A and shall be administered in accordance with Code Section 409A. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, if the Restricted Stock Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and the Restricted Stock Units become vested and settled upon the Participant's termination of employment, payment with respect to the Restricted Stock Units shall be delayed for a period of six months after the Participant's termination of employment if the Participant is a "specified employee" as defined under Code Section 409A (as determined by the Committee) and if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. If payment is delayed, the shares of Stock of the Company and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed within 30 days after the date that is the six-month anniversary of the Participant's termination of employment. If the Participant dies during the six-month delay, the shares of Stock and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed in accordance with the Participant's will or under the applicable laws of descent and distribution. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, payments made with respect to this award of Restricted Stock Units may only be made in a manner and upon an event permitted by Code Section 409A, and all payments to be made upon a termination of employment hereunder may only be made upon a "separation from service" as defined under Code Section 409A, and if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. To the extent that any provision of this Agreement would cause a conflict with the requirements of Code Section 409A, or would cause the administration of the Restricted Stock Units to fail to satisfy the requirements of Code Section 409A, such provision shall be deemed null and void to the extent permitted by applicable law. In no event shall the Participant, directly or indirectly, designate the calendar year of payment. If the Restricted Stock Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and payment is subject to the execution of a Release, and if such payment could be made in more than one taxable year, payment shall be made in the later taxable year, if required by Code Section 409A.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused its duly authorized officer to execute and attest this instrument,	and the Participant
has placed the Participant's signature hereon, effective as of the Grant Date set forth above.	

D	YNEX CAPITAL, INC.
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	ledges receipt of the Plan incorporated herein, (b) acknowledges that the Participant has read this onditions set forth herein, (c) accepts the award of the Restricted Stock Units described in this
Agreement, (d) agrees to be bound by the te Committee with respect to the Restricted Stock	erms of the Plan and this Agreement, and (e) agrees that all decisions and determinations of the Units shall be final and binding.

PARTIC	CIPANT			
Name:			 	

Signature Page to Restricted Stock Unit Award

# **DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.**

# 2020 STOCK AND INCENTIVE PLAN

# RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD

Inc., a	This Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (this " <u>Agreement</u> ") is made as of, 2023 (the " <u>Grant Date</u> "), by Dynex Capital, Virginia corporation (the " <u>Company</u> "), to, a Key Employee of the Company (the " <u>Participant</u> ").
	<u>RECITALS</u>
of Res	<b>WHEREAS</b> , the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (as may be amended from time to time, the " <u>Plan</u> ") permits the grant stricted Stock Units in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Plan;
Stock	WHEREAS, the Company desires to grant Restricted Stock Units to the Participant, and the Participant desires to accept such Restricted Units, on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Plan; and
contai	<b>WHEREAS</b> , the applicable provisions of the Plan are incorporated into this Agreement by reference, including the definitions of terms ned in the Plan (unless such terms are otherwise defined herein).
	NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:
1.	Award of Restricted Stock Units.
vesting	The Company hereby awards to the Participant [] Restricted Stock Units (hereinafter, the "Restricted Stock Units"), subject to the g and other conditions of this Agreement.
2.	Vesting.
	(a) General Vesting Terms.
to this	(i) Provided the Participant remains employed by the Company or a Subsidiary through the applicable vesting date set forth in action 2 (the " <u>Vesting Date</u> ") and meets all applicable requirements set forth in this Agreement, the Restricted Stock Units awarded pursuant Agreement shall vest as follows, except as set forth in Sections 2(b) and 2(c) below (the period over which the Restricted Stock Units vest arred to as the " <u>Period of Restriction</u> "):

Vesting Date
The first anniversary of the Grant Date
February 28, 2025
February 28, 2026

Vested Restricted Stock Units
33% of the awarded Restricted Stock Units
33% of the awarded Restricted Stock Units
34% of the awarded Restricted Stock Units

(ii) The vesting of the Restricted Stock Units is cumulative, but shall not exceed 100% of the Restricted Stock Units. If the foregoing schedule would produce fractional units, the number of Restricted Stock Units vesting shall be rounded up to the nearest whole unit, but not in excess of 100% of the Restricted Stock Units.

#### (b) <u>Involuntary Termination</u>.

- (i) If the Participant terminates employment during the Period of Restriction because of an Involuntary Termination, whether before, on the date of, or after a Change of Control, the Participant's unvested Restricted Stock Units will automatically vest in full on the date of such termination of employment.
- (ii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Involuntary Termination</u>" shall mean the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Company or a Subsidiary without Cause, other than on account of death or Disability, or the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Participant for Good Reason, in either case; provided the Participant signs and does not revoke a release and waiver of claims in favor of the Company and its Affiliates in a form provided by the Company (a "<u>Release</u>").
- (c) <u>Death or Disability</u>. In the event of the Participant's death or termination of employment on account of a Disability while employed by the Company or a Subsidiary during the Period of Restriction, the Participant's unvested Restricted Stock Units will automatically vest in full on the date of the Participant's death or termination of employment on account of Disability; provided that in the event the termination of employment is on account of Disability, the Participant signs and does not revoke a Release. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Disability</u>" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Participant's employment agreement with the Company.
- (d) **Retirement.** In the event of the Participant's Retirement from the Company and its Subsidiaries during the Period of Restriction, the Participant's unvested Restricted Stock Units will automatically vest in full on the date of the Participant's Retirement; provided that the Participant signs and does not revoke a Release. For purposes of this Agreement, the term

"Retirement" shall mean termination of employment other than for Cause after attaining age 65 with 10 years of service with the Company.

(e) Other Termination. Except as provided in Sections 2(b), 2(c) and 2(d), in the event of a termination of employment, the Participant will forfeit all Restricted Stock Units that do not vest either on or before the termination date. No Restricted Stock Units will vest after the Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary has terminated for any reason. For clarification purposes, in the event the Participant's employment is terminated by the Company or a Subsidiary for Cause, the outstanding Restricted Stock Units (whether vested or unvested) held by such Participant shall immediately terminate and be of no further force or effect.

### 3. Restricted Stock Units Account.

The Company shall establish a bookkeeping account on its records for the Participant and shall credit the Participant's Restricted Stock Units to the bookkeeping account.

## 4. <u>Dividend Equivalents.</u>

Dividend equivalents shall accrue with respect to the Participant's Restricted Stock Units and shall be payable subject to the same vesting terms and other conditions as the Restricted Stock Units to which they relate. Dividend equivalents shall be credited on the Restricted Stock Units when dividends are declared on shares of Stock from the Grant Date until the payment date for the vested Restricted Stock Units. The Company will keep records of dividend equivalents in a non-interest-bearing bookkeeping account for the Participant. No interest will be credited to any such account. Vested dividend equivalents shall be paid in cash at the same time and subject to the same terms as the underlying vested Restricted Stock Units. If and to the extent that the underlying Restricted Stock Units are forfeited, all related dividend equivalents shall also be forfeited.

## 5. <u>Conversion of Restricted Stock Units.</u>

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section 5, if the Restricted Stock Units vest in accordance with Section 2(a), the Participant shall be entitled to receive payment of the vested Restricted Stock Units within 60 days after the applicable Vesting Date.
- (b) If the Restricted Stock Units vest in accordance with Section 2(b) (Involuntary Termination), Section 2(c) (death or Disability), or Section 2(d) (Retirement), the Participant shall receive payment of the vested Restricted Stock Units within 60 days after the date of the Participant's termination of employment on account of Involuntary Termination, death, Disability, or Retirement, as applicable, subject to the six month delay under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code, if applicable, as described in Section 16 below.
- (c) On the applicable payment date, each vested Restricted Stock Unit credited to the Participant's account shall be settled in whole shares of Stock of the Company equal to the number of vested Restricted Stock Units, subject to (i) the limitation of subsection (d) below, (ii) compliance with the six-month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable, and (iii) the

payment of any federal, state and local withholding taxes as described in Section 12 below. The obligation of the Company to distribute shares of Stock shall be subject to the rights of the Company as set forth in the Plan and to all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and such approvals by governmental agencies as may be deemed appropriate by the Committee, including as set forth in Section 14 below.

(d) For the avoidance of doubt, the Participant will forfeit all Restricted Stock Units if the Participant's employment is terminated for Cause prior to the payment date under this Section 5.

## 6. <u>Certain Corporate Changes.</u>

In the event of a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares, spin-off, recapitalization or merger in which the Company is the surviving corporation, or other change in the Company's capital stock (including, but not limited to, the creation or issuance to shareholders generally of rights, options or warrants for the purchase of common stock or preferred stock of the Company), the Committee shall adjust, as provided in the Plan, the number and class of shares or securities of the Company underlying the Restricted Stock Units held by the Participant, the maximum number of shares of Stock for which the Restricted Stock Units may vest, in each case, as appropriate to reflect the effect of such event or change in the Company's capital structure in such a way as to preserve the value of the Restricted Stock Units. Any adjustment that occurs under the terms of this Section 6 or the Plan will not change the timing or form of payment with respect to any Restricted Stock Units except in accordance with Code Section 409A.

## 7. No Stockholder Rights.

The Participant has no voting rights, no dividend rights and no other ownership rights and privileges of a stockholder with respect to the shares of Stock subject to the Restricted Stock Units, except as provided in Section 4 with respect to dividend equivalents.

## 8. Retention Rights.

Neither the award of Restricted Stock Units, nor any other action taken with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, shall confer upon the Participant any right to continue in the employ or service of the Company or a Subsidiary or shall interfere in any way with the right of the Company or a Subsidiary to terminate Participant's employment or service at any time.

## 9. Amendment, Modification or Substitution.

This award may be amended, modified or substituted by the Committee, in whole or in part, in accordance with Section 15.1 of the Plan.

### 10. Notice.

Any notice to the Company provided for in this Agreement shall be addressed to it in care of the Chief Financial Officer of the Company, or in his or her absence, the Secretary of the

Company, 4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100, Glen Allen, VA 23060, and any notice to the Participant shall be addressed to such Participant at the current address shown on the payroll system of the Company or a Subsidiary thereof, or to such other address as the Participant may designate to the Company in writing. Any notice provided for hereunder shall be delivered by hand, sent by telecopy or electronic mail, or enclosed in a properly sealed envelope addressed as stated above, registered and deposited, postage and registry fee prepaid in the United States mail, or other mail delivery service. Notice to the Company shall be deemed effective upon receipt. By receipt of this Agreement, the Participant hereby consents to the delivery of information (including without limitation, information required to be delivered to the Participant pursuant to the applicable securities laws) regarding the Company, the Plan, and the Restricted Stock Units via the Company's electronic mail system or other electronic delivery system.

#### 11. Incorporation of Plan by Reference.

This Agreement is made pursuant to the terms of the Plan, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference, and shall in all respects be interpreted in accordance therewith. The decisions of the Committee shall be conclusive upon any question arising hereunder. The Participant's receipt of the Restricted Stock Units awarded under this Agreement constitutes the Participant's acknowledgment that all decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Plan, this Agreement, and/or the Restricted Stock Units shall be final and binding on the Participant, his or her beneficiaries, and any other person having or claiming an interest in such Restricted Stock Units. The settlement of any award with respect to Restricted Stock Units is subject to the provisions of the Plan and to interpretations, regulations, and determinations concerning the Plan as established from time to time by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

### 12. <u>Income Taxes; Withholding Taxes.</u>

The Participant agrees, as a condition of receiving the Restricted Stock Units, to pay to the Company or a Subsidiary, as applicable, or make arrangement satisfactory to the Company regarding the payment of, all applicable federal, state and local taxes (including the Participant's FICA obligation) required by law to be withheld with respect to the Restricted Stock Units. The Participant is solely responsible for the satisfaction of all taxes and penalties that may arise in connection with the Restricted Stock Units pursuant to this Agreement. At the time of taxation, the Company shall have the right to deduct from amounts payable with respect to the Restricted Stock Units, including by withholding shares of Stock, an amount equal to the federal (including FICA), state and local income and payroll taxes and other amounts as may be required by law to be withheld with respect to the Restricted Stock Units. Without limiting the foregoing, upon payment of the Restricted Stock Units, the Company shall withhold shares subject to the vested Restricted Stock Units to cover any of the applicable withholding for related FICA tax and income tax liabilities at the minimum applicable tax rate.

## 13. Governing Law.

The validity, construction, interpretation, and effect of this instrument shall exclusively be governed by, and determined in accordance with, the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, excluding any conflicts or choice of law rule or principle.

## 14. Award Subject to Applicable Laws and Company Policies.

This Agreement shall be subject to any required approvals by any governmental or regulatory agencies. This award of Restricted Stock Units shall be subject to repayment to (*i.e.*, clawback by) the Company or a related entity as determined in good faith by the Committee or the Board in the event repayment is required by the terms of the Company's recoupment, clawback or similar policy as may be in effect from time to time or by applicable federal or state law or regulation or applicable listing standard of any national securities exchange or system on which the Stock is then listed or reported, but in no event with a look-back period of more than three years, unless in the opinion of counsel satisfactory to the Participant required by applicable federal or state law or regulation or applicable listing standard.

## 15. Assignment.

This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the successors and assignees of the Company. The Participant may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, or otherwise dispose of the Restricted Stock Units, except in the event of the Participant's death.

#### 16. Code Section 409A.

This award of Restricted Stock Units is intended to be exempt from or comply with the applicable requirements of Code Section 409A and shall be administered in accordance with Code Section 409A. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, if the Restricted Stock Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and the Restricted Stock Units become vested and settled upon the Participant's termination of employment, payment with respect to the Restricted Stock Units shall be delayed for a period of six months after the Participant's termination of employment if the Participant is a "specified employee" as defined under Code Section 409A (as determined by the Committee) and if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. If payment is delayed, the shares of Stock of the Company and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed within 30 days after the date that is the six-month anniversary of the Participant's termination of employment. If the Participant dies during the six-month delay, the shares of Stock and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed in accordance with the Participant's will or under the applicable laws of descent and distribution. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, payments made with respect to this award of Restricted Stock Units may only be made in a manner and upon an event permitted by Code Section 409A, and all payments to be made upon a termination of employment hereunder may only be made upon a "separation from service" as defined under Code Section 409A, and if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. To the extent that any provision of this Agreement would cause a conflict with the requirements of Code Section 409A, or would cause the administration of the Restricted Stock Units to fail to satisfy the requirements

of Code Section 409A, such provision shall be deemed null and void to the extent permitted by applicable law. In no event shall the Participant, directly or indirectly, designate the calendar year of payment. If the Restricted Stock Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and payment is subject to the execution of a Release, and if such payment could be made in more than one taxable year, payment shall be made in the later taxable year, if required by Code Section 409A.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused its duly authorized officer to execute and attest this instrument, and the Participan has placed his or her signature hereon, effective as of the Grant Date set forth above.	
	DYNEX CAPITAL INC.
	By:
	Name:

By signing below, the Participant (a) acknowledges receipt of the Plan incorporated herein, (b) acknowledges that he or she has read this Agreement and understands the terms and conditions set forth herein, (c) accepts the award of the Restricted Stock Units described in this Agreement, (d) agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan and this Agreement, and (e) agrees that all decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Restricted Stock Units shall be final and binding.

Participant				
Name:				
Date:				

Title:

Signature Page to Restricted Stock Unit Award

## DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.

## 2020 STOCK AND INCENTIVE PLAN

# PERFORMANCE UNIT AWARD

This Performance Unit Award Agreement (this "Agreement") is made as of, 2023 (the "Grant Date"), by Dynex Capital, Inc., a Virginia corporation (the "Company"), to, a Key Employee of the Company (the "Participant"). Defined terms used in this Agreement without definition shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Plan (as defined below).
<u>RECITALS</u>
WHEREAS, the Dynex Capital, Inc. 2020 Stock and Incentive Plan (as may be amended from time to time, the "Plan") permits the grant of Performance Units that vest based on attainment of Performance Goals (as defined below) ("Performance Units") in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Company desires to grant Performance Units to the Participant, and the Participant desires to accept such Performance Units, on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Performance Units granted pursuant to this Agreement shall vest based on the attainment of Performance Goals related to Total Economic Return ("TER") and continued employment; and
<b>WHEREAS</b> , the applicable provisions of the Plan are incorporated into this Agreement by reference, including the definitions of terms contained in the Plan (unless such terms are otherwise defined herein).
NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:
1. <u>Award of Performance Units</u> . The Company hereby awards to the Participant Performance Units (hereinafter, the "Target Award"), subject to the vesting and other conditions of this Agreement. Payment of the Performance Units will be based on performance against the metrics forth in <u>Schedule A</u> (the "Performance Goals") and, except as otherwise provided herein, continued employment.
2. <u>Vesting</u> .
(a) General Vesting Terms. The Participant shall vest in a number of Performance Units with respect to the Target Award based on the attainment of the Performance Goals as of the end of the Performance Period (as defined below), provided that, except as set forth in Sections 2(b), 2(c) and 2(d), the Participant remains employed by the Company or a Subsidiary through December 31, 2025 (the "Vesting Date"). The performance period is the period beginning on January 1, 2023 and ending on December 31, 2025, unless earlier terminated in accordance with Sections 2(b), 2(c), or 2(d) below (the "Performance Period"). Except as specifically provided below in this Section 2, no Performance Units will vest for any reason prior to the Vesting Date, and in the event of a termination of the

Participant's employment prior to the Vesting Date, the Participant will forfeit to the Company all Performance Units that have not yet vested as of the termination date.

#### (b) <u>Involuntary Termination</u>.

- (i) Except as provided in Section 2(d) below, if the Participant incurs an Involuntary Termination (as defined below) prior to the Vesting Date, then on the date of such Involuntary Termination, the Participant will vest in a number of Performance Units based on attainment of the Performance Goals through the date of the Involuntary Termination as described in Schedule A. For purposes of calculating performance pursuant to this Section 2(b), the last day of the Performance Period shall be the earlier of (x) the date of the Involuntary Termination, and (y) December 31, 2025.
- (ii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Involuntary Termination" shall mean the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Company or a Subsidiary without Cause, other than on account of death or Disability (as defined below), or the Participant's termination of employment from the Company and its Subsidiaries on account of a termination by the Participant for Good Reason, in either case, provided the Participant signs and does not revoke a release and waiver of claims in favor of the Company and its Affiliates in a form provided by the Company (a "Release").

### (c) Retirement, Death or Disability.

- (i) Except as provided in Section 2(d) below, if the Participant incurs a termination of employment on account of Retirement (as defined below), death, or Disability prior to the Vesting Date, then on the date of such termination of employment, the Participant will vest in a number of Performance Units based on the attainment of the Performance Goals through the date of such termination of employment as described in Schedule A, provided that in the event the termination of employment is on account of Retirement or Disability, the Participant signs and does not revoke a Release. For purposes of calculating performance pursuant to this Section 2(c), the last day of the Performance Period shall be the earlier of (x) the date of the termination of employment, and (y) December 31, 2025.
- (ii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Disability" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Participant's employment agreement with the Company.
- (iii) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "**Retirement**" shall mean termination of employment other than for Cause after attaining age 65 with 10 years of service with the Company.

## (d) Change of Control.

- (i) If a Change of Control occurs on or before December 31, 2025, the number of Performance Units that may vest shall be determined as of the date of the Change of Control based on performance through the date of the Change of Control, and such Performance Units shall vest if the Participant remains employed through the Vesting Date. For purposes of calculating performance pursuant to this <u>Section 2(d)</u> as of the date of the Change of Control, the last day of the Performance Period shall be the date immediately prior to the Change of Control.
- (ii) If the Participant's employment terminates on account of Involuntary Termination within six (6) months prior to a Change of Control or on account of Involuntary Termination, Retirement, death, or Disability upon or within 18 months following a Change of Control, the Participant will immediately vest in the Performance Units calculated as described in Section 2(d)(i) above.

- (e) <u>Cause</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, in the event the Participant's employment is terminated by the Company or a Subsidiary for Cause, all outstanding Performance Units (whether vested or unvested) held by the Participant shall immediately terminate and be of no further force or effect.
- (f) Other Termination. Except as provided in Sections 2(b), 2(c), and 2(d), in the event of a termination of employment prior to the Vesting Date, the Participant will forfeit all unvested Performance Units. No Performance Units will vest after the Participant's employment with the Company or a Subsidiary has terminated for any reason.
- 3. <u>Performance Units Account.</u> The Company shall establish a bookkeeping account on its records for the Participant and shall credit the Participant's Performance Units to the bookkeeping account.
- 4. <u>Dividend Equivalents</u>. Dividend equivalents shall accrue with respect to the target number of Participant's Performance Units and shall be payable subject to the same vesting terms, vesting percentage and other conditions as the Performance Units to which they relate. Dividend equivalents shall be credited on the Performance Units when dividends are declared on shares of Stock from the Grant Date until the payment date for the vested Performance Units. The Company will keep records of dividend equivalents in a non-interest-bearing bookkeeping account for the Participant. No interest will be credited to any such account. Vested dividend equivalents shall be paid in cash at the same time and subject to the same terms as the underlying vested Performance Units. If and to the extent that the underlying Performance Units are forfeited, all related dividend equivalents shall also be forfeited.

#### 5. Conversion of Performance Units.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this <u>Section 5</u>, if the Performance Units vest in accordance with this Agreement, the Participant shall be entitled to receive payment of the vested Performance Units between January 1 and December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Vesting Date occurs, provided that the Company will use its best efforts to provide such payment to the Participant by March 15 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Vesting Date occurs.
- (b) If the Performance Units vest in accordance with Sections 2(b), 2(c), or 2(d)(ii) (i.e., Involuntary Termination, Retirement, Disability or death), the vested Performance Units shall be paid within 60 days after the date of the Participant's termination of employment, subject to the six (6) month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable; provided that, if the Participant's employment terminates on account of an Involuntary Termination within six (6) months prior to a Change of Control, any additional Performance Units that vest upon such Change of Control shall be paid upon such Change of Control, consistent with Code Section 409A and subject to the six (6) month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable.
- (c) On the applicable payment date, each vested Performance Unit credited to the Participant's account shall be settled in whole shares of Stock of the Company equal to the number of vested Performance Units, subject to (i) the limitation of Section 5(d) below, (ii) compliance with the six (6) month delay described in Section 16 below, if applicable, and (iii) the payment of any federal, state and local withholding taxes as described in Section 12 below. The obligation of the Company to distribute shares of Stock shall be subject to the rights of the Company as set forth in the Plan and to all

applicable laws, rules, regulations, and such approvals by governmental agencies as may be deemed appropriate by the Committee, including as set forth in Section 14 below.

- (d) For the avoidance of doubt, the Participant will forfeit all Performance Units if the Participant's employment is terminated for Cause prior to the payment date under this <u>Section 5</u>.
- **Certain Corporate Changes.** In the event of a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares, spin-off, recapitalization or merger in which the Company is the surviving corporation, or other change in the Company's capital stock (including, but not limited to, the creation or issuance to shareholders generally of rights, options or warrants for the purchase of common stock or preferred stock of the Company), the Committee shall adjust, as provided in the Plan, the number and class of shares or securities of the Company underlying the Performance Units held by the Participant, the maximum, target and threshold number of shares of Stock for which the Performance Units may vest, the Performance Goals, and the share price or class of Stock for purposes of the Performance Goals, in each case, as appropriate to reflect the effect of such event or change in the Company's capital structure in such a way as to preserve the value of the Performance Units. Any adjustment that occurs under the terms of this Section 6 or the Plan will not change the timing or form of payment with respect to any Performance Units except in accordance with Code Section 409A.
- 7. No Stockholder Rights. The Participant has no voting rights, no dividend rights, and no other ownership rights and privileges of a stockholder with respect to the shares of Stock subject to the Performance Units, except as provided in Section 4 above with respect to dividend equivalents.
- **8.** Retention Rights. Neither the award of Performance Units, nor any other action taken with respect to the Performance Units, shall confer upon the Participant any right to continue in the employ or service of the Company or a Subsidiary to terminate Participant's employment or service at any time.
- 9. <u>Amendment; Modification or Substitution</u>. This award may be amended, modified or substituted by the Committee, in whole or in part, in accordance with Section 15.1 of the Plan.
- 10. Notice. Any notice to the Company provided for in this Agreement shall be addressed to it in care of the Chief Financial Officer of the Company, 4991 Lake Brook Drive, Suite 100, Glen Allen, VA 23060, and any notice to the Participant shall be addressed to such Participant at the current address shown on the payroll system of the Company or a Subsidiary thereof, or to such other address as the Participant may designate to the Company in writing. Any notice provided for hereunder shall be delivered by hand, sent by telecopy or electronic mail, or enclosed in a properly sealed envelope addressed as stated above, registered and deposited, postage and registry fee prepaid in the United States mail, or other mail delivery service. Notice to the Company shall be deemed effective upon receipt. By receipt of this Agreement, the Participant hereby consents to the delivery of information (including without limitation, information required to be delivered to the Participant pursuant to the applicable securities laws) regarding the Company, the Plan, and the Performance Units via the Company's electronic mail system or other electronic delivery system.
- 11. <u>Incorporation of Plan by Reference</u>. This Agreement is made pursuant to the terms of the Plan, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference, and shall in all respects be interpreted in accordance therewith. The decisions of the Committee shall be conclusive upon any question arising hereunder. The Participant's receipt of the Performance Units awarded under this Agreement constitutes the Participant's acknowledgment that all decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to

the Plan, this Agreement, and/or the Performance Units shall be final and binding on the Participant, his or her beneficiaries, and any other person having or claiming an interest in such Performance Units. The settlement of any award with respect to Performance Units is subject to the provisions of the Plan and to interpretations, regulations, and determinations concerning the Plan as established from time to time by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

- 12. Income Taxes; Withholding Taxes. The Participant agrees, as a condition of receiving the Performance Units, to pay to the Company or a Subsidiary, as applicable, or make arrangement satisfactory to the Company regarding the payment of, all applicable federal, state and local taxes (including the Participant's FICA obligation) required by law to be withheld with respect to the Performance Units. The Participant is solely responsible for the satisfaction of all taxes and penalties that may arise in connection with the Performance Units pursuant to this Agreement. At the time of taxation, the Company shall have the right to deduct from amounts payable with respect to the Performance Units, including by withholding shares of Stock, an amount equal to the federal (including FICA), state and local income and payroll taxes and other amounts as may be required by law to be withheld with respect to the Performance Units. Without limiting the foregoing, upon payment of the Performance Units, the Company shall withhold shares subject to the vested Performance Units to cover any of the applicable withholding for related FICA tax and income tax liabilities.
- 13. Governing Law. The validity, construction, interpretation, and effect of this instrument shall exclusively be governed by, and determined in accordance with, the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, excluding any conflicts or choice of law rule or principle.
- **Award Subject to Applicable Laws and Company Policies.** This Agreement shall be subject to any required approvals by any governmental or regulatory agencies. This award of Performance Units shall be subject to repayment to (*i.e.*, clawback by) the Company or a related entity as determined in good faith by the Committee or the Board in the event repayment is required by the terms of the Company's recoupment, clawback or similar policy as may be in effect from time to time or by applicable federal or state law or regulation or applicable listing standard of any national securities exchange or system on which the Stock is then listed or reported, but in no event with a look-back period of more than three years, unless in the opinion of counsel satisfactory to the Participant required by applicable federal or state law or regulation or applicable listing standard.
- **15.** <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the successors and assignees of the Company. The Participant may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, or otherwise dispose of the Performance Units, except in the event of the Participant's death.
- 16. Code Section 409A. This award of Performance Units is intended to be exempt from or comply with the applicable requirements of Code Section 409A and shall be administered in accordance with Code Section 409A. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, if the Performance Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and the Performance Units become vested and settled upon the Participant's termination of employment, payment with respect to the Performance Units shall be delayed for a period of six months after the Participant's termination of employment if the Participant is a "specified employee" as defined under Code Section 409A (as determined by the Committee) and if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. If payment is delayed, the shares of Stock of the Company and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed within 30 days after the date that is the sixmonth anniversary of the Participant's termination of employment. If the Participant dies during the six-month delay, the shares of Stock and accrued cash dividend equivalents shall be distributed in accordance with the Participant's will or under the applicable laws of descent and

distribution. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, payments made with respect to this award of Performance Units may only be made in a manner and upon an event permitted by Code Section 409A, and all payments to be made upon a termination of employment hereunder may only be made upon a "separation from service" as defined under Code Section 409A, if required pursuant to Code Section 409A. To the extent that any provision of this Agreement would cause a conflict with the requirements of Code Section 409A, or would cause the administration of the Performance Units to fail to satisfy the requirements of Code Section 409A, such provision shall be deemed null and void to the extent permitted by applicable law. In no event shall the Participant, directly or indirectly, designate the calendar year of payment. If the Performance Units constitute "deferred compensation" under Code Section 409A and payment is subject to the execution of a Release, and if such payment could be made in more than one taxable year, payment shall be made in the later taxable year, if required by Code Section 409A.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused its duly a	authorized officer to execute	e and attest this instrument,	, and the Participant has p	placed his or
her signature hereon, effective as of the Grant Date set forth above.				

	DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.
	By: Name: Title:
and understands the terms and conditions set f	acknowledges receipt of the Plan incorporated herein, (b) acknowledges that he or she has read this Agreement forth herein, (c) accepts the award of the Performance Units described in this Agreement, (d) agrees to be bounded (e) agrees that all decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions and determinations of the Committee with respect to the Performance Units shall be decisions as the Performance Units shall be decisions
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#### Schedule A

The Performance Units will vest based on the attainment of TER Performance Goals, as described in this <u>Schedule A</u>, *provided* that, except as set forth in <u>Sections 2(b)</u>, <u>2(c)</u> and <u>2(d)</u> of the Agreement to which this <u>Schedule A</u> is attached, the Participant remains employed by the Company or a Subsidiary through the Vesting Date.

#### **Relative Performance Goals**

#### 1. Relative Performance Goals.

- (a) <u>Vesting</u>. Vesting of an aggregate of 50% of the Performance Units will be based on the Company's relative TER as compared to the TER for the Peer Group (as defined in Section 2(d) below) for the Performance Period ("**Relative TER**").
- (b) Relative TER. At the end of the Performance Period, the TER for the Company, and for each company in the Peer Group, is calculated as (A) (i) such company's Book Value (as defined below) per share of stock at the end of the Performance Period, <u>plus</u> (ii) the cumulative dividends declared by such company during the Performance Period, <u>divided by</u> (B) the Book Value per share of stock on the day immediately preceding the first day of the Performance Period (December 31, 2022). If the Performance Period ends on the Participant's termination of employment or a Change of Control occurring on or prior to December 31, 2025, as described in <u>Section 2</u> of the Agreement, then TER performance will be determined as of the end of the calendar quarter ending on or immediately preceding such termination of employment or Change of Control, as applicable.
- (c) "Book Value" per share of Stock is defined as the total common stockholders' equity, <u>divided by</u> the number of common shares of the company as of the applicable date and shall be derived from the company's financial statements, prepared in accordance with GAAP. For avoidance of doubt, Book Value per common share will be calculated using the liquidation preference of any preferred stock outstanding as of the date of the computation. The Company's Book Value per share of Stock on December 31, 2022 was \$14.73.

### 2. Relative TER Vesting Percentage.

- (a) Subject to Section 3 below, the number of Performance Units that will vest for the Performance Period with respect to the Relative TER tranche shall be determined by multiplying (i) 50% of the Target Award by (ii) the Relative TER Vesting Percentage, as determined under this Section 2.
- (b) The Relative TER Vesting Percentage will be determined based on the Company's TER for the Performance Period as compared to the TER of the companies in the Peer Group for the Performance Period, as follows:

Performance Level*	Relative TER	Relative TER Vesting Percentage
Maximum	80th Percentile or above	200%
Target	55th Percentile	100%
Threshold	30th Percentile	50%
Below Threshold	Below 30th Percentile	0%

- \* If the Company's TER rank falls between the threshold and maximum measuring points, the Company's TER rank will be interpolated and rounded to the nearest whole percentage point.<sup>1</sup>
- (c) The companies in the Peer Group will be determined on the first day of the Performance Period for purposes of the Relative TER calculation and will be changed only in accordance with <u>Section 2(d)</u> below. No company shall be added to the Peer Group during the Performance Period for purposes of the Relative TER calculation.
  - (d) The term "**Peer Group**" means the companies listed on <u>Exhibit A</u> and will be subject to change as follows:
- (i) In the event of a merger, acquisition or business combination transaction of a company in the Peer Group in which the company in the Peer Group is the surviving entity and remains publicly traded, the surviving entity shall remain a company in the Peer Group. Any entity involved in the transaction that is not the surviving company shall no longer be a company in the Peer Group.
- (ii) In the event of a merger, acquisition or business combination transaction of a company in the Peer Group, a "going private" transaction or other event involving a company in the Peer Group or the liquidation of a company in the Peer Group, in each case where the company in the Peer Group is not the surviving entity or is no longer publicly traded, the company shall no longer be a company in the Peer Group.
- (iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a bankruptcy of a company in the Peer Group where the company in the Peer Group is not publicly traded at the end of the Performance Period, such company shall remain a company in the Peer Group but shall be deemed to have a TER of negative 100% (-100%).

### 3. <u>Vesting Cap Based on Absolute TER Performance and Absolute TSR Performance.</u>

- (a) After the Relative TER Vesting Percentage is determined, as described in <u>Section 2</u> above, the Absolute TER Performance and Absolute TSR Performance (as defined below) for the Performance Period will be evaluated to determine the actual number of Performance Units that vest based on Relative TER performance (the "Final Payout Percentage").
- (b) If either the Absolute TER Performance or the Absolute TSR Performance is negative, the Final Payout Percentage with respect to the Relative TER tranche will not exceed 100% of the target number of Performance Units covered by the Relative TER tranche (*i.e.*, 50% of the total Target Award), even if the Relative TER Vesting Percentage determined under Section 2 above is greater than target. If both the Absolute TER Performance and the Absolute TSR Performance are zero or positive, the Final Payout Percentage for the Relative TER tranche will be the Relative TER Vesting Percentage determined under Section 2 above.
- (c) The term "**Absolute TSR Performance**" means the Company's total shareholder return during the Performance Period, which reflects the percentage change in the closing price of a share of Stock on the last trading day before the beginning of the Performance Period (*i.e.*, December 30, 2022) to the closing price of a share of Stock on the last trading day during the Performance Period (plus common stock dividends paid during the Performance Period, assuming immediate reinvestment of such dividends

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note to Draft: Confirm interpolation.

in additional shares of Stock).<sup>2</sup> The Absolute TSR Performance shall be determined by the Committee using the Bloomberg Terminal's Total Return Analysis ("TRA") function to derive the total return percentage in respect of the Performance Period in accordance with the previous sentence. If the Bloomberg Terminal's TRA function is not available, the Absolute TSR Performance shall be determined using the equivalent successor to such function; provided that, if there is no such successor, the Absolute TSR Performance in respect of the Performance Period shall be determined by the Committee in good faith using a generally accepted method for calculating total shareholder return.

(d) If the Absolute TSR Performance calculation is made as of the date of a Change of Control pursuant to Section 2(d) of the Agreement, the price per share of Stock for purposes of the Change of Control, as determined by the Committee, shall be used instead of the closing price per share of Stock on the last trading day of the Performance Period for purposes of calculating the Absolute TSR Performance.

#### **Absolute Performance Goals**

1. Vesting of 50% of the Target Award of Performance Units will be based on the Company's Absolute TER Performance over the Performance Period, as compared to the following reference points:

Performance Level*	TER Performance	TER Performance as a 3-year Percentage Increase**	Absolute TER Vesting Percentage
Maximum	\$6.19	42%	200%
Target	\$3.98	27%	100%
Threshold	\$1.77	12%	1%
Below Threshold			0%

<sup>\*</sup> If the Company's TER performance falls between the threshold and maximum measuring points, the Company's Absolute TER Performance will be interpolated and rounded to the nearest whole percentage point using conventional rounding.

2. "Absolute TER Performance" is expressed in dollar terms, and is calculated by (A) (i) the Company's Book Value per share of Stock at the end of the Performance Period, plus (ii) the cumulative dividends declared by the Company during the Performance Period, minus (B) the Book Value per share of Stock on the day immediately preceding the first day of the Performance Period (i.e., December 31, 2022) (which is \$14.73). If the Performance Period ends on the Participant's termination of employment or a Change of Control occurring on or prior to December 31, 2025, then TER performance will be determined as of the end of the calendar quarter ending on or immediately preceding such termination of employment or Change of Control, as applicable, and the Committee shall prorate the absolute TER

<sup>\*\*</sup> The percentages in this column are based on annual TER performance percentages of 14%, 9% and 4% for the Maximum, Target and Threshold performance levels, respectively, over the 3-year Performance Period.

Note to Draft: As drafted, TSR is calculated based on the one-day closing price for both the day before the Performance Period and the last day of the Performance Period, which could skew the results in the event of a significant fluctuation in price on either of those days. An alternative approach is to use a 20-day trailing average closing price for the beginning and end of the Performance Period, instead of the one-day closing price.

performance goal through the date as of which TER performance is determined, as the Committee deems appropriate.

3. "Book Value" shall have the meaning described in Section 1(c) above under "Relative Performance Goals."

#### **General Vesting Terms**

- 1. The actual number of Performance Units that vest will be based on the actual performance level achieved with respect to each Performance Goal. If the actual performance level achieved for any Performance Goal does not meet threshold performance for the applicable Performance Goal, then no Performance Units will be earned and vested for that Performance Goal pursuant to this Award. Threshold level performance may be achieved for one Performance Goal and not another based on the Company's actual performance during the Performance Period. The actual number of Performance Units that vest will be determined by the Committee based on the actual performance level achieved with respect to each Performance Goal during the Performance Period, factoring in the weighting for each Performance Goal. The maximum number of Performance Units that may become earned and vested pursuant to this Award is capped at 200% of the Target Award.
- 2. Provided that threshold level performance is achieved, if actual performance is between threshold and maximum performance, the number of Performance Units that will vest with respect to the Performance Goal, if any, will be interpolated on a straight line basis for pro-rata achievement for performance between threshold and maximum.
- 3. Any fractional Performance Unit resulting from the vesting of the Performance Units in accordance with this Agreement shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number. Any portion of the Performance Units that does not vest as of the end of the Performance Period shall be forfeited as of the end of the Performance Period.

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Schedule A - 4

## Exhibit A

- 1.
- AGNC Investment Corp ARMOUR Residential REIT, Inc 2.
- 3.
- Arlington Asset Investment Corp.
  Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT
  Invesco Mortgage Capital, Inc.
  Orchid Island Capital, Inc.
  Two Harbors Investment Corp
  Annaly Mortgage Corporation, Inc. 4.
- 5.
- 6. 7.
- 8.

Exhibit A - 1

#### CERTIFICATIONS

#### I, Byron L. Boston, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Dynex Capital, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date:	April 26, 2024	/s/ Byron L. Boston	
	· ·	Byron L. Boston	
		Principal Executive Officer	

#### CERTIFICATIONS

#### I, Robert S. Colligan, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Dynex Capital, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date:	April 26, 2024	/s/ Robert S. Colligan	
		Robert S. Colligan	
		Principal Financial Officer	

# CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 906

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Dynex Capital, Inc. (the "Company") for the three months ended March 31, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, as the Principal Executive Officer of the Company and the Principal Financial Officer of the Company, respectively, certify, pursuant to and for purposes of 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to their knowledge:

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(1)

(2)	The information contained in the Report fa	irly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.
Date:	April 26, 2024	/s/ Byron L. Boston
		Byron L. Boston
		Principal Executive Officer
Date:	April 26, 2024	/s/ Robert S. Colligan
		Robert S. Colligan

Principal Financial Officer