

FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE 2022

WEMA Bank Plc. Reports Gross Earnings of N59.59bn, a 50% growth rate For The 6 Months Ended 30th June 2022.

LAGOS, NIGERIA – 29th July 2022 – Wema Bank PLC (Bloomberg: Wema NL) (“Wema’ or “the Bank”), announces its unaudited results for the 6 months ended 30th June 2022.

The bank recorded Gross earnings of **₦59.59bn**, a y/y increase of 50% (H1 2021: **₦39.82bn**). Interest Income up **55%** y/y to **₦49.75bn** (H1 2021: **₦32.19bn**). Non-Interest Income up **29%** y/y to **₦9.85bn** (H1 2021: **₦7.64bn**). Profit before tax (PBT) was **₦6.13bn** a y/y increase of **43%** over the **₦4.30bn** reported in H1 2021. Profit after tax (PAT) also increased y/y by **42%** to **₦5.30bn** (**₦3.72bn** in H1 2021).

The bank grew its deposit year to date by 13% as of H1 2022 to **₦1,097.07bn** from **₦968.17bn** reported in FY 2021. Loans and advances rose by 7% to **₦447.23bn** from **₦418.86bn** in H1 2022.

INCOME STATEMENT HIGHLIGHTS	Income statement (₦'bn)	H1 2022	H1 2021	(Δ)
	<i>Gross Earnings</i>	59.59	39.82	50% ▲
	<i>Net Interest Income</i>	23.24	18.31	27% ▲
	<i>Interest Income</i>	49.75	32.19	55% ▲
	<i>Non-interest income</i>	9.85	7.64	29% ▲
	<i>Operating Income</i>	32.46	25.09	29% ▲
	<i>Operating expense</i>	26.33	20.79	27% ▼
	<i>Profit before Tax</i>	6.13	4.30	43% ▲

BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS	Balance Sheet (₦'bn)	H1 2022	FY 2021	(Δ)
	<i>Total Assets</i>	1,320.52	1,164.52	13% ▲
	<i>Loans and Advances (net)</i>	447.23	418.86	7% ▲
	<i>Total Deposits</i>	1,097.07	968.17	13% ▲
	<i>Shareholders' Funds</i>	72.58	70.36	3% ▲

KEY PERFORMANCE RATIOS	Ratio (%)	H1 2022	H1 2021	(Δ)
	<i>Return on Average Equity</i>	17.15	14.04	23% ▲
	<i>Return on Average Asset</i>	0.99	0.84	22% ▲
	<i>Net Interest Margin</i>	6.13	6.03	2% ▲
	<i>Yield on Asset</i>	15.72	10.60	43% ▲

Commenting on the result, the Managing Director, Chief Executive officer of the bank, Mr. Ademola Adebise said “Our performance has shown strong and promising results in the second quarter. Customers have continually shown trust in our proficiency, innovation, and service delivery even as the market gets more challenging. That said, I am confident, that despite increased volatility and uncertainty, we will continue to scale up, maneuver the environment, creatively manage our resources, and drive long-term, substantial returns for shareholders.”

Also speaking on the result, the bank's Chief Finance Officer, Mr. Tunde Mabawonku, explained that the strong performance stems from the bank's diversification of its business and value derived from its digital assets.

“This has been a strong first half with Interest Income up 55% and Profit Before Tax up 43% compared to H1 2021.” Mabawonku said.

“This strong showing is down to diversification at different levels of our businesses. Also, it is a testament to the advantage of our investment in digital banking assets which have continued to boost customer satisfaction and build trust for us. Also, we are aware of the challenges that the rising cost of living is having on our customers and stakeholders. Given the size of our balance sheet and income growth, we have trust in our ability to continue to provide support and help cushion the impact of growing costs in the market,” he explained.

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