# SouthState Acquisition of Independent Bank Group

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# The SouthState Way CULTURAL CORNERSTONES



The WHY

To invest in the entrepreneurial spirit, pursue excellence and inspire a greater purpose.



# The **HOW**

# **Core Values**

# **Local Market Leadership**

Our business model supports the unique character of the communities we serve and encourages decision making by the banker that is closest to the customer.

# **Long-Term Horizon**

We think and act like owners and measure success over entire economic cycles. We prioritize soundness before short-term profitability and growth.

# Remarkable Experiences

We will make our customers' lives better by anticipating their needs and responding with a sense of urgency. Each of us has the freedom, authority and responsibility to do the right thing for our customers.

## **Meaningful and Lasting Relationships**

We communicate with candor and transparency. The relationship is more valuable than the transaction.

# **Greater Purpose**

We enable our team members to pursue their ultimate purpose in life—their personal faith, their family, their service to community.



• Growth Company in High-Growth Markets

Better not just Bigger

Distinct Geographic Business Model
 Ownership Culture

A Leadership Academy
 Growing Leaders

# TRANSACTION RATIONALE



# **Strategically Compelling**

- Creates a \$65 billion financial institution in the best growth markets in the United States
- Diversifies footprint into similar high-growth markets with a base of deep local connections
- Joins two granular customer bases with a history of resilient credit

# Financially Attractive

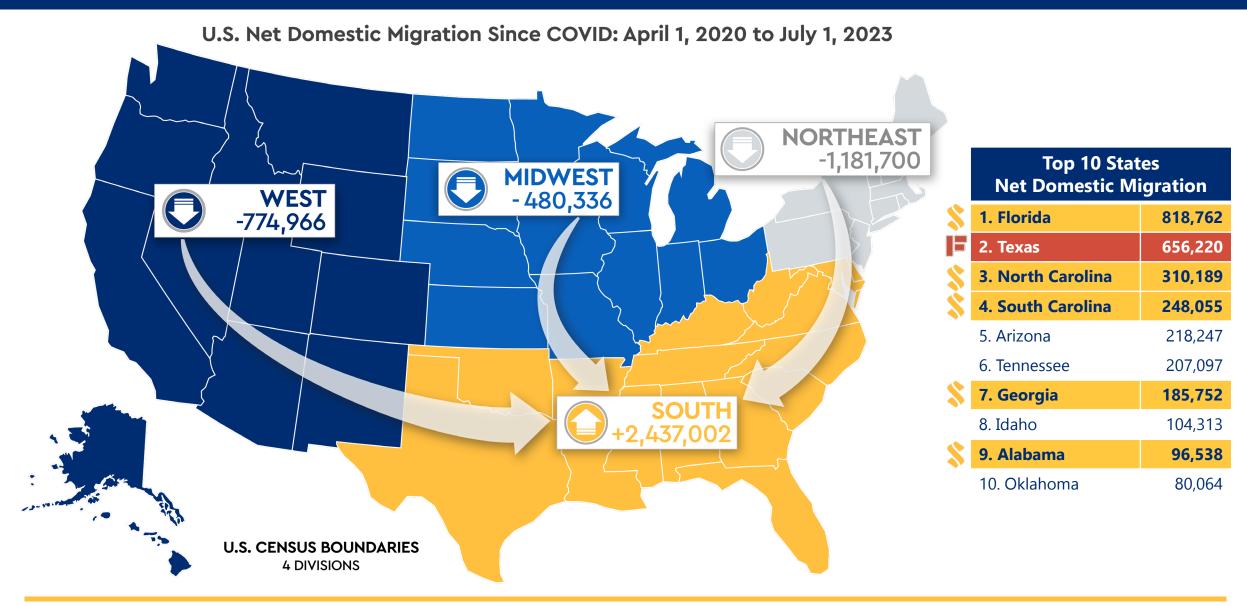
- Significant EPS accretion with manageable tangible book value dilution
- · Peer leading pro forma profitability
- Conservative modeling assumptions

# Well-Positioned for Future Success

- Similar geographic business model with no market overlap promotes continuity with team members and customers
- Increases scale to leverage the recent investments in technology and risk management
- Acquisition and integration experience mitigates execution risk

# POPULATION MIGRATION TO THE SOUTH





# CREATING THE SOUTH'S LEADING REGIONAL BANK



# **Enhanced Scale Through Partnership**(1)

\$65B \$48B \$55B **Assets Deposits** Loans

# **Dominant Southern Franchise**

343 **Branch Locations**  Presence in

12 of 15

**Fastest Growing** U.S. MSAs<sup>(2)</sup>

**Largest Regional** Bank in the South<sup>(3)</sup>

# **Powerful Operating Leverage**<sup>(4)</sup>

1.3% **ROAA** 

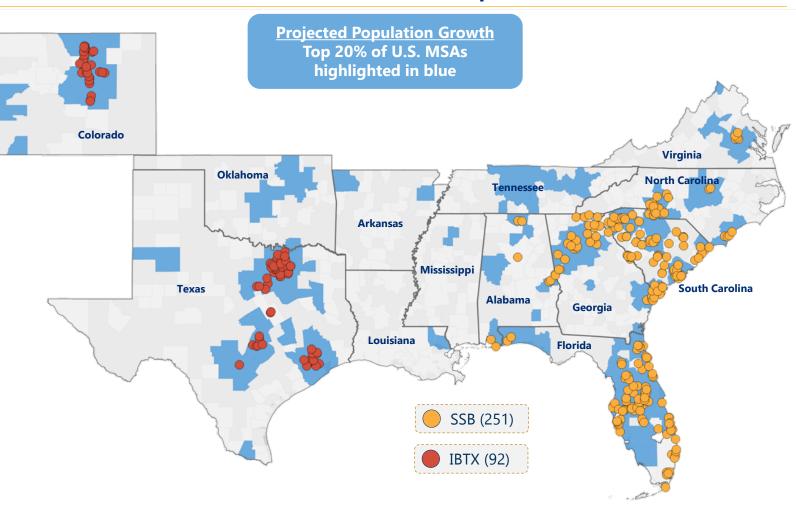
18.0%

**ROATCE** 

**Efficiency** 

49%

# **Pro Forma Branch Footprint**



Projected balances at merger close.

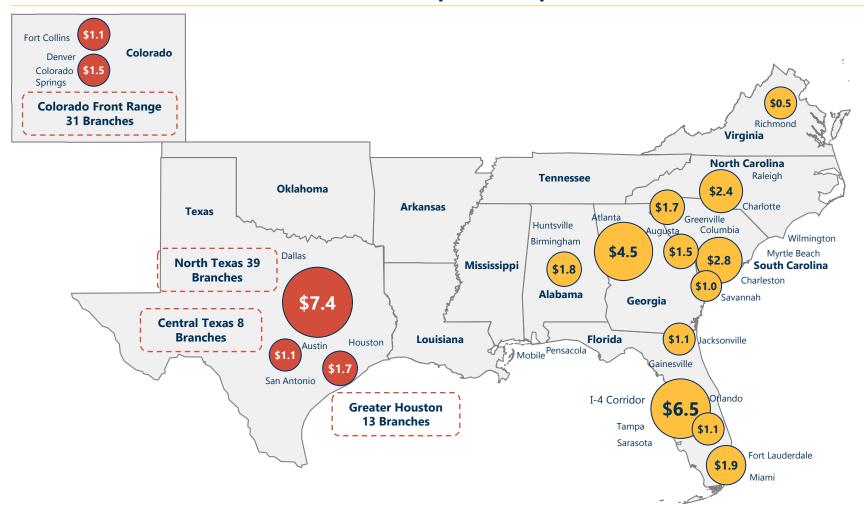
Includes MSAs with greater than 1 million in total population.

Excludes Bank of America, Capital One Financial, and Truist Financial.

# POSITIONED FOR THE FUTURE IN THE BEST U.S. GROWTH MARKETS



# **Pro Forma Deposit Footprint**



	Pro Forma Deposits by State		
\$	Florida	27%	
	Texas	22%	
\$	<b>South Carolina</b>	20%	
\$	Georgia	16%	
	Colorado	7%	
\$	<b>North Carolina</b>	4%	
% %	Alabama	4%	
\$	Virginia	1%	

# FINANCIAL IMPACT



# **Earnings and TBV Impact**

Excluding
<a href="Rate Marks/CDI">Rate Marks/CDI</a>

**Excluding Rates/CDI/CECL**(1)

27.3% 2025 EPS

Accretion<sup>(2)</sup>

**GAAP** 

20.4% 2025 EPS Accretion<sup>(2)</sup> 16.5%

2025 EPS Accretion<sup>(2)</sup>

9.6%
TBV Dilution

2.0%
TBV Dilution

0.4%

**TBV Dilution** 

2.0 years
TBV Earnback

0.9 years
TBV Earnback

0.3 years
TBV Earnback

# **Strong Capital and Liquidity**

10.4%

CET1 Ratio 12.8%

**Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio** 

89%

Loan-to-Deposit Ratio

# **Enhanced Profitability**

1.34%

2025 ROAA<sup>(2)</sup> 18.0%

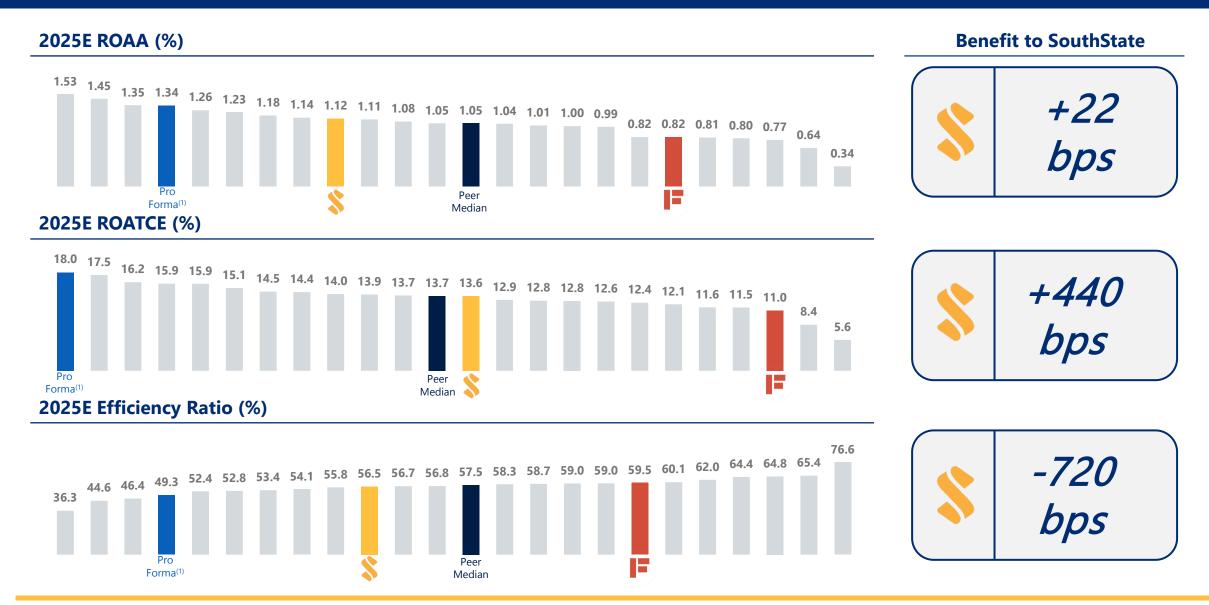
2025 ROATCE<sup>(2)</sup> 49.3%

2025 ficiency Ratio<sup>(2)</sup>

Eliminates double count related to CECL.

# PRO FORMA PERFORMANCE VS. PEERS





# Model Assumptions & Diligence

## **DEAL OVERVIEW**



### **Transaction Structure**

- Independent Bank Group, Inc. to merge into SouthState Corporation; Independent Bank to merge into SouthState Bank
- 100% stock consideration
- Fixed exchange ratio 0.60x SSB shares for each IBTX share

### **Transaction Value and Multiples**

- Per Share Consideration: \$48.51, equivalent to 10% premium<sup>(1)</sup>
- Aggregate transaction value of \$2.0 billion<sup>(2)</sup>
- Price / Tangible Book Value Per Share of 1.48x
- Price / 2025E Consensus EPS of 12.0x
- Price / 2025E Consensus EPS with cost savings of 9.1x<sup>(3)</sup>

# **Board of Directors and** Management

- 3 IBTX directors to be added to the current 11 members of the SSB Board
- No change to the SouthState executive leadership team
- Employment agreements in place for key geographic leaders in Texas and Colorado

### **Ownership**

• 75.3% SouthState / 24.7% Independent

### **Timing & Approvals**

- Anticipated closing by the end of the first guarter of 2025
- Subject to SSB and IBTX shareholder approvals and required regulatory approvals

Based on IBTX common shares of 41,377,478 and restricted stock units of 195,718

For illustrative purposes, assumes cost savings are fully phased-in and before purchase accounting mark accretion

# FINANCIAL ASSUMPTIONS



### **Earnings Projections**

Based on consensus estimates for remaining periods of 2024 and 2025 with 5% and 5% annual long-term net income growth for SouthState and Independent, respectively

### **Merger Costs**

• \$175 million pre-tax merger expenses fully reflected in pro forma TBV dilution at closing

# Targeted Cost Savings / Revenue Synergies

- Cost savings of 25% of Independent's 2025 non-interest expense base, grown at 3% per year
- Expected to be realized 50% in 2025, 100% thereafter
- · Revenue synergies expected but not included in announced financial metrics

### Loan Credit Mark Estimates & CECL Double Count

- \$207 million gross loan credit mark or 1.42% of Independent's total loans
  - o \$103.5 million (50%) allocated to purchase credit deteriorated (PCD) loans
  - \$103.5 million (50%) allocated to non-PCD loans (accreted into earnings over 3 years using straight-line amortization)
- Day two CECL reserve of \$103.5 million non-PCD credit mark

### Interest Rate Marks

- \$383.2 million pre-tax rate write-down on Independent's loans (accreted into earnings over 3 years using straight-line amortization)
- \$38.0 million pre-tax write-down on held-to-maturity securities (proceeds reinvested)
- \$29.5 million pre-tax write-down on subordinated debt (amortized over 5.7 years straight-line)
- \$11.9 million pre-tax write-up on trust preferred debt (amortized over 10 years straight-line)

### CDI

• Core deposit intangible of 3.0% of Independent's core deposits (amortized over 10 years using sum-of-years-digits)

### **Other Assumptions**

• Sale and reinvestment of Independent's investment portfolio

# COMPREHENSIVE DUE DILIGENCE PROCESS





### **Due Diligence Overview**

- Completed a coordinated comprehensive due diligence review with 160+ internal bank employees from SouthState & Independent, along with 50+ outside professionals and attorneys
- Track record of successful integration and realization of cost savings
- Management meetings held at Independent to address questions and gain clarity during due diligence process

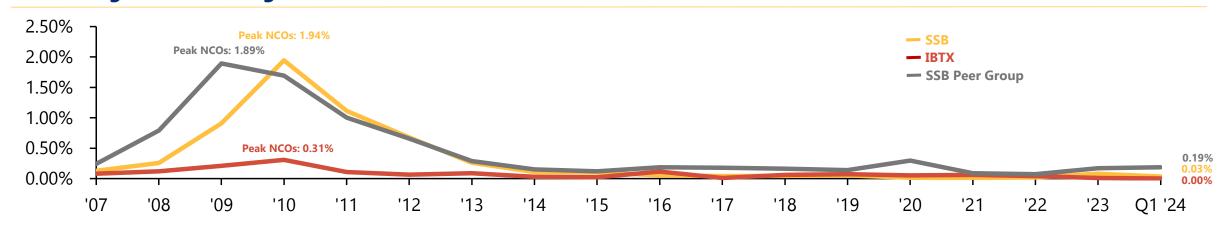
### **Credit Review**

- Chief Credit Officer has completed 46 due diligence reviews since 2010
- Cross-section analysis of the loan portfolio's performance, review of loan terms and structure, and borrower's continued ability to service their debt
- Additional focus on underwriting standards and credit culture
- Scope of diligence review on Independent's portfolio included:
  - 60% of NOOCRE portfolio
  - 88% of office portfolio
  - 94% of criticized loans
  - 89% of watch loans

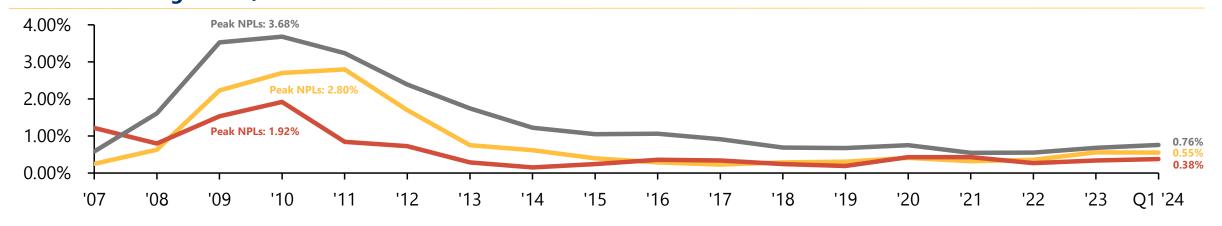
# HISTORY OF RESILIENT CREDIT



# **Net Charge-Offs / Average Loans**

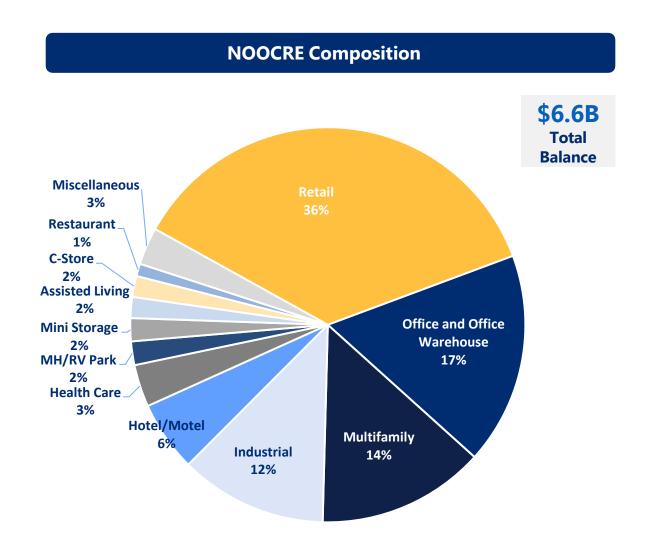


# **Non-Performing Loans / Total Loans**



# INDEPENDENT BANK: COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE PORTFOLIO DETAILS





# **Diversified and Granular CRE Portfolio**

\$33.1M Largest Loan \$1.7M Average Loan Size 4.3%
Top 10 Loan
Relationships /
Total Loans

# **Sound Underwriting Metrics**

57%
Average
Loan to
Value

1.68x
Average
Debt Service
Coverage
Ratio

2.50%

Criticized Loans

0.41%
Non-Accrual
Loans / Total

Loans

# PREPARED FOR GROWTH THROUGH SIGNIFICANT TECH INVESTMENTS



# **Expanded Capabilities & Scale**

Increased Annual Tech Spend by ~\$68 million or 76% since 2020\*

Replaced and/or added 20+ Best in Class Platforms Q2
Consumer Mobile/Online































\*Actual 2020 Annual Tech Spend compared to Projected 2024 Tech Spend (includes FTEs, Software, Depreciation, Professional Fees, etc.

# **COMMITMENT TO OUR COMMUNITIES**



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> 20,400

Combined volunteer service hours

> \$100 Million

Combined community development investments and grants to foster economic development and affordable housing projects

> \$547 Million

Combined community development loans

> \$582 Million

Combined affordable lending mortgage programs







# Family Health Center on Virginia

- Federally qualified health center striving to eliminate racial and socio-economic disparities in underserved communities
- Independent Bank provided seed money to start the clinic in 2019 and raised money to build the flagship 25,000 square foot building
- 150% growth in patient volume since opening in 2019
- 32% average increase for unique patients
- 30% average increase for clinic visits
- Based in McKinney, Texas

# THE COMBINED COMPANY





\$65B
Total Assets

\$8.2B
Market Cap

\$48B
Total Loans

\$55B
Total Deposits

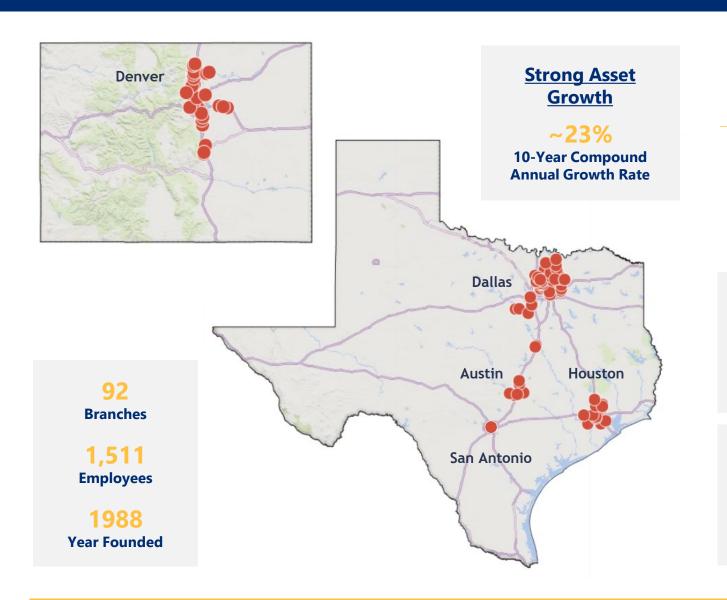
1.5M+
Accounts

5.5%
'24 – '29 Projected
Population Growth

# Appendix

# INDEPENDENT BANK GROUP, INC. SNAPSHOT





# INDEPENDENT

**BANK GROUP** 

# **A Unique Community Bank Growth Story**

- Founder-led organization
- High community involvement
- Conservative credit culture with history of resilient asset quality
- Granular loan portfolio with deep relationships across footprint in Texas and Colorado

### **Corporate Info and Footprint**

Headquarters: McKinney, Texas

Ticker: NASDAQ: IBTX

Chairman & CEO: David R. Brooks

Markets: **Metro Texas | Denver** 

### **Balance Sheet**

Total Assets: \$18.9B

Net Loans: **\$14.5B** 

Total Deposits: **\$15.7B** 

Tangible Common Equity: \$1.4B

### **Asset Quality**

NPAs / Assets: 0.34%

LLR / Gross Loans: 1.01%

LLR / NPAs: 231%

NCOs / Avg. Loans: 0.00%

### **Capital Ratios**

TCE / TA: **7.62%** 

Leverage Ratio: 8.91%

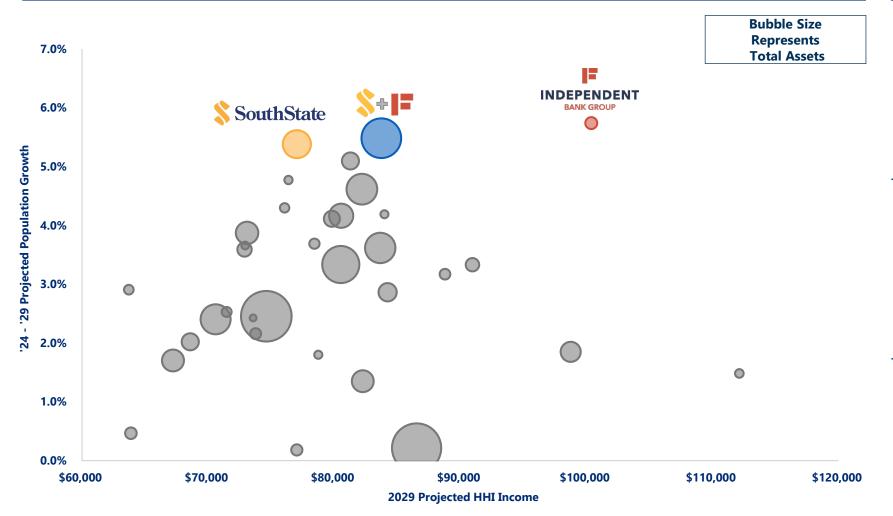
CET1 Ratio: 9.60%

Total Capital Ratio: 11.68%

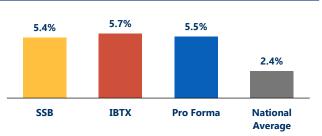
# **BEST IN CLASS: GROWTH MARKETS**



## **Demographic Profile of the South Banking Universe**(1)



### '24 - '29 Projected Population Growth (%)



### '24 - '29 Projected Median HHI Growth (%)



### '29 Projected Median HHI (\$)



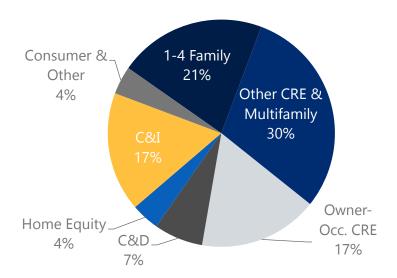
# PRO FORMA LOAN COMPOSITION



# **Loan Composition**

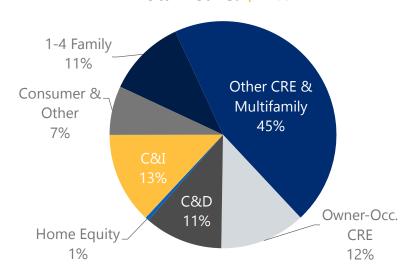
**SouthState Corporation**<sup>(1)</sup>

**Total Loans: \$32.7B** 



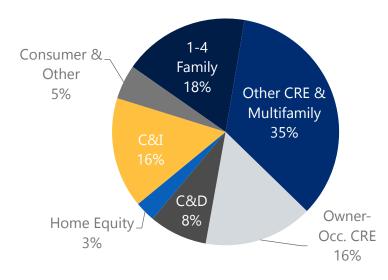
**Independent Bank Group, Inc.**(1)

**Total Loans: \$14.6B** 



**Pro Forma Company** 

**Total Loans: \$47.4B** 



**Annualized Yield on Loans**(2): 5.73%

**CRE Concentration: 235%** 

**C&D Concentration: 49%** 

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Annualized Yield on Loans<sup>(2)</sup>: 5.93%

**CRE Concentration: 405%** 

**C&D Concentration: 81%** 

Annualized Yield on Loans<sup>(2)</sup>: 5.76%

**CRE Concentration: 285%** 

**C&D Concentration:** 58%

Source: S&P Global and Company filings.

<sup>(1)</sup> SSB holding company data is used for the quarter ended March 31, 2024; IBTX bank level data is used for the quarter ended

<sup>(2)</sup> Consolidated yield on loans.

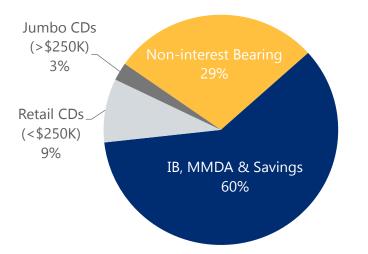
# PRO FORMA DEPOSIT COMPOSITION



# **Deposit Composition**

**SouthState Corporation** 

**Total Deposits: \$37.3B** 



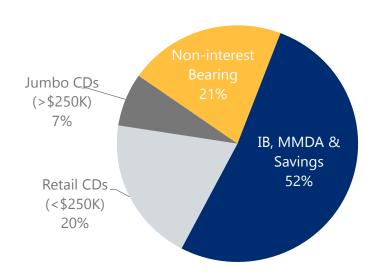
**Annualized Cost of Deposits**(1): 1.74%

**Loans / Deposits: 88%** 

**Uninsured / Total Deposits: 36%** 

**Independent Bank Group, Inc.** 

**Total Deposits: \$15.7B** 



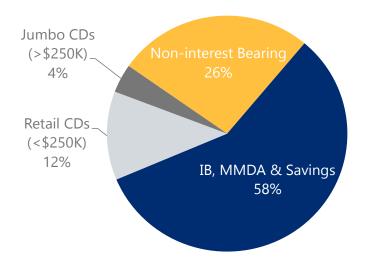
Annualized Cost of Deposits<sup>(1)</sup>: 3.16%

Loans / Deposits: 93%

**Uninsured / Total Deposits: 40%** 

**Pro Forma Company** 

**Total Deposits: \$53.0B** 



Annualized Cost of Deposits<sup>(1)</sup>: 2.13%

Loans / Deposits: 89%

**Uninsured / Total Deposits: 37%** 

# **ONGOING CAPITAL GENERATION**



# **Capital Ratios At Close**<sup>(1)</sup>

8.6% **Leverage Ratio** 

> 10.4% **CET1 Ratio**

12.8% **Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio** 

# **Combined Earnings and** Cost Savings<sup>(2)</sup>

SSB 2025E Earnings	\$526.9
IBTX 2025E Earnings	\$167.0
2025 After-tax Run-Rate Cost Savings <sup>(3)</sup>	\$70.5
Core Earnings Power	\$764.4
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(Less) Dividends Paid	<b>\$764.4</b> \$214.4

+108bps **CET1** annually<sup>(4)</sup>

# **Interest Rate Marks**<sup>(2)</sup>

~\$293 million accreted through earnings over the next 3 years<sup>(5)</sup>

> **+57bps CET1**<sup>(4)</sup>

For illustrative purposes, assumes transaction closes on 1/1/2025.

Reflects fully-phased in run-rate cost savings of \$89.3 million. Prior to risk-weighted assets growth.

# ILLUSTRATIVE PRO FORMA EARNINGS ACCRETION RECONCILIATION



# Illustrative Fully Phased-In 2025E EPS Accretion<sup>(1)</sup>

Dollars in millions; excluding per share data	2025E
SSB Earnings (Mean Consensus Estimates GAAP)	\$526.9
IBTX Earnings (Mean Consensus Estimates GAAP)	\$167.0
Combined Earnings	\$693.9
Run-Rate Cost Savings	\$70.5
Accretion of Interest Rate Marks	\$97.8
Accretion Non-PCD Credit Mark	\$27.3
Incremental Income on Loan / Securities Portfolio Sale and Securities Reinvestment	\$33.0
Amortization of Core Deposit Intangibles	(\$49.3)
Other Adjustments <sup>(2)</sup>	\$16.0
Pro Forma Earnings	\$889.2
Standalone Avg. Diluted Shares Outstanding (Millions)	76.6
Standalone EPS	\$6.88
Pro Forma Avg. Diluted Shares Outstanding (Millions)	101.5
Pro Forma EPS	\$8.76
EPS Accretion (\$)	\$1.88
EPS Accretion (%)	27.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> For illustrative purposes, assumes transaction closes on 1/1/2025, cost savings are fully phased-in and excludes one-time deal

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Includes elimination of existing target amortization, recovery of target loan loss provision and secondary interest effects of opportunity cost of cash.

# TANGIBLE BOOK VALUE DILUTION RECONCILIATION



# **Tangible Book Value Dilution Detail**

	\$ Millions	Millions of Shares	\$ Per Share
SSB Tangible Book Value at Close (3/31/2025)	\$3,881.5	76.2	\$50.95
Equity Consideration to IBTX	2,024.5	24.9	
Core Deposit Intangibles	(342.9)		
Goodwill Created	(716.8)		
Restructuring Cost Attributable to SSB	(104.9)		
Establishment of Day 2 Non-PCD Reserve	(81.8)		
Pro Forma Tangible Book Value	\$4,659.7	101.1	\$46.07
SSB Tangible Book Value Per Share Accretion / (Dilution) (\$)			(\$4.87)
SSB Tangible Book Value Per Share Accretion / (Dilution) (%)			(9.6%)
TBVPS Earnback (years)			2.0

# **Calculation of Intangibles Created**

	\$ Millions
Aggregate Transaction Value	\$2,005.8
IBTX Tangible Common Equity at Close (3/31/2025)	1,421.7
(Less) Restructuring Cost Attributable to IBTX	35.1
Adjusted IBTX Tangible Common Equity	1,386.7
Net Credit Mark	(52.2)
Rate Marks	(403.7)
Core Deposit Intangible	342.9
Net Adjustments	(112.9)
Deferred Tax Asset / (liability) Created	34.0
Goodwill Created	\$698.1

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INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-4 AND THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS INCLUDED WITHIN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-4 WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANSACTION OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-4 AND THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING SOUTHSTATE, IBTX, THE TRANSACTION AND RELATED MATTERS.

Investors and security holders may obtain free copies of these documents and other documents filed with the SEC by IBTX or SouthState through the website maintained by the SEC at http://www.sec.gov or from SouthState at its website, https://southstatecorporation.q4ir.com, or from IBTX at its website, https://southState will be available free of charge by accessing the "SEC Filings" tab of SouthState's website at https://southstatecorporation.q4ir.com, or alternatively by directing a request by mail to SouthState's Corporate Secretary, 1101 First Street South, Suite 202, Winter Haven, FL 33880, and documents filed with the SEC by IBTX will be available free of charge by accessing IBTX's website at https://ir.ifinancial.com under the "SEC Filings" tab or, alternatively, by directing a request by mail to IBTX's Corporate Secretary, 7777 Henneman Way, McKinney, TX 75070-1711.

### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

IBTX, SouthState and certain of their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the shareholders of IBTX and SouthState in connection with the Transaction under the rules of the SEC. Information about the interests of the directors and executive officers of IBTX and SouthState and other persons who may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of shareholders of IBTX and SouthState in connection with the Transaction and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be included in the joint proxy statement/prospectus related to the Transaction, which will be filed with the SEC.

Information about the directors and executive officers of IBTX and their ownership of IBTX common stock is also set forth in the definitive proxy statement for IBTX's 2024 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, as filed with the SEC on Schedule 14A on April 26, 2024 (which is available at https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/1564618/000156461824000071/ibtx-20240425.htm). Information about the directors and executive officers of IBTX, their ownership of IBTX common stock, and IBTX's transactions with related persons is set forth in the sections entitled "Our Board of Directors", "Compensation Discussion & Analysis", "CEO Pay Ratio" and "Pay Versus Performance" of such definitive proxy statement. To the extent holdings of IBTX common stock by the directors and executive officers of IBTX have changed from the amounts of IBTX common stock held by such persons as reflected therein, such changes have been or will be reflected on Statements of Change in Ownership on Form 4 filed with the SEC. Information about the directors and executive officers of SouthState and their ownership of SouthState common stock can also be found in SouthState's definitive proxy statement in connection with its 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, as filed with the SEC on March 8, 2024 (which is available at https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/764038/000155837024002793/ssb-20240424xdef14a.htm) and other documents subsequently filed by SouthState with the SEC. Information about the directors and executive officers of SouthState, their ownership of SouthState common stock, and SouthState 's transactions with related persons is set forth in the sections entitled "Our Directors", "Director Independence", "Related Person and Certain Other Transactions", "Stock Ownership of Directors, Executive Officers, and Certain Beneficial Owners", "Director Compensation", "Compensation Discussion and Analysis", "Compensation Committee Report", "Executive Compensation", "CEO Pay Ratio" and "Pay Versus Performance" of such definitive proxy statement, and the section entitled "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters" of SouthState's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, as filed with the SEC on March 4, 2024 (which is available at https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/764038/000155837024002302/ssb-20231231x10k.htm). To the extent holdings of SouthState common stock by the directors and executive officers of SouthState have changed from the amounts of SouthState common stock held by such persons as reflected therein, such changes have been or will be reflected on Statements of Change in Ownership on Form 4 filed with the SEC, including: the Form 4s filed by Sara Arana on March 6, Daniel Bockhorst on March 4 and March 20, Renee Brooks on March 19, Ronald Cofield on May 2, Shantella Cooper on May 2 and May 8, John Corbett on March 4, Jean Davis on May 2, Martin Bernard Davis on May 2, Beth DeSimone on March 4, Douglas Hertz on May 2 and May 8, Greg Lapointe on March 4 and March 5, William Matthews V on March 4, Richard Murray IV on March 4 and March 21, G. Ruffner Page Jr. on May 2, Joshua Snively on May 3, Joshua Snively on M these documents may be obtained as described above.



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