

FENTURA FINANCIAL INC  
Form 10-Q  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 10-Q**

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 0-23550

**Fentura Financial, Inc.**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Michigan**

**38-2806518**

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One Fenton Sq, P.O. Box 725, Fenton, Michigan 48430**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**(810) 629-2263**

(Registrant's telephone number)

Check whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the 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       No

**APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS**

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date: October 17, 2002

Class - Common Stock      Shares Outstanding - 1,728,120

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**PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

## Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements

Fentura Financial, Inc.  
Consolidated Balance Sheets

(000's omitted Except share data)	SEPT 30, 2002 (unaudited)	DEC 31, 2001
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$18,707	\$19,038
Federal funds sold	25,900	22,800
Total cash & cash equivalents	44,607	41,838
Securities-available for sale	29,468	25,792
Securities-held to maturity, (market value of \$13,059 at September 30, 2002 and \$13,508 at December 31, 2001)	12,613	13,375
Total securities	42,081	39,167
Loans held for sale	3,477	1,710
Loans:		
Commercial	118,738	116,663
Tax exempt development loans	5,397	2,231
Real estate loans - mortgage	11,517	11,158
Real estate loans - construction	26,032	25,434
Consumer loans	59,446	58,644
Total loans	221,130	214,130
Less: Allowance for loan losses	(3,133)	(3,125)
Net loans	217,997	211,005
Bank Owned Life Insurance	6,147	2,501
Bank premises and equipment	9,310	8,532
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	822	822
Accrued interest receivable	1,597	1,445
Other assets	2,039	2,070
Total assets	\$328,077	\$309,090
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Deposits:		
Non-interest bearing deposits	\$47,087	\$42,524
Interest bearing deposits	236,363	222,746
Total deposits	283,450	265,270
Short-term borrowings	1,500	2,100
Federal Home Loan Bank Advances	1,123	1,138
Accrued taxes, interest and other liabilities	2,629	2,149
Total liabilities	288,702	270,657
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Common stock - no par value		
1,725,589 shares issued (1,735,496 in Dec. 2001)	30,350	30,664
Retained earnings	8,776	7,677
Accumulated other comprehensive income	249	92
Total shareholders' equity	39,375	38,433

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Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity

\$328,077

\$309,090

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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**Fentura Financial, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)**

(000's omitted except per share data)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended
	September 30,		
	2002	2001	2002
<b>INTEREST INCOME</b>			
Interest and fees on loans	\$4,024	\$4,355	\$11,900
Interest and dividends on securities:			
Taxable	247	537	780
Tax-exempt	167	165	460
Interest on federal funds sold	116	311	260
<b>Total interest income</b>	<b>4,554</b>	<b>5,368</b>	<b>13,410</b>
<b>INTEREST EXPENSE</b>			
Deposits	1,375	2,212	4,250
Short-term borrowings	25	27	70
<b>Total interest expense</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>2,239</b>	<b>4,320</b>
<b>NET INTEREST INCOME</b>	<b>3,154</b>	<b>3,129</b>	<b>9,090</b>
Provision for loan losses	107	179	200
<b>Net interest income after Provision for loan losses</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>2,950</b>	<b>8,890</b>
<b>NON-INTEREST INCOME</b>			
Service charges on deposit accounts	661	511	1,800
Trust income	147	159	420
Other operating income	311	268	810
Gain on sale of loans	270	170	560
Gain on sale of securities	0	160	0
<b>Total non-interest income</b>	<b>1,389</b>	<b>1,268</b>	<b>3,610</b>
<b>NON-INTEREST EXPENSE</b>			
Salaries and benefits	1,665	1,643	4,970
Occupancy of bank premises	267	236	780
Equipment expense	376	376	1,120
Other operating expenses	794	803	2,330
<b>Total non-interest expense</b>	<b>3,102</b>	<b>3,058</b>	<b>9,220</b>

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INCOME BEFORE TAXES	1,334	1,160	3,26
Applicable income taxes	407	354	97
NET INCOME	\$927	\$806	\$2,29
Per share:			
Net income - basic	\$0.53	\$0.47	\$1.
Net income - diluted	\$0.53	\$0.46	\$1.
Cash dividends declared	\$0.23	\$0.22	\$0.

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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**Fentura Financial, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity (Unaudited)**

	Nine Months Ended	Nine Mon Ended
(000's omitted)	September 30, 2002	September 2001
COMMON STOCK		
Balance, beginning of period	\$30,664	\$30,3
Issuance of shares under Director stock purchase plan & Dividend reinvestment program	111	2
Purchase of 16,749 shares of stock	(425)	
Balance, end of period	30,350	30,5
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Balance, beginning of period	7,677	5,6
Net income	2,296	2,5
Cash dividends declared	(1,197)	(1,1
Balance, end of period	8,776	7,0
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)		
Balance, beginning of period	92	(2
Change in unrealized gain (loss) on securities, net of tax	157	6
Balance, end of period	249	4
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$39,375	\$38,0

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

**Fentura Financial, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)**

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(000's omitted)	2002	2001
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income	\$2,296	\$2,567
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash		
Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	761	672
Provision for loan losses	209	572
Amortization (accretion) on securities	373	(5)
Loans originated for sale	(32,917)	(30,542)
Proceeds from the sale of loans	31,712	29,924
Gain on sale of securities	0	(317)
Gain on sales of loans	(562)	(403)
Net increase in bank owned life insurance	(3,646)	0
Net (increase) decrease in interest receivable & other assets	(121)	554
Net increase (decrease) in interest payable & other liabilities	399	(532)
Total Adjustments	(3,792)	(77)
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Operating Activities	(1,496)	2,490
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>		
Proceeds from maturities of securities - HTM	5,193	3,773
Proceeds from maturities of securities - AFS	4,888	4,074
Proceeds from calls of securities - AFS	9,935	18,596
Proceeds from sales of securities - AFS	0	10,431
Purchases of securities - HTM	(4,444)	(1,738)
Purchases of securities - AFS	(18,621)	(19,613)
Net increase in loans	(7,201)	(8,321)
Capital expenditures	(1,539)	(2,263)
Net Cash Provided By (Used in) Investing Activities	(11,789)	4,939
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities:</b>		

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Net increase (decrease) in deposits	18,180	27,739
Net increase (decrease) in borrowings	(615)	(3,193)
Purchase of 16,749 shares of stock	(425)	0
Proceeds from stock issuance	111	277
Cash dividends	(1,197)	(1,141)
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Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Financing Activities	16,054	23,682
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$2,769	\$31,111
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING	\$41,838	\$20,709
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - ENDING	\$44,607	\$51,820
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CASH PAID FOR:		
INTEREST	\$4,093	\$7,278
INCOME TAXES	\$1,060	\$1,518
See notes to consolidated financial statements.		

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**Fentura Financial, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)**

(000's Omitted)	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
Net Income	\$927	\$806	\$2,296	\$2,296
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:				
Unrealized holding gains (losses) arising during period	\$51	\$348	\$157	\$157
Less: reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income	\$0	\$106	\$0	\$0
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Other comprehensive income (loss)	\$51	\$242	\$157	\$157
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Comprehensive income	\$978	\$1,048	\$2,453	\$2,453
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**Fentura Financial, Inc.**  
**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)**

**Note 1. Basis of presentation**

The consolidated financial statements include Fentura Financial, Inc. (the Corporation) and its wholly owned subsidiaries, The State Bank in Fenton, Michigan and Davison State Bank in Davison, Michigan (the Banks). Intercompany transactions and balances are eliminated in consolidation.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and the instructions for Form - 10Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of

the information and notes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2002. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Corporation's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.

Reclassifications: Some items in the prior year financial statements were reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

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## Note 2. Earnings per common share

A reconciliation of the numerators and denominators used in the computation of basic earnings per common share and diluted earnings per common share is presented below. Earnings per common share are presented below for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
	----	----	----	----
Basic Earnings Per Common Share:				
Numerator				
Net Income	\$927,000	\$806,000	\$2,296,000	\$2,560,000
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Denominator				
Weighted average common shares Outstanding	1,733,535	1,730,576	1,735,080	1,728,000
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Basic earnings per common share	\$0.53	\$0.47	\$1.32	\$1.48
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Diluted Earnings Per Common Share:				
Numerator				
Net Income	\$ 927,000	\$ 806,000	\$2,296,000	\$2,560,000
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Denominator				
Weighted average common shares Outstanding for basic earnings per Common share	1,733,535	1,730,576	1,735,080	1,728,000
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Add: Dilutive effects of assumed Exercises of stock options	5,566	3,528	4,723	4,723
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Weighted average common shares And dilutive potential common Shares outstanding	1,739,101 =====	1,734,104 =====	1,739,803 =====	1,73 =====
Diluted earnings per common share	\$0.53 =====	\$0.46 =====	\$1.32 =====	

Stock options for 6,841 and 6,975 shares of common stock for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 were not considered in computing diluted earnings per common share because they were not dilutive.

**Note 3. Commitments and contingencies**

There are various contingent liabilities that are not reflected in the financial statements including claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, after consultation with legal counsel, the ultimate disposition of these matters is not expected to have a material effect on the Corporation's consolidated financial condition or results of operations.

**Item 2 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

**Results of Operations**

As indicated in the income statement, earnings for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 were \$2,296,000 compared to \$2,567,000 for the same period in 2001. Net income for the third quarter of 2002 was \$927,000 compared to \$806,000 for the same period in 2001. Earnings increased in the third quarter due to an increase in non-interest income and an increase in net interest income. Earnings decreased on a year to date basis due to a decrease in net interest income and slightly higher non-interest expenses. The Corporation continues to focus on core banking activities and new opportunities in current and surrounding markets. Management believes that the softening of the economy that began in 2001 and projected economic uncertainty may continue to place pressure on net interest income and asset quality.

The banking industry uses standard performance indicators to help evaluate a banking institution's performance. Return on average assets is one of these indicators. For the nine months ended September 30, 2002 the Corporation's return on average assets (annualized) was 0.99% compared to 1.12% for the same period in 2001. Net income per share - basic and diluted was \$1.32 in the first nine months of 2002 compared to \$1.49 for net income per share - basic and \$1.48 for net income per share diluted for the same period in 2001.

**Net Interest Income**

Net interest income and average balances and yields on major categories of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities for the three months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 are summarized in Table 3 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 are summarized in Table 2. The effects of changes in average interest rates and average balances are detailed in Table 1 below.

Table 1

(000'S OMITTED)	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 COMPARED TO 2001 INCREASE (DECREASE) DUE TO:		
	VOL	YIELD/ RATE	TOTAL
TAXABLE SECURITIES	(\$889)	(\$315)	(\$1,204)
TAX-EXEMPT SECURITIES	76	(109)	(33)
FEDERAL FUNDS SOLD	(148)	(400)	(548)
TOTAL LOANS	1,045	(2,551)	(1,506)
LOANS HELD FOR SALE	(12)	(9)	(21)
TOTAL EARNING ASSETS	72	(3,384)	(3,312)
INTEREST BEARING DEMAND DEPOSITS	75	(249)	(174)
SAVINGS DEPOSITS	285	(924)	(639)
TIME CD'S \$100,000 AND OVER	(423)	(773)	(1,196)
OTHER TIME DEPOSITS	(542)	(308)	(850)
OTHER BORROWINGS	(2)	(25)	(27)
TOTAL INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES	(607)	(2,279)	(2,886)
NET INTEREST INCOME	\$679	(\$1,105)	(\$426)

As indicated in Table 1, during the nine months ended September 30, 2002, net interest income decreased compared to the same period in 2001, principally because of the decrease in prime rate that occurred throughout 2001 that caused the variable rate loan products to reprice at lower rates. Interest expense decreased largely due to the lowering of core deposit rates and the repricing of certificates of deposits as they have matured and renewed at lower rates.

Net interest income (displayed without consideration of full tax equivalency), average balance sheet amounts, and the corresponding yields for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 are shown in Table 2. Net interest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 was \$9,085,000 a decrease of \$426,000 over the same period in 2001. This represents a decrease of 4.5%. The primary factor contributing to the net interest income decrease was the series of reductions in interest rates by the Federal Reserve Board in 2001. Net interest income for the third quarter of 2002 was \$3,154,000 an increase of \$25,000 from the same period in 2001 as shown in Table 3. This represents an increase of 0.8%. Management actions to reprice loans and deposits to improve the margin and short term rate stability

contributed substantially to the improvement during the third quarter of 2002.

Management expects the economy to be steady during the last quarter of 2002. Accordingly, the Corporation will continue to strategically manage the balance sheet structure to create stability in net interest income. The Corporation expects to continue to seek out new loan opportunities while continuing to maintain sound credit quality.

As indicated in Table 3, for the three months ended September 30, 2002, the Corporation's net interest margin (without consideration of full tax equivalency) was 4.38% compared with 4.28% for the same period in 2001. The increase in net interest margin is attributable to reducing deposit costs and effectively pricing new loan volume. Also, the Corporation's net interest margin for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 was 4.36% compared with 4.47% for the same period in 2001 and is indicated in Table 2. These declines are attributable to the impact of interest rate reductions by the Federal Reserve Board in 2001. The decrease in interest rates has impacted the net interest income in the short term because loans repriced more quickly than deposits thus reducing net interest income.

Average earning assets decreased 2.1% or approximately \$6,102,000 comparing the first nine months of 2002 to the same time period in 2001. Loans, the highest yielding component of earning assets, represented 77.9% of earning assets in 2002 compared to 70.6% in 2001. Average interest bearing liabilities decreased 1.7% or \$3,834,000 comparing the first nine months of 2002 to the same time period in 2001. Non-interest bearing deposits amounted to 19.2% of average earning assets in the first nine months of 2002 compared with 16.8% in the same time period of 2001.

Management continually monitors the Corporation's balance sheet to insulate net interest income from significant swings caused by interest rate volatility. If market rates change in 2002, corresponding changes in funding costs will be considered to avoid any potential negative impact on net interest income. Management has adjusted both loan and deposit rates in regard to the November 6<sup>th</sup> prime rate reduction of fifty basis points, which should alleviate any negative impact on net interest income. The Corporation's policies in this regard are further discussed in the section titled "Interest Rate Sensitivity Management".

**Table 2**

AVERAGE BALANCES AND RATES (000's omitted) (Annualized) ASSETS	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002			
	AVERAGE BALANCE	INCOME/ EXPENSE	YIELD/ RATE	AVERAGE BALANCE
Securities:				
U.S. Treasury and Government Agencies	\$18,996	\$573	4.03%	\$41,543
State and Political	16,408	468	3.82%	14,232
Other	5,192	208	4.11%	2,285
Total Securities	40,596	1,249	4.11%	58,060
Fed Funds Sold	20,862	261	1.67%	25,525

Table 2

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Loans:				
Commercial	139,987	7,488	7.15%	120,306
Tax Free	3,647	123	4.51%	799
Real Estate-Mortgage	9,357	585	8.36%	11,290
Consumer	60,915	3,552	7.80%	65,257
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Total loans	213,906	11,748	7.34%	197,652
Allowance for Loan Losses	(3,113)			(2,027)
Net Loans	210,789	11,748	7.45%	194,625
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Loans Held for Sale	3,238	161	6.65%	3,467
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TOTAL EARNING ASSETS	\$278,602	\$13,419	6.44%	\$284,704
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Cash Due from Banks	15,018			10,881
All Other Assets	18,302			13,865
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$308,805			\$306,423
	=====			=====
LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:				
Deposits:				
Interest bearing - DDA	\$41,752	313	1.00%	\$36,180
Savings Deposits	84,694	902	1.42%	71,476
Time CD's \$100,000 and Over	22,247	637	3.83%	35,007
Other Time CD's	73,819	2,407	4.36%	83,646
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Total Deposits	222,512	4,259	2.56%	226,309
Other Borrowings	2,137	75	4.69%	2,174
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INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES	\$224,649	\$4,334	2.58%	\$228,483
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Non-Interest bearing - DDA	43,103			38,292
All Other Liabilities	1,756			2,284
Shareholders' Equity	39,297			37,364
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$308,805			\$306,423
	=====			=====
Net Interest Rate Spread			3.86%	
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Net Interest Income /Margin		\$9,085	4.36%	
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**Table 3**

AVERAGE BALANCES AND RATES (000's omitted) (Annualized) ASSETS	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER			
	AVERAGE BALANCE	2002 INCOME/ EXPENSE	YIELD/ RATE	AVERAGE BALANCE
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Securities:				
U.S. Treasury and Government Agencies	\$17,960	\$182	4.02%	\$33,657
State and Political	16,007	167	4.19%	14,568
Other	4,805	65	5.20%	4,086

**Table 2**

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Total Securities	38,772	414	4.24%	52,311
Fed Funds Sold	27,845	116	1.65%	35,590
Loans:				
Commercial	138,628	2,531	7.24%	123,710
Tax Free	4,833	54	4.43%	772
Real Estate-Mortgage	9,776	198	8.04%	9,138
Consumer	62,043	1,179	7.54%	64,335
Total loans	215,280	3,962	7.30%	197,955
Allowance for Loan Losses	(3,113)			(3,111)
Net Loans	212,167	3,962	7.41%	194,844
Loans Held for Sale	3,902	62	6.30%	4,186
TOTAL EARNING ASSETS	\$285,799	\$4,554	6.32%	\$290,042
Cash Due from Banks	15,618			10,938
All Other Assets	19,855			13,997
TOTAL ASSETS	\$318,159			\$311,866
LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:				
Deposits:				
Interest bearing - DDA	\$43,867	109	0.99%	\$36,589
Savings Deposits	86,424	294	1.35%	76,720
Time CD's \$100,000 and Over	23,701	210	3.52%	32,704
Other Time CD's	74,272	762	4.07%	83,061
Total Deposits	228,264	1,375	2.39%	229,074
Other Borrowings	1,963	25	5.05%	1,952
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES	\$230,227	\$1,400	2.41%	\$231,026
Non-Interest bearing - DDA	46,164			40,514
All Other Liabilities	1,885			2,206
Shareholders' Equity	39,883			38,120
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$318,159			\$311,866
Net Interest Rate Spread			3.91%	
Net Interest Income /Margin		\$3,154	4.38%	

## **ALLOWANCE AND PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES**

The Corporation maintains formal policies and procedures to control and monitor credit risk. Management believes the allowance for loan losses is adequate to provide for probable incurred losses in the loan portfolio. The Corporation's loan portfolio has no significant concentrations in any one industry or any exposure in foreign loans. The Corporation has not extended credit to finance highly leveraged transactions nor does it intend to do so in the future. Employment levels and other economic conditions in the

Corporation's local markets may have a significant impact on the level of loan losses. Management continues to identify and devote attention to credits that are not performing as agreed. Of course, deterioration of economic conditions could have an impact on the Corporation's credit quality, which could impact the need for greater provision for loan losses and the level of ALL as a percentage of gross loans. Non-performing loans are discussed further in the section titled "Non-Performing Assets".

The allowance for loan losses (*ALL*) reflects management's judgment as to the level considered appropriate to absorb probable losses in the loan portfolio. Fentura's subsidiary banks' methodology in determining the adequacy of the *ALL* includes a review of individual loans, historical loss experience, current economic conditions, portfolio trends, and other pertinent factors. Although portions of the allowance have been allocated to various portfolio segments, the *ALL* is general in nature and is available for the portfolio in its entirety. At September 30, 2002, the *ALL* was \$3,133,000, or 1.42% of total loans. This compares with \$3,125,000, or 1.46%, at December 31, 2001. The decrease of the *ALL* as a percentage of total loans reflects a slight increase in the allowance for loan losses and substantial increase loan totals. Management believes that the allowance to gross loans percentage is appropriate given anticipated risk in the loan portfolio based on asset quality.

Table 4 also summarizes loan losses and recoveries for the first nine months of 2002 and 2001. During the first nine months of 2002 the Corporation experienced net charge-offs of \$201,000, compared with net charge-offs of \$359,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2001. As a result, the net charge-off ratio for the first nine months of 2002 was .09% compared to .18% for the same period in 2001. The provision for loan losses was \$209,000 in the first nine months of 2002 and \$572,000 for the same time period in 2001. The Corporation decreased the provision in 2002 compared to 2001 to maintain the allowance for loan losses at the level management believes is necessary to provide for probable incurred losses in the loan portfolio.

**Table 4**

ANALYSIS OF THE ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES		
	Nine Months Ended September 30 2002	Nine Months Ended September 30 2001
(000's omitted)		
Balance at Beginning of Period	\$3,125	\$2,932
Charge-Offs:		
Commercial, Financial and Agriculture	(231)	(54)
Real Estate-Mortgage	0	0
Installment Loans to Individuals	(385)	(416)
Total Charge-Offs	(616)	(470)
Recoveries:		
Commercial, Financial and Agriculture	305	3
Real Estate-Mortgage	0	2
Installment Loans to Individuals	110	106
Total Recoveries	415	111
Net Charge-Offs	(201)	(359)
Provision	209	572
Balance at End of Period	\$3,133	\$3,145
Ratio of Net Charge-Offs to Gross Loans	0.09%	0.18%

**NON-INTEREST INCOME****TABLE 5**

Analysis of Non-Interest Income (000's omitted)	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
Service Charges on Deposit Accounts	\$661	\$511	\$1,808	\$1,541
Gain on Sale of Loans	\$270	\$170	\$562	\$403
Mortgage Servicing Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$35,000
Trust Income	\$147	\$159	\$426	\$58,000
Other Operating Income	\$311	\$268	\$817	\$817
Gain on sale of securities - AFS	\$0	\$160	\$0	\$3,639
Total Non-Interest Income	\$1,389	\$1,268	\$3,613	\$3,639

Non-interest income decreased slightly in nine months ended September 30, 2002 as compared to the same period in 2001, primarily due to the decrease in trust income, and a decrease in the gain on sale of securities that occurred in 2001. Overall non-interest income was \$3,613,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 compared to \$3,639,000 for the same period in 2001. These figures represent a decrease of 0.7%. Non-interest income increased 9.5% in the third quarter of 2002 compared with the same period in 2001. Table 5 provides a detailed breakdown of the components of non-interest income.

The most significant category of non-interest income is service charges on deposit accounts. These fees were \$1,808,000 in the first nine months of 2002 compared to \$1,541,000 for the same period of 2001. This represents an increase of 17.3%. Increases are attributable to service charges from growth in core deposits and the introduction of a new overdraft privilege product. In the third quarter of 2002 service charges increased 20.0% over 2001.

Gains on the sale of mortgage loans originated by the Banks and sold in the secondary market were \$562,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and \$403,000 in the same period in 2001. The change is due to an increase in loans sold in the secondary market due to the increase in residential mortgage refinance activity and new loan volumes due to the downward movement of historically low market interest rates. For the third quarter of 2002, gain on sale of mortgages increased 58.8% over the prior year.

Mortgage servicing fees were \$35,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared to \$0 in the same time period in 2002. The decline is attributable to the sale of a significant portion of the Corporation's serviced loans, in the last quarter of 2000. Servicing income was recognized in January of 2001 until these serviced loans were actually transferred to the purchaser.

Trust income decreased \$58,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 comparing to the same period in the prior year. This 12.0% decrease in fees is attributable to the decline in the value of assets under management and the loss of a few trust accounts within the Corporation's Trust Department. Trust

income decreased 7.5% in the third quarter of 2002 compared with 2001.

Other operating income decreased \$42,000 to \$817,000 in the first nine months of 2002 compared to \$859,000 in the same time period in 2001. This is a decrease of 4.9%. Other operating income decreased due to decreases in income from the sale of official checks and a decrease in income from the sale of consumer investment products. In the third quarter of 2002 other operating income increased 16.0% compared with the same period in 2001.

The Corporation had a gain on sale of securities in the third quarter of 2001. This gain made up 12.6% of the third quarter of 2001 non interest income and 8.7% of the year to date through September 30, 2001 non-interest income.

## Non-Interest Expense

**TABLE 6**

Analysis of Non-Interest Expense	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
(000's omitted)				
Salaries and Benefits	\$1,665	\$1,643	\$4,979	\$4,728
Equipment	\$376	\$376	\$1,122	\$1,056
Occupancy	\$267	\$236	\$788	\$657
Office Supplies	\$91	\$83	\$198	\$192
Loan & Collection Expense	\$40	\$48	\$128	\$130
Advertising	\$112	\$88	\$237	\$256
Other Operating Expense	\$551	\$584	\$1,771	\$1,899
Total Non-Interest Expense	\$3,102	\$3,058	\$9,223	\$8,918

Total non-interest expense was \$9,223,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 compared with \$8,918,000 in the same period of 2001. This is an increase of 3.4%. This increase is largely attributable to an increase in salaries and benefits expense and net occupancy expenses.

Salary and benefit costs, Fentura's largest non-interest expense category, were \$4,979,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 2002, compared with \$4,728,000, or an increase of 5.3%, for the same time period in 2001. Increased costs are primarily a result of a modest increase in the number of employees and an increase in employee benefit costs and commission expenses paid to mortgage originators. The third quarter showed an increase of 1.3% in salaries and benefits.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2002 equipment expenses were \$1,122,000 compared to \$1,056,000 for the same period in 2001, an increase of 6.3%. The increases in expenses are attributable to additions to equipment maintenance contracts and equipment depreciation, which increased due to the opening of the Silver Lake Parkway and Grand Blanc branch bank offices. In the third quarter of 2002

equipment expenses have remained steady in comparison with the third quarter of 2001.

Occupancy expenses at \$788,000 increased in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 comparing to the same period in 2001 by \$131,000 or 19.9%. The increases are attributable to increases in facility repairs, opening of the Grand Blanc and Silver Lake Parkway offices and operation of the Davison State Bank new main office, which opened in the second quarter of 2001 and maintenance contracts expense. Occupancy expenses increased 13.1% in the third quarter of 2002 compared to 2001.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2002 office supplies expense at \$198,000 increased \$6,000 comparing to the \$192,000 in expense for the same period in 2001. The increase is attributable to the opening of the new branch offices in 2002. Office supplies have increased 9.6% in comparison between the third quarter in 2002 and 2001.

Loan and collection expenses, at \$128,000, were down \$2,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 comparing to the same time period in 2001. The decrease is primarily attributable to a reduction in other loan expense. In the third quarter, loan and collection expenses were down 16.7% compared with third quarter of 2001.

Advertising expenses were \$237,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 compared with \$256,000 for the same period in 2001. The decrease of \$19,000 or 7.4% was primarily due to the decrease in shareholder expenses and promotional expenses to the over 50 years of age customer segment. Advertising increased 27.3% in the third quarter of 2002 compared to 2001.

Other operating expenses were \$1,771,000 in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 compared to \$1,899,000 in the same time period in 2001, a decrease of \$128,000 or 6.7%. The decrease is attributable to a decrease in the amount of overdrawn deposit account charge-offs and a decrease in legal and consulting expenses. Other operating expenses decreased 5.7% in the third quarter of 2002 compared with the same period in 2001.

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## **Financial Condition**

Proper management of the volume and composition of the Corporation's earning assets and funding sources is essential for ensuring strong and consistent earnings performance, maintaining adequate liquidity and limiting exposure to risks caused by changing market conditions. The Corporation's securities portfolio is structured to provide a source of liquidity through maturities and generate an income stream with relatively low levels of principal risk. The Corporation does not engage in securities trading. In the second quarter of 2002, the Corporation bought \$3.6 million in bank owned life insurance policies, which increased earning assets. Loans comprise the largest component of earning assets and are the Corporation's highest yielding assets. Customer deposits are the primary source of funding for earning assets while short-term debt and other sources of funds could be further utilized if market conditions and liquidity needs change.

The Corporation's total assets were \$328 million at September 30, 2002 compared to December 31, 2001 total assets of \$309 million. Loans comprised 68.5% of total assets at September 30, 2002 compared to 69.3% at December 31, 2001. Loans grew \$7.0 million with commercial loans and tax-exempt loans leading the advance, which together grew \$5.2 million while other loan categories experienced small increases or

remained steady. The ratio of non-interest bearing deposits to total deposits was 16.6% at September 30, 2002 compared to 16.0% at December 31, 2001. Interest bearing deposit liabilities totaled \$236 million at September 30, 2002 compared to \$223 million at December 31, 2001. Total deposits increased \$18.2 million with non-interest bearing demand deposits leading the increase with growth of \$4.5 million and substantial growth in all deposit categories. Short-term borrowings decreased \$0.6 million due to the decrease in federal funds purchased from December 31, 2001.

Bank premises and equipment increased \$778,000 to \$9.3 million at September 30, 2002 comparing to \$8.5 million at December 31, 2001. The increase is attributable to the opening of a new banking office.

**NON-PERFORMING ASSETS**

Non-performing assets include loans on which interest accruals have ceased, loans that have been renegotiated, and real estate acquired through foreclosure. Past due loans are loans which were delinquent 90 days or more, but have not been placed on non-accrual status. Table 7 reflects the levels of these assets at September 30, 2002 and December 31, 2001.

Non-performing assets increased at September 30, 2002 compared to December 31, 2001. This increase is attributable to an increase in repossessed assets and an increase in non-performing loans. The non-accrual loans increased because seven new loans were placed on non-accrual totaling \$748,000. During the month of October the Corporation received a repayment reducing non-accrual loans by \$271,000. The increase in non-performing assets did not in management's opinion warrant an increase in the loan loss reserve, because of a decrease in charge-offs and a change in loan portfolio mix. Also, most of the non-performing assets are well-secured loans. The charge-off percentage for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 is .09% and it was 0.18% at September 30, 2001. Also, the mix of the loan portfolio has switched in the past year. In 2001, the Corporation had more indirect & consumer loans in the portfolio and in 2002, the mix is more commercial loans and commercial real estate loans, which historically have lower net charge-off ratios.

The level and composition of non-performing assets are affected by economic conditions in the Corporation's local markets. Non-performing assets, charge-offs, and provisions for loan losses tend to decline in a strong economy and increase in a weak economy, potentially impacting the Corporation's operating results. In addition to non-performing loans, management carefully monitors other credits that are current in terms of principal and interest payments but, in management's opinion, may deteriorate in quality if economic conditions change. Based on the current economic conditions, management continues to closely monitor credit quality.

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**Table 7**

**Non-Performing Assets and Past Due Loans**

September 30, 2002	December 31, 2001
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Non-Performing Loans:		
Loans Past Due 90 Days or More & Still		
Accruing	\$187,000	\$186,000
Non-Accrual Loans	864,000	321,000
Renegotiated Loans	0	0
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Total Non-Performing Loans	1,051,000	507,000
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Other Non-Performing Assets:		
Other Real Estate	0	0
REO in Redemption	0	0
Other Non-Performing Assets	27,000	10,000
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Total Other Non-Performing Assets	27,000	10,000
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Total Non-Performing Assets	\$1,078,000	\$517,000
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Non-Performing Loans as a % of		
Total Loans	0.48%	0.24%
Allowance for Loan Losses as a % of		
Non-Performing Loans	298.10%	616.37%
Accruing Loans Past Due 90 Days or		
More to Total Loans	0.39%	0.09%
Non-performing Assets as a % of		
Total Assets	.33%	0.17%

### **LIQUIDITY AND INTEREST RATE RISK MANAGEMENT**

Asset/Liability management is designed to assure liquidity and reduce interest rate risks. The goal in managing interest rate risk is to maintain a strong and relatively stable net interest margin. It is the responsibility of the Asset/Liability Management Committee (ALCO) to set policy guidelines and to establish short-term and long-term strategies with respect to interest rate exposure and liquidity. The ALCO, which is comprised of key members of management, meets regularly to review financial performance and soundness, including interest rate risk and liquidity exposure in relation to present and prospective markets, business conditions, and product lines. Accordingly, the committee adopts funding and balance sheet management strategies that are intended to maintain earnings, liquidity, and growth rates consistent with policy and prudent business standards.

Liquidity maintenance together with a solid capital base and strong earnings performance are key objectives of the Corporation. The Corporation's liquidity is derived from a strong deposit base comprised of individual and business deposits. Deposit accounts of customers in the mature market represent a substantial portion of deposits of individuals. The Banks' deposit base plus other funding sources (federal funds purchased, other liabilities and shareholders' equity) provided primarily all funding needs in the first nine months of 2002. While these sources of funds are expected to continue to be available to provide funds in the future, the mix and availability of funds will depend upon future economic conditions. The Corporation does not foresee any difficulty in meeting its funding requirements.

Primary liquidity is provided through short-term investments or borrowings (including federal funds sold and purchased) while the securities portfolio provides secondary liquidity. As of September 30, 2002 federal funds sold represented 7.9% of total assets, compared to 7.4% at December 31, 2001. The Corporation regularly monitors liquidity to ensure adequate cash flows to cover unanticipated reductions in the availability of funding sources.

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Interest rate risk is managed by controlling and limiting the level of earnings volatility arising from rate movements. The Corporation regularly performs reviews and analysis of those factors impacting interest rate risk. Factors include maturity and re-pricing frequency of balance sheet components, impact of rate changes on interest margin and prepayment speeds, market value impacts of rate changes, and other issues. Both actual and projected performance are reviewed, analyzed, and compared to policy and objectives to assure present and future financial viability.

As indicated in the statement of cash flows, cash provided by financing activities was \$16,064,000 in the first nine months of 2002 due to the increase in deposits. Comparatively, in the first nine months of 2001, cash provided by financing activities was \$23,682,000 because of increases in deposits. Cash used in investing activities was \$11,789,000 during the first nine months of 2002. Cash flow from investing activities decreased for the first nine months of 2002 primarily because of an increase in securities purchases and increase in loan demand.

## **CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

Total shareholders' equity rose 2.5% to \$39,375,000 at September 30, 2002 compared with \$38,433,000 at December 31, 2001. The Corporation's equity to asset ratio was 12.0% at September 30, 2002 and 12.4% at December 31, 2001. The increase in the amount of capital resulted primarily from the increase in retained earnings.

As indicated on the balance sheet at December 31, 2001 the Corporation had accumulated other comprehensive income of \$92,000 compared to accumulated other comprehensive income at September 30, 2002 of \$249,000. The increase in the income position is attributable to the fluctuation of the market price of securities held in the available for sale portfolio.

### *Regulatory Capital Requirements*

Bank holding companies and their bank subsidiaries are required by banking industry regulators to maintain certain levels of capital. These are expressed in the form of certain ratios. These ratios are based on the degree of credit risk in the Corporation's assets. All assets and off-balance sheet items such as outstanding loan commitments are assigned risk factors to create an overall risk-weighted asset total. Capital is separated into two levels, Tier I capital (essentially total common shareholders' equity less goodwill) and Tier II capital (essentially the allowance for loan losses limited to 1.25% of gross risk-weighted assets). Capital levels are then measured as a percentage of total risk weighted assets. The regulatory minimum for Tier I capital to risk weighted assets is 4% and the minimum for Total capital (Tier I plus Tier II) to risk weighted assets is 8%. The Tier I leverage ratio measures Tier I capital to average assets and must be a minimum of 4%. As reflected in Table 8, at September 30, 2002 and at December 31, 2001, the Corporation was well in excess of the minimum capital and leverage requirements necessary to be considered a well capitalized banking company.

The FDIC has adopted a risk-based insurance premium system based in part on a bank's capital adequacy. Under this system a depository institution is classified as well capitalized, adequately capitalized, or undercapitalized according to its regulatory capital levels. Subsequently, a financial institution's premium levels are based on these classifications and its regulatory supervisory rating (the higher the classification

the lower the premium). It is the Corporation's goal to maintain capital levels sufficient to retain a designation of well capitalized.

**Table 8**

	Capital Ratios			
	Regulatory Minimum For "Well Capitalized"	September 30, 2002	December 31, 2001	September 2001
Total Capital to risk				
Weighted assets	10%	15.90%	16.20%	17.0%
Tier 1 Capital to risk				
Weighted assets	6%	14.72%	15.00%	15.7%
Tier 1 Capital to average Assets	5%	12.67%	12.50%	12.1%

### **ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK**

The information concerning quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk contained on pages 47 through 48 in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, is here incorporated by reference.

Fentura Financial, Inc. faces market risk to the extent that both earnings and the fair value of its financial instruments are affected by changes in interest rates. The Corporation manages this risk with static GAP analysis and has begun simulation modeling. For the first nine months of 2002, the results of these measurement techniques were within the Corporation's policy guidelines. The Corporation does not believe that there has been a material change in the nature of the Corporation's primary market risk exposures, including the categories of market risk to which the Corporation is exposed and the particular markets that present the primary risk of loss to the Corporation, or in how those exposures are managed in 2002 compared to 2001.

The Corporation's market risk exposure is mainly comprised of its vulnerability to interest rate risk. Prevailing interest rates and interest rate relationships in the future will be primarily determined by market factors, which are outside of the Corporation's control. All information provided in this section consists of forward-looking statements. Reference is made to the section captioned "Forward Looking Statements" in this quarterly report for a discussion of the limitations on the Corporation's responsibility for such statements.

#### **INTEREST RATE SENSITIVITY MANAGEMENT**

Interest rate sensitivity management seeks to maximize net interest income as a result of changing interest rates, within prudent ranges of risk. The Corporation attempts to accomplish this objective by structuring

the balance sheet so that re-pricing opportunities exist for both assets and liabilities in roughly equivalent amounts at approximately the same time intervals. Imbalances in these re-pricing opportunities at any point in time constitute a bank's interest rate sensitivity. The Corporation currently does not utilize derivatives in managing interest rate risk.

An indicator of the interest rate sensitivity structure of a financial institution's balance sheet is the difference between rate sensitive assets and rate sensitive liabilities, and is referred to as "GAP".

Table 9 sets forth the distribution of re-pricing of the Corporation's earning assets and interest bearing liabilities as of September 30, 2002, the interest rate sensitivity GAP, as defined above, the cumulative interest rate sensitivity GAP, the interest rate sensitivity GAP ratio (i.e. interest rate sensitive assets divided by interest rate sensitive liabilities) and the cumulative sensitivity GAP ratio. The table also sets forth the time periods in which earning assets and liabilities will mature or may re-price in accordance with their contractual terms.

**Table 9**

GAP ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2002				
(000's Omitted)	Within Three Months	Three Months to One Year	One to Five Years	After Five Years
<b>Earning Assets:</b>				
Federal Funds Sold	\$ 25,900	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Securities	1,639	11,397	20,013	9,032
Loans	100,630	15,268	82,332	22,900
Loans Held for Sale	3,477	0	0	0
<b>Total Earning Assets</b>	<b>\$131,646</b>	<b>\$ 26,665</b>	<b>\$ 102,345</b>	<b>\$ 31,932</b>
<b>Interest Bearing Liabilities:</b>				
Interest Bearing Demand Deposits	\$ 44,661	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Savings Deposits	87,948	0	0	0
Time Deposits Less than \$100,000	13,919	23,741	37,376	0
Time Deposits Greater than \$100,000	7,917	8,633	12,168	0
Short term borrowings	1,500	0	0	0
Other Borrowings	0	16	77	1,030
<b>Total Interest Bearing Liabilities</b>	<b>\$155,945</b>	<b>\$ 32,390</b>	<b>\$ 49,621</b>	<b>\$ 1,030</b>
Interest Rate Sensitivity GAP	\$ (24,299)	\$ (5,725)	\$ 52,724	\$ 30,902
Cumulative Interest Rate Sensitivity GAP	\$ (24,299)	\$ (30,024)	\$ 22,700	\$ 53,602
Interest Rate Sensitivity GAP Ratio	(0.84)	(0.82)	2.06	31.00
Cumulative Interest Rate Sensitivity GAP Ratio	(0.84)	(0.84)	1.10	1.22

As indicated in Table 9, the short-term (one year and less) cumulative interest rate sensitivity gap is negative. Accordingly, if market interest rates increase, this negative gap position would have a short-term negative impact on interest margin. Conversely, if market rates continue to decline this should theoretically have a short-term positive impact. However, gap analysis is limited and may not provide an accurate indication of the impact of general interest rate movements on the net interest margin since the re-pricing of various categories of assets and liabilities is subject to the Corporation's needs, competitive pressures, and the needs of the Corporation's customers. In addition, various assets and liabilities indicated as re-pricing within the same period may in fact re-price at different times within such period and at different rate volumes. These limitations are evident when considering the Corporation's Gap position at September 30, 2002 and the change in net interest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 compared to the same time period in 2001. At September 30, 2001 the Corporation was negatively gapped through one year and since that time interest rates have declined further, yet net interest income declined comparing the first nine months of 2002 to the same period in 2001. This occurred because certain deposit categories, specifically interest bearing demand and savings, did not re-price at the same time or at the same level as asset portfolios. Additionally, simulation modeling, which measures the impact of upward and downward movements of interest rates on interest margin and the market value of equity, indicates that an upward movement of interest rates would not significantly impact net interest income. Management has adjusted both loan and deposit rates in regard to the November 6<sup>th</sup> prime rate reduction of fifty basis points, which should alleviate any negative impact on net interest income.

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## **FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This report contains forward looking statements as that term is used in the securities laws. All statements regarding the Corporation's expected financial position, performance, business and strategies are forward looking statements. These statements are based on management's beliefs, assumptions, current expectations, estimates and projections about the financial services industry, the economy, and about the Corporation itself. Words such as anticipates, believes, estimates, expects, forecasts, intends, plans, projects, variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions ( Future Factors ), which are difficult to predict with regard to timing, extent, likelihood and degree of occurrence. Therefore, actual results and outcomes may materially differ from what may be expressed or forecast in such forward-looking statements. The Corporation undertakes no obligation to update, amend or clarify forward looking statements as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Future Factors that could cause a difference between an ultimate actual outcome and a preceding forward looking statements contained in this report include, but are not limited to, changes in interest rate and interest rate relationships, demands for products and services, the degree of competition by traditional and non-traditional competitors, changes in banking laws or regulations, changes in tax laws, changes in prices, the impact of technological advances, government and regulatory policy changes, the outcome of pending and future litigation and contingencies, trends in customer's behaviors as well as their ability to repay loans, and the local economy. Further information concerning us and our business, including additional factors that could materially affect our financial results, is included in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## **ITEM 4: CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Corporation's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, after evaluating the effectiveness of the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(c) and 15d-14(c)) as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this Form 10-Q Quarterly Report (the Evaluation Date), have concluded that as of the Evaluation Date, the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures were adequate and effective to ensure that material information relating to the Corporation would be made known to them by others within the company, particularly during the period in which this Form 10-Q Quarterly Report was being prepared.

### **Changes in Internal Controls**

There were no significant changes in the Corporation's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of the most recent evaluation, nor any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in such internal controls requiring corrective actions. As a result, no corrective actions were taken.

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## **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings.** - None

**Item 2. Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds.** - None

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.** - None

**Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Securities Holders.** - None

**Item 5. Other Information.** - The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors approved the categories of all non-audit services performed by the Registrant's independent accountants during the period covered by this report.

**Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K.**

(a) Exhibits

99.1 Certificate of the Chief Executive Officer of Fentura Financial, Inc. pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

99.2 Certificate of the Chief Financial Officer of Fentura Financial, Inc. pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

(b) Reports on 8-K - None.

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## Signatures

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

Fentura Financial, Inc.

Date: November 13, 2002

By /s/ Donald L. Grill

Donald L. Grill  
President & CEO

Date: November 13, 2002

By /s/ Ronald L. Justice

Ronald L. Justice  
Chief Financial Officer

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I, Donald L Grill, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Fentura Financial Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly 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 quarterly report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly 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 quarterly report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures 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 quarterly report is being prepared;
  - (b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
  - (c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: November 13, 2002

/s/ Donald L. Grill

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Donald L. Grill  
Chief Executive Officer

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I, Ronald L Justice, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Fentura Financial Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly 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 quarterly report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly 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 quarterly report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:
  - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures 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 quarterly report is being prepared;
  - (b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
  - (c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
  - (a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
  - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: November 13, 2002

Signatures

/s/ Ronald L. Justice

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Ronald L. Justice  
Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Certificate of the Chief Executive Officer of Fentura Financial, Inc. pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 , as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
99.2	Certificate of the Chief Financial Officer of Fentura Financial, Inc. pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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**Exhibit 99.1**

I, Donald L. Grill, Chief Executive Officer of Fentura Financial Inc. certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002 which this statement accompanies fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and
- (2) the information contained in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002 fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Fentura Financial, Inc.

Date: November 13, 2002

/s/ Donald L. Grill

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Donald L. Grill  
Chief Executive Officer

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**Exhibit 99.2**

I, Ronald L. Justice, Chief Financial Officer of Fentura Financial, Inc. certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002 which this statement accompanies fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and
- (2) the information contained in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002 fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Fentura Financial, Inc.

Date: November 13, 2002

/s/ Ronald L. Justice

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Ronald L. Justice  
Chief Financial Officer

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