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CENTURY BANCORP, INC. ANNOUNCES 4TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR OF RECORD EARNINGS FOR 2013, UP 5%; ASSET GROWTH OF 11% TO RECORD SIZE OF \$3.4 BB; REGULAR DIVIDEND DECLARED

Medford, MA, January 21, 2014---Century Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:CNBKA) (<a href="www.centurybank.com">www.centurybank.com</a>) ("the Company") today announced net income of \$20,046,000 for the year ended December 31, 2013, or \$3.61 per Class A share diluted, an increase of 5.3% compared to net income of \$19,039,000, or \$3.43 per Class A share diluted, for the same period a year ago. Total assets increased 11.2% from \$3.1 billion at December 31, 2012 to \$3.4 billion at December 31, 2013. For the quarter ended December 31, 2013, net income totaled \$5,025,000, or \$0.90 per Class A share diluted, an increase of 5.2% compared to net income of \$4,778,000, or \$0.86 per Class A share diluted, for the same period a year ago.

Net interest income totaled \$61.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to \$62.0 million for the same period in 2012. The 1.6% decrease in net interest income for the period is primarily due to \$3.3 million of prepayment penalties collected during 2012 compared to \$491,000 for 2013. The net interest margin decreased from 2.51% on a fully taxable equivalent basis in 2012 to 2.21% on the same basis for 2013. This was primarily the result of a decrease in asset yields. Also, interest expense decreased primarily as a result of the continued decline in market rates and there was a 13.6% increase in the average balances of earning assets, combined with a similar increase in average deposits.

The provision for loan losses decreased by \$1.4 million from \$4.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 to \$2.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, primarily as a result of a lower level of charge-off activity and changes in portfolio composition. The Company capitalized on favorable market conditions for the year ended December 31, 2013 and realized net gains on sales of investments of \$3.0 million, as compared to \$1.8 million for the same period in 2012. The Company's effective tax rate decreased from 6.8% in 2012 to 4.8% in 2013 primarily as a result of an increase in tax-exempt income.

At December 31, 2013, total equity was \$176.5 million compared to \$180.0 million at December 31, 2012. The Company's equity decreased primarily as a result of an increase in other comprehensive loss, net of taxes, and dividends paid, offset somewhat by earnings. Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes, increased as a result of an increase in unrealized losses on securities available-for-sale and securities transferred from available-for-sale to held-to-maturity, offset, somewhat, by a decrease in the additional pension liability, net of taxes. Unrealized losses increased as a result of increases in interest rates. During the third quarter of 2013, \$987.0 million of securities available-for-sale with unrealized losses of \$25.3 million were transferred to securities held-to-maturity. This was done in response to rising interest rates. The additional pension liability decreased mainly as a result of an increase in pension assets and decrease in the projected benefit obligation on the defined benefit pension plan.

The Company's leverage ratio stood at 6.50% at December 31, 2013, compared to 6.80% at December 31, 2012. The decrease in the leverage ratio is due to an increase in assets. Book value as of December 31, 2013 was \$31.76 per share compared to \$32.40 at December 31, 2012.

The Company's allowance for loan losses was \$20.9 million or 1.66% of loans outstanding at December 31, 2013, compared to \$19.2 million or 1.73% of loans outstanding at December 31, 2012. The increase in the allowance for loan losses was due to the increase in the size and composition of the loan portfolio as well as qualitative factors. Non-performing assets totaled \$2.5 million at December 31, 2013, compared to \$4.5 million at December 31, 2012.

The Company's Board of Directors voted a regular quarterly dividend of 12.00 cents (\$0.12) per share on the Company's Class A common stock, and 6.00 cents (\$0.06) per share on the Company's Class B common stock. The dividends were declared payable February 18, 2014 to stockholders of record on February 3, 2014.

The Company, through its subsidiary bank, Century Bank and Trust Company, a state chartered full service commercial bank, operating twenty-six full-service branches in the Greater Boston area, offers a full range of Business, Personal and Institutional Services.

Century Bank and Trust Company is a member of the FDIC and is an Equal Housing Lender.

This press release contains certain "forward-looking statements" with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and business of the Company. Actual results may differ from those contemplated by these statements. The Company wishes to caution readers not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. The Company disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly any such forward-looking statements, whether in response to new information, future events or otherwise.

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Comparative Statements of Condition (unaudited) (in thousands)

Assets	December 31, 2013		December 31, 2012	
Cash and Due From Banks Federal Funds Sold and Interest-bearing Deposits In Other Banks	\$	59,956 34,722	\$	53,646 98,637
Short-term Investments	4,617			17,367
Securities Available-For-Sale (AFS)	464,245		1	1,434,801
Securities Held-to-Maturity	1,487,884			275,507
Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston stock, at cost	18,072			15,146
Loans: Commercial & Industrial Construction & Land Development Commercial Real Estate		92,402 33,058 713,327		88,475 38,618 576,465
Residential Real Estate	286,041			281,857
Consumer and Other	9,658			7,450
Home Equity		130,277		118,923
Total Loans	1.	,264,763	1	1,111,788
Less: Allowance for Loan Losses		20,941		19,197
Net Loans	1,	,243,822	1	1,092,591
Bank Premises and Equipment		23,400		23,899
Accrued Interest Receivable		6,539		5,811
Goodwill	2,714			2,714
Other Assets	85,183			66,090
Total Assets	\$ 3,431,154		\$ 3	3,086,209
Liabilities				
Demand Deposits	\$	475,862	\$	438,429
Interest Bearing Deposits:				
Savings and NOW Deposits		992,796		933,316
Money Market Accounts		864,957		653,345
Time Deposits		382,224		419,983
Total Interest Bearing Deposits	2	,239,977	2	2,006,644
Total Deposits	2,715,839		2	2,445,073
Borrowed Funds: Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase		214,440		191,390
Other Borrowed Funds		255,144		195,144
Total Borrowed Funds		469,584		386,534
Other Liabilities		33,176		38,529
Subordinated Debentures		36,083		36,083
Total Liabilities	3	,254,682	2	2,906,219
Total Stockholders' Equity		176,472		179,990
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	\$ 3	,431,154	\$ 3	3,086,209

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Comparative Statements of Income (unaudited) For the Quarter and Year ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands)

	Quarter ended December 31,		Year ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	2013	2012	
Interest Income:	<b>40.500</b>	Φ 40.004	<b>40.000</b>	Φ 54.445	
Loans	\$ 12,562	\$ 12,301	\$ 49,296	\$ 51,415	
Securities Held-to-Maturity	7,495	1,615	16,615	6,746	
Securities Available-for-Sale	789	5,649	13,369	22,703	
Federal Funds Sold and Interest-bearing Deposits In Other Banks	101	173_	485	630	
Total Interest Income	20,947	19,738	79,765	81,494	
Interest Expense:					
Savings and NOW Deposits	652	601	2,585	2,250	
Money Market Accounts	677	540	2,472	2,373	
Time Deposits	1,120	1,476	4,777	6,250	
Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase	93	93	361	367	
Other Borrowed Funds and Subordinated Debentures	2,300	2,085	8,610	8,300	
Total Interest Expense	4,842	4,795	18,805	19,540	
Net Interest Income	16,105	14,943	60,960	61,954	
Provision For Loan Losses	460	900	2,710	4,150	
Net Interest Income After					
Provision for Loan Losses	15 645	14,043	58,250	57,804	
Provision for Loan Losses	15,645	14,043	56,250	57,004	
Other Operating Income					
Service Charges on Deposit Accounts	2,073	1,993	8,113	7,880	
Lockbox Fees	733	705	3,079	2,930	
Net Gain on Sales of Investments	354	724	3,019	1,843	
Net Gain on Sales of Loans	326	1	1,564	297	
Other Income	700	730	2,840	2,915	
Total Other Operating Income	4,186	4,153	18,615	15,865	
Operating Expenses					
Salaries and Employee Benefits	9,386	8,211	35,244	32,943	
Occupancy	1,285	1,236	5,000	4,695	
Equipment	552	501	2,298	2,255	
FDIC Assessment	478	435	1,790	1,737	
Other	2,989	2,896	11,480	11,608	
Total Operating Expenses	14,690	13,279	55,812	53,238	
Income Before Income Taxes	5,141				
		4,917	21,053	20,431	
Income Tax Expense	116_	139_	1,007	1,392	
Net Income	\$ 5,025	\$ 4,778	\$ 20,046	\$ 19,039	

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Year-to-Date Average Comparative Statements of Condition (unaudited)

(in thousands)

Assets	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012	
Cash and Due From Banks Federal Funds Sold and Interest-Bearing Deposits in Other Banks	\$ 59,603 174,264	\$ 54,572 219,540	
Securities Available-For-Sale (AFS) Securities Held-to-Maturity (HTM)	997,983 812,448	1,263,375 270,525	
Total Loans Less: Allowance for Loan Losses	1,184,912 20,452	1,036,296 18,039	
Net Loans	1,164,460	1,018,257	
Unrealized (Loss)Gain on Securities AFS and HTM Transfers Bank Premises and Equipment Accrued Interest Receivable Goodwill Other Assets	(6,236) 23,551 6,247 2,714 81,121	18,362 22,804 6,091 2,714 68,205	
Total Assets	\$ 3,316,155	\$ 2,944,445	
<u>Liabilities</u> Demand Deposits	\$ 441,193	\$ 386,863	
Interest Bearing Deposits: Savings and NOW Deposits Money Market Accounts Time Deposits Total Interest Bearing Deposits	1,037,320 800,052 387,514 2,224,886	870,046 666,949 418,789 1,955,784	
Total Deposits	2,666,079	2,342,647	
Borrowed Funds: Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase Other Borrowed Funds	203,888 194,949	174,624 181,459	
Total Borrowed Funds	398,837	356,083	
Other Liabilities Subordinated Debentures	42,017 36,083	37,497 36,083	
Total Liabilities	3,143,016	2,772,310	
Total Stockholders' Equity	173,139	172,135	
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	\$ 3,316,155	\$ 2,944,445	
Total Average Earning Assets - QTD	\$ 3,342,186	\$ 2,938,890	
Total Average Earning Assets - YTD	\$ 3,169,607	\$ 2,789,736	

Century Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Selected Key Financial Information (unaudited) (in thousands, except share data)	December 31, 2013		De	ecember 31, 2012
Performance Measures:				
Earnings per average Class A share, diluted, quarter Earnings per average Class A share, diluted, year-to-date Return on average assets, year-to-date Return on average stockholders' equity, year-to-date Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), quarter Net interest margin (taxable equivalent), year-to-date Efficiency ratio, year-to-date Book value per share Tangible book value per share Tangible capital / tangible assets	\$ \$ \$ \$	0.90 3.61 0.60% 11.58% 2.20% 2.21% 63.0% 31.76 31.27 5.07%	\$ \$ \$ \$	0.86 3.43 0.65% 11.06% 2.30% 2.51% 62.1% 32.40 31.91 5.75%
Common Share Data: Average Class A shares outstanding, diluted, quarter Average Class A shares outstanding, diluted, year-to-date  Shares outstanding Class A Shares outstanding Class B Total shares outstanding at period end		5,557,419 5,557,693 3,580,404 1,976,180 5,556,584		5,552,121 5,549,191 3,568,079 1,986,880 5,554,959
Asset Quality and Other Data:				
Allowance for loan losses / loans Nonaccrual loans Nonperforming assets Loans 90 days past due and still accruing Accruing troubled debt restructures Net charge-offs, year-to-date	\$ \$ \$ \$	1.66% 2,549 2,549 - 5,969 966	\$ \$ \$ \$	1.73% 4,471 4,471 - 3,048 1,527
Leverage ratio Tier 1 risk weighted capital ratio Total risk weighted capital ratio Total risk weighted assets	\$	6.50% 13.67% 14.92% 1,660,881	\$	6.80% 14.34% 15.59% 1,462,197