

# **Republic Financial Holdings Limited**

# UNAUDITED **GROUP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

### CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

I am pleased to report that Republic Financial Holdings Limited (RFHL) recorded profit attributable to its equity holders of \$503 million for the three-month period ended December 31, 2023. Excluding one-off losses reported in the prior period, core profits after tax and non-controlling interest increased by \$33 million or 6.9 percent, while reported profits increased by \$103 million or 26 percent over the \$400 million reported in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

Total assets stood at \$115.2 billion at December 31, 2023, an increase of \$1.7 billion or 1.46 percent over the total assets at December 2022. This increase was fuelled by growth in the loans and investments portfolios across all subsidiaries.

The Group's first quarter results reflect the impact of this strong growth in loans and investments, combined with the continued strong interest rate environment for our US\$ denominated subsidiaries. All subsidiaries recorded strong performances despite the ongoing economic challenges in some environments. The overall performance continues to highlight the value of the Group's international diversification strategy and the resilience of our operations.

Based on these results, the Board of Directors has declared its first ever quarterly interim dividend of \$0.55 per share payable on February 29, 2024, to all shareholders on record at February 15, 2024.

The Group continues to work on improving its employee engagement, customer focus and digital strategy to continue adding value to our customers, staff and stakeholders. While challenges persist, we believe that we are well positioned to navigate the continued global economic uncertainties.

I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to all the members of the RFHL Team and our customers for their commitment and unwavering support as we continue to serve our clients and communities with excellence.

Vincent A. Pereira

Chairman January 31, 2024

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

|   |           | AUDITED   |            |  |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------|--|
|   | Dec-31-23 | Dec-31-22 | Sept-30-23 |  |
|   | \$Mn      | \$Mn      | \$Mn       |  |
| ASSETS  |           |           |            |  |
| Cash resources                                    | 23,672    | 27,279    | 24,634     |  |
| Advances  | 62,668    | 58,138    | 60,656     |  |
| Investment securities                             | 20,869    | 19,673    | 20,216     |  |
| Premises and equipment                            | 3,363     | 3,279     | 3,323      |  |
| Net pension asset                                 | 940       | 1,201     | 946        |  |
| Other assets                                      | 3,694     | 3,992     | 3,153      |  |
| TOTAL ASSETS                                      | 115,206   | 113,562   | 112,928    |  |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY                            |           |           |            |  |
| LIABILITIES                                       |           |           |            |  |
| Due to banks                                      | 485       | 378       | 298        |  |
| Customers' deposits and other funding instruments | 95,471    | 94,716    | 93,563     |  |
| Debt securities in issue                          | 1,444     | 1,607     | 1,518      |  |
| Other liabilities                                 | 3,592     | 3,696     | 3,281      |  |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES                                 | 100,992   | 100,397   | 98,660     |  |
| EQUITY  |           |           |            |  |
| Stated capital                                    | 937       | 917       | 932        |  |
| Statutory reserves                                | 2,157     | 1,948     | 2,093      |  |
| Other reserves                                    | (357)     | (452)     | (506)      |  |
| Retained earnings                                 | 10,189    | 9,659     | 10,498     |  |
| Attributable to equity holders of the Parent      | 12,926    | 12,072    | 13,017     |  |
| Non-controlling interest                          | 1,288     | 1,093     | 1,251      |  |
| TOTAL EQUITY                                      | 14,214    | 13,165    | 14,268     |  |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY                      | 115,206   | 113,562   | 112,928    |  |

These unaudited financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on January 31, 2024, and signed on its behalf by:

Colin A. Soo Ping Chow,

Director

Group President and Chief Executive Officer

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

|   | UNAI<br>Three<br>En | AUDITED<br>Year<br>Ended |                    |  |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--|
|   | Dec-31-23<br>\$Mn   | Dec-31-22<br>\$Mn        | Sept-30-23<br>\$Mn |  |
| Net interest income<br>Other income   | 1,240<br>524        | 1,108<br>538             | 4,664<br>2,143     |  |
| Operating income<br>Operating expenses  | 1,764<br>(955)      | 1,646<br>(909)           | 6,807<br>(3,965)   |  |
|   | 809                 | 737                      | 2,842              |  |
| Net share of profits of associated companies  | 2                   | 1                        | 6                  |  |
| Operating profit  | 811                 | 738                      | 2,848              |  |
| Credit loss expense on financial assets<br>Net monetary loss in hyperinflationary economies | (84)<br>(13)        | (167)<br>—               | (181)<br>(68)      |  |
| Profit before taxation<br>Taxation expense  | 714<br>(145)        | 571<br>(164)             | 2,599<br>(667)     |  |
| Net profit after taxation   | 569                 | 407                      | 1,932              |  |
| Attributable to: Equity holders of the Parent Non-controlling interest                      | 503<br>66           | 400<br>7                 | 1,750<br>182       |  |
|   | 569                 | 407                      | 1,932              |  |
| Earnings per share<br>Basic<br>Diluted  | \$3.09<br>\$3.08    | \$2.45<br>\$2.45         | \$10.69<br>\$10.71 |  |
| <b>Weighted average number of shares ('000)</b> Basic Diluted                               | 162,841<br>163,071  | 163,042<br>163,537       | 162,906<br>163,328 |  |
| Dividend based on the results of the period   | \$0.55              | \$0.00                   | \$4.10             |  |

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

|   | THREE             | UNAUDITED<br>THREE MONTHS<br>ENDED |                    |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
|   | Dec-31-23<br>\$Mn | Dec-31-22<br>\$Mn                  | Sept-30-23<br>\$Mn |
| Net profit after taxation   | 569               | 407                                | 1,932              |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss)<br>that will be reclassified to the consolidated<br>statement of income in subsequent periods (net of tax): |                   |                                    |                    |
| Net gain on investment securities fair value through other comprehensive income securities  | 5                 | -                                  | -                  |
| Translation adjustments   | 16                | (66)                               | (54)               |
|   | 21                | (66)                               | (54)               |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss) that will not be reclassified to the consolidated statement of income in subsequent periods (net of tax):   |                   |                                    |                    |
| Re-measurement losses on defined benefit plans  | _                 | _                                  | (248)              |
| Income tax related to above   |                   | _                                  | 73                 |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of taxation   | 21                | (66)                               | (229)              |
| Total comprehensive income for  |                   | 044                                | 4 700              |
| the period, net of taxation   | 590               | 341                                | 1,703              |
| Attributable to: Equity holders of the Parent Non-controlling interest  | 530<br>60         | 362<br>(21)                        | 1,545<br>158       |
|   | 590               | 341                                | 1,703              |





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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

| Devied and all December 24, 2000           | Stated<br>Capital<br>\$Mn | Statutory<br>Reserves<br>\$Mn | Other<br>Reserves<br>\$Mn | Retained<br>Earnings<br>\$Mn | Total Equity<br>Attributable to<br>Equity Holders<br>of the Parent<br>\$Mn | Non-<br>controlling<br>Interest<br>\$Mn | Total<br>Equity<br>\$Mn |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------|
| Period ended December 31, 2023             |                           |                               |                           |                              |  |   |                         |
| Balance at October 1, 2023                 |                           |                               |                           |                              |  |   |                         |
| as previously reported                     | 932                       | 2,093                         | (506)                     | 10,498                       | 13,017   | 1,251                                   | 14,268                  |
| Impact of initial application of IFRS 17   | _                         | -                             | (1)                       | 10                           | 9  | -                                       | 9                       |
| Impact of initial application of IFRS 9    |                           | _                             |                           | 5                            | 5  | _                                       | 5                       |
| Restated opening balance under IFRS 17     | 932                       | 2,093                         | (507)                     | 10,513                       | 13,031   | 1,251                                   | 14,282                  |
| Total comprehensive income for the period  | -                         | _                             | 21                        | 504                          | 525  | 60                                      | 585                     |
| Issue of shares                            | 4                         | _                             | _                         | _                            | 4  | -                                       | 4                       |
| Share-based payment                        | 1                         | _                             | _                         | _                            | 1  | -                                       | 1                       |
| Shares purchased for profit sharing scheme | _                         | _                             | (20)                      | _                            | (20)   | -                                       | (20)                    |
| Allocation of shares                       | _                         | _                             | 57                        | -                            | 57   | -                                       | 57                      |
| Transfer to other reserves                 | _                         | _                             | 92                        | (92)                         | _  | -                                       | _                       |
| Transfer to statutory reserves             | _                         | 65                            | -                         | (65)                         | _  | _                                       | _                       |
| Share of changes in equity Dividends       | _                         | _                             | _                         | (071)                        | (071)  | 3                                       | 3                       |
|  | _                         | _                             | _                         | (671)                        | (671)  | (00)                                    | (671)                   |
| Dividends paid to non-controlling interest | _                         | (1)                           | _                         | _                            | (1)  | (26)                                    | (26)                    |
| Other                                      | _                         | (1)                           | _                         | _                            | (1)  | _                                       | (1)                     |
| Balance at December 31, 2023               | 937                       | 2,157                         | (357)                     | 10,189                       | 12,926   | 1,288                                   | 14,214                  |
| Period ended December 31, 2022             |                           |                               |                           |                              |  |   |                         |
| Balance at October 1, 2022                 | 913                       | 1,888                         | (507)                     | 9,946                        | 12,240   | 1,130                                   | 13,370                  |
| Total comprehensive income for the period  | -                         | -,,,,,,                       | (62)                      | 424                          | 362  | (21)                                    | 341                     |
| Issue of shares                            | 2                         | _                             | ()                        |                              | 2  | (,                                      | 2                       |
| Share-based payment                        | 2                         | _                             | _                         | _                            | 2  | _                                       | 2                       |
| Shares purchased for profit sharing scheme | _                         | _                             | (22)                      | _                            | (22)   | _                                       | (22)                    |
| Allocation of shares                       | _                         | _                             | `52 <sup>´</sup>          | _                            | 52   | _                                       | 52                      |
| Transfer to other reserves                 | _                         | _                             | 87                        | (87)                         | _  | _                                       | _                       |
| Transfer to statutory reserves             | _                         | 60                            | _                         | (60)                         | _  | _                                       | _                       |
| Share of changes in equity                 | _                         | _                             | _                         | -                            | _  | 2                                       | 2                       |
| Dividends                                  | _                         | _                             | _                         | (564)                        | (564)  | -                                       | (564)                   |
| Dividends paid to non-controlling interest | -                         | -                             | _                         | `                            | ` -  | (18)                                    | (18)                    |
| Balance at December 31, 2022               | 917                       | 1,948                         | (452)                     | 9,659                        | 12,072   | 1,093                                   | 13,165                  |
| Year ended September 30, 2023              |                           |                               |                           |                              |  |   |                         |
| Balance at October 1, 2022                 | 913                       | 1,888                         | (507)                     | 9,946                        | 12,240   | 1,130                                   | 13,370                  |
| Total comprehensive income for the year    | 3.3                       | 1,000                         | (60)                      | 1,605                        | 1,545  | 158                                     | 1,703                   |
| Issue of shares                            | 13                        | _                             | (00)                      | 1,000                        | 13   | 150                                     | 1,703                   |
| Share-based payment                        | 6                         | _                             | _                         | _                            | 6  | _                                       | 6                       |
| Shares purchased for profit sharing scheme | _                         | _                             | (100)                     | _                            | (100)  | _                                       | (100)                   |
| Allocation of shares                       | _                         | _                             | 52                        | _                            | 52   | _                                       | 52                      |
| Transfer to other reserves                 | _                         | _                             | 124                       | (124)                        | _  | _                                       | _                       |
| Transfer to statutory reserves             | _                         | 205                           | _                         | (205)                        | _  | _                                       | _                       |
| Transfer from contingency reserves         | _                         | _                             | (12)                      | 12                           | _  | _                                       | _                       |
| Share of changes in equity                 | _                         | _                             | ` _'                      | _                            | _  | 1                                       | 1                       |
| Dividends                                  | _                         | _                             | _                         | (744)                        | (744)  | _                                       | (744)                   |
| Dividends paid to non-controlling interest | _                         | _                             | _                         | ` -'                         | _  | (38)                                    | (38)                    |
| Other                                      | -                         | _                             | (3)                       | 8                            | 5  | -                                       | 5                       |
|  |                           |                               |                           |                              |  |   |                         |

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

|   | UNAU!<br>THREE N<br>END | AUDITED<br>YEAR<br>ENDED |                    |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
|   | Dec-31-23<br>\$Mn       | Dec-31-22<br>\$Mn        | Sept-30-23<br>\$Mn |
| Operating activities                                  |                         | Ψ                        | Ψ                  |
| Profit before taxation                                | 714                     | 571                      | 2,599              |
| Adjustments for non-cash items                        | 191                     | 328                      | 886                |
| Increase in operating assets                          | (2,942)                 | (2,368)                  | (4,389)            |
| Increase in operating liabilities                     | 2,275                   | 2,903                    | 1,384              |
| Taxes paid  | (195)                   | (206)                    | (669)              |
| Cash provided by/(used in) operating activities       | 43                      | 1,228                    | (190)              |
| Investing activities                                  |                         |                          |                    |
| Net increase/(decrease) in investments                | 15                      | 902                      | (546)              |
| Additions to fixed assets                             | (130)                   | (126)                    | (394)              |
| Proceeds from sale of fixed assets                    | 1                       | 6                        | 16                 |
| Cash (used in)/provided by investing activities       | (114)                   | 782                      | (924)              |
| Financing activities                                  |                         |                          |                    |
| Increase/(decrease) in balances due to other banks    | 186                     | (67)                     | (147)              |
| Repayment of debt securities                          | (74)                    | (68)                     | (157)              |
| Repayment of lease liabilities                        | (18)                    | (22)                     | (85)               |
| Net proceeds from share issue                         | ` 4                     | 2                        | 13                 |
| Shares purchased for profit sharing scheme            | (20)                    | (22)                     | (100)              |
| Allocation of shares from profit sharing plan         | 57                      | 52                       | 52                 |
| Dividends paid to shareholders of the Parent          | (671)                   | (564)                    | (744)              |
| Dividends paid to non-controlling interest            | (26)                    | (18)                     | (38)               |
| Cash used in financing activities                     | (562)                   | (707)                    | (1,206)            |
| Net (decrease)/increase in cash resources             | (633)                   | 1,303                    | (2,320)            |
| Net foreign exchange difference                       | 32                      | (107)                    | (263)              |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period/year | 10,964                  | 13,546                   | 13,546             |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period/year       | 10,363                  | 14,742                   | 10,964             |
| Supplemental information:                             |                         |                          |                    |
| Interest received during the period/year              | 1,415                   | 1,530                    | 5,450              |
| Interest paid during the period/year                  | (267)                   | (191)                    | (781)              |
|   |                         |                          |                    |

## NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1 Corporate information

Republic Financial Holdings Limited (RFHL), the financial holding company for the Republic Group, is incorporated in the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and its registered office is located at Republic House, 9-17 Park Street, Port of Spain. RFHL is listed on the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange.

The RFHL Group (the 'Group') is a financial services group comprising several subsidiaries and associated companies. The Group is engaged in a wide range of banking, financial and related activities mainly in the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) region, Cayman Islands, Ghana, St. Maarten, Anguilla and the British Virgin Islands.

### 2 Basis of preparation

This interim financial report for the period ended December 31, 2023, with effect from October 1, 2023, has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, 'Interim Financial Reporting' and should be used in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023.

Reclassifications may be made to the prior period's financial statements to conform to the current period's presentation.

### New standards, interpretations and amendments adopted by the Group

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023, except for changes introduced by the adoption of IFRS 17 'Insurance Contracts', as this standard became effective for financial period starting after January 1, 2023.

The Group has initially applied IFRS 17, including any consequential amendments to other standards, from October 1, 2023, for the first time. The standard has brought significant changes to the accounting for insurance and reinsurance contracts.

### 3 Capital commitments

|  | UNAU              | DITED             | AUDITED            |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|  | Dec-31-23<br>\$Mn | Dec-31-22<br>\$Mn | Sept-30-23<br>\$Mn |
| Contracts for outstanding capital expenditure not provided for in the financial statements | 127               | 118               | 115                |
| Other capital expenditure authorised by the Directors but not yet contracted for           | 103               | 105               | 82                 |



### **UNAUDITED GROUP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** THREE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

### NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operating decisions. A number of banking transactions are entered into with related parties in the normal course of business. These transactions were carried out on commercial terms and conditions, at market rates.

|  | UNAU      | UNAUDITED |            |
|--|-----------|-----------|------------|
|  | Dec-31-23 | Dec-31-22 | Sept-30-23 |
|  | \$Mn      | \$Mn      | \$Mn       |
| Outstanding Balances                   |           |           |            |
| Advances, investments and other assets |           |           |            |
| Associates                             | 7         | _         | 2          |
| Directors and key management personnel | 432       | 344       | 412        |
| Other related parties                  | 180       | 210       | 178        |
|  | 619       | 554       | 592        |
| Deposits and other liabilities         |           |           |            |
| Directors and key management personnel | 160       | 153       | 156        |
| Other related parties                  | 265       | 501       | 147        |
| other related parties                  | 200       | 301       | 147        |
|  | 425       | 654       | 303        |
| Interest and other income              |           |           |            |
| Associates                             | 7         | _         | 12         |
| Directors and key management personnel | 9         | 7         | 32         |
| Other related parties                  | 10        | 7         | 17         |
|  | 26        | 14        | 61         |
|  |           |           |            |
| Interest and other expense             | •         |           | 20         |
| Directors and key management personnel | 3         | 4         | 20         |
| Other related parties                  | 23        | 4         | 14         |
|  | 26        | 8         | 34         |
|  |           |           |            |

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group.

| Key management compensation |    |    |    |
|-----------------------------|----|----|----|
| Short term benefits         | 21 | 16 | 66 |
| Post employment benefits    | -  | _  | 11 |
| Share-based payment         | 1  | 2  | 6  |
|                             |    |    |    |
|                             | 22 | 18 | 83 |

### 5 Segment reporting

The Group analyses its operations by geographic segments, reflecting its management structure as follows:

|                                   | Trinidad   | rinidad Eastern |          | Cayman    | Virgin | and other |         |         |             |         |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|--------|-----------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|--|
|                                   | and Tobago | Barbados        | Suriname | Caribbean | Guyana | Ghana     | Islands | Islands | adjustments | Total   |  |
|                                   | \$Mn       | \$Mn            | \$Mn     | \$Mn      | \$Mn   | \$Mn      | \$Mn    | \$Mn    | \$Mn        | \$Mn    |  |
| Unaudited                         |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| Three months ended                |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| December 31, 2023                 |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| Operating income                  | 1,668      | 118             | 45       | 227       | 158    | 109       | 253     | 43      | (855)       | 1,766   |  |
| Net profit before taxation        | 1,142      | 28              | 20       | 61        | 84     | 36        | 123     | 20      | (800)       | 714     |  |
| Total assets                      | 52,307     | 9,657           | 2,913    | 16,612    | 10,260 | 3,858     | 15,611  | 3,422   | 566         | 115,206 |  |
| Unaudited                         |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| Three months ended                |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| December 31, 2022                 |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| Operating income                  | 1,576      | 136             | 44       | 232       | 130    | 78        | 247     | 42      | (838)       | 1,647   |  |
| Net profit/(loss) before taxation | 1,101      | 75              | 24       | 90        | 61     | (114)     | 127     | 22      | (815)       | 571     |  |
| Total assets                      | 53,265     | 9,903           | 2,961    | 16,024    | 8,846  | 3,317     | 15,915  | 2,561   | 770         | 113,562 |  |
| Audited                           |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| Year ended                        |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| September 30, 2023                |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |
| Operating income                  | 4,752      | 977             | 191      | 876       | 551    | 395       | 1,005   | 175     | (2,109)     | 6,813   |  |
| Net profit/(loss) before taxation | 2,437      | 1,020           | 74       | 239       | 290    | (8)       | 476     | 64      | (1,993)     | 2,599   |  |
| Total assets                      | 51,307     | 9,890           | 2,773    | 16,428    | 9,690  | 3,569     | 15,364  | 3,433   | 474         | 112,928 |  |
|                                   |            |                 |          |           |        |           |         |         |             |         |  |

### 6 Contingent liabilities

As at December 31, 2023, there were certain legal proceedings outstanding against the Group. No provision has been made as professional advice indicates that it is unlikely that any significant loss will arise or that it would be premature at this stage of the action to determine that eventuality.













