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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2024

OR

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

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

Commission file number 001-32216

**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Maryland**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

**47-0934168**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**90 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10016**

(Address of Principal Executive Office) (Zip Code)

**(212) 792-0107**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:**

<b>Title of Each Class</b>	<b>Trading Symbols</b>	<b>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</b>
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	NYMT	NASDAQ Stock Market
8.000% Series D Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, \$25.00 Liquidation Preference	NYMTN	NASDAQ Stock Market
7.875% Series E Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, \$25.00 Liquidation Preference	NYMTM	NASDAQ Stock Market
6.875% Series F Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, \$25.00 Liquidation Preference	NYMTL	NASDAQ Stock Market
7.000% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, \$25.00 Liquidation Preference	NYMTZ	NASDAQ Stock Market
9.125% Senior Notes due 2029	NYMTI	NASDAQ Stock Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities 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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files).

Yes  No

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large Accelerated Filer  Accelerated Filer  Non-Accelerated Filer  Smaller Reporting Company  Emerging Growth Company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

The number of shares of the registrant's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding on October 30, 2024 was 90,579,449.

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NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC.

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**PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements**

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
(Dollar amounts in thousands, except share data)

	September 30,	
	2024	December 31, 2023
	(unaudited)	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Residential loans, at fair value	\$ 3,777,144	\$ 3,084,303
Investment securities available for sale, at fair value	3,385,270	2,013,817
Multi-family loans, at fair value	87,614	95,792
Equity investments, at fair value	146,833	147,116
Cash and cash equivalents	195,066	187,107
Real estate, net	755,702	1,131,819
Assets of disposal group held for sale	197,665	426,017
Other assets	360,620	315,357
<b>Total Assets <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 8,905,914</b>	<b>\$ 7,401,328</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Repurchase agreements	\$ 3,611,115	\$ 2,471,113
Collateralized debt obligations (\$1,900,228 at fair value and \$902,038 at amortized cost, net as of September 30, 2024 and \$593,737 at fair value and \$1,276,780 at amortized cost, net as of December 31, 2023)	2,802,266	1,870,517
Senior unsecured notes (\$60,900 at fair value and \$98,687 at amortized cost, net as of September 30, 2024 and \$98,111 at amortized cost, net as of December 31, 2023)	159,587	98,111
Subordinated debentures	45,000	45,000
Mortgages payable on real estate, net	492,321	784,421
Liabilities of disposal group held for sale	177,869	386,024
Other liabilities	145,794	118,016
<b>Total liabilities <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>7,433,952</b>	<b>5,773,202</b>
<b>Commitments and Contingencies (See Note 15)</b>		
<b>Redeemable Non-Controlling Interest in Consolidated Variable Interest Entities</b>	<b>21,826</b>	<b>28,061</b>
<b>Stockholders' Equity:</b>		
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 31,500,000 shares authorized, 22,164,414 shares issued and outstanding (\$554,110 aggregate liquidation preference)	535,445	535,445
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 200,000,000 shares authorized, 90,579,449 and 90,675,403 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively	906	907
Additional paid-in capital	2,278,869	2,297,081
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	(4)
Accumulated deficit	(1,371,073)	(1,253,817)
<b>Company's stockholders' equity</b>	<b>1,444,147</b>	<b>1,579,612</b>
Non-controlling interests	5,989	20,453
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>1,450,136</b>	<b>1,600,065</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$ 8,905,914</b>	<b>\$ 7,401,328</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Our condensed consolidated balance sheets include assets and liabilities of consolidated variable interest entities ("VIEs") as the Company is the primary beneficiary of these VIEs. As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, assets of consolidated VIEs totaled \$4,051,406 and \$3,816,777, respectively, and the liabilities of consolidated VIEs totaled \$3,517,298 and \$3,076,818, respectively. See Note 7 for further discussion.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
<b>NET INTEREST INCOME:</b>				
Interest income	\$ 108,361	\$ 65,195	\$ 283,027	\$ 179,871
Interest expense	88,124	48,406	225,883	130,145
Total net interest income	20,237	16,789	57,144	49,726
<b>NET LOSS FROM REAL ESTATE:</b>				
Rental income	26,382	34,176	90,353	107,427
Other real estate income	5,521	8,215	16,093	21,486
Total income from real estate	31,903	42,391	106,446	128,913
Interest expense, mortgages payable on real estate	12,676	21,604	49,996	68,158
Depreciation and amortization	8,131	6,204	32,942	18,371
Other real estate expenses	18,591	22,371	60,476	66,878
Total expenses related to real estate	39,398	50,179	143,414	153,407
Total net loss from real estate	(7,495)	(7,788)	(36,968)	(24,494)
<b>OTHER INCOME (LOSS):</b>				
Realized losses, net	(1,380)	(3,679)	(19,404)	(2,220)
Unrealized gains (losses), net	96,949	(61,295)	41,046	(55,738)
(Losses) gains on derivative instruments, net	(60,640)	20,993	4,042	38,204
Income from equity investments	6,054	2,056	10,026	9,223
Impairment of real estate	(7,823)	(44,157)	(48,142)	(71,296)
Loss on reclassification of disposal group	—	—	(14,636)	—
Other income	19,715	139	16,541	1,712
Total other income (loss)	52,875	(85,943)	(10,527)	(80,115)
<b>GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>				
General and administrative expenses	11,941	11,826	36,643	37,824
Portfolio operating expenses	8,531	5,161	23,672	17,882
Debt issuance costs	2,354	—	10,452	—
Total general, administrative and operating expenses	22,826	16,987	70,767	55,706
<b>INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES</b>	42,791	(93,929)	(61,118)	(110,589)
Income tax expense (benefit)	2,325	(56)	2,556	(59)
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	40,466	(93,873)	(63,674)	(110,530)
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests	2,383	9,364	33,034	19,957
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMPANY</b>	42,849	(84,509)	(30,640)	(90,573)
Preferred stock dividends	(10,439)	(10,435)	(31,317)	(31,394)
Gain on repurchase of preferred stock	—	125	—	467
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMPANY'S COMMON STOCKHOLDERS</b>	\$ 32,410	\$ (94,819)	\$ (61,957)	\$ (121,500)
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.04)	\$ (0.68)	\$ (1.33)
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.04)	\$ (0.68)	\$ (1.33)
Weighted average shares outstanding-basic	90,582	90,984	90,895	91,163
Weighted average shares outstanding-diluted	90,586	90,984	90,895	91,163

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**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)**  
**(Dollar amounts in thousands)**  
(unaudited)

	<u>For the Three Months Ended</u> <u>September 30,</u>		<u>For the Nine Months Ended</u> <u>September 30,</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMPANY'S COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ 32,410	\$ (94,819)	\$ (61,957)	\$ (121,500)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME				
(Decrease) increase in fair value of available for sale securities	—	(65)	—	143
Reclassification adjustment for net loss included in net loss	—	—	4	—
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME	—	(65)	4	143
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMPANY'S COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	<u>\$ 32,410</u>	<u>\$ (94,884)</u>	<u>\$ (61,953)</u>	<u>\$ (121,357)</u>

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**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY**  
(Dollar amounts in thousands)  
(unaudited)  
**For the Three Months Ended**

	Common Stock	Preferred Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Company's Stockholders' Equity	Non- Controlling Interest in Consolidated VIEs	Total
Balance, June 30, 2024	\$ 906	\$ 535,445	\$ 2,280,664	\$ (1,385,105)	\$ —	\$ 1,431,910	\$ 9,753	\$ 1,441,663
Net income (loss) \$(565) allocated to redeemable non-controlling interest)	—	—	—	42,849	—	42,849	(1,818)	41,031
Stock based compensation expense, net	—	—	2,435	—	—	2,435	—	2,435
Dividends declared on common stock	—	—	—	(18,116)	—	(18,116)	—	(18,116)
Dividends declared on preferred stock	—	—	—	(10,439)	—	(10,439)	—	(10,439)
Dividends attributable to dividend equivalents	—	—	—	(262)	—	(262)	—	(262)
Decrease in non-controlling interest related to de-consolidation of VIEs	—	—	—	—	—	—	(24)	(24)
Decrease in non-controlling interest related to distributions from Consolidated VIEs	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,922)	(1,922)
Adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value	—	—	(4,230)	—	—	(4,230)	—	(4,230)
Balance, September 30, 2024	<u>\$ 906</u>	<u>\$ 535,445</u>	<u>\$ 2,278,869</u>	<u>\$ (1,371,073)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 1,444,147</u>	<u>\$ 5,989</u>	<u>\$ 1,450,136</u>
Balance, June 30, 2023	\$ 913	\$ 536,983	\$ 2,298,669	\$ (1,144,091)	\$ (1,762)	\$ 1,690,712	\$ 28,405	\$ 1,719,117
Net loss \$(2,907) allocated to redeemable non-controlling interest)	—	—	—	(84,509)	—	(84,509)	(6,457)	(90,966)
Common stock repurchases	(6)	—	(4,999)	—	—	(5,005)	—	(5,005)
Preferred stock repurchases	—	(1,538)	—	125	—	(1,413)	—	(1,413)
Stock based compensation expense, net	—	—	2,928	—	—	2,928	—	2,928
Dividends declared on common stock	—	—	—	(27,205)	—	(27,205)	—	(27,205)
Dividends declared on preferred stock	—	—	—	(10,435)	—	(10,435)	—	(10,435)
Dividends attributable to dividend equivalents	—	—	—	(377)	—	(377)	—	(377)
Decrease in fair value of available for sale securities	—	—	—	—	(65)	(65)	—	(65)
Contributions of non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	—	—	—	—	—	—	287	287
Decrease in non-controlling interest related to distributions from Consolidated VIEs	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,908)	(1,908)
Adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value	—	—	10,597	—	—	10,597	—	10,597
Balance, September 30, 2023	<u>\$ 907</u>	<u>\$ 535,445</u>	<u>\$ 2,307,195</u>	<u>\$ (1,266,492)</u>	<u>\$ (1,827)</u>	<u>\$ 1,575,228</u>	<u>\$ 20,327</u>	<u>\$ 1,595,555</u>

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**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY**  
(Dollar amounts in thousands)  
(unaudited)  
For the Nine Months Ended

	Common Stock	Preferred Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Company's Stockholders' Equity	Non- Controlling Interest in Consolidated VIEs	Total
Balance, December 31, 2023	\$ 907	\$ 535,445	\$ 2,297,081	\$ (1,253,817)	\$ (4)	\$ 1,579,612	\$ 20,453	\$ 1,600,065
Net loss (\$19,543) allocated to redeemable non-controlling interest)	—	—	—	(30,640)	—	(30,640)	(13,491)	(44,131)
Common stock repurchases	(6)	—	(3,487)	—	—	(3,493)	—	(3,493)
Stock based compensation expense, net	5	—	3,496	—	—	3,501	—	3,501
Dividends declared on common stock	—	—	—	(54,481)	—	(54,481)	—	(54,481)
Dividends declared on preferred stock	—	—	—	(31,317)	—	(31,317)	—	(31,317)
Dividends attributable to dividend equivalents	—	—	—	(818)	—	(818)	—	(818)
Reclassification adjustment for net loss included in net loss	—	—	—	—	4	4	—	4
Increase in non-controlling interest related to de- consolidation of VIEs	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,502	1,502
Contributions of non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	—	—	—	—	—	—	462	462
Decrease in non-controlling interest related to distributions from Consolidated VIEs	—	—	—	—	—	—	(2,937)	(2,937)
Adjustment of redeemable non- controlling interest to estimated redemption value	—	—	(18,221)	—	—	(18,221)	—	(18,221)
Balance, September 30, 2024	\$ 906	\$ 535,445	\$ 2,278,869	\$ (1,371,073)	\$ —	\$ 1,444,147	\$ 5,989	\$ 1,450,136

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Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	912	\$	538,351	\$	2,282,691	\$	(1,052,768)	\$	(1,970)	\$	1,767,216	\$	33,092	\$	1,800,308
Net loss (\$11,592) allocated to redeemable non-controlling interest)		—		—		—		(90,573)		—		(90,573)		(8,365)		(98,938)
Common stock repurchases		(9)		—		(8,606)		—		—		(8,615)		—		(8,615)
Preferred stock repurchases		—		(2,906)		—		467		—		(2,439)		—		(2,439)
Stock based compensation expense, net		4		—		5,916		—		—		5,920		—		5,920
Dividends declared on common stock		—		—		—		(91,142)		—		(91,142)		—		(91,142)
Dividends declared on preferred stock		—		—		—		(31,394)		—		(31,394)		—		(31,394)
Dividends attributable to dividend equivalents		—		—		—		(1,082)		—		(1,082)		—		(1,082)
Increase in fair value of available for sale securities		—		—		—		—		143		143		—		143
Contributions of non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs		—		—		—		—		—		—		827		827
Decrease in non-controlling interest related to distributions from Consolidated VIEs		—		—		—		—		—		—		(5,227)		(5,227)
Adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value		—		—		27,194		—		—		27,194		—		27,194
Balance, September 30, 2023	\$	907	\$	535,445	\$	2,307,195	\$	(1,266,492)	\$	(1,827)	\$	1,575,228	\$	20,327	\$	1,595,555

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**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

(unaudited)

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>		
Net loss	\$ (63,674)	\$ (110,530)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:		
Net amortization	14,673	21,385
Depreciation and amortization expense related to operating real estate	32,942	18,371
Realized losses, net	19,404	2,220
Unrealized (gains) losses, net	(41,046)	55,738
Gains on derivative instruments, net	(4,042)	(38,204)
Gain on sale of real estate	(18,164)	(1,879)
Gain on de-consolidation of joint venture equity investment in Consolidated VIEs	(3,703)	—
Impairment of real estate	48,142	71,296
Loss on reclassification of disposal group	14,636	—
Loss on extinguishment of collateralized debt obligations and mortgages payable on real estate	2,391	693
Income from preferred equity, mezzanine loan and equity investments	(18,110)	(17,427)
Distributions of income from preferred equity, mezzanine loan and equity investments	11,889	16,664
Stock based compensation expense, net	3,501	5,920
Cash reclassified from (to) assets of disposal group held for sale	2,632	(915)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(16,516)	(6,458)
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(15,045)	16,874
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>		
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	—	25,367
Principal paydowns received on investment securities	171,415	27,232
Purchases of investment securities	(1,535,586)	(1,593,094)
Principal repayments received on residential loans	800,761	853,557
Proceeds from sales of residential loans	149,833	19,210
Purchases of residential loans	(1,345,122)	(374,780)
Principal repayments received on preferred equity and mezzanine loan investments	5,100	8,460
Return of capital from equity investments	5,000	50,775
Funding of preferred equity, mezzanine loan and equity investments	(1,258)	(39,147)
Net variation margin (paid) received for derivative instruments	(17,046)	34,683
Net payments received from derivative instruments	25,957	18,756
Net proceeds from sale of real estate	113,587	191,304
Proceeds from sale of joint venture equity investments in Consolidated VIEs	800	—
Decrease in cash from de-consolidation of Consolidated VIEs	(2,495)	—
Purchases of investments held in Consolidated SLST	(9,857)	—
Capital expenditures on real estate	(21,194)	(44,804)
Purchases of other assets	(65)	(59)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,660,170)	(822,540)
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities:</b>		
Net proceeds received from repurchase agreements	1,135,835	1,255,385
Proceeds from issuance of senior unsecured notes	60,000	—
Proceeds from issuance of collateralized debt obligations	1,055,392	—
Repurchases of common stock	(3,493)	(8,615)
Repurchases of preferred stock	—	(2,439)
Dividends paid on common stock and dividend equivalents	(56,829)	(101,595)
Dividends paid on preferred stock	(31,299)	(31,451)
Net distributions to non-controlling interests in Consolidated VIEs	(7,388)	(8,391)
Payments made on and extinguishment of collateralized debt obligations	(288,762)	(161,065)

Payments made on and extinguishment of collateralized debt obligations	(398,702)	(101,000)
Payments made on Consolidated SLST CDOs	(43,624)	(33,439)
Net payments made on mortgages payable on real estate	(33,262)	(128,232)
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>1,676,570</u>	<u>780,158</u>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash</b>	<u>1,355</u>	<u>(25,508)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (continued)**

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

(unaudited)

<b>Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash - Beginning of Period</b>	330,642	380,938
<b>Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash - End of Period</b>	<u>\$ 331,997</u>	<u>\$ 355,430</u>
<b>Supplemental Disclosure:</b>		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 248,939	\$ 175,120
Cash (refunds received) paid for income taxes	\$ (105)	\$ 268
<b>Non-Cash Investment Activities:</b>		
Purchase of investment securities not yet settled	\$ —	\$ 4,916
De-consolidation of real estate held in Consolidated VIEs	\$ 444,392	\$ —
De-consolidation of mortgages payable on real estate held in Consolidated VIEs	\$ 446,832	\$ —
Consolidation of residential loans held in Consolidated SLST	\$ 285,057	\$ —
Consolidation of Consolidated SLST CDOs	\$ 275,200	\$ —
Transfer from residential loans to real estate owned	\$ 68,229	\$ 13,913
Transfer from residential loans to real estate, net	\$ 2,640	\$ —
<b>Non-Cash Financing Activities:</b>		
Dividends declared on common stock and dividend equivalents to be paid in subsequent period	\$ 20,186	\$ 30,132
Dividends declared on preferred stock to be paid in subsequent period	\$ 10,454	\$ 10,435
Mortgages and notes payable assumed by purchaser of real estate held for sale in Consolidated VIEs	\$ 24,073	\$ —
<b>Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash Reconciliation:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 195,066	\$ 228,333
Restricted cash included in other assets	136,931	127,097
Total cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	<u>\$ 331,997</u>	<u>\$ 355,430</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

September 30, 2024

(unaudited)

**1. Organization**

New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., together with its consolidated subsidiaries ("NYMT," "we," "our," or the "Company"), is an internally-managed real estate investment trust ("REIT") in the business of acquiring, investing in, financing and managing primarily mortgage-related single-family and multi-family residential assets. Our objective is to deliver long-term stable distributions to our stockholders over changing economic conditions through a combination of net interest spread and capital gains from a diversified investment portfolio. Our investment portfolio includes credit sensitive single-family and multi-family assets, as well as more traditional types of fixed-income investments that provide coupon income, such as Agency RMBS.

The Company conducts its business through the parent company, New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., and several subsidiaries, including taxable REIT subsidiaries ("TRSs"), qualified REIT subsidiaries ("QRSs") and special purpose subsidiaries established for securitization purposes. The Company consolidates all of its subsidiaries under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("GAAP").

The Company is organized and conducts its operations to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As such, the Company will generally not be subject to federal income taxes on that portion of its income that is distributed to stockholders if it distributes at least 90% of its REIT taxable income to its stockholders by the due date of its federal income tax return and complies with various other requirements.

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

*Definitions* – The following defines certain of the commonly used terms in these financial statements:

“RMBS” refers to residential mortgage-backed securities backed by adjustable-rate, hybrid adjustable-rate, or fixed-rate residential loans;

“Agency RMBS” refers to RMBS representing interests in or obligations backed by pools of residential loans guaranteed by a government sponsored enterprise (“GSE”), such as the Federal National Mortgage Association (“Fannie Mae”) or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (“Freddie Mac”), or an agency of the U.S. government, such as the Government National Mortgage Association (“Ginnie Mae”);

“non-Agency RMBS” refers to RMBS that are not guaranteed by any agency of the U.S. Government or GSE;

“IOs” refers collectively to interest only and inverse interest only mortgage-backed securities that represent the right to the interest component of the cash flow from a pool of mortgage loans;

“POs” refers to mortgage-backed securities that represent the right to the principal component of the cash flow from a pool of mortgage loans;

“ARMs” refers to adjustable-rate residential loans;

“Agency ARMs” refers to Agency RMBS comprised of adjustable-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS;

“Agency fixed-rate RMBS” refers to Agency RMBS comprised of fixed-rate RMBS;

“ABS” refers to debt and/or equity tranches of securitizations backed by various asset classes including, but not limited to, automobiles, aircraft, credit cards, equipment, franchises, recreational vehicles and student loans;

“CMBS” refers to commercial mortgage-backed securities comprised of commercial mortgage pass-through securities issued by a GSE, as well as PO, IO or mezzanine securities that represent the right to a specific component of the cash flow from a pool of commercial mortgage loans;

“CDO” refers to collateralized debt obligation and includes debt that permanently finances the residential loans held in Consolidated SLST, the Company’s residential loans held in securitization trusts and a non-Agency RMBS re-securitization that we consolidate, or consolidated, in our financial statements in accordance with GAAP;

“business purpose loans” refers to (i) short-term loans that are collateralized by residential properties and are made to investors who intend to rehabilitate and sell the residential property for a profit or (ii) loans that finance (or refinance) non-owner occupied residential properties that are rented to one or more tenants;

“Consolidated Real Estate VIEs” refers to Consolidated VIEs that own multi-family properties;

“Consolidated SLST” refers to Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitizations, comprised of seasoned re-performing and non-performing residential loans, of which we own the first loss subordinated securities and certain IOs that we consolidate in our financial statements in accordance with GAAP;

“Consolidated VIEs” refers to VIEs where the Company is the primary beneficiary, as it has both the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the VIE and a right to receive benefits or absorb losses of the entity that could be potentially significant to the VIE and that we consolidate in our financial statements in accordance with GAAP;

“SOFR” refers to Secured Overnight Funding Rate; and

“Variable Interest Entity” or “VIE” refers to an entity in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties.

*Basis of Presentation* – On March 9, 2023, the Company effected a one-for-four reverse stock split of its issued, outstanding and authorized shares of common stock (the “Reverse Stock Split”). Accordingly, all common share and per common share data for all periods presented in these condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto have been adjusted on a retroactive basis to reflect the impact of the Reverse Stock Split.

The accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2023 has been derived from audited financial statements. The accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2024, the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of changes in stockholders' equity for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 and the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 are unaudited. In our opinion, all adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows have been made. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted in accordance with Article 10 of Regulation S-X and the instructions to Form 10-Q. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023, as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Accordingly, significant accounting policies and other disclosures have been omitted since such items are disclosed in *Note 2* in the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023. Provided in this section is a summary of additional accounting policies that are significant to, or newly adopted by, the Company for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 are not necessarily indicative of the operating results for the full year.

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GAAP. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Management has made significant estimates in several areas, including fair valuation of its financial instruments reported at fair value, real estate held by Consolidated VIEs and redemption value of redeemable non-controlling interests in Consolidated VIEs. Although the Company's estimates contemplate current conditions and how it expects those conditions to change in the future, it is reasonably possible that actual conditions could be different than anticipated in those estimates, which could materially impact the Company's results of operations and its financial condition.

*Reclassifications* – Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements to conform to current period presentation. In particular, prior period disclosures have been adjusted for the aforementioned Reverse Stock Split.

Additionally, prior period disclosures have been conformed to the current period presentation of net loss from real estate. Beginning in the third quarter of 2023, the components of net loss from real estate, inclusive of rental income and other real estate income and interest expense, mortgages payable on real estate, depreciation and amortization and other real estate expenses, are presented as total net loss from real estate on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations. Previously, rental income, other real estate income and total income from real estate was presented in other income (loss) and interest expense, mortgages payable on real estate, depreciation and amortization, other real estate expenses and total expenses related to real estate were presented in general, administrative and operating expenses on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

Also beginning in the third quarter of 2023, unrealized gains (losses) and realized gains (losses) on derivative instruments are presented in gains (losses) on derivative instruments, net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations. Previously, unrealized gains (losses) on derivative instruments were presented in unrealized gains (losses), net and realized gains (losses) on derivative instruments were presented in realized gains (losses), net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

*Principles of Consolidation and Variable Interest Entities* – The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company include the accounts of all its subsidiaries which are majority-owned, controlled by the Company or a VIE where the Company is the primary beneficiary. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation (see *Note 7*).

A VIE is an entity that lacks one or more of the characteristics of a voting interest entity. A VIE is defined as an entity in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties. The Company consolidates a VIE in accordance with ASC 810, *Consolidation* ("ASC 810") when it is the primary beneficiary of such VIE, herein referred to as a Consolidated VIE. As primary beneficiary, the Company has both the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the VIE and a right to receive benefits or absorb losses of the entity that could be potentially significant to the VIE. The Company is required to reconsider its evaluation of whether to consolidate a VIE each reporting period, based upon changes in the facts and circumstances pertaining to the VIE.

The Company evaluates the initial consolidation of each Consolidated VIE, which includes a determination of whether the VIE constitutes the definition of a business in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations* ("ASC 805"), by considering if substantially all of the fair value of the gross assets within the VIE are concentrated in either a single identifiable asset or group of single identifiable assets. Upon consolidation, the Company recognizes the assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, and any third-party ownership of membership interests as non-controlling interest as of the consolidation or acquisition date, measured at their relative fair values (see *Note 7*). Non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs is adjusted prospectively for its share of the allocation of income or loss and equity contributions and distributions from each respective Consolidated VIE. The third-party owners of certain of the non-controlling interests in Consolidated VIEs have the ability to sell their ownership interests to the Company, at their election, subject to certain conditions. The Company has classified these third-party ownership interests as redeemable non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs in mezzanine equity on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

*Collateralized Debt Obligations* – The Company records collateralized debt obligations used to permanently finance the residential loans held in Consolidated SLST, a portion of the Company's net investment in Consolidated SLST and the Company's residential loans held in securitization trusts as debt on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. For financial reporting purposes, the loans and investment securities held as collateral for these obligations are recorded as assets of the Company. The Company has elected the fair value option pursuant to ASC 825, *Financial Instruments* ("ASC 825") with respect to the CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST and CDOs issued by the Company after January 1, 2024. The Company elected the fair value option for CDOs issued by the Company after January 1, 2024 because the Company determined that such presentation represents the underlying economics of the respective financing. Changes in fair value of CDOs subject to the fair value election are recorded in current period earnings in unrealized gains (losses), net on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. Interest expense on such CDOs is recorded based on the current stated interest rate and outstanding principal balance in effect and is included in interest expense on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. In accordance with ASC 825, costs associated with the issuance of CDOs subject to the fair value election are recognized in earnings as they are incurred and are included in debt issuance costs on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

*Senior Unsecured Notes* – On April 27, 2021, the Company issued its 5.75% Senior Notes due 2026 to originate new investments, repay outstanding indebtedness and for general corporate purposes. The Company evaluated the call option feature of these notes for embedded derivatives in accordance with ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging* ("ASC 815") and determined that the call option feature should not be bifurcated from the notes.

On June 28, 2024, the Company issued its 9.125% Senior Notes due 2029 (the "9.125% Senior Notes") for general corporate purposes, which included acquiring single-family residential assets. The Company evaluated the call option feature of these notes for embedded derivatives in accordance with ASC 815 and determined that the call option feature should not be bifurcated from the notes. The Company has elected the fair value option pursuant to ASC 825 with respect to the 9.125% Senior Notes because the Company determined that such presentation represents the underlying economics of the respective financing. Changes in fair value of the 9.125% Senior Notes are recorded in current period earnings in unrealized gains (losses), net on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations (or other comprehensive income, to the extent the change results from a change in instrument-specific credit risk). Interest expense on such 9.125% Senior Notes is recorded based on the current stated interest rate and outstanding principal balance in effect and is included in interest expense on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. In accordance with ASC 825, costs associated with the issuance of the 9.125% Senior Notes are recognized in earnings as they are incurred and are included in debt issuance costs on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

*Summary of Recent Accounting Pronouncements*

In December 2023, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2023-09, *Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures* ("ASU 2023-09"). ASU 2023-09 requires enhanced disclosures in connection with an entity's effective tax rate reconciliation and additional disclosures about income taxes paid. ASU 2023-09 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. The Company expects that the adoption of ASU 2023-09 will result in additional income tax disclosures in its notes to consolidated financial statements.

In November 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-07, *Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures* ("ASU 2023-07"). ASU 2023-07 requires disclosure of incremental segment information on an annual and interim basis. The amendments also require companies with a single reportable segment to provide all disclosures required by ASU 2023-07 as well as existing segment disclosures in accordance with ASC 280. ASU 2023-07 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. The Company expects that the adoption of ASU 2023-07 will result in additional disclosures in its notes to consolidated financial statements.

In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, *Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848): Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting* ("ASU 2020-04"). ASU 2020-04 provides optional expedients and exceptions to GAAP requirements for modifications to debt agreements, leases, derivatives and other contracts, related to the expected market transition from LIBOR, and certain other floating rate benchmark indices, or collectively, IBORs, to alternative reference rates. ASU 2020-04 generally considers contract modifications related to reference rate reform to be an event that does not require contract remeasurement at the modification date nor a reassessment of a previous accounting determination. In December 2022, the FASB issued ASU 2022-06, *Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848): Deferral of the Sunset Date of Topic 848* ("ASU 2022-06"), which allows ASU 2020-04 to be adopted and applied prospectively to contract modifications made on or before December 31, 2024. In light of the cessation of the publication of LIBOR after June 30, 2023, the Company's material contracts that were indexed to LIBOR have been amended to transition to an alternative benchmark and any other unmodified agreements that incorporate LIBOR as the referenced rate have provisions in place that provide for identification of an alternative benchmark or specify an alternative benchmark, or by operation of law specify an alternative benchmark, to LIBOR upon its phase-out.

### 3. Residential Loans, at Fair Value

The Company's acquired residential loans, including performing, re-performing and non-performing residential loans, and business purpose loans, are presented at fair value on its condensed consolidated balance sheets as a result of a fair value election. Subsequent changes in fair value are reported in current period earnings and presented in unrealized (losses) gains, net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The following table presents the Company's residential loans, at fair value, which consist of residential loans held by the Company, Consolidated SLST and other securitization trusts, as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024				December 31, 2023			
	Residential loans <sup>(1)</sup>	Consolidated SLST <sup>(2)</sup>	Residential loans held in securitization trusts <sup>(3)</sup>	Total	Residential loans <sup>(1)</sup>	Consolidated SLST <sup>(2)</sup>	Residential loans held in securitization trusts <sup>(3)</sup>	Total
Principal	\$ 710,278	\$ 1,133,826	\$ 2,158,070	\$ 4,002,174	\$ 891,283	\$ 892,546	\$ 1,609,006	\$ 3,392,835
Premium/(Discount)	7,017	(22,830)	(61,263)	(77,076)	(22,667)	(7,418)	(55,709)	(85,794)
Unrealized losses	(16,440)	(102,413)	(29,101)	(147,954)	(41,081)	(130,268)	(51,389)	(222,738)
Carrying value	\$ 700,855	\$ 1,008,583	\$ 2,067,706	\$ 3,777,144	\$ 827,535	\$ 754,860	\$ 1,501,908	\$ 3,084,303

<sup>(1)</sup> Certain of the Company's residential loans, at fair value are pledged as collateral for repurchase agreements as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (see Note 12).

<sup>(2)</sup> The Company invests in first loss subordinated securities and certain IOs issued by Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitizations. In accordance with GAAP, the Company has consolidated the underlying seasoned re-performing and non-performing residential loans held in the securitizations and the CDOs issued to permanently finance these residential loans, representing Consolidated SLST. Consolidated SLST CDOs are included in collateralized debt obligations on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets (see Note 13).

<sup>(3)</sup> The Company's residential loans held in securitization trusts are pledged as collateral for CDOs issued by the Company. These CDOs are accounted for as financings and included in collateralized debt obligations on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets (see Note 13).

The following table presents the unrealized gains (losses), net attributable to residential loans, at fair value for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended					
	September 30, 2024			September 30, 2023		
	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST <sup>(1)</sup>	Residential loans held in securitization trusts	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST <sup>(1)</sup>	Residential loans held in securitization trusts
Unrealized gains (losses), net	\$ 9,882	\$ 28,655	\$ 42,283	\$ (7,172)	\$ (30,705)	\$ (14,246)

	For the Nine Months Ended					
	September 30, 2024			September 30, 2023		
	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST <sup>(1)</sup>	Residential loans held in securitization trusts	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST <sup>(1)</sup>	Residential loans held in securitization trusts
Unrealized gains (losses), net	\$ 13,934	\$ 27,855	\$ 32,995	\$ (8,174)	\$ (38,230)	\$ 9,033

(1) In accordance with the practical expedient in ASC 810, the Company determines the fair value of the residential loans held in Consolidated SLST based on the fair value of the CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST, including investment securities we own, as the fair value of these instruments is more observable (see Note 16). See Note 7 for unrealized gains (losses), net recognized by the Company on its investment in Consolidated SLST, which include unrealized gains (losses) on the residential loans held in Consolidated SLST presented in the table above and unrealized gains (losses) on the CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST.

The Company recognized \$0.6 million and \$2.3 million of net realized gains on the payoff of residential loans, at fair value during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. The Company recognized \$1.4 million and \$3.7 million of net realized gains on the payoff of residential loans, at fair value during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively. The Company also recognized \$4.7 million and \$1.5 million of net realized gains on the sale of residential loans, at fair value during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. The Company recognized \$0.8 million and \$0.7 million of net realized losses on the sale of residential loans, at fair value during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

The geographic concentrations of credit risk exceeding 5% of the unpaid principal balance of residential loans, at fair value as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, are as follows:

	September 30, 2024			December 31, 2023		
	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST	Residential loans held in securitization trusts	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST	Residential loans held in securitization trusts
California	13.6 %	11.6 %	23.3 %	22.4 %	10.7 %	18.4 %
Florida	10.7 %	9.1 %	13.2 %	15.5 %	10.3 %	11.0 %
New York	7.1 %	10.7 %	6.8 %	7.0 %	10.0 %	8.5 %
Texas	7.0 %	4.4 %	7.9 %	8.1 %	3.9 %	7.1 %
Pennsylvania	5.7 %	3.9 %	2.8 %	2.2 %	4.1 %	4.1 %
New Jersey	5.4 %	6.7 %	5.1 %	4.9 %	7.6 %	6.0 %
Illinois	3.1 %	6.4 %	2.8 %	3.0 %	7.2 %	3.5 %

The following table presents the fair value and aggregate unpaid principal balance of the Company's residential loans and residential loans held in securitization trusts in non-accrual status as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Greater than 90 days past due		Less than 90 days past due	
	Fair Value	Unpaid Principal Balance	Fair Value	Unpaid Principal Balance
September 30, 2024	\$ 160,648	\$ 185,777	\$ 5,807	\$ 6,156
December 31, 2023	199,485	220,577	9,362	9,948

Formal foreclosure proceedings were in process with respect to residential loans with an aggregate fair value of \$ 136.0 million and an aggregate unpaid principal balance of \$155.6 million as of September 30, 2024.

Residential loans held in Consolidated SLST with an aggregate unpaid principal balance of \$ 117.2 million and \$84.6 million were 90 days or more delinquent as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. In addition, formal foreclosure proceedings were in process with respect to \$33.1 million of residential loans held in Consolidated SLST as of September 30, 2024.

#### 4. Investment Securities Available For Sale, at Fair Value

The Company accounts for certain of its investment securities available for sale using the fair value election pursuant to ASC 825, where changes in fair value are recorded in unrealized gains (losses), net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations. The Company also had investment securities available for sale where the fair value option had not been elected, which we refer to as CECL Securities. CECL Securities are reported at fair value with unrealized gains and losses recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss). The Company's investment securities available for sale consisted of the following as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024				December 31, 2023			
	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
<b>Fair Value Option</b>								
Agency RMBS								
Fixed rate								
Fannie Mae	\$ 1,401,283	\$ 28,596	\$ (185)	\$ 1,429,694	\$ 1,084,702	\$ 15,902	\$ (723)	\$ 1,099,881
Freddie Mac	1,304,533	20,523	(30)	1,325,026	676,436	5,679	(1,106)	681,009
Total Fixed rate	2,705,816	49,119	(215)	2,754,720	1,761,138	21,581	(1,829)	1,780,890
Adjustable rate								
Fannie Mae	100,537	2,224	—	102,761	110,036	1,299	—	111,335
Freddie Mac	34,893	668	—	35,561	37,424	442	—	37,866
Total Adjustable rate	135,430	2,892	—	138,322	147,460	1,741	—	149,201
Interest-only								
Ginnie Mae	79,846	2,526	(11,405)	70,967	52,623	6,813	(203)	59,233
Freddie Mac	5,511	—	(1,554)	3,957	—	—	—	—
Total Interest-only	85,357	2,526	(12,959)	74,924	52,623	6,813	(203)	59,233
Total Agency RMBS	2,926,603	54,537	(13,174)	2,967,966	1,961,221	30,135	(2,032)	1,989,324
Non-Agency RMBS	64,998	6,054	(2,836)	68,216	22,097	6,646	(4,281)	24,462
U.S. Treasury securities	352,829	678	(4,419)	349,088	—	—	—	—
Total investment securities available for sale - fair value option	3,344,430	61,269	(20,429)	3,385,270	1,983,318	36,781	(6,313)	2,013,786
<b>CECL Securities</b>								
Non-Agency RMBS	—	—	—	—	35	—	(4)	31
Total investment securities available for sale - CECL Securities	—	—	—	—	35	—	(4)	31
Total	\$ 3,344,430	\$ 61,269	\$ (20,429)	\$ 3,385,270	\$ 1,983,353	\$ 36,781	\$ (6,317)	\$ 2,013,817

Accrued interest receivable for investment securities available for sale in the amount of \$ 17.5 million and \$9.8 million as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, is included in other assets on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized \$ 58.3 million and \$10.4 million in net unrealized gains on investment securities available for sale accounted for under the fair value option, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized \$30.5 million and \$38.2 million in net unrealized losses on investment securities available for sale accounted for under the fair value option, respectively.

The Company's investment securities available for sale pledged as collateral against interest rate swap agreements and repurchase agreements are included in investment securities available for sale on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets with the fair value of securities pledged disclosed in *Notes 10 and 12*, respectively.

*Realized Gain and Loss Activity*

The Company did not sell investment securities during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024. The following tables summarize our investment securities sold during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2023</b>				
	<b>Sales Proceeds</b>	<b>Realized Gains</b>	<b>Realized Losses</b>	<b>Net Realized Gains (Losses)</b>
CMBS	\$ 24,772	\$ —	\$ (1,035)	\$ (1,035)
Total	\$ 24,772	\$ —	\$ (1,035)	\$ (1,035)

<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023</b>				
	<b>Sales Proceeds</b>	<b>Realized Gains</b>	<b>Realized Losses</b>	<b>Net Realized Gains (Losses)</b>
ABS	\$ 595	\$ —	\$ (41)	\$ (41)
CMBS	24,772	—	(1,035)	(1,035)
Total	\$ 25,367	\$ —	\$ (1,076)	\$ (1,076)

The Company recognized write-downs of non-Agency RMBS for a loss of \$ 0.4 million and \$0.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. The Company did not recognize any write-downs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023.

*Weighted Average Life*

Actual maturities of our investment securities available for sale are generally shorter than stated contractual maturities (with contractual maturities up to 39 years), as they are affected by periodic payments and prepayments of principal on the underlying mortgages. As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, based on management's estimates, the weighted average life of the Company's investment securities available for sale portfolio was approximately 5.4 years and 6.9 years, respectively.

The following table sets forth the weighted average lives of our investment securities available for sale as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

<b>Weighted Average Life</b>	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
0 to 5 years	\$ 2,795,776	\$ 283,554
Over 5 to 10 years	261,736	1,727,269
10+ years	327,758	2,994
Total	\$ 3,385,270	\$ 2,013,817

*Unrealized Losses in Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)*

The Company had no CECL Securities as of September 30, 2024. The Company evaluated its CECL Securities that were in an unrealized loss position as of December 31, 2023 and determined that no allowance for credit losses was necessary. The Company did not recognize credit losses for its CECL Securities through earnings for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023.

The following table presents the Company's CECL Securities in an unrealized loss position with no credit losses reported, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position as of December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

December 31, 2023	Less than 12 months		Greater than 12 months		Total	
	Carrying Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Carrying Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Carrying Value	Gross Unrealized Losses
Non-Agency RMBS	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 31	\$ (4)	\$ 31	\$ (4)
Total	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 31	\$ (4)	\$ 31	\$ (4)

Credit risk associated with non-Agency RMBS was regularly assessed as new information regarding the underlying collateral became available and based on updated estimates of cash flows generated by the underlying collateral. In performing its assessment, the Company considered past and expected future performance of the underlying collateral, including timing of expected future cash flows, prepayment rates, default rates, loss severities, delinquency rates, current levels of subordination, volatility of the security's fair value, temporary declines in liquidity for the asset class and interest rate changes since purchase.

## 5. Multi-family Loans, at Fair Value

The Company's multi-family loans consisting of its preferred equity in, and mezzanine loans to, entities that have multi-family real estate assets are presented at fair value on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets as a result of a fair value election. Accordingly, changes in fair value are presented in unrealized gains (losses), net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations. Multi-family loans consist of the following as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Investment amount	\$ 91,778	\$ 95,434
Unrealized (losses) gains, net	(4,164)	358
<b>Total, at Fair Value</b>	<b>\$ 87,614</b>	<b>\$ 95,792</b>

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized \$ 0.2 million in net unrealized gains and \$ 4.6 million in net unrealized losses on multi-family loans, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized \$16.8 thousand in net unrealized losses and \$0.9 million in net unrealized gains on multi-family loans, respectively.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized \$ 28.4 thousand in premiums resulting from early redemption of multi-family loans. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized \$0.2 million in premiums resulting from early redemption of multi-family loans. The Company did not recognize premiums resulting from early redemptions of multi-family loans for the three months ended September 30, 2023. Premiums resulting from early redemption of multi-family loans are included in other income on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The table below presents the fair value and aggregate unpaid principal balance of the Company's multi-family loan in non-accrual status as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Days Late	September 30, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Unpaid Principal Balance	Fair Value	Unpaid Principal Balance
90 +	\$ —	\$ 3,363	\$ 4,753	\$ 3,363

<sup>(1)</sup> As of September 30, 2024, the Company has reduced the fair value of the multi-family loan to zero as a result of developments with respect to the property, its financing and market conditions.

The geographic concentrations of credit risk exceeding 5% of the total multi-family loan investment amounts as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, are as follows:

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Texas	35.1 %	32.6 %
Tennessee	16.4 %	15.2 %
Florida	11.3 %	10.5 %
Arkansas	10.1 %	9.5 %
Louisiana	8.5 %	7.5 %
North Carolina	6.1 %	5.8 %
Indiana	5.5 %	5.3 %

## 6. Equity Investments, at Fair Value

The Company's equity investments consist of preferred equity ownership interests in entities that invest in multi-family properties where the risks and payment characteristics are equivalent to an equity investment (or multi-family preferred equity ownership interests), equity ownership interests in entities that originate residential loans (or single-family equity ownership interests) and joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties. The Company's equity investments are accounted for under the equity method and are presented at fair value on its condensed consolidated balance sheets as a result of a fair value election.

The following table presents the Company's equity investments as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Investment Name	September 30, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	Ownership Interest	Fair Value	Ownership Interest	Fair Value
<b>Multi-Family Preferred Equity Ownership Interests</b>				
EHOFF-NYMT Sunset Apartments Preferred, LLC	57%	\$ 20,943	57%	\$ 19,703
Lucie at Tradition Holdings, LLC	70%	21,042	70%	19,442
Syracuse Apartments and Townhomes, LLC	58%	23,123	58%	21,642
Hudson Bridge Apartments, LLC - Series A, Briar Hill Apartments, LLC, Kings Glen Apartments, LLC, Flagstone Apartments, LLC, Brookfield Apartments II, LLC - Series B, and Silber JBSM Properties, LLC (collectively)	58%	9,103	58%	9,882
Tides on 27th Investors, LLC	54%	14,500	54%	17,937
Rapid City RMI JV LLC	50%	10,432	50%	9,804
Palms at Cape Coral, LLC	—	—	34%	5,832
<b>Total - Multi-Family Preferred Equity Ownership Interests</b>		<b>99,143</b>		<b>104,242</b>
<b>Joint Venture Equity Investments in Multi-Family Properties</b>				
GWR Cedars Partners, LLC	70%	156	70%	1,897
GWR Gateway Partners, LLC	70%	1,079	70%	3,823
<b>Total - Joint Venture Equity Investments in Multi-Family Properties</b>		<b>1,235</b>		<b>5,720</b>
<b>Single-Family Equity Ownership Interests</b>				
Constructive Loans, LLC <sup>(1)</sup>	50%	46,455	50%	37,154
<b>Total - Single-Family Equity Ownership Interests</b>		<b>46,455</b>		<b>37,154</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 146,833</b>		<b>\$ 147,116</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> The Company purchased \$30.2 million and \$137.6 million of residential loans from this entity during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively, and \$15.3 million and \$55.2 million of residential loans from this entity during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

The Company records its equity in earnings or losses from its multi-family preferred equity ownership interests under the hypothetical liquidation of book value method of accounting due to the structures and the preferences it receives on the distributions from these entities pursuant to the respective agreements. Under this method, the Company recognizes income or loss in each period based on the change in liquidation proceeds it would receive from a hypothetical liquidation of its investment. Pursuant to the fair value election, changes in fair value of the Company's multi-family preferred equity ownership interests are reported in current period earnings.

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The following table presents income from multi-family preferred equity ownership interests for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands). Income (loss) from these investments is presented in income from equity investments in the Company's accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. Income (loss) from these investments during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 includes \$4.5 million and \$5.2 million of net unrealized losses, respectively. Income from these investments during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 includes \$0.2 million and \$0.8 million of net unrealized gains, respectively.

Investment Name	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
EHOFF-NYMT Sunset Apartments Preferred, LLC	\$ 627	\$ 651	\$ 1,999	\$ 1,914
Lucie at Tradition Holdings, LLC	798	719	2,332	2,103
Syracuse Apartments and Townhomes, LLC	724	679	2,354	2,000
Hudson Bridge Apartments, LLC - Series A, Briar Hill Apartments, LLC, Kings Glen Apartments, LLC, Flagstone Apartments, LLC, Brookfield Apartments II, LLC - Series B, and Silber JBSM Properties, LLC (collectively)	438	311	693	918
Tides on 27th Investors, LLC	(4,111)	599	(3,436)	1,896
Rapid City RMI JV LLC	388	236	1,199	236
Palms at Cape Coral, LLC	—	183	69	540
FF/RMI 20 Midtown, LLC	—	955	—	2,690
America Walks at Port St. Lucie, LLC	—	345	—	2,243
1122 Chicago DE, LLC	—	—	—	419
Bighaus, LLC	—	—	—	701
Total (Loss) Income - Multi-Family Preferred Equity Ownership Interests	\$ (1,136)	\$ 4,678	\$ 5,210	\$ 15,660

For the three months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized no premiums resulting from early redemption of multi-family preferred equity ownership interests included in equity investments. For the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized \$0.1 million in premiums resulting from early redemption of multi-family preferred equity ownership interests included in equity investments, which are included in other income on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized \$0.1 million in premiums resulting from early redemption of multi-family preferred equity ownership interests included in equity investments.

Income (loss) from single-family equity ownership interests and joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties that are accounted for under the equity method using the fair value option is presented in income from equity investments in the Company's accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. The following table presents income (loss) from these investments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Investment Name	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
<b>Single-Family Equity Ownership Interests</b>				
Constructive Loans, LLC <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 7,611	\$ —	\$ 9,301	\$ (2,500)
Total Income (Loss) - Single-Family Equity Ownership Interests	<u>\$ 7,611</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 9,301</u>	<u>\$ (2,500)</u>
<b>Joint Venture Equity Investments in Multi-Family Properties <sup>(2)</sup></b>				
GWR Cedars Partners, LLC	\$ (112)	\$ (1,020)	\$ (1,741)	\$ (1,220)
GWR Gateway Partners, LLC	(309)	(1,602)	(2,744)	(2,717)
Total Loss - Joint Venture Equity Investments in Multi-Family Properties	<u>\$ (421)</u>	<u>\$ (2,622)</u>	<u>\$ (4,485)</u>	<u>\$ (3,937)</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes net unrealized gains of \$3.9 million and \$2.0 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. Includes net unrealized losses of \$1.3 million and \$5.6 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company determined that these joint venture equity investments no longer met the criteria to be classified as held for sale and returned its equity investments in the joint venture entities to equity investments, at fair value (see *Note 9*). Includes net unrealized losses of \$0.4 million and \$4.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively, and net unrealized losses of \$2.6 million and \$3.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

## 7. Use of Special Purpose Entities (SPE) and Variable Interest Entities (VIE)

### *Financing VIEs*

The Company uses SPEs to facilitate transactions that involve securitizing financial assets or re-securitizing previously securitized financial assets. The objective of such transactions may include obtaining non-recourse financing, obtaining liquidity or refinancing the underlying securitized financial assets on improved terms. Securitization involves transferring assets to an SPE to convert all or a portion of those assets into cash before they would have been realized in the normal course of business through the SPE's issuance of debt or equity instruments. Investors in an SPE usually have recourse only to the assets in the SPE and depending on the overall structure of the transaction, may benefit from various forms of credit enhancement, such as over-collateralization in the form of excess assets in the SPE, priority with respect to receipt of cash flows relative to holders of other debt or equity instruments issued by the SPE, or a line of credit or other form of liquidity agreement that is designed with the objective of ensuring that investors receive principal and/or interest cash flow on the investment in accordance with the terms of their investment agreement.

The Company has entered into financing transactions, including residential loan securitizations and re-securitizations, which required the Company to analyze and determine whether the SPEs that were created to facilitate the transactions are VIEs in accordance with ASC 810 and if so, whether the Company is the primary beneficiary requiring consolidation.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company completed a re-securitization of its investment in certain subordinated securities issued by Consolidated SLST (see below) for which the Company received net proceeds of approximately \$73.0 million after deducting expenses associated with the securitization transaction. The Company refers to this securitization as a non-Agency RMBS re-securitization. The Company engaged in the re-securitization transaction primarily for the purpose of obtaining non-recourse, longer-term financing on a portion of its investment in Consolidated SLST. The Company remains economically exposed to the subordinated positions in the portion of Consolidated SLST transferred to the securitization and continues to consolidate Consolidated SLST.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company completed four securitizations of certain residential loans for which the Company received net proceeds of approximately \$974.3 million after deducting expenses associated with the securitization transactions. The Company engaged in these transactions for the purpose of obtaining non-recourse, longer-term financing on a portion of its residential loan portfolio. The residential loans serving as collateral for the financings are comprised of performing, re-performing and non-performing and business purpose loans which are included in residential loans, at fair value on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company exercised its right to an optional redemption of two of its residential loan securitizations with an outstanding principal balance of \$193.3 million at the time of redemption, returned the assets held by the trust to the Company and recognized \$0.7 million of loss on the extinguishment of collateralized debt obligations.

As of September 30, 2024, the Company evaluated its residential loan securitizations and its non-Agency RMBS re-securitization and concluded that the entities created to facilitate each of the financing transactions are VIEs and that the Company is the primary beneficiary of these VIEs (each a "Financing VIE" and collectively, the "Financing VIEs"). As of December 31, 2023, the Company evaluated its residential loan securitizations and concluded that the entities created to facilitate each of the financing transactions are VIEs and that the Company is the primary beneficiary of these VIEs. Accordingly, the Company consolidated the then-outstanding Financing VIEs as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

### Consolidated SLST

The Company invests in subordinated securities that represent the first loss position of the Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitizations from which they were issued and certain IOs issued from the securitizations. The Company has evaluated its investments in these securitization trusts to determine whether they are VIEs and if so, whether the Company is the primary beneficiary requiring consolidation. The Company has determined that the Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitization trusts, which we collectively refer to as Consolidated SLST, are VIEs and that the Company is the primary beneficiary of the VIEs within Consolidated SLST. Accordingly, the Company consolidates the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of such VIEs in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements (see *Notes 2, 3 and 13*). The Company has elected the fair value option on the assets and liabilities held within Consolidated SLST, which requires that changes in valuations in the assets and liabilities of Consolidated SLST be reflected in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations. Consolidated SLST is comprised of two securitization trusts and one securitization trust as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company invested in subordinated securities issued by a Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitization, resulting in the initial consolidation of the VIE as shown below (dollar amounts in thousands):

Residential loans, at fair value	\$	285,057
Collateralized debt obligations, at fair value		(275,200)
Net investment	\$	<u>9,857</u>

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Consolidated SLST securities owned by the Company had a fair value of \$ 157.5 million and \$157.2 million, respectively (see *Note 16*). During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company completed a re-securitization of its investment in certain subordinated securities issued by Consolidated SLST. The Company's investments in Consolidated SLST securities were not included as collateral to any Financing VIE as of December 31, 2023.

### Consolidated Real Estate VIEs

The Company owns joint venture equity investments in entities that own multi-family apartment communities, which the Company determined to be VIEs and for which the Company is the primary beneficiary. Accordingly, the Company consolidates the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of these VIEs in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements with non-controlling interests or redeemable non-controlling interests for the third-party ownership of the joint ventures' membership interests.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company sold its joint venture equity investments in four and six multi-family properties, respectively, which resulted in the de-consolidation of the joint venture entities' assets and liabilities (see *Note 9*).

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company reconsidered its evaluation of its variable interest in a VIE that owned a multi-family apartment community and in which the Company held a preferred equity investment. The Company determined that it gained the power to direct the activities, and became primary beneficiary, of the VIE and consolidated this VIE into its condensed consolidated financial statements.

The Company accounted for the initial consolidation of the Consolidated Real Estate VIEs in accordance with asset acquisition provisions of ASC 805, as substantially all of the fair value of the assets within the entities are concentrated in either a single identifiable asset or group of similar identifiable assets.

In analyzing whether the Company is the primary beneficiary of the Financing VIEs, Consolidated SLST and Consolidated Real Estate VIEs, the Company considered its involvement in each of the VIEs, including the design and purpose of each VIE, and whether its involvement reflected a controlling financial interest that resulted in the Company being deemed the primary beneficiary of the VIEs. In determining whether the Company would be considered the primary beneficiary, the following factors were assessed:

- whether the Company has both the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the VIE; and

- whether the Company has a right to receive benefits or absorb losses of the entity that could be potentially significant to the VIE.

The following table presents a summary of the assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Company's securitizations, Consolidated SLST and Consolidated Real Estate VIEs as of September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands). Intercompany balances have been eliminated for purposes of this presentation.

	Financing VIEs	Other VIEs		Total
		Consolidated SLST	Consolidated Real Estate	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 6,194	\$ 6,194
Residential loans, at fair value	2,067,706	1,008,583	—	3,076,289
Real estate, net held in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	610,967	610,967
Assets of disposal group held for sale <sup>(2)</sup>	—	—	197,665	197,665
Other assets	134,057	4,253	21,981	160,291
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,201,763</b>	<b>\$ 1,012,836</b>	<b>\$ 836,807</b>	<b>\$ 4,051,406</b>
Collateralized debt obligations (\$902,038 at amortized cost, net and \$1,900,228 at fair value)	\$ 1,956,455	\$ 845,811	\$ —	\$ 2,802,266
Mortgages payable on real estate, net in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—	492,321	492,321
Liabilities of disposal group held for sale <sup>(2)</sup>	—	—	177,869	177,869
Other liabilities	21,748	8,177	14,917	44,842
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 1,978,203</b>	<b>\$ 853,988</b>	<b>\$ 685,107</b>	<b>\$ 3,517,298</b>
Redeemable non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 21,826	\$ 21,826
Non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 5,864	\$ 5,864
<b>Net investment <sup>(6)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 223,560</b>	<b>\$ 158,848</b>	<b>\$ 124,010</b>	<b>\$ 506,418</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in real estate, net in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents assets and liabilities, respectively, of certain Consolidated Real Estate VIEs included in disposal group held for sale ( see Note 9).

<sup>(3)</sup> Included in mortgages payable on real estate, net in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

<sup>(4)</sup> Represents redeemable third-party ownership of membership interests in Consolidated Real Estate VIEs. See *Redeemable Non-Controlling Interest in Consolidated VIEs* below.

<sup>(5)</sup> Represents third-party ownership of membership interests in Consolidated Real Estate VIEs.

<sup>(6)</sup> The net investment amount is the maximum amount of the Company's investment that is at risk to loss and represents the difference between the carrying value of total assets and total liabilities held by VIEs, less non-controlling interests, if any.

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The following table presents a summary of the assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Company's securitizations, Consolidated SLST and Consolidated Real Estate VIEs as of December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands). Intercompany balances have been eliminated for purposes of this presentation.

	Financing VIEs	Other VIEs		Total
		Consolidated SLST	Consolidated Real Estate	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 15,612	\$ 15,612
Residential loans, at fair value	1,501,908	754,860	—	2,256,768
Real estate, net held in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(1)</sup>	—	—	979,934	979,934
Assets of disposal group held for sale <sup>(2)</sup>	—	—	426,017	426,017
Other assets	98,451	2,960	37,035	138,446
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,600,359</b>	<b>\$ 757,820</b>	<b>\$ 1,458,598</b>	<b>\$ 3,816,777</b>
Collateralized debt obligations (\$1,276,780 at amortized cost, net and \$593,737 at fair value)	\$ 1,276,780	\$ 593,737	\$ —	\$ 1,870,517
Mortgages payable on real estate, net in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—	784,421	784,421
Liabilities of disposal group held for sale <sup>(2)</sup>	—	—	386,024	386,024
Other liabilities	8,421	5,638	21,797	35,856
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 1,285,201</b>	<b>\$ 599,375</b>	<b>\$ 1,192,242</b>	<b>\$ 3,076,818</b>
Redeemable non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 28,061	\$ 28,061
Non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 20,328	\$ 20,328
<b>Net investment <sup>(6)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 315,158</b>	<b>\$ 158,445</b>	<b>\$ 217,967</b>	<b>\$ 691,570</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in real estate, net in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents assets and liabilities, respectively, of certain Consolidated Real Estate VIEs included in disposal group held for sale ( see Note 9).

<sup>(3)</sup> Included in mortgages payable on real estate, net in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

<sup>(4)</sup> Represents redeemable third-party ownership of membership interests in Consolidated Real Estate VIEs. See *Redeemable Non-Controlling Interest in Consolidated VIEs* below.

<sup>(5)</sup> Represents third-party ownership of membership interests in Consolidated Real Estate VIEs.

<sup>(6)</sup> The net investment amount is the maximum amount of the Company's investment that is at risk to loss and represents the difference between the carrying value of total assets and total liabilities held by VIEs, less non-controlling interests, if any.

The following tables present condensed statements of operations for non-Company-sponsored VIEs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands). The following tables include net (loss) income from assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale and intercompany balances have been eliminated for purposes of this presentation.

	Three Months Ended September 30,					
	2024			2023		
	Consolidated SLST	Consolidated Real Estate	Total	Consolidated SLST	Consolidated Real Estate	Total
Interest income	\$ 11,002	\$ —	\$ 11,002	\$ 8,370	\$ —	\$ 8,370
Interest expense	7,375	—	7,375	5,957	—	5,957
Total net interest income	3,627	—	3,627	2,413	—	2,413
Income from real estate	—	29,096	29,096	—	39,287	39,287
Expenses related to real estate	—	36,024	36,024	—	47,367	47,367
Total net loss from real estate	—	(6,928)	(6,928)	—	(8,080)	(8,080)
Unrealized gains (losses), net	6,753	—	6,753	(9,325)	—	(9,325)
(Losses) gains on derivative instruments, net	—	(179)	(179)	—	315	315
Impairment of real estate	—	(8,402)	(8,402)	—	(44,157)	(44,157)
Other income (loss)	—	16,266	16,266	—	(103)	(103)
Total other income (loss)	6,753	7,685	14,438	(9,325)	(43,945)	(53,270)
Net income (loss)	10,380	757	11,137	(6,912)	(52,025)	(58,937)
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	—	2,383	2,383	—	9,364	9,364
Net income (loss) attributable to Company	\$ 10,380	\$ 3,140	\$ 13,520	\$ (6,912)	\$ (42,661)	\$ (49,573)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2024			2023		
	Consolidated SLST	Consolidated Real Estate	Total	Consolidated SLST	Consolidated Real Estate	Total
Interest income	\$ 28,284	\$ —	\$ 28,284	\$ 25,543	\$ —	\$ 25,543
Interest expense	19,928	—	19,928	18,238	—	18,238
Total net interest income	8,356	—	8,356	7,305	—	7,305
Income from real estate	—	97,725	97,725	—	120,247	120,247
Expenses related to real estate	—	134,667	134,667	—	145,310	145,310
Total net loss from real estate	—	(36,942)	(36,942)	—	(25,063)	(25,063)
Unrealized gains (losses), net	7,259	—	7,259	(19,354)	—	(19,354)
Gains on derivative instruments, net	—	2,668	2,668	—	5,572	5,572
Impairment of real estate	—	(44,173)	(44,173)	—	(71,296)	(71,296)
Loss on reclassification of disposal group	—	(14,636)	(14,636)	—	—	—
Other income (loss)	—	16,272	16,272	—	(61)	(61)
Total other income (loss)	7,259	(39,869)	(32,610)	(19,354)	(65,785)	(85,139)
Net income (loss)	15,615	(76,811)	(61,196)	(12,049)	(90,848)	(102,897)
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	—	33,034	33,034	—	19,957	19,957
Net income (loss) attributable to Company	\$ 15,615	\$ (43,777)	\$ (28,162)	\$ (12,049)	\$ (70,891)	\$ (82,940)

*Redeemable Non-Controlling Interest in Consolidated VIEs*

The third-party owners of certain of the non-controlling interests in Consolidated VIEs have the ability to sell their ownership interests to the Company, at their election. The Company has classified these third-party ownership interests as redeemable non-controlling interests in Consolidated VIEs in mezzanine equity on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. The holders of the redeemable non-controlling interests may elect to sell their ownership interests to the Company at fair value once a year and the sales are subject to annual minimum and maximum amount limitations.

The following table presents activity in redeemable non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Beginning balance	\$ 23,088	\$ 34,571	\$ 28,061	\$ 63,803
Contributions	7	—	46	—
Distributions	(4,934)	(41)	(4,959)	(3,991)
Net loss attributable to redeemable non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	(565)	(2,907)	(19,543)	(11,592)
Adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value <sup>(1)</sup>	4,230	(10,597)	18,221	(27,194)
Ending balance	\$ 21,826	\$ 21,026	\$ 21,826	\$ 21,026

<sup>(1)</sup> The Company determines the fair value of the redeemable non-controlling interest utilizing market assumptions and discounted cash flows. The Company applies a discount rate to the estimated future cash flows from the multi-family apartment properties held by the applicable Consolidated VIEs that are allocatable to the redeemable non-controlling interest. This fair value measurement is generally based on unobservable inputs and, as such, is classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. Significant unobservable inputs utilized in the estimation of fair value of redeemable non-controlling interest as of September 30, 2024 include a weighted average capitalization rate of 5.8% (ranges from 5.3% to 6.5%) and a weighted average discount rate of 14.8% (ranges from 13.6% to 15.6%).

*Unconsolidated VIEs*

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company evaluated its investment securities available for sale and preferred equity, equity and other investments to determine whether they are VIEs and should be consolidated by the Company. Based on a number of factors, the Company determined that, as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, it does not have a controlling financial interest and is not the primary beneficiary of these VIEs. The following tables present the classification and carrying value of unconsolidated VIEs as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>September 30, 2024</b>				
	<b>Multi-family loans</b>	<b>Investment securities available for sale, at fair value</b>	<b>Equity investments</b>	<b>Other assets</b>	<b>Total</b>
Non-Agency RMBS	\$ —	\$ 23,146	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 23,146
Preferred equity investments in multi-family properties	87,614	—	99,143	—	186,757
Joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties	—	—	1,235	—	1,235
Other investments	—	—	—	2,000	2,000
Maximum exposure	<u>\$ 87,614</u>	<u>\$ 23,146</u>	<u>\$ 100,378</u>	<u>\$ 2,000</u>	<u>\$ 213,138</u>

	<b>December 31, 2023</b>				
	<b>Multi-family loans</b>	<b>Investment securities available for sale, at fair value</b>	<b>Equity investments</b>	<b>Total</b>	
Non-Agency RMBS	\$ —	\$ 24,462	\$ —	\$ 24,462	
Preferred equity investments in multi-family properties	95,792	—	104,242	200,034	
Joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties	—	—	5,720	5,720	
Maximum exposure	<u>\$ 95,792</u>	<u>\$ 24,462</u>	<u>\$ 109,962</u>	<u>\$ 230,216</u>	

## 8. Real Estate, Net

The following is a summary of real estate, net, collectively, as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Land	\$ 87,322	\$ 137,883
Building and improvements	681,240	1,020,477
Furniture, fixture and equipment	20,265	38,706
Operating real estate	\$ 788,827	\$ 1,197,066
Accumulated depreciation	(64,754)	(65,247)
Operating real estate, net	\$ 724,073	\$ 1,131,819
Real estate held for sale, net <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 31,629	\$ —
Real estate, net <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 755,702	\$ 1,131,819

<sup>(1)</sup> Real estate held for sale, net is recorded at the lower of the net carrying amount of the assets or the estimated fair value, net of selling costs. Includes one multi-family apartment property in a joint venture entity that owns several multi-family properties (and is not included in the repositioning referenced in <sup>(2)</sup> below) and certain single-family rental properties as of September 30, 2024.

<sup>(2)</sup> In September 2022, the Company announced a repositioning of its business through the opportunistic disposition over time of the Company's joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties and reallocation of its capital away from such assets to its targeted assets. Accordingly, the real estate, net related to certain joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties is included in assets of disposal group held for sale on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. See Note 9 for additional information.

### *Multi-family Apartment Properties*

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company owned joint venture equity investments in entities that own multi-family apartment communities, which the Company determined to be VIEs and for which the Company is the primary beneficiary. Accordingly, the Company consolidated the joint venture entities into its condensed consolidated financial statements (see Note 7). During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company determined that two of the multi-family apartment communities owned by an entity in which the Company holds a joint venture equity investment that is not in disposal group held for sale met the criteria to be classified as held for sale, transferred the properties held by the joint venture entity from operating real estate to real estate held for sale and recognized no loss.

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, an entity in which the Company holds a joint venture equity investment that is not in disposal group held for sale sold one of its multi-family apartment communities for approximately \$43.5 million, subject to certain prorations and adjustments typical in such real estate transactions, including the assumption of the related mortgage payable in the amount of approximately \$24.1 million. The sale generated a net gain of approximately \$6.6 million and accelerated amortization of remaining loan costs of approximately \$0.1 million, both of which are included in other income on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. The sale also generated net income attributable to non-controlling interest of approximately \$5.0 million, resulting in a net gain attributable to the Company's common stockholders of approximately \$1.5 million. As of September 30, 2024, one multi-family apartment community owned by the entity in which the Company holds a joint venture equity investment remains classified as held for sale.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company became the primary beneficiary of a VIE that owns a multi-family apartment community and in which the Company holds a preferred equity investment. Accordingly, the Company consolidated the VIE into its condensed consolidated financial statements (see Note 7).

The multi-family apartment communities generally lease their apartment units to individual tenants at market rates for the production of rental income. These apartment units are generally leased at a fixed monthly rate with no option for the lessee to purchase the leased unit at any point.

Operating real estate, net is periodically evaluated for impairment. As of September 30, 2024, the Company determined that two multi-family properties owned by joint venture equity investments were impaired. The calculation of impairment amounts utilized fair values that were estimated based upon discounted cash flow analyses using property financial information and assumptions regarding market rent, revenue and expense growth, capitalization rates and equity return rates. Accordingly, the Company recognized a \$4.6 million and \$18.4 million impairment of real estate in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively.

*Single-family Rental Properties*

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company owned single-family rental homes. These units are leased to individual tenants for the production of rental income and are generally leased at a fixed monthly rate with no option for the lessee to purchase the leased unit at any point.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company determined that certain single-family rental properties met the criteria to be classified as held for sale, transferred the properties from operating real estate to real estate held for sale and recognized a \$4.0 million loss upon transfer, which is included in impairment of real estate on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. The Company recognized a \$0.6 million net recovery of impairment in the three months ended September 30, 2024 and \$4.0 million of net impairment losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company sold single-family rental properties for proceeds of approximately \$2.7 million and \$4.5 million, respectively, recognizing net losses on sale of approximately \$0.1 million and net gains on sale of approximately \$0.2 million, respectively, which is included in other income on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

*Lease Intangibles*

Intangibles related to multi-family properties consist of the value of in-place leases and are included in other assets on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. The following table presents the components of lease intangibles, net as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Lease intangibles	\$ 34,065	\$ 54,581
Accumulated amortization	(34,065)	(52,203)
Lease intangibles, net	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 2,378</u>

In September 2022, the Company announced a repositioning of its business through the opportunistic disposition over time of the Company's joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties and reallocation of its capital away from such assets to its targeted assets. Accordingly, the lease intangibles, net related to certain joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties are included in assets of disposal group held for sale on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. See Note 9 for additional information.

*Depreciation and Amortization Expense*

The following table presents depreciation and amortization expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>For the Three Months Ended September</b>		<b>For the Nine Months Ended September</b>	
	<b>30,</b>	<b>30,</b>	<b>30,</b>	<b>30,</b>
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Depreciation expense on operating real estate	\$ 8,131	\$ 6,204	\$ 30,564	\$ 18,371
Amortization of lease intangibles related to operating real estate	—	—	2,378	—
Total depreciation and amortization	<u>\$ 8,131</u>	<u>\$ 6,204</u>	<u>\$ 32,942</u>	<u>\$ 18,371</u>

## 9. Assets and Liabilities of Disposal Group Held for Sale

In September 2022, the Company announced a repositioning of its business through the opportunistic disposition over time of the Company's joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties and reallocation of its capital away from such assets to its targeted assets. Accordingly, the Company determined that certain joint venture equity investments met the criteria to be classified as held for sale and transferred either the assets and liabilities of the respective Consolidated VIEs or its equity investment in the joint venture entity to assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale. In December 2023, the Company suspended the marketing of nine joint venture equity investments that were reported in assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale primarily due to unfavorable market conditions and a lack of transactional activity in the multi-family market. As such, the Company determined that these joint venture equity investments no longer met the criteria to be classified as held for sale and transferred either the assets and liabilities of the respective Consolidated VIEs or its equity investment in the joint venture entity to their respective categories or equity investments, at fair value, respectively, on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2023.

In March 2024, the Company suspended the marketing of one additional joint venture equity investment, determined that it no longer met the criteria to be classified as held for sale and transferred the assets and liabilities of the Consolidated VIE to their respective categories on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of March 31, 2024. As a result of this transfer, the Company adjusted the carrying value of the long-lived assets in the Consolidated VIE to the lower of the carrying amount before the assets were classified as held for sale adjusted for depreciation and amortization expense that would have been recognized had the assets been continuously classified as held and used and the fair value of the assets at the date of the transfer and recognized an approximately \$14.6 million loss on reclassification of disposal group during the three months ended March 31, 2024.

In June 2024, in response to productive negotiations with operating partners and increased transactional activity, the Company determined that five joint venture equity investments met the criteria to be classified as held for sale and transferred the assets and liabilities of the respective Consolidated VIEs to assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale. As a result, the Company recognized a loss of \$1.8 million included in impairment of real estate in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations during the three months ended June 30, 2024.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company sold its joint venture equity investments in four and six multi-family properties, respectively, which resulted in the de-consolidation of the joint venture entities' assets and liabilities and a gain on de-consolidation of approximately \$3.4 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, which is included in other income in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, one of the joint ventures in which the Company held a common equity investment that is in disposal group held for sale sold its multi-family apartment community for approximately \$56.4 million, subject to certain prorations and adjustments typical in such real estate transactions, and repaid the related mortgage payable in the amount of approximately \$31.8 million. The sale generated a net gain of approximately \$11.4 million and a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$ 1.6 million, both of which are included in other income on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. The sale also generated net income attributable to non-controlling interest of approximately \$1.1 million, resulting in net gain attributable to the Company's common stockholders of approximately \$ 8.7 million.

In September 2024, in response to productive negotiations with operating partners and increased transactional activity, the Company determined that two joint venture equity investments met the criteria to be classified as held for sale and transferred the assets and liabilities of the respective Consolidated VIEs to assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024. As a result, the Company recognized a loss of \$2.0 million included in impairment of real estate in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended September 30, 2024. Four joint venture equity investments are classified as disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024.

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The following table presents the carrying values of the major classes of assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,044	\$ 5,676
Real estate, net	185,891	407,834
Other assets	8,730	12,507
Total assets of disposal group held for sale <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 197,665</u>	<u>\$ 426,017</u>
Mortgages payable on real estate, net <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 170,318	\$ 378,386
Other liabilities	7,551	7,638
Total liabilities of disposal group held for sale <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 177,869</u>	<u>\$ 386,024</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Assets and liabilities of the disposal group held for sale are in Consolidated VIEs because the Company is the primary beneficiary.

<sup>(2)</sup> During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, two entities in which the Company holds joint venture equity investments entered into debt restructuring agreements with the respective senior lender for their mortgage payables. As part of the agreements, a portion of interest payments will be deferred until the maturity date. The restructurings did not result in a change in the carrying amount of the mortgage payables and no gains were recorded.

Also included in the disposal group held for sale are non-controlling interests in Consolidated VIEs in the amount of \$ 2.0 million and \$3.2 million as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

Real estate, net included in assets of disposal group held for sale is recorded at the lower of the net carrying amount of the assets or the estimated fair value, net of selling costs. Fair value for real estate, net was based upon a discounted cash flow analysis using property financial information and assumptions regarding market rent, revenue and expense growth, capitalization rates and equity return rates. For real estate, net of the disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024, the Company recognized impairment losses of \$3.8 million and \$25.8 million, inclusive of losses recognized upon transfer into disposal group held for sale, in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. As of September 30, 2023, the fair values, net of selling costs of multi-family properties owned by seven of the joint venture entities in which we hold equity investments were less than the properties' net carrying values. Accordingly, the Company recognized net impairment losses of \$44.2 million and \$71.3 million in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively. Impairment on real estate, net of recovery of previously impaired real estate, is included in impairment of real estate on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations. See Note 16 for descriptions of valuation methodologies utilized for other classes of assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale.

The following table presents the pretax losses of the disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September		For the Nine Months Ended September	
	30,		30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Pretax income (loss) of disposal group held for sale	\$ 2,655	\$ (43,235)	\$ (50,171)	\$ (75,202)
Pretax (income) loss of disposal group attributable to non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	(495)	4,605	4,907	5,794
Pretax income (loss) of disposal group attributable to Company's common stockholders	<u>\$ 2,160</u>	<u>\$ (38,630)</u>	<u>\$ (45,264)</u>	<u>\$ (69,408)</u>

## 10. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company is exposed to certain risks arising from both its business operations and economic conditions. The Company enters into derivative financial instruments in connection with its risk management activities. These derivative instruments may include interest rate swaps, interest rate caps, credit default swaps, futures and options contracts such as options on credit default swap indices, equity index options, swaptions and options on futures. The Company may also pursue forward-settling purchases or sales of Agency RMBS where the underlying pools of mortgage loans are "To-Be-Announced," or TBAs, purchase options on U.S. Treasury futures or invest in other types of mortgage derivative securities. The Company elected not to apply hedge accounting for its derivative instruments.

### *Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments*

The Company and Consolidated Real Estate VIEs are required by lenders on certain repurchase agreement financing and variable-rate mortgages payable on real estate to enter into interest rate cap contracts that limit the indexed portion of the interest rate on the respective related financing to a strike rate based upon various SOFR tenors.

The Company uses interest rate swaps to hedge the variable cash flows associated with our variable-rate borrowings. Interest rate swaps generally involve the receipt of variable-rate amounts from a counterparty, based on SOFR, in exchange for the Company making fixed-rate payments over the life of the interest rate swap without exchange of the underlying notional amount. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in order to manage its position with regard to its liabilities, the Company may also enter into interest rate swaps which involve the receipt of fixed-rate amounts from a counterparty in exchange for the Company making variable-rate payments, based on SOFR, over the life of the interest rate swap without exchange of the underlying notional amount. The variable rate the Company pays or receives under its swap agreements has the effect of offsetting the repricing characteristics and cash flows of the Company's financing arrangements.

The Company has purchased credit default swap index contracts under which a counterparty, in exchange for a premium, agrees to compensate the Company for the financial loss associated with the occurrence of a credit event in relation to a notional value of an index. The Company may purchase equity index put options that give the Company the right to sell or buy the underlying index at a specified strike price and U.S. Treasury future contracts that obligate the Company to sell or buy U.S. Treasury securities for future delivery. The Company may also purchase credit default swap index options that allow the Company to enter into a fixed rate payor position in the underlying credit default swap index at the agreed strike level.

The following table summarizes the Company's derivative instruments as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Type of Derivative Instrument	Consolidated Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	
		September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Interest rate caps	Other assets	\$ 1,481	\$ 6,510
Total derivative assets <sup>(1)</sup>		\$ 1,481	\$ 6,510
Credit default swaps	Other liabilities	\$ —	\$ —
Interest rate swaps	Other liabilities	—	—
Total derivative liabilities		\$ —	\$ —

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes interest rate cap contracts held by certain Consolidated Real Estate VIEs included in other assets in disposal group held for sale.

The Company elects to net the fair value of its derivative contracts by counterparty when appropriate. These contracts contain legally enforceable provisions that allow for netting or setting off of all individual derivative receivables and payables with each counterparty and therefore, the fair values of those derivative contracts are reported net by counterparty. All of the Company's interest rate swaps and credit default swaps are cleared through two central clearing houses, CME Group Inc. ("CME Clearing"), which is the parent company of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc., or the Intercontinental Exchange ("ICE"). CME Clearing and ICE serve as the counterparty to every cleared transaction, becoming the buyer to each seller and the seller to each buyer, limiting the credit risk by guaranteeing the financial performance of both parties and netting down exposures. The Company also exchanges variation margin based upon daily changes in fair value, as measured by CME Clearing and ICE. The exchange of variation margin is treated as a legal settlement of the exposure under these contracts, as opposed to pledged collateral. Accordingly, the Company accounts for the receipt or payment of variation margin as a direct reduction of or increase in the carrying value of the related asset or liability.

The following tables present a reconciliation of gross derivative assets and liabilities to net amounts presented in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

September 30, 2024				
	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets (Liabilities)	Gross Amounts Offset in Balance Sheets	Variation Margin	Net Amounts of Assets (Liabilities) Presented in Balance Sheets
<b>Derivative assets</b>				
Interest rate caps	\$ 1,481	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,481
Interest rate swaps	9,307	(9,307)	—	—
<b>Total derivative assets</b>	<b>\$ 10,788</b>	<b>\$ (9,307)</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 1,481</b>
<b>Derivative liabilities</b>				
Credit default swaps	\$ (9,285)	\$ —	\$ 9,285	\$ —
Interest rate swaps	(44,514)	9,307	35,207	—
<b>Total derivative liabilities</b>	<b>\$ (53,799)</b>	<b>\$ 9,307</b>	<b>\$ 44,492</b>	<b>\$ —</b>

December 31, 2023				
	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets (Liabilities)	Gross Amounts Offset in Balance Sheets	Variation Margin	Net Amounts of Assets (Liabilities) Presented in Balance Sheets
<b>Derivative assets</b>				
Interest rate caps	\$ 6,510	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 6,510
Interest rate swaps	13,094	(13,094)	—	—
<b>Total derivative assets</b>	<b>\$ 19,604</b>	<b>\$ (13,094)</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 6,510</b>
<b>Derivative liabilities</b>				
Interest rate swaps	\$ (40,541)	\$ 13,094	\$ 27,447	\$ —
<b>Total derivative liabilities</b>	<b>\$ (40,541)</b>	<b>\$ 13,094</b>	<b>\$ 27,447</b>	<b>\$ —</b>

The use of derivatives exposes the Company to counterparty credit risks in the event of a default by a counterparty. If a counterparty defaults under the applicable derivative agreement, the Company may be unable to collect payments to which it is entitled under its derivative agreements and may have difficulty collecting the assets it pledged as collateral against such derivatives.

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The Company is required to post an initial margin amount for its interest rate swaps and credit default swaps determined by CME Clearing and ICE, which is generally intended to be set at a level sufficient to protect the exchange from the derivative financial instrument's maximum estimated single-day price movement. The following table summarizes assets pledged as initial margin as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Initial Margin Collateral	Consolidated Balance Sheet Location	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Agency RMBS	Investment securities available for sale, at fair value	\$ 33,858	\$ —
Restricted cash	Other assets	41,966	53,458
<b>Total initial margin collateral</b>		<b>\$ 75,824</b>	<b>\$ 53,458</b>

Margin excess related to settlement of variation margin in the amount of approximately \$ 16.5 million and \$1.1 million as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, is included in other assets on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. Margin deficit related to settlement of variation margin in the amount of approximately \$7.7 million as of September 30, 2024 is included in other liabilities on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The tables below summarize the activity of derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Type of Derivative Instrument	Notional Amount For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2024			
	June 30, 2024	Additions	Terminations	September 30, 2024
Interest rate caps	\$ 263,142	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 263,142
Options	80	—	(80)	—
Interest rate swaps	2,972,030	881,235	(550,952)	3,302,313
Credit default swaps	400,000	—	—	400,000
U.S. Treasury futures	67,000	—	(67,000)	—

Type of Derivative Instrument	Notional Amount For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2023			
	June 30, 2023	Additions	Terminations	September 30, 2023
Options	\$ 81	\$ —	\$ (81)	\$ —
Interest rate swaps	900,925	1,356,309	—	2,257,234

Type of Derivative Instrument	Notional Amount For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024			
	December 31, 2023	Additions/Transfers In <sup>(1)</sup>	Terminations/Transfers Out <sup>(1)</sup>	September 30, 2024
Interest rate caps	\$ 550,025	\$ 177,044	\$ (463,927)	\$ 263,142
Options	—	382	(382)	—
Interest rate swaps	2,778,015	1,974,659	(1,450,361)	3,302,313
Credit default swaps	—	400,000	—	400,000
U.S. Treasury futures	—	498,950	(498,950)	—

Type of Derivative Instrument	Notional Amount For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023			
	December 31, 2022	Additions	Terminations	September 30, 2023
Options	\$ —	\$ 500,148	\$ (500,148)	\$ —
Interest rate swaps	—	2,257,234	—	2,257,234

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes transfers from or transfers to disposal group held for sale with respect to interest rate caps held in certain Consolidated Real Estate VIEs (see Note 9).

The following tables present the components of realized gains (losses), net and unrealized gains (losses), net related to our derivative instruments that were not designated as hedging instruments, which are included in gains (losses) on derivative instruments, net in our condensed consolidated statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Type of Derivative Instrument	For the Three Months Ended September 30,				For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2024		2023		2024		2023	
	Realized Gains (Losses)	Unrealized Gains (Losses)	Realized Gains (Losses)	Unrealized Gains (Losses)	Realized Gains (Losses)	Unrealized Gains (Losses)	Realized Gains (Losses)	Unrealized Gains (Losses)
Interest rate caps <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ —	\$ (209)	\$ 1,568	\$ (1,143)	\$ —	\$ 3,044	\$ 6,388	\$ (130)
Options	(772)	(7)	(1,130)	974	(2,261)	—	(2,737)	—
Interest rate swaps	(835)	(55,611)	—	20,724	16,591	(7,760)	—	34,683
Credit default swaps	(1,022)	(720)	—	—	(3,056)	(1,023)	—	—
U.S. Treasury futures	(1,729)	265	—	—	(1,493)	—	—	—
Total	\$ (4,358)	\$ (56,282)	\$ 438	\$ 20,555	\$ 9,781	\$ (5,739)	\$ 3,651	\$ 34,553

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes interest rate caps held by certain Consolidated Real Estate VIEs included in other assets in disposal group held for sale.

The following table presents information about our interest rate cap contracts related to certain repurchase agreement financing and variable-rate mortgages payable on real estate that are not included in disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

**September 30, 2024**

Financing Type	Weighted Average SOFR Strike Price	SOFR Strike Price/Range	Notional Amount	Expiration Date/Range
Repurchase agreement	4.10 %	4.10 %	\$ 111,000	November 17, 2024
Mortgages payable on real estate	2.62 %	2.00% - 3.22%	152,142	January 1, 2025 - April 1, 2025

**December 31, 2023**

Financing Type	Weighted Average SOFR Strike Price	SOFR Strike Price/Range	Notional Amount	Expiration Date/Range
Repurchase agreement	4.10 %	4.10 %	\$ 111,000	November 17, 2024
Mortgages payable on real estate	2.13 %	1.50% - 3.22%	439,025	January 9, 2024 - January 15, 2025

The following table presents information about our interest rate swaps whereby we receive floating rate payments in exchange for fixed rate payments as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Swap Maturities	September 30, 2024		
	Notional Amount	Weighted Average Fixed Interest Rate	Weighted Average Variable Interest Rate
2025	\$ 1,377,250	4.53 %	5.18 %
2026	241,300	3.90 %	5.27 %
2027	195,554	4.24 %	5.34 %
2028	510,325	3.90 %	5.24 %
2029	210,674	3.85 %	5.32 %
2033	319,590	4.00 %	5.30 %
2034	94,570	3.88 %	5.33 %
2044	300,000	3.34 %	5.05 %
Total	\$ 3,249,263	4.14 %	5.22 %

Swap Maturities	December 31, 2023		
	Notional Amount	Weighted Average Fixed Interest Rate	Weighted Average Variable Interest Rate
2025	\$ 1,476,370	4.62 %	5.33 %
2026	214,985	4.19 %	5.33 %
2028	674,804	4.03 %	5.35 %
2033	358,806	4.04 %	5.34 %
Total	\$ 2,724,965	4.36 %	5.34 %

The following table presents information about our interest rate swaps whereby we receive fixed rate payments in exchange for floating rate payments as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Swap Maturities	September 30, 2024		
	Notional Amount	Weighted Average Fixed Interest Rate	Weighted Average Variable Interest Rate
2028	\$ 9,550	3.48 %	5.35 %
2033	43,500	3.64 %	5.28 %
Total	\$ 53,050	3.61 %	5.29 %

Swap Maturities	December 31, 2023		
	Notional Amount	Weighted Average Fixed Interest Rate	Weighted Average Variable Interest Rate
2028	\$ 9,550	3.48 %	5.29 %
2033	43,500	3.64 %	5.33 %
Total	\$ 53,050	3.61 %	5.33 %

Certain of the Company's derivative contracts are subject to International Swaps and Derivatives Association Master Agreements or other similar agreements which may contain provisions that grant counterparties certain rights with respect to the applicable agreement upon the occurrence of certain events, including a decline in the Company's stockholders' equity (as defined in the respective agreements) in excess of specified thresholds or dollar amounts over set periods of time, the Company's failure to maintain its REIT status, the Company's failure to comply with limits on the amount of leverage and the Company's stock being delisted from Nasdaq.

## 11. Other Assets and Other Liabilities

### Other Assets

The following table presents the components of the Company's other assets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Restricted cash <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 136,931	\$ 143,535
Accrued interest receivable	54,734	37,312
Real estate owned	46,856	34,353
Collections receivable from residential loan servicers	26,661	14,956
Other receivables	24,062	11,445
Other assets in consolidated multi-family properties	20,611	28,923
Receivables from derivative counterparties	16,471	1,148
Recoverable advances on residential loans	16,407	18,328
Operating lease right-of-use assets	5,747	6,581
Deferred tax assets	3,381	4,510
Derivative assets <sup>(2)</sup>	1,481	6,510
Lease intangibles, net in consolidated multi-family properties	—	2,378
Other	7,278	5,378
Total	<u>\$ 360,620</u>	<u>\$ 315,357</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Restricted cash represents cash held by third parties, initial margin for derivative contracts and cash held by the Company's securitization trusts.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes derivative assets held in Consolidated Real Estate VIEs.

### Other Liabilities

The following table presents the components of the Company's other liabilities as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Accrued interest payable	\$ 34,633	\$ 23,653
Dividends and dividend equivalents payable	30,640	32,151
Advanced remittances from residential loan servicers	19,239	4,332
Accrued expenses and other liabilities in consolidated multi-family properties	14,917	21,797
Unfunded commitments for residential and multi-family investments	10,517	6,587
Accrued expenses	9,227	11,515
Swap margin payable	7,653	—
Operating lease liabilities	6,246	7,102
Deferred revenue	5,560	5,469
Deferred tax liabilities	3,276	2,012
Other	3,886	3,398
Total	<u>\$ 145,794</u>	<u>\$ 118,016</u>

## 12. Repurchase Agreements

The following table presents the carrying value of the Company's repurchase agreements as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Repurchase Agreements Secured By:	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Investment securities	\$ 3,045,597	\$ 1,862,063
Residential loans and real estate owned	493,634	534,754
Single-family rental properties	71,884	74,296
Total carrying value	<u>\$ 3,611,115</u>	<u>\$ 2,471,113</u>

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had repurchase agreement exposure where the amount at risk was in excess of 5% of the Company's stockholders' equity with Atlas SP at 6.84%. The amount at risk is defined as the fair value of assets pledged as collateral to the financing arrangement in excess of the financing arrangement liability.

The financings under certain of our repurchase agreements are subject to margin calls to the extent the market value of the collateral subject to the repurchase agreement falls below specified levels and repurchase may be accelerated upon an event of default under the repurchase agreements. As of September 30, 2024, the Company had assets available to be posted as margin which included liquid assets, such as unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, and unencumbered securities that could be monetized to pay down or collateralize the liability immediately. As of September 30, 2024, the Company had \$188.9 million included in cash and cash equivalents and \$ 203.7 million in unencumbered investment securities available to meet additional haircuts or market valuation requirements. The following table presents information about the Company's unencumbered securities at September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Unencumbered Securities	September 30, 2024
Agency RMBS	\$ 160,476
Non-Agency RMBS <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	43,250
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 203,726</u>

(1) Includes IOs in Consolidated SLST with a fair value of \$ 14.7 million as of September 30, 2024. Consolidated SLST securities owned by the Company are eliminated in consolidation in accordance with GAAP.

(2) Includes CDOs repurchased from our residential loan securitizations with a fair value of \$ 5.4 million as of September 30, 2024. Repurchased CDOs are eliminated in consolidation in accordance with GAAP.

The Company also had unencumbered residential loans with a fair value of \$ 107.2 million at September 30, 2024.

### *Residential Loans, Real Estate Owned and Single-family Rental Properties*

The Company has repurchase agreements with six financial institutions to finance residential loans, real estate owned and single-family rental properties. The following table presents detailed information about the Company's financings under these repurchase agreements and associated assets pledged as collateral at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Maximum Aggregate Uncommitted Principal Amount	Outstanding Repurchase Agreements <sup>(1)</sup>	Net Deferred Finance Costs <sup>(2)</sup>	Carrying Value of Repurchase Agreements	Carrying Value of Assets Pledged <sup>(3)</sup>	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Months to Maturity <sup>(4)</sup>
September 30, 2024	\$ 2,775,000	\$ 566,621	\$ (1,103)	\$ 565,518	\$ 750,346	7.19 %	6.39
December 31, 2023	\$ 2,225,000	\$ 611,055	\$ (2,005)	\$ 609,050	\$ 805,082	7.87 %	13.89

- (1) Includes non-mark-to-market repurchase agreements with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$39.8 million, a weighted average rate of 7.95%, and weighted average months to maturity of 6 months as of September 30, 2024. Includes non-mark-to-market repurchase agreements with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$179.1 million, a weighted average rate of 8.19%, and weighted average months to maturity of 14 months as of December 31, 2023.
- (2) Costs related to the repurchase agreements, which include commitment, underwriting, legal, accounting and other fees, are reflected as deferred charges. Such costs are presented as a deduction from the corresponding debt liability on the Company's accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets and are amortized as an adjustment to interest expense using the effective interest method, or straight line-method, if the result is not materially different.
- (3) Includes residential loans and real estate owned with an aggregate carrying value of \$610.5 million and single-family rental properties with a net carrying value of \$139.9 million as of September 30, 2024. Includes residential loans with an aggregate fair value of \$658.3 million and single-family rental properties with a net carrying value of \$146.7 million as of December 31, 2023.
- (4) The Company expects to roll outstanding amounts under these repurchase agreements into new repurchase agreements or other financings, or to repay outstanding amounts, prior to or at maturity.

During the terms of the repurchase agreements, proceeds from the residential loans will be applied to pay any price differential and to reduce the aggregate repurchase price of the collateral. The outstanding financings under the repurchase agreements with five of the counterparties with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$526.8 million as of September 30, 2024 are subject to margin calls to the extent the market value of the collateral falls below specified levels and repurchase may be accelerated upon an event of default under the repurchase agreements.

The Company's accrued interest payable on outstanding repurchase agreements secured by residential loans, real estate owned and single-family rental properties at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 amounted to \$4.3 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, and is included in other liabilities on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The Company, as required by a repurchase agreement with one counterparty, has entered into an interest rate cap contract that limits the indexed portion of the interest rate on the related repurchase agreement to a fixed rate (see Note 10).

As of September 30, 2024, the Company's repurchase agreements contain various covenants, including among other things, the maintenance of certain amounts of liquidity and total stockholders' equity as defined in the respective agreements. The Company is in compliance with such covenants as of September 30, 2024 and through the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### *Investment Securities*

The Company has entered into repurchase agreements with financial institutions to finance certain investment securities available for sale, securities owned in Consolidated SLST and CDOs repurchased from our residential loan securitizations. These repurchase agreements provide short-term financing that bear interest rates typically based on a spread to SOFR and are secured by the investment securities which they finance and additional collateral pledged, if any. As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company had amounts outstanding under repurchase agreements with eight counterparties and seven counterparties, respectively.

The following table presents detailed information about the amounts outstanding under the Company's repurchase agreements secured by investment securities and associated assets pledged as collateral at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024			December 31, 2023		
	Outstanding Repurchase Agreements	Fair Value of Collateral Pledged	Amortized Cost of Collateral Pledged	Outstanding Repurchase Agreements	Fair Value of Collateral Pledged	Amortized Cost of Collateral Pledged
Agency RMBS	\$ 2,638,460	\$ 2,773,633	\$ 2,732,190	\$ 1,771,436	\$ 1,894,052	\$ 1,869,415
Non-Agency RMBS <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	54,197	70,432	65,573	90,627	182,383	232,997
U.S. Treasury securities <sup>(3)</sup>	352,940	353,369	357,111	—	—	—
Balance at end of the period	<u>\$ 3,045,597</u>	<u>\$ 3,197,434</u>	<u>\$ 3,154,874</u>	<u>\$ 1,862,063</u>	<u>\$ 2,076,435</u>	<u>\$ 2,102,412</u>

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- (1) Includes first loss subordinated securities in Consolidated SLST with a fair value of \$ 25.4 million and \$140.3 million as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. Consolidated SLST securities owned by the Company are eliminated in consolidation in accordance with GAAP.
- (2) Includes CDOs repurchased from our residential loan securitizations with a fair value of \$ 42.1 million as of December 31, 2023. Amounts included in amortized cost of collateral pledged for repurchased CDOs represent the current par value of the securities. Repurchased CDOs are eliminated in consolidation in accordance with GAAP.
- (3) Collateral pledged includes restricted cash posted as margin in the amount of \$ 4.3 million.

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the outstanding balances under our repurchase agreements secured by investment securities were funded at a weighted average advance rate of 95.7% and 93.4%, respectively, that implies an average "haircut" of 4.3% and 6.6%, respectively. As of September 30, 2024, the weighted average "haircut" related to our repurchase agreement financing for our Agency RMBS, non-Agency RMBS, and U.S. Treasury securities was approximately 4.2%, 26.0%, and 1.4%, respectively.

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the average days to maturity for repurchase agreements secured by investment securities were 45 days and 46 days, respectively, and the weighted average interest rates were 5.23% and 5.66%, respectively. The Company's accrued interest payable on outstanding repurchase agreements secured by investment securities at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 amounted to \$19.8 million and \$13.6 million, respectively, and is included in other liabilities on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The following table presents contractual maturity information about the Company's outstanding repurchase agreements secured by investment securities at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

<b>Contractual Maturity</b>	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Within 30 days	\$ 1,191,457	\$ 505,446
Over 30 days to 90 days	1,215,837	1,263,000
Over 90 days	638,303	93,617
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,045,597</b>	<b>\$ 1,862,063</b>

### 13. Collateralized Debt Obligations

The Company's collateralized debt obligations, or CDOs, are accounted for as financings and are non-recourse debt to the Company. See Note 7 for further discussion regarding the collateral pledged for the Company's CDOs as well as the Company's net investments in the related securitizations.

The following tables present a summary of the Company's CDOs as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024			
	Outstanding Face Amount	Carrying Value	Weighted Average Interest Rate <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	Stated Maturity <sup>(3)</sup>
Consolidated SLST at fair value <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 884,509	\$ 845,811	3.64 %	2059 - 2064
Residential loan securitizations at fair value <sup>(4)</sup>	994,220	981,779	5.72 %	2029 - 2068
Residential loan securitizations at amortized cost, net	912,260	902,038	4.34 %	2027 - 2062
Non-Agency RMBS re-securitization at fair value <sup>(4)</sup>	72,221	72,638	7.38 %	2064
<b>Total collateralized debt obligations</b>	<b>\$ 2,863,210</b>	<b>\$ 2,802,266</b>		

	December 31, 2023			
	Outstanding Face Amount	Carrying Value	Weighted Average Interest Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Stated Maturity <sup>(3)</sup>
Consolidated SLST at fair value <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 652,933	\$ 593,737	2.75 %	2059
Residential loan securitizations at amortized cost, net	1,292,015	1,276,780	4.00 %	2026 - 2062
<b>Total collateralized debt obligations</b>	<b>\$ 1,944,948</b>	<b>\$ 1,870,517</b>		

<sup>(1)</sup> Weighted average interest rate is calculated using the outstanding face amount and stated interest rate of notes issued by the securitization and not owned by the Company.

<sup>(2)</sup> Certain of the Company's CDOs contain interest rate step-up features whereby the interest rate increases if the outstanding notes are not redeemed by expected redemption dates, as defined in the respective governing documents. The following table presents a summary of CDO interest rate step-up features as of September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Outstanding Balance	Step-Up	Step-Up Date	Additional Step-Up	Additional Step-Up Date
\$ 194,836	3.00%	July 2025	1.00%	July 2026
\$ 1,222,103	1.00%, 1.50%, 2.00%, or 3.00%	January 2025 - July 2027	N/A	N/A

<sup>(3)</sup> The actual maturity of the Company's CDOs are primarily determined by the rate of principal prepayments on the assets of the issuing entity. The CDOs are also subject to redemption prior to the stated maturity according to the terms of the respective governing documents. As a result, the actual maturity of the CDOs may occur earlier than the stated maturity.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Company has elected the fair value option for CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST, residential loan securitizations completed after January 1, 2024 and a non-Agency RMBS re-securitization (see Note 16). See Note 7 for unrealized gains or losses recognized on CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized \$19.5 million and \$18.0 million in net unrealized losses, respectively, on residential loan securitizations and a non-Agency RMBS re-securitization at fair value, which are included in unrealized gains (losses), net on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The Company's CDOs as of September 30, 2024 had stated maturities as follows:

<b>Year ending December 31,</b>	<b>Total</b>
2024	\$ —
2025	—
2026	—
2027	107,809
2028	—
Thereafter	2,755,401
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,863,210</b>

## 14. Debt

### Senior Unsecured Notes

On June 28, 2024, the Company completed the issuance of \$ 60.0 million in aggregate principal amount of its 9.125% Senior Notes in an underwritten public offering. The total net proceeds to the Company from the offering of the 9.125% Senior Notes, after deducting the underwriters' discount and commissions and offering expenses, were approximately \$57.5 million.

On April 27, 2021, the Company completed the issuance and sale to various qualified institutional investors of \$ 100.0 million aggregate principal amount of its unregistered 5.75% Senior Notes due 2026 (the "Unregistered Notes") in a private placement offering at 100% of the principal amount. The net proceeds to the Company from the sale of the Unregistered Notes, after deducting offering expenses, were approximately \$96.3 million. Subsequent to the issuance of the Unregistered Notes, the Company conducted an exchange offer wherein the Company exchanged its registered 5.75% Senior Notes due 2026 (the "Registered Notes" and, together with the aggregate principal amount of Unregistered Notes that remain outstanding, the "5.75% Senior Notes") for an equal principal amount of Unregistered Notes.

The 9.125% Senior Notes and the 5.75% Senior Notes (collectively, the "Senior Unsecured Notes") are senior unsecured obligations of the Company that are equal in right of payment to each other and structurally subordinated in right of payment to the Company's subordinated debentures. No sinking fund is provided for the Senior Unsecured Notes.

The following table presents a summary of the Senior Unsecured Notes as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	Outstanding Face Amount	Carrying Value	Outstanding Face Amount	Carrying Value
9.125% Senior Notes at fair value	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,900	\$ —	\$ —
5.75% Senior Notes at amortized cost, net	100,000	98,687	100,000	98,111
<b>Total Senior Unsecured Notes</b>	<b>\$ 160,000</b>	<b>\$ 159,587</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ 98,111</b>

### 9.125% Senior Notes

The 9.125% Senior Notes bear interest at a rate equal to 9.125% per year, payable in cash quarterly in arrears on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 of each year, beginning on October 1, 2024, and mature on July 1, 2029, unless earlier redeemed. The Company may redeem the 9.125% Senior Notes, in whole or in part, at any time at the Company's option on or after July 1, 2026, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the outstanding principal amount of the 9.125% Senior Notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date.

The Company has elected the fair value option with respect to the 9.125% Senior Notes. None of the change in the fair value of the 9.125% Senior Notes for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 was due to instrument-specific credit risk. Accordingly, the Company recognized \$0.9 million in net unrealized losses on the 9.125% Senior Notes, which are included in unrealized gains (losses), net on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024.

### 5.75% Senior Notes

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 5.75% Senior Notes outstanding. Costs related to the issuance of the 5.75% Senior Notes which include underwriting, legal, accounting and other fees, are reflected as deferred charges. The deferred charges, net of amortization, are presented as a deduction from the corresponding debt liability on the Company's accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets in the amount of \$1.3 million and \$1.9 million as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. The deferred charges are amortized as an adjustment to interest expense using the effective interest method, resulting in a total cost to the Company of approximately 6.64%.

The 5.75% Senior Notes bear interest at a rate of 5.75% per year, subject to adjustment from time to time based on changes in the ratings of the 5.75% Senior Notes by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (a "NRSRO"). The annual interest rate on the 5.75% Senior Notes will increase by (i) 0.50% per year beginning on the first day of any six-month interest period if as of such day the 5.75% Senior Notes have a rating of BB+ or below and above B+ from any NRSRO and (ii) 0.75% per year beginning on the first day of any six-month interest period if as of such day the 5.75% Senior Notes have a rating of B+ or below or no rating from any NRSRO. Interest on the 5.75% Senior Notes is paid semi-annually in arrears on April 30 and October 30 of each year, and the 5.75% Senior Notes will mature on April 30, 2026.

The Company had the right to redeem the 5.75% Senior Notes, in whole or in part, at any time prior to April 30, 2023 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 5.75% Senior Notes to be redeemed, plus the applicable "make-whole" premium, plus accrued but unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date. The "make-whole" premium was equal to the present value of all interest that would have accrued between the redemption date and up to, but excluding, April 30, 2023, plus an amount equal to the principal amount of such 5.75% Senior Notes multiplied by 2.875%. After April 30, 2023, the Company has the right to redeem the 5.75% Senior Notes, in whole or in part, at 100% of the principal amount of the 5.75% Senior Notes to be redeemed, plus accrued but unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date, plus an amount equal to the principal amount of such 5.75% Senior Notes multiplied by a date-dependent multiple as detailed in the following table:

Redemption Period	Multiple
April 30, 2023 - April 29, 2024	2.875 %
April 30, 2024 - April 29, 2025	1.4375 %
April 30, 2025 - April 29, 2026	—

As of September 30, 2024, the Company's 5.75% Senior Notes contain various covenants including the maintenance of a minimum net asset value, ratio of unencumbered assets to unsecured indebtedness and senior debt service coverage ratio and limit the amount of leverage the Company may utilize and its ability to transfer the Company's assets substantially as an entirety or merge into or consolidate with another person. The Company is in compliance with such covenants as of September 30, 2024 and through the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### *Subordinated Debentures*

Subordinated debentures are trust preferred securities that are fully guaranteed by the Company with respect to distributions and amounts payable upon liquidation, redemption or repayment. Prior to July 2023, each of the Company's subordinated debentures incurred interest at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus an applicable spread, resetting quarterly. In light of the cessation of the publication of three-month LIBOR after June 30, 2023, and pursuant to the terms of each of the Company's subordinated debentures, as of September 30, 2024, the floating rate for each of the Company's subordinated debentures is equal to three-month CME Term SOFR plus both a tenor spread adjustment of 0.26161% per annum and the applicable spread.

The following table summarizes the key details of the Company's subordinated debentures as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	NYM Preferred Trust I	NYM Preferred Trust II
Principal value of trust preferred securities	\$ 25,000	\$ 20,000
Interest rate	Three-month CME Term SOFR plus tenor spread adjustment of 0.26161% plus 3.75%, resetting quarterly	Three-month CME Term SOFR plus tenor spread adjustment of 0.26161% plus 3.95%, resetting quarterly
Scheduled maturity	March 30, 2035	October 30, 2035

As of November 1, 2024, the Company has not been notified, and is not aware, of any event of default under the indenture for the subordinated debentures.

*Mortgages Payable on Real Estate*

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company owned joint venture equity investments in entities that own multi-family apartment communities, which the Company determined to be VIEs and for which the Company is the primary beneficiary. The Company also owned a preferred equity investment in a VIE that owns a multi-family apartment community and for which the Company is the primary beneficiary. Accordingly, the Company consolidated the respective VIEs into its condensed consolidated financial statements (see Note 7).

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, one entity in which the Company holds a joint venture equity investment entered into a debt restructuring agreement with the senior lender for its mortgage payable. As part of the agreement, the required strike price of the interest rate cap agreement related to the respective mortgage payable increased and a portion of interest payments will be deferred until the maturity date. The restructuring did not result in a change in the carrying amount of the mortgage payable and no gain was recorded.

The consolidated multi-family apartment communities are subject to mortgages payable collateralized by the associated real estate assets. The Company has no obligation for repayment of the mortgages payable but, with respect to certain of the mortgages payable, it may execute a guaranty related to commitment of bad acts. The following table presents detailed information for these mortgages payable on real estate as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>Maximum Committed Mortgage Principal Amount</b>	<b>Outstanding Mortgage Balance</b>	<b>Net Deferred Finance Cost</b>	<b>Mortgage Payable, Net <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Stated Maturity</b>	<b>Weighted Average Interest Rate <sup>(2) (3)</sup></b>
September 30, 2024	\$ 496,384	\$ 494,396	\$ (2,075)	\$ 492,321	2025 - 2032	5.32 %
December 31, 2023	810,047	789,053	(4,632)	784,421	2024 - 2032	6.41 %

<sup>(1)</sup> In September 2022, the Company announced a repositioning of its business through the opportunistic disposition over time of the Company's joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties and reallocation of its capital away from such assets to its targeted assets. Accordingly, mortgages payable on real estate related to certain joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties are included in liabilities of disposal group held for sale on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. See Note 9 for additional information.

<sup>(2)</sup> Weighted average interest rate is calculated using the outstanding mortgage balance and interest rate as of the date indicated.

<sup>(3)</sup> For variable-rate mortgages payable, the applicable entities, as required by loan agreements, entered into interest rate cap contracts with counterparties that limit the indexed portion of the interest rate to a fixed rate. See Note 10 for additional information.

*Debt Maturities*

As of September 30, 2024, maturities for debt on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet are as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Outstanding Balance</b>
2024	\$ —
2025	105,012
2026	126,278
2027	—
2028	—
2029	303,701
Thereafter	164,405
	<b>\$ 699,396</b>

## 15. Commitments and Contingencies

### *Outstanding Litigation*

The Company is at times subject to various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. As of September 30, 2024, the Company does not believe that any of its current legal proceedings, individually or in the aggregate, will have a material adverse effect on the Company's operations, financial condition or cash flows.

### *Commitment to Fund Business Purpose Loans*

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had commitments to fund up to \$ 222.4 million of additional advances on existing business purpose loans. These commitments are generally subject to loan agreements with terms that must be met before we fund advances on the commitment.

## 16. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company has established and documented processes for determining fair values. Fair value is based upon quoted market prices, where available. If listed prices or quotes are not available, then fair value is based upon internally developed models that primarily use inputs that are market-based or independently-sourced market parameters, including interest rate yield curves.

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels of valuation hierarchy are defined as follows:

*Level 1* - inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

*Level 2* - inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

*Level 3* - inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The following describes the valuation methodologies used for the Company's financial instruments measured at fair value, as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

- a. *Residential Loans Held in Consolidated SLST* – Residential loans held in Consolidated SLST are carried at fair value and classified as Level 3 fair values. In accordance with the practical expedient in ASC 810, the Company determines the fair value of residential loans held in Consolidated SLST based on the fair value of the CDOs issued by the respective securitizations and its investment in the securitizations (eliminated in consolidation in accordance with GAAP), as the fair value of these instruments is more observable.

The investment securities (eliminated in consolidation in accordance with GAAP) that we own in the securitizations are generally illiquid and trade infrequently. As such, they are classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. The fair valuation of these investment securities is determined based on an internal valuation model that considers expected cash flows from the underlying loans and yields required by market participants. The significant unobservable inputs used in the measurement of these investments are projected losses within the pool of loans and a discount rate. The discount rate used in determining fair value incorporates default rate, loss severity, prepayment rate and current market interest rates. Significant increases or decreases in these inputs would result in a significantly lower or higher fair value measurement.

- b. *Residential Loans and Residential Loans Held in Securitization Trusts* – The Company's acquired residential loans are recorded at fair value and classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value for residential loans is determined using valuations obtained from a third party that specializes in providing valuations of residential loans. The valuation approach depends on whether the residential loan is considered performing, re-performing or non-performing at the date the valuation is performed.

For performing and re-performing loans, estimates of fair value are derived using a discounted cash flow model, where estimates of cash flows are determined from scheduled payments for each loan, adjusted using forecast prepayment rates, default rates and rates for loss upon default. For non-performing loans, asset liquidation cash flows are derived based on the estimated time to liquidate the loan, expected liquidation costs and home price appreciation. Estimated cash flows for both performing and non-performing loans are discounted at yields considered appropriate to arrive at a reasonable exit price for the asset. Indications of loan value such as actual trades, bids, offers and generic market color may be used in determining the appropriate discount yield.

The Company independently calculates the fair value of residential loans based on discounted cash flows using an internal pricing model to validate all third party valuations of residential loans. The Company has established thresholds to compare internally generated prices with independent third-party prices and any differences that exceed the thresholds are reviewed both internally and with the third-party pricing service. The Company reconciles and resolves all pricing differences in excess of the thresholds before a final price is established.

- c. *Preferred Equity and Mezzanine Loan Investments* – Fair value for preferred equity and mezzanine loan investments is determined by both market comparable pricing and discounted cash flows. The discounted cash flows are based on the underlying estimated cash flows and estimated changes in market yields. The fair value also reflects consideration of changes in credit risk since origination or time of initial investment. This fair value measurement is generally based on unobservable inputs and, as such, is classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.
- d. *Investment Securities Available for Sale* – The Company determines the fair value of its Agency RMBS and non-Agency RMBS based on discounted cash flows utilizing an internal pricing model. The methodology considers the characteristics of the particular security and its underlying collateral, which are observable inputs. These inputs include, but are not limited to, delinquency status, coupon, loan-to-value ("LTV"), historical performance, periodic and life caps, collateral type, rate reset period, seasoning, prepayment speeds and credit enhancement levels. The Company also considers several observable market data points, including prices obtained from third-party pricing services or dealers who make markets in similar financial instruments, trading activity, and dialogue with market participants. Third-party pricing services typically incorporate commonly used market pricing methods, trading activity observed in the marketplace and other data inputs similar to those used in the Company's internal pricing model. The Company has established thresholds to compare internally generated prices with independent third-party prices and any differences that exceed the thresholds are reviewed both internally and with the third-party pricing service. The Company reconciles and resolves all pricing differences in excess of the thresholds before a final price is established.

The Company determines the fair value of its U.S. Treasury securities using a third-party pricing service that compiles prices from various sources or using pricing models that consider observable market data to determine the fair value of identical or similar securities.

The Company's investment securities available for sale are valued based upon readily observable market parameters and are classified as Level 2 fair values.

- e. *Equity Investments* – Fair value for equity investments is determined (i) by the valuation process for preferred equity and mezzanine loan investments as described in c. above or (ii) using weighted multiples of origination volume and earnings before taxes, depreciation and amortization of the entity and the net asset value ("NAV") of the equity investment entity. These fair value measurements are generally based on unobservable inputs and, as such, are classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.
- f. *Derivative Instruments* – The fair values of the Company's interest rate cap agreements are measured using models developed by either third-party pricing providers or the respective counterparty that use the market-standard methodology of discounting the future expected cash receipts which would occur if floating interest rates rise above the strike rate of the caps. The floating interest rates used in the calculation of projected receipts on the interest rate caps are based on an expectation of future interest rates derived from observable market interest rate curves and volatilities. The inputs used in the valuation of interest rate caps fall within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The Company's interest rate swaps and credit default swaps are classified as Level 2 fair values and are measured using valuations reported by the respective central clearing houses. The derivatives are presented net of variation margin payments pledged or received.

The Company obtains additional third-party valuations for interest rate swaps, credit default swaps and interest rate cap agreements. The Company has established thresholds to compare different independent third-party prices and any differences that exceed the thresholds are reviewed both internally and with the third-party pricing services. The Company reconciles and resolves all pricing differences in excess of the thresholds before a final price is established.

- g. Collateralized Debt Obligations* – CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST are classified as Level 3 fair values for which fair value is determined by considering several market data points, including prices obtained from third-party pricing services or dealers who make markets in similar financial instruments. The third-party pricing service or dealers incorporate common market pricing methods, including a spread measurement to the Treasury curve or interest rate swap curve as well as underlying characteristics of the particular security. They will also consider contractual cash payments and yields expected by market participants.

Refer to *a.* above for a description of the fair valuation of CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST that are eliminated in consolidation.

Fair value for CDOs issued by the Company's residential loan securitizations and non-Agency RMBS re-securitization is determined by the valuation process for investment securities available for sale as described in *d.* above and, as such, are classified as Level 2 fair values.

- h. Senior unsecured notes* – The Company's 9.125% Senior Notes are valued using pricing models that consider observable market data to determine the fair value of identical or similar securities and are classified as Level 2 fair values.

Management reviews all prices used in determining fair value to ensure they represent current market conditions. This review includes surveying similar market transactions and comparisons to interest pricing models as well as offerings of like securities by dealers. Any changes to the valuation methodology are reviewed by management to ensure the changes are appropriate. As markets and products develop and the pricing for certain products becomes more transparent, the Company continues to refine its valuation methodologies. The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Company believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies, or assumptions, to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date. The Company uses inputs that are current as of each reporting date, which may include periods of market dislocation, during which time price transparency may be reduced. This condition could cause the Company's financial instruments to be reclassified from Level 2 to Level 3 in future periods.

The following table presents the Company's financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets (dollar amounts in thousands):

Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis at

	September 30, 2024				December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>Assets carried at fair value</b>								
Residential loans:								
Residential loans	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 700,855	\$ 700,855	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 827,535	\$ 827,535
Consolidated SLST	—	—	1,008,583	1,008,583	—	—	754,860	754,860
Residential loans held in securitization trusts	—	—	2,067,706	2,067,706	—	—	1,501,908	1,501,908
Investment securities available for sale:								
Agency RMBS	—	2,967,966	—	2,967,966	—	1,989,324	—	1,989,324
Non-Agency RMBS	—	68,216	—	68,216	—	24,493	—	24,493
U.S. Treasury securities	—	349,088	—	349,088	—	—	—	—
Multi-family loans	—	—	87,614	87,614	—	—	95,792	95,792
Equity investments	—	—	146,833	146,833	—	—	147,116	147,116
Derivative assets:								
Interest rate caps <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	—	1,481	—	1,481	—	6,510	—	6,510
Assets of disposal group held for sale <sup>(3)</sup>								
	—	308	—	308	—	2,960	—	2,960
Total	\$ —	\$ 3,387,059	\$ 4,011,591	\$ 7,398,650	\$ —	\$ 2,023,287	\$ 3,327,211	\$ 5,350,498
<b>Liabilities carried at fair value</b>								
CDOs:								
Consolidated SLST	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 845,811	\$ 845,811	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 593,737	\$ 593,737
Residential loan securitizations	—	981,779	—	981,779	—	—	—	—
Non-Agency RMBS re-securitization	—	72,638	—	72,638	—	—	—	—
Senior unsecured notes	—	60,900	—	60,900	—	—	—	—
Derivative liabilities:								
Interest rate swaps <sup>(2) (4)</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Credit default swaps <sup>(2) (4)</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$ —	\$ 1,115,317	\$ 845,811	\$ 1,961,128	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 593,737	\$ 593,737

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes assets of disposal group held for sale ( see Note 9).

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in other assets or other liabilities, respectively, in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes interest rate caps classified as Level 2 instruments in the amount of \$ 0.3 million and \$3.0 million as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

(4) All of the Company's interest rate swaps and credit default swaps are cleared through central clearing houses. The Company exchanges variation margin for the derivative instruments based upon daily changes in fair value. Includes derivative assets of \$9.3 million netted against derivative liabilities of \$53.8 million and a net variation margin of \$ 44.5 million as of September 30, 2024. Includes derivative liabilities of \$ 40.5 million netted against derivative assets of \$13.1 million and a variation margin of \$ 27.4 million as of December 31, 2023. See *Note 10* for additional information.

The following tables detail changes in valuation for the Level 3 assets for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

**Level 3 Assets:**

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2024</b>					
	<b>Residential loans</b>					
	<b>Residential loans</b>	<b>Consolidated SLST</b>	<b>Residential loans held in securitization trusts</b>	<b>Multi-family loans</b>	<b>Equity investments</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 667,218	\$ 1,004,944	\$ 1,831,029	\$ 92,997	\$ 142,915	\$ 3,739,103
Total gains (realized/unrealized)						
Included in earnings	14,397	26,939	44,079	2,887	6,054	94,356
Transfers out <sup>(1)</sup>	(25,064)	—	(1,513)	—	—	(26,577)
Transfer to securitization trust, net <sup>(2)</sup>	(354,169)	—	354,169	—	—	—
Paydowns/Distributions	(77,187)	(23,300)	(190,645)	(8,270)	(2,136)	(301,538)
Sales	(117,915)	—	—	—	—	(117,915)
Purchases	593,575	—	30,587	—	—	624,162
Balance at the end of period	<u>\$ 700,855</u>	<u>\$ 1,008,583</u>	<u>\$ 2,067,706</u>	<u>\$ 87,614</u>	<u>\$ 146,833</u>	<u>\$ 4,011,591</u>

(1) Transfers out of Level 3 assets represents the transfer of residential loans to real estate owned.

(2) During the three months ended September 30, 2024, the Company transferred certain residential loans into residential loan securitizations ( see *Note 7* for further discussion of the Company's residential loan securitizations).

Three Months Ended September 30, 2023

	Residential loans						Equity investments in disposal group held for sale	Total
	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST	Residential loans held in securitization trusts	Multi-family loans	Equity investments			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 757,264	\$ 789,969	\$ 1,589,579	\$ 97,422	\$ 168,755	\$ 7,695	\$ 3,410,684	
Total (losses)/gains (realized/unrealized)								
Included in earnings	(7,392)	(31,425)	(11,788)	2,695	4,806	(2,622)	(45,726)	
Transfers out <sup>(1)</sup>	(7,441)	—	(1,978)	—	—	—	(9,419)	
Transfer to securitization trust, net <sup>(2)</sup>	(54,332)	—	54,332	—	—	—	—	
Funding/Contributions	—	—	—	—	9,390	—	9,390	
Paydowns/Distributions	(103,660)	(15,940)	(132,518)	(1,682)	(27,368)	—	(281,168)	
Sales	(18,604)	—	—	—	—	—	(18,604)	
Purchases	171,104	—	16,725	—	—	—	187,829	
Balance at the end of period	\$ 736,939	\$ 742,604	\$ 1,514,352	\$ 98,435	\$ 155,583	\$ 5,073	\$ 3,252,986	

<sup>(1)</sup> Transfers out of Level 3 assets represents the transfer of residential loans to real estate owned.

<sup>(2)</sup> During the three months ended September 30, 2023, the Company transferred certain residential loans into residential loan securitizations ( see Note 7 for further discussion of the Company's residential loan securitizations).

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024

	Residential loans						Equity investments	Total
	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST	Residential loans held in securitization trusts	Multi-family loans				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 827,535	\$ 754,860	\$ 1,501,908	\$ 95,792	\$ 147,116	\$ 3,327,211		
Total gains (realized/unrealized)								
Included in earnings	15,554	24,250	38,841	3,404	10,124	92,173		
Transfers out <sup>(1)</sup>	(66,065)	—	(5,283)	—	—	(71,348)		
Transfer to securitization trust, net <sup>(2)</sup>	(987,452)	—	987,452	—	—	—		
Paydowns/Distributions	(223,643)	(55,584)	(521,018)	(11,582)	(10,407)	(822,234)		
Sales	(143,125)	—	(6,708)	—	—	(149,833)		
Purchases <sup>(3)</sup>	1,278,051	285,057	72,514	—	—	1,635,622		
Balance at the end of period	\$ 700,855	\$ 1,008,583	\$ 2,067,706	\$ 87,614	\$ 146,833	\$ 4,011,591		

<sup>(1)</sup> Transfers out of Level 3 assets represents the transfer of residential loans to real estate owned, single-family rental properties and other assets.

<sup>(2)</sup> During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company transferred certain residential loans into residential loan securitizations ( see Note 7 for further discussion of the Company's residential loan securitizations).

<sup>(3)</sup> During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company purchased first loss subordinated securities issued from a securitization that it determined to consolidate as Consolidated SLST. As a result, the Company consolidated assets of the securitization (see Note 7).

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023

	Residential loans				Equity investments	Equity investments in disposal group held for sale	Total
	Residential loans	Consolidated SLST	Residential loans held in securitization trusts	Multi-family loans			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 1,081,384	\$ 827,582	\$ 1,616,114	\$ 87,534	\$ 179,746	\$ 9,010	\$ 3,801,370
Total (losses)/gains (realized/unrealized)							
Included in earnings	(7,220)	(40,458)	16,114	9,024	13,289	(3,937)	(13,188)
Transfers out <sup>(1)</sup>	(10,198)	—	(3,715)	—	—	—	(13,913)
Transfer to securitization trust, net <sup>(2)</sup>	(244,414)	—	244,414	—	—	—	—
Funding/Contributions	—	—	—	15,405	24,918	—	40,323
Paydowns/Distributions	(389,032)	(44,520)	(415,562)	(13,528)	(62,370)	—	(925,012)
Sales	(18,769)	—	(441)	—	—	—	(19,210)
Purchases	325,188	—	57,428	—	—	—	382,616
Balance at the end of period	\$ 736,939	\$ 742,604	\$ 1,514,352	\$ 98,435	\$ 155,583	\$ 5,073	\$ 3,252,986

(1) Transfers out of Level 3 assets represents the transfer of residential loans to real estate owned.

(2) During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company transferred certain residential loans into residential loan securitizations ( see Note 7 for further discussion of the Company's residential loan securitizations).

The following table details changes in valuation for the Level 3 liabilities for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

**Level 3 Liabilities:**

	Consolidated SLST CDOs	
	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 844,032	\$ 617,168
Total gains/(losses) (realized/unrealized)		
Included in earnings	20,638	(20,560)
Paydowns	(18,859)	(11,867)
Balance at the end of period	\$ 845,811	\$ 584,741

	Consolidated SLST CDOs	
	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 593,737	\$ 634,495
Total gains/(losses) (realized/unrealized)		
Included in earnings	20,498	(16,315)
Purchases <sup>(1)</sup>	275,200	—
Paydowns	(43,624)	(33,439)
Balance at the end of period	\$ 845,811	\$ 584,741

- (1) During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company purchased first loss subordinated securities issued from a securitization that it determined to consolidate as Consolidated SLST. As a result, the Company consolidated liabilities of the securitization (see *Note 7*).

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The following table discloses quantitative information regarding the significant unobservable inputs used in the valuation of our Level 3 assets and liabilities measured at fair value (dollar amounts in thousands, except input values):

September 30, 2024	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Weighted Average	Range	
<b>Assets</b>						
Residential loans:						
Residential loans and residential loans held in securitization trusts <sup>(1)</sup>	\$2,591,044	Discounted cash flow	Lifetime CPR	7.2%	—	- 57.7%
			Lifetime CDR	0.6%	—	- 34.9%
			Loss severity	10.7%	—	- 100.0%
			Yield	7.4%	5.3%	- 30.7%
	\$177,517	Liquidation model	Annual home price appreciation/(depreciation)	0.5%	(0.4)%	- 12.0%
			Liquidation timeline (months)	17	9	- 54
			Property value	\$2,064,973	\$13,000	- \$12,750,000
			Yield	7.6%	7.5%	- 26.7%
Consolidated SLST <sup>(3)</sup>	\$1,008,583		Liability price	N/A		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,777,144</b>					
Multi-family loans <sup>(1)</sup>	\$87,614	Discounted cash flow	Discount rate	12.5%	11.0%	- 20.5%
			Months to assumed redemption	28	4	- 51
			Loss severity	—		
Equity investments <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	\$100,378	Discounted cash flow	Discount rate	14.9%	13.0%	- 17.5%
			Months to assumed redemption	13	6	- 36
			Loss severity	—		
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Consolidated SLST CDOs <sup>(3) (4)</sup>	\$845,811	Discounted cash flow	Yield	5.2%	4.0%	- 16.0%
			Collateral prepayment rate	6.2%	2.6%	- 7.1%
			Collateral default rate	1.3%	—	- 8.5%
			Loss severity	20.3%	14.3%	- 79.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> Weighted average amounts are calculated based on the weighted average fair value of the assets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Equity investments do not include equity ownership interests in an entity that originates residential loans. The fair value of this investment is determined using weighted multiples of origination volume and earnings before taxes, depreciation and amortization and NAV of the entity.

<sup>(3)</sup> In accordance with the practical expedient in ASC 810, the Company determines the fair value of the residential loans held in Consolidated SLST based on the fair value of the CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST, including investment securities we own, as the fair value of these instruments is more observable. At September 30, 2024, the fair value of investment securities we own in Consolidated SLST amounts to \$157.5 million.

(4) Weighted average yield calculated based on the weighted average fair value of the CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST, including investment securities we own. Weighted average collateral prepayment rate, weighted average collateral default rate, and weighted average loss severity are calculated based on the weighted average unpaid balance of the CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST, including investment securities we own.

The following table details the changes in unrealized gains (losses) included in earnings for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, for our Level 3 assets and liabilities held as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
<b>Assets</b>				
Residential loans:				
Residential loans <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 2,305	\$ (8,986)	\$ (3,768)	\$ (12,927)
Consolidated SLST <sup>(1)</sup>	28,655	(30,705)	27,855	(38,230)
Residential loans held in securitization trusts <sup>(1)</sup>	42,170	(15,178)	34,918	4,698
Multi-family loans <sup>(1)</sup>	176	(17)	(4,613)	762
Equity investments <sup>(2)</sup>	(1,097)	(1,105)	(7,677)	(5,027)
Equity investments in disposal group held for sale <sup>(2)</sup>	—	(2,622)	—	(3,937)
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Consolidated SLST CDOs <sup>(1)</sup>	(21,902)	21,380	(20,596)	18,876

(1) Presented in unrealized gains (losses), net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

(2) Presented in income from equity investments on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

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The following table presents the carrying value and estimated fair value of the Company's financial instruments at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Fair Value Hierarchy Level	September 30, 2024		December 31, 2023	
		Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value
<b>Financial Assets:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	Level 1	\$ 195,066	\$ 195,066	\$ 187,107	\$ 187,107
Residential loans	Level 3	3,777,144	3,777,144	3,084,303	3,084,303
Investment securities available for sale	Level 2	3,385,270	3,385,270	2,013,817	2,013,817
Multi-family loans	Level 3	87,614	87,614	95,792	95,792
Equity investments	Level 3	146,833	146,833	147,116	147,116
Derivative assets	Level 2	1,481	1,481	6,510	6,510
Derivative assets in disposal group held for sale	Level 2	308	308	2,960	2,960
<b>Financial Liabilities:</b>					
Repurchase agreements	Level 2	3,611,115	3,611,115	2,471,113	2,471,113
Collateralized debt obligations:					
Residential loan securitizations at amortized cost, net	Level 3	902,038	885,478	1,276,780	1,237,531
Residential loan securitizations at fair value	Level 2	981,779	981,779	—	—
Consolidated SLST	Level 3	845,811	845,811	593,737	593,737
Non-Agency RMBS re-securitization	Level 2	72,638	72,638	—	—
Subordinated debentures	Level 3	45,000	39,198	45,000	32,137
Senior unsecured notes:					
Senior unsecured notes at amortized cost, net	Level 2	98,687	99,088	98,111	94,952
Senior unsecured notes at fair value	Level 2	60,900	60,900	—	—
Mortgages payable on real estate	Level 3	492,321	482,215	784,421	761,194
Mortgages payable on real estate in disposal group held for sale	Level 3	170,318	170,318	378,386	377,735

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In addition to the methodology to determine the fair value of the Company's financial assets and liabilities reported at fair value, as previously described, the following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in arriving at the fair value of the Company's other financial instruments in the table immediately above:

- a. *Cash and cash equivalents* – Estimated fair value approximates the carrying value of such assets.
- b. *Repurchase agreements* – The fair value of these repurchase agreements approximates cost as they are short term in nature.
- c. *Residential loan securitizations at amortized cost, net* – The fair value of these CDOs is based on discounted cash flows as well as market pricing on comparable obligations.
- d. *Subordinated debentures* – The fair value of these subordinated debentures is based on discounted cash flows using management's estimate for market yields.
- e. *Senior unsecured notes* – The fair value of senior unsecured notes reported at amortized cost, net is determined using pricing models that consider observable market data to determine the fair value of identical or similar securities.
- f. *Mortgages payable on real estate* – The fair value of consolidated variable-rate mortgages payable approximates the carrying value of such liabilities. The fair value of consolidated fixed-rate mortgages payable is estimated based upon discounted cash flows at current borrowing rates.

## 17. Stockholders' Equity

### (a) Preferred Stock

The Company had 200,000,000 authorized shares of preferred stock, par value \$ 0.01 per share (the "Preferred Stock"), with 22,164,414 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023.

As of September 30, 2024, the Company has four outstanding series of cumulative redeemable preferred stock: 8.00% Series D Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series D Preferred Stock"), 7.875% Series E Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series E Preferred Stock"), 6.875% Series F Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series F Preferred Stock") and 7.000% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series G Preferred Stock"). Each series of the Preferred Stock is senior to the Company's common stock with respect to dividends and distributions upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up.

In March 2023, the Board of Directors approved a \$ 100.0 million preferred stock repurchase program. The program, which expires March 31, 2025, allows the Company to make repurchases of shares of Preferred Stock, from time to time, in open market transactions, through privately negotiated transactions or block trades or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and the rules and regulations of Nasdaq. The Company did not repurchase any shares of its preferred stock during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024.

During the three months ended September 30, 2023, the Company repurchased 60,058 shares of Series E Preferred Stock, 3,000 shares of Series F Preferred Stock and 482 shares of Series G Preferred Stock pursuant to the preferred stock repurchase program for a total cost of approximately \$1.4 million, including fees and commissions paid to the broker, representing an average repurchase price of \$ 22.23 per preferred share. The difference between the consideration transferred and the carrying value of the preferred stock resulted in a gain attributable to common stockholders of approximately \$0.1 million during the three months ended September 30, 2023.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company repurchased 16,177 shares of Series D Preferred Stock, 68,348 shares of Series E Preferred Stock, 9,791 shares of Series F Preferred Stock and 26,264 shares of Series G Preferred Stock pursuant to the preferred stock repurchase program for a total cost of approximately \$2.4 million, including fees and commissions paid to the broker, representing an average repurchase price of \$20.29 per preferred share. The difference between the consideration transferred and the carrying value of the preferred stock resulted in a gain attributable to common stockholders of approximately \$0.5 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2023.

As of September 30, 2024, \$97.6 million of the approved amount remained available for the repurchase of shares of Preferred Stock under the preferred stock repurchase program.

The following table summarizes the Company's Preferred Stock issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Class of Preferred Stock	Shares Authorized	Shares Issued and Outstanding	Carrying Value	Liquidation Preference	Contractual Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Optional Redemption Date <sup>(2)</sup>	Fixed-to-Floating Rate Conversion Date <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	Floating Annual Rate <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>Fixed-to-Floating Rate</b>								
Series D	8,400,000	6,107,318	\$ 147,745	\$ 152,683	8.000 %	October 15, 2027	October 15, 2027	3M LIBOR + 5.695%
Series E	9,900,000	7,343,151	177,697	183,579	7.875 %	January 15, 2025	January 15, 2025	3M LIBOR + 6.429%
Series F	7,750,000	5,740,209	138,418	143,505	6.875 %	October 15, 2026	October 15, 2026	3M SOFR + 6.130%
<b>Fixed Rate</b>								
Series G	5,450,000	2,973,736	71,585	74,343	7.000 %	January 15, 2027		
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,500,000</b>	<b>22,164,414</b>	<b>\$ 535,445</b>	<b>\$ 554,110</b>				

- (1) The Company's fixed rate preferred stock is entitled to receive a dividend at the contractual rate shown, per year on its \$ 25 liquidation preference. Each series of fixed-to-floating rate preferred stock is entitled to receive a dividend at the contractual rate shown, respectively, per year on its \$25 liquidation preference up to, but excluding, the fixed-to-floating rate conversion date.
- (2) Each series of Preferred Stock is not redeemable by the Company prior to the respective optional redemption date disclosed except under circumstances intended to preserve the Company's qualification as a REIT and except upon occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined in the Articles Supplementary designating the Series D Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series F Preferred Stock and Series G Preferred Stock, respectively).
- (3) Beginning on the respective fixed-to-floating rate conversion date, each of the Series D Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock and Series F Preferred Stock is entitled to receive a dividend on a floating rate basis according to the terms disclosed in footnotes (4) and (5) below.
- (4) Prior to July 2023, on and after the fixed-to-floating rate conversion date, each of the Series D Preferred Stock and Series E Preferred Stock were entitled to receive a dividend at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus the respective spread disclosed above per year on its \$25 liquidation preference. In light of the cessation of the publication of three-month LIBOR after June 30, 2023, and pursuant to the Articles Supplementary for each of the Series D Preferred Stock and Series E Preferred Stock and the applicability of the Adjustable Interest Rate (LIBOR) Act of 2021 to the Series D Preferred Stock and Series E Preferred Stock, given all of the information available to the Company to date, the Company believes that three-month CME Term SOFR plus the applicable tenor spread adjustment of 0.26161% per annum will automatically replace three-month LIBOR as the reference rate for calculations of the dividend rate payable on the Series D Preferred Stock and Series E Preferred Stock for dividend periods from and after the respective fixed-to-floating rate conversion date.
- (5) On and after the fixed-to-floating rate conversion date, the Series F Preferred Stock is entitled to receive a dividend at a floating rate equal to three-month SOFR plus the spread disclosed above per year on its \$25 liquidation preference.

For each series of Preferred Stock, on or after the respective optional redemption date disclosed, the Company may, at its option, redeem the respective series of Preferred Stock in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, for cash at a redemption price equal to \$25.00 per share, plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends. In addition, upon the occurrence of a change of control, the Company may, at its option, redeem the Preferred Stock in whole or in part, within 120 days after the first date on which such change of control occurred, for cash at a redemption price of \$ 25.00 per share, plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends.

The Preferred Stock generally do not have any voting rights, subject to an exception in the event the Company fails to pay dividends on such stock for six or more quarterly periods (whether or not consecutive). Under such circumstances, holders of the Preferred Stock voting together as a single class with the holders of all other classes or series of our preferred stock upon which like voting rights have been conferred and are exercisable and which are entitled to vote as a class with the Preferred Stock will be entitled to vote to elect two additional directors to the Company's Board of Directors until all unpaid dividends have been paid or declared and set apart for payment. In addition, certain material and adverse changes to the terms of any series of the Preferred Stock cannot be made without the affirmative vote of holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the series of Preferred Stock whose terms are being changed.

The Preferred Stock has no stated maturity, is not subject to any sinking fund or mandatory redemption and will remain outstanding indefinitely unless repurchased or redeemed by the Company or converted into the Company's common stock in connection with a change of control.

Upon the occurrence of a change of control, each holder of Preferred Stock will have the right (unless the Company has exercised its right to redeem the Preferred Stock) to convert some or all of the Preferred Stock held by such holder into a number of shares of our common stock per share of the applicable series of Preferred Stock determined by a formula, in each case, on the terms and subject to the conditions described in the applicable Articles Supplementary for such series.

*(b) Dividends on Preferred Stock*

The following table presents the relevant information with respect to quarterly cash dividends declared on the Preferred Stock commencing January 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024:

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payment Date	Cash Dividend Per Share			
			Series D Preferred Stock	Series E Preferred Stock	Series F Preferred Stock	Series G Preferred Stock
September 19, 2024	October 1, 2024	October 15, 2024	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.4921875	\$ 0.4296875	\$ 0.43750
June 18, 2024	July 1, 2024	July 15, 2024	0.50	0.4921875	0.4296875	0.43750
March 13, 2024	April 1, 2024	April 15, 2024	0.50	0.4921875	0.4296875	0.43750
December 14, 2023	January 1, 2024	January 15, 2024	0.50	0.4921875	0.4296875	0.43750
September 11, 2023	October 1, 2023	October 15, 2023	0.50	0.4921875	0.4296875	0.43750
June 6, 2023	July 1, 2023	July 15, 2023	0.50	0.4921875	0.4296875	0.43750
March 9, 2023	April 1, 2023	April 15, 2023	0.50	0.4921875	0.4296875	0.43750

*(c) Common Stock*

The Company had 200,000,000 authorized shares of common stock, par value \$ 0.01 per share, with 90,579,449 and 90,675,403 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

On February 22, 2023, the Company announced that the Board of Directors approved the Reverse Stock Split. The Reverse Stock Split was effected as of 12:01 a.m., New York City time, on March 9, 2023 (the "Effective Time"). Accordingly, at the Effective Time, every four issued and outstanding shares of the Company's common stock were converted into one share of the Company's common stock, with a proportionate reduction in the Company's authorized shares of common stock, outstanding equity awards and number of shares remaining available for issuance under the 2017 Plan. In connection with the reverse stock split, the number of authorized shares of the Company's common stock was also reduced on a one-for-four basis, from 800,000,000 to 200,000,000. The par value of each share of common stock remained unchanged. No fractional shares were issued in connection with the Reverse Stock Split. Instead, each stockholder holding fractional shares as a result of the Reverse Stock Split was entitled to receive, in lieu of such fractional shares, cash in an amount based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on March 8, 2023. The Reverse Stock Split applied to all of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock and therefore did not affect any stockholder's ownership percentage of shares of the Company's common stock, except for de minimis changes resulting from the payment of cash in lieu of fractional shares. All common share and per common share data included in these condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto have been adjusted on a retroactive basis to reflect the impact of the Reverse Stock Split.

In February 2022, the Board of Directors approved a \$ 200.0 million common stock repurchase program. In March 2023, the Board of Directors approved an upsize of the common stock repurchase program to \$246.0 million. The program, which expires March 31, 2025, allows the Company to make repurchases of shares of common stock, from time to time, in open market transactions, through privately negotiated transactions or block trades or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and the rules and regulations of Nasdaq. The Company did not repurchase shares of its common stock during the three months ended September 30, 2024. During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company repurchased 587,347 shares of its common stock pursuant to the common stock repurchase program for a total cost of approximately \$ 3.5 million, including fees and commissions paid to the broker, representing an average repurchase price of \$5.95 per common share.

During the three months ended September 30, 2023, the Company repurchased 560,342 shares of its common stock pursuant to the common stock repurchase program for a total cost of approximately \$5.0 million, including fees and commissions paid to the broker, representing an average repurchase price of \$8.93 per common share. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company repurchased 937,850 shares of its common stock pursuant to the common stock repurchase program for a total cost of approximately \$8.6 million, including fees and commissions paid to the broker, representing an average repurchase price of \$9.19 per common share.

As of September 30, 2024, \$189.7 million of the approved amount remained available for the repurchase of shares of the Company's common stock under the common stock repurchase program.

*(d) Dividends on Common Stock*

The following table presents cash dividends declared by the Company on its common stock with respect to the quarterly periods commencing January 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024:

<b>Period</b>	<b>Declaration Date</b>	<b>Record Date</b>	<b>Payment Date</b>	<b>Cash Dividend Per Share</b>
Third Quarter 2024	September 19, 2024	September 30, 2024	October 28, 2024	\$ 0.20
Second Quarter 2024	June 18, 2024	June 28, 2024	July 29, 2024	0.20
First Quarter 2024	March 13, 2024	March 25, 2024	April 25, 2024	0.20
Fourth Quarter 2023	December 14, 2023	December 26, 2023	January 26, 2024	0.20
Third Quarter 2023	September 11, 2023	September 21, 2023	October 26, 2023	0.30
Second Quarter 2023	June 6, 2023	June 16, 2023	July 26, 2023	0.30
First Quarter 2023	March 9, 2023	March 20, 2023	April 26, 2023	0.40

*(e) Equity Distribution Agreements*

On August 10, 2021, the Company entered into an equity distribution agreement (the "Common Equity Distribution Agreement") with a sales agent, pursuant to which the Company may offer and sell shares of its common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, having a maximum aggregate sales price of up to \$100.0 million from time to time through the sales agent. The Company has no obligation to sell any of the shares of common stock issuable under the Common Equity Distribution Agreement and may at any time suspend solicitations and offers under the Common Equity Distribution Agreement.

There were no shares of the Company's common stock issued under the Common Equity Distribution Agreement during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023. As of September 30, 2024, approximately \$100.0 million of common stock remains available for issuance under the Common Equity Distribution Agreement.

On March 29, 2019, the Company entered into an equity distribution agreement (the "Preferred Equity Distribution Agreement"), most recently amended on March 2, 2022, with a sales agent, pursuant to which the Company may offer and sell shares of its Preferred Stock, having a maximum aggregate gross sales price of up to \$149.1 million from time to time through the sales agent. The Company has no obligation to sell any of the shares of Preferred Stock issuable under the Preferred Equity Distribution Agreement and may at any time suspend solicitations and offers under the Preferred Equity Distribution Agreement.

There were no shares of Preferred Stock issued under the Preferred Equity Distribution Agreement during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023. As of September 30, 2024, approximately \$100.0 million of Preferred Stock remains available for issuance under the Preferred Equity Distribution Agreement.

## 18. Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share

The Company calculates basic earnings (loss) per common share by dividing net income (loss) attributable to the Company's common stockholders for the period by weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding for that period. Diluted earnings (loss) per common share takes into account the effect of dilutive instruments, such as performance share units ("PSUs"), restricted stock units ("RSUs"), deferred stock units ("DSUs") and the number of incremental shares that are to be added to the weighted-average number of shares outstanding.

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, certain of the RSUs and DSUs awarded under the 2017 Plan were determined to be dilutive and were included in the calculation of diluted earnings per common share under the treasury stock method. Under this method, common equivalent shares are calculated assuming that outstanding RSUs and DSUs vest according to the respective RSU and DSU agreements and unrecognized compensation cost is used to repurchase shares of the Company's outstanding common stock at the average market price during the reported period. During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the RSUs and DSUs awarded under the 2017 Plan were determined to be anti-dilutive and were not included in the calculation of diluted loss per common share.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the PSUs awarded under the 2017 Plan were determined to be anti-dilutive and were not included in the calculation of diluted earnings (loss) per common share.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the PSUs and RSUs awarded under the 2017 Plan were determined to be anti-dilutive and were not included in the calculation of diluted loss per common share.

The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per common share for the periods indicated (dollar and share amounts in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
<b>Basic Earnings (Loss) per Common Share:</b>				
Net income (loss) attributable to Company	\$ 42,849	\$ (84,509)	\$ (30,640)	\$ (90,573)
Less: Preferred Stock dividends	(10,439)	(10,435)	(31,317)	(31,394)
Plus: Gain on repurchase of Preferred Stock	—	125	—	467
Net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders	<u>\$ 32,410</u>	<u>\$ (94,819)</u>	<u>\$ (61,957)</u>	<u>\$ (121,500)</u>
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	90,582	90,984	90,895	91,163
<b>Basic Earnings (Loss) per Common Share</b>	<b>\$ 0.36</b>	<b>\$ (1.04)</b>	<b>\$ (0.68)</b>	<b>\$ (1.33)</b>
<b>Diluted Earnings (Loss) per Common Share:</b>				
Net income (loss) attributable to Company	\$ 42,849	\$ (84,509)	\$ (30,640)	\$ (90,573)
Less: Preferred Stock dividends	(10,439)	(10,435)	(31,317)	(31,394)
Plus: Gain on repurchase of Preferred Stock	—	125	—	467
Net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders	<u>\$ 32,410</u>	<u>\$ (94,819)</u>	<u>\$ (61,957)</u>	<u>\$ (121,500)</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding	90,582	90,984	90,895	91,163
Net effect of assumed RSUs and DSUs vested	4	—	—	—
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	<u>90,586</u>	<u>90,984</u>	<u>90,895</u>	<u>91,163</u>
<b>Diluted Earnings (Loss) per Common Share</b>	<b>\$ 0.36</b>	<b>\$ (1.04)</b>	<b>\$ (0.68)</b>	<b>\$ (1.33)</b>

## 19. Stock Based Compensation

Pursuant to the 2017 Plan, as approved by the Company's stockholders, eligible employees, officers and directors of the Company and individuals who provide services to the Company are offered the opportunity to acquire the Company's common stock through equity awards under the 2017 Plan. The maximum number of shares that may be issued under the 2017 Plan is 10,792,500.

Of the common stock authorized at September 30, 2024, 5,089,232 shares remain available for issuance under the 2017 Plan. The Company's non-employee directors have been issued 301,472 shares under the 2017 Plan as of September 30, 2024. The Company's employees have been issued 1,479,637 shares of restricted stock under the 2017 Plan as of September 30, 2024. At September 30, 2024, there were 552,509 shares of non-vested restricted stock outstanding, 1,879,052 common shares reserved for issuance in connection with outstanding PSUs under the 2017 Plan, 450,600 common shares reserved for issuance in connection with outstanding RSUs under the 2017 Plan and 110,772 common shares reserved for issuance in connection with outstanding DSUs under the 2017 Plan.

Of the common stock authorized at December 31, 2023, 6,249,922 shares were reserved for issuance under the 2017 Plan. The Company's non-employee directors had been issued 301,472 shares under the 2017 Plan as of December 31, 2023. The Company's employees had been issued 1,204,781 shares of restricted stock under the 2017 Plan as of December 31, 2023. At December 31, 2023, there were 524,570 shares of non-vested restricted stock outstanding, 1,802,352 common shares reserved for issuance in connection with outstanding PSUs under the 2017 Plan and 351,974 common shares reserved for issuance in connection with outstanding RSUs under the 2017 Plan.

### (a) Restricted Common Stock Awards

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized non-cash compensation expense on its restricted common stock awards of \$0.8 million and \$2.4 million, respectively. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized non-cash compensation expense on its restricted common stock awards of \$0.9 million and \$2.8 million, respectively. Dividends are paid on all restricted stock issued, whether those shares have vested or not. Non-vested restricted stock is forfeited upon the recipient's termination of employment, subject to certain exceptions.

A summary of the activity of the Company's non-vested restricted stock under the 2017 Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, is presented below:

	2024		2023	
	Number of Non-vested Restricted Shares	Weighted Average Per Share Grant Date Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of Non-vested Restricted Shares	Weighted Average Per Share Grant Date Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>
Non-vested shares as of January 1	524,570	\$ 13.57	526,074	\$ 16.34
Granted	342,628	8.23	275,248	12.36
Vested	(246,917)	13.90	(244,015)	18.18
Forfeited	(67,772)	10.09	(13,802)	12.79
Non-vested shares as of September 30	552,509	\$ 10.50	543,505	\$ 13.57
Restricted stock granted during the period	342,628	\$ 8.23	275,248	\$ 12.36

<sup>(1)</sup> The grant date fair value of restricted stock awards is based on the closing market price of the Company's common stock at the grant date.

At September 30, 2024 and 2023, the Company had unrecognized compensation expense of \$3.6 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, related to the non-vested shares of restricted common stock under the 2017 Plan. The unrecognized compensation expense at September 30, 2024 is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.7 years. The total fair value of restricted shares vested during the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 was approximately \$2.1 million and \$3.0 million, respectively. The requisite service period for restricted stock awards at issuance is three years and the restricted common stock vests ratably over the requisite service period.

(b) Performance Share Units

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, the Company granted PSUs that had been approved by the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors. Under the 2017 Plan, PSUs are instruments that provide the holder the right to receive one share of the Company's common stock once a performance condition has been satisfied. The awards were issued pursuant to and are consistent with the terms and conditions of the 2017 Plan.

The grant date fair value of the PSUs was determined through a Monte-Carlo simulation of the Company's common stock total shareholder return and the common stock total shareholder return of its identified performance peer companies to determine the relative total shareholder return of the Company's common stock over a future period of three years. For PSUs granted, the inputs used by the model to determine the fair value are (i) historical stock price volatilities of the Company and its identified performance peer companies over the most recent three-year period and correlation between each company's stock and the identified performance peer group over the same time series and (ii) a risk free rate for the period interpolated from the U.S. Treasury yield curve on grant date.

The PSUs include dividend equivalent rights ("DERs") which shall remain outstanding from the grant date until the earlier of the settlement or forfeiture of the PSU to which the DER corresponds. Each vested DER entitles the holder to receive payments in an amount equal to any dividends paid by the Company in respect of the share of the Company's common stock underlying the PSU to which such DER relates. Upon vesting of the PSUs, the DERs will also vest. DERs will be forfeited upon forfeiture of the corresponding PSUs. The DERs may be settled in cash or stock at the discretion of the Compensation Committee. The DERs that vested during the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 were settled in cash.

A summary of the activity of the target PSU awards under the 2017 Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, is presented below:

	2024		2023	
	Number of Non-vested Target Shares	Weighted Average Per Share Grant Date Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of Non-vested Target Shares	Weighted Average Per Share Grant Date Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>
Non-vested target PSUs as of January 1	905,825	\$ 18.12	786,577	\$ 23.06
Granted	384,584	5.72	366,210	13.41
Vested	(350,886)	22.31	(201,978)	28.18
Forfeited	—	—	(44,984)	(20.89)
Non-vested target PSUs as of September 30	939,523	\$ 11.48	905,825	\$ 18.12

<sup>(1)</sup> The grant date fair value of the PSUs was determined through a Monte-Carlo simulation of the Company's common stock total shareholder return and the common stock total shareholder return of its identified performance peer companies to determine the relative total shareholder return of the Company's common stock over a future period of three years.

The three-year performance period for PSUs granted in 2021 ended on December 31, 2023, resulting in the vesting of 441,973 shares of common stock during the nine months ended September 30, 2024 with a fair value of \$3.6 million on the vesting date. The number of vested shares related to PSUs granted in 2021 was greater than the target PSUs of 350,886. The three-year performance period for PSUs granted in 2020 ended on December 31, 2022, resulting in the vesting of 161,577 shares of common stock during the nine months ended September 30, 2023 with a fair value of \$2.0 million on the vesting date. The number of vested shares related to PSUs granted in 2020 was less than the target PSUs of 201,978. Non-vested PSUs are forfeited upon the recipient's termination of employment, subject to certain exceptions.

As of September 30, 2024 and 2023, there was \$4.4 million and \$6.4 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to the non-vested portion of the PSUs, respectively. The unrecognized compensation cost related to the non-vested portion of the PSUs at September 30, 2024 is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.6 years. Compensation expense related to the PSUs was \$ 1.0 million and \$2.7 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. Compensation expense related to the PSUs was \$1.5 million and \$3.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

*(c) Restricted Stock Units*

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, the Company granted RSUs that had been approved by the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors. Under the 2017 Plan, each RSU represents an unfunded promise to receive one share of the Company's common stock upon satisfaction of the vesting provisions. The awards were issued pursuant to and are consistent with the terms and conditions of the 2017 Plan. The requisite service period for RSUs at issuance is three years and the RSUs vest ratably over the requisite service period.

The RSUs include DERs which shall remain outstanding from the grant date until the earlier of the settlement or forfeiture of the RSU to which the DER corresponds. Each vested DER entitles the holder to receive payments in an amount equal to any dividends paid by the Company in respect of the share of the Company's common stock underlying the RSU to which such DER relates. Upon vesting of the RSUs, the DERs will also vest. DERs will be forfeited upon forfeiture of the corresponding RSUs. The DERs may be settled in cash or stock at the discretion of the Compensation Committee. The DERs that vested during the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 were settled in cash.

A summary of the activity of the RSU awards under the 2017 Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, is presented below:

	2024		2023	
	Number of Non-vested Shares	Weighted Average Per Share Grant Date Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of Non-vested Shares	Weighted Average Per Share Grant Date Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup>
Non-vested RSUs as of January 1	351,974	\$ 11.65	263,708	\$ 16.11
Granted	256,389	8.53	244,140	10.24
Vested	(157,763)	12.45	(131,094)	17.40
Forfeited	—	—	(24,780)	14.80
Non-vested RSUs as of September 30	450,600	\$ 9.59	351,974	\$ 11.65

<sup>(1)</sup> The grant date fair value of RSUs is based on the closing market price of the Company's common stock at the grant date.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, 157,763 shares of common stock were issued in connection with the vesting of RSUs at a fair value of \$1.3 million on the vesting date. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, 131,094 shares of common stock were issued in connection with the vesting of RSUs at a fair value of \$1.4 million on the vesting date. Non-vested RSUs are forfeited upon the recipient's termination of employment, subject to certain exceptions.

As of September 30, 2024 and 2023, there was \$2.9 million and \$2.7 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to the non-vested portion of the RSUs, respectively. The unrecognized compensation cost related to the non-vested portion of the RSUs at September 30, 2024 is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.8 years. Compensation expense related to the RSUs was \$0.6 million and \$1.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively. Compensation expense related to the RSUs was \$0.6 million and \$1.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

*(d) Deferred Stock Units*

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company granted DSUs that had been approved by the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors to non-employee directors. Each DSU represents an unfunded promise to receive one share of the Company's common stock, subject to the non-employee director's continued service on the Board of Directors through the day immediately preceding the annual meeting of the Company's stockholders in the year subsequent to the grant date. Non-vested DSUs are forfeited upon the recipient's termination of service on the Company's Board of Directors.

The DSUs include DERs which shall remain outstanding from the grant date until the earlier of the settlement or forfeiture of the DSU to which the DER corresponds. Each vested DER entitles the holder to receive payments in an amount equal to any dividends paid by the Company in respect of the share of the Company's common stock underlying the DSU to which such DER relates. Upon vesting of the DSUs, the DERs will also vest. DERs will be forfeited upon forfeiture of the corresponding DSUs. The DERs may be settled in cash or stock at the discretion of the Compensation Committee.

A summary of the activity of the DSU awards under the 2017 Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 is presented below:

	<b>Number of Non-vested Shares</b>	<b>Weighted Average Per Share Grant Date Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup></b>
Non-vested DSUs as of January 1	—	\$ —
Granted	110,772	6.50
Non-vested DSUs as of September 30	110,772	\$ 6.50

<sup>(1)</sup> The grant date fair value of DSUs is based on the closing market price of the Company's common stock at the grant date.

As of September 30, 2024, there was \$0.6 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to the non-vested portion of the DSUs. The unrecognized compensation cost related to the non-vested portion of the DSUs at September 30, 2024 is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 0.7 years. Compensation expense related to the DSUs was \$ 0.1 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024.

## 20. Income Taxes

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, the Company qualified to be taxed as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As long as the Company qualifies as a REIT, the Company generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income taxes on its taxable income to the extent it annually distributes at least 100% of its taxable income to stockholders and does not engage in prohibited transactions. Certain activities the Company performs may produce income that will not be qualifying income for REIT purposes. The Company has designated its TRSs to engage in these activities. The tables below reflect the taxes accrued at the TRS level and the tax attributes included in the condensed consolidated financial statements.

The income tax expense (benefit) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, is comprised of the following components (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Current income tax expense (benefit)	\$ —	\$ (2)	\$ 163	\$ 254
Deferred income tax expense (benefit)	2,325	(54)	2,393	(313)
<b>Total income tax expense (benefit)</b>	<b>\$ 2,325</b>	<b>\$ (56)</b>	<b>\$ 2,556</b>	<b>\$ (59)</b>

### Deferred Tax Assets and Liabilities

The major sources of temporary differences included in the deferred tax assets (liabilities) and their deferred tax effect as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, are as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
<b>Deferred tax assets</b>		
Net operating loss carryforward	\$ 8,684	\$ 7,128
Capital loss carryover	15,806	19,597
GAAP/Tax basis differences	5,959	2,989
Deferred tax assets	30,449	29,714
Less: Valuation allowance	(27,068)	(25,204)
Net deferred tax assets <sup>(1)</sup>	3,381	4,510
<b>Deferred tax liabilities</b>		
GAAP/Tax basis differences	3,276	2,012
Deferred tax liabilities <sup>(2)</sup>	3,276	2,012
<b>Total net deferred tax asset</b>	<b>\$ 105</b>	<b>\$ 2,498</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in other assets in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in other liabilities in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

As of September 30, 2024, the Company, through wholly-owned TRSs, had incurred net operating losses in the aggregate amount of approximately \$39.1 million. The Company's carryforward net operating losses can be carried forward indefinitely until they are offset by future taxable income. Additionally, as of September 30, 2024, the Company, through its wholly-owned TRSs, had also incurred approximately \$ 71.3 million in capital losses. The Company's carryforward capital losses will expire between 2025 and 2029 if they are not offset by future capital gains.

At September 30, 2024, the Company has recorded a valuation allowance against certain deferred tax assets as management does not believe that it is more likely than not that these deferred tax assets will be realized. The change in the valuation for the current year is an increase of approximately \$1.9 million. We will continue to monitor positive and negative evidence related to the utilization of the remaining deferred tax assets for which a valuation allowance continues to be provided.

The Company files income tax returns with the U.S. federal government and various state and local jurisdictions. The Company's federal, state and city income tax returns are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and related tax authorities generally for three years after they were filed. The Company has assessed its tax positions for all open years and concluded that there are no material uncertainties to be recognized.

Based on the Company's evaluation, the Company has concluded that there are no significant uncertain tax positions requiring recognition in the Company's financial statements. To the extent that the Company incurs interest and accrued penalties in connection with its tax obligations, including expenses related to the Company's evaluation of unrecognized tax positions, such amounts will be included in income tax expense.

## 21. Net Interest Income

The following table details the components of the Company's interest income and interest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
<b>Interest income</b>				
Residential loans				
Residential loans	\$ 16,237	\$ 11,574	\$ 39,723	\$ 40,817
Consolidated SLST	11,002	8,370	28,284	25,543
Residential loans held in securitization trusts	31,833	24,183	88,866	74,041
Total residential loans	59,072	44,127	156,873	140,401
Investment securities available for sale	44,431	17,203	112,785	27,862
Multi-family loans	2,646	2,712	7,957	7,890
Other	2,212	1,153	5,412	3,718
<b>Total interest income</b>	<b>108,361</b>	<b>65,195</b>	<b>283,027</b>	<b>179,871</b>
<b>Interest expense</b>				
Repurchase agreements	52,326	24,169	133,059	54,084
Collateralized debt obligations				
Consolidated SLST	7,375	5,957	19,928	18,238
Residential loan securitizations	23,435	15,582	62,462	49,908
Non-Agency RMBS re-securitization	906	—	906	—
Total collateralized debt obligations	31,716	21,539	83,296	68,146
Senior unsecured notes	3,001	1,620	6,303	4,852
Subordinated debentures	1,081	1,078	3,225	3,063
<b>Total interest expense</b>	<b>88,124</b>	<b>48,406</b>	<b>225,883</b>	<b>130,145</b>
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>\$ 20,237</b>	<b>\$ 16,789</b>	<b>\$ 57,144</b>	<b>\$ 49,726</b>

## 22. Other Income

The following table details the components of the Company's other income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Gain on sale of real estate <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 17,903	\$ —	\$ 18,164	\$ 1,879
Gain on de-consolidation of joint venture equity investment in Consolidated VIEs	3,393	—	3,703	—
Preferred equity and mezzanine loan premiums resulting from early redemption	28	128	127	315
Loss on extinguishment of collateralized debt obligations and mortgages payable on real estate	(1,699)	—	(2,391)	(693)
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable <sup>(2)</sup>	—	—	(3,207)	—
Miscellaneous income	90	11	145	211
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>\$ 19,715</b>	<b>\$ 139</b>	<b>\$ 16,541</b>	<b>\$ 1,712</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> See Notes 8 and 9 for description of nature of transactions out of which items arose.

<sup>(2)</sup> During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recorded a provision for uncollectible accounts receivable for asset management expenses incurred related to a non-accrual multi-family loan that are in excess of anticipated redemption proceeds (see Note 5).

## Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

When used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, in future filings with the SEC or in press releases or other written or oral communications issued or made by us, statements which are not historical in nature, including those containing words such as "will," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "plan," "continue," "intend," "could," "would," "should," "may," or similar expressions, are intended to identify "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions.

Forward-looking statements are based on estimates, projections, beliefs and assumptions of management of the Company at the time of such statements and are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties in predicting future results and conditions. Actual results and outcomes could differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors, including, without limitation:

- changes in our business and investment strategy;
- inflation and changes in interest rates and the fair market value of our assets, including negative changes resulting in margin calls relating to the financing of our assets;
- changes in credit spreads;
- changes in the long-term credit ratings of the U.S., Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and Ginnie Mae;
- general volatility of the markets in which we invest;
- changes in prepayment rates on the loans we own or that underlie our investment securities;
- increased rates of default, delinquency or vacancy and/or decreased recovery rates on or at our assets;
- our ability to identify and acquire our targeted assets, including assets in our investment pipeline;
- our ability to dispose of assets from time to time on terms favorable to us, including the disposition over time of our joint venture equity investments;
- changes in our relationships with our financing counterparties and our ability to borrow to finance our assets and the terms thereof;
- changes in our relationships with and/or the performance of our operating partners;
- our ability to predict and control costs;
- changes in laws, regulations or policies affecting our business;
- our ability to make distributions to our stockholders in the future;
- our ability to maintain our qualification as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") for federal tax purposes;
- our ability to maintain our exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act");
- impairments in the value of the collateral underlying our investments;
- our ability to manage or hedge credit risk, interest rate risk, and other financial and operational risks;
- our exposure to liquidity risk, risks associated with the use of leverage, and market risks; and
- risks associated with investing in real estate assets, including changes in business conditions and the general economy, the availability of investment opportunities and the conditions in the market for investment securities, residential loans, structured multi-family investments and other mortgage-, residential housing- and credit-related assets.

These and other risks, uncertainties and factors, including the risk factors described in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, as updated by those risks described in our subsequent filings with the SEC under the Exchange Act, could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements we make. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made. New risks and uncertainties arise over time and it is not possible to predict those events or how they may affect us. Except as required by law, we are not obligated to, and do not intend to, update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

### Defined Terms

In this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q we refer to New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., together with its consolidated subsidiaries, as "we," "us," "Company," or "our," unless we specifically state otherwise or the context indicates otherwise, and we refer to our wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiaries as "TRSs" and our wholly-owned qualified REIT subsidiaries as "QRSs." In addition, the following defines certain of the commonly used terms in this report:

- "ABS" refers to debt and/or equity tranches of securitizations backed by various asset classes including, but not

limited to, automobiles, aircraft, credit cards, equipment, franchises, recreational vehicles and student loans;

- “Agency ARMs” refers to Agency RMBS comprised of adjustable-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate RMBS;
- “Agency fixed-rate RMBS” refers to Agency RMBS comprised of fixed-rate RMBS;
- “Agency RMBS” refers to RMBS representing interests in or obligations backed by pools of residential loans guaranteed by the Federal National Mortgage Association (“Fannie Mae”) or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (“Freddie Mac”), or an agency of the U.S. government, such as the Governmental National Mortgage Association (“Ginnie Mae”);
- “ARMs” refers to adjustable-rate residential loans;
- “business purpose loans” refers to (i) short-term loans that are collateralized by residential properties and are made to investors who intend to rehabilitate and sell the residential property for a profit or (ii) loans that finance (or refinance) non-owner occupied residential properties that are rented to one or more tenants;
- “CDO” refers to collateralized debt obligation and includes debt that permanently finances the residential loans held in Consolidated SLST, the Company’s residential loans held in securitization trusts and a non-Agency RMBS re-securitization that we consolidate, or consolidated, in our financial statements in accordance with GAAP;
- “CMBS” refers to commercial mortgage-backed securities comprised of commercial mortgage pass-through securities issued by a government sponsored enterprise (“GSE”), as well as PO, IO or mezzanine securities that represent the right to a specific component of the cash flow from a pool of commercial mortgage loans;
- “Consolidated SLST” refers to Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitizations, comprised of seasoned re-performing and non-performing residential loans, of which we own the first loss subordinated securities and certain IOs that we consolidate in our financial statements in accordance with GAAP;
- “Consolidated Real Estate VIEs” refers to Consolidated VIEs that own multi-family properties;
- “Consolidated VIEs” refers to VIEs where the Company is the primary beneficiary, as it has both the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the VIE and a right to receive benefits or absorb losses of the entity that could be potentially significant to the VIE and that we consolidate in our financial statements in accordance with GAAP;
- “excess mortgage servicing spread” or “excess MSR” refers to the difference between the contractual servicing fee with Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac or Ginnie Mae and the base servicing fee that is retained as compensation for servicing or subservicing the related mortgage loans pursuant to the applicable servicing contract;
- “GAAP” refers to generally accepted accounting principles within the United States;
- “IOs” refers collectively to interest only and inverse interest only mortgage-backed securities that represent the right to the interest component of the cash flow from a pool of mortgage loans;
- “MBS” refers to mortgage-backed securities;
- “Mezzanine Lending” refers, collectively, to preferred equity and mezzanine loan investments;
- “multi-family CMBS” refers to CMBS backed by commercial mortgage loans on multi-family properties;
- “non-Agency RMBS” refers to RMBS that are not guaranteed by any agency of the U.S. Government or GSE;
- “POs” refers to mortgage-backed securities that represent the right to the principal component of the cash flow from a pool of mortgage loans;
- “RMBS” refers to residential mortgage-backed securities backed by adjustable-rate, hybrid adjustable-rate or fixed-rate residential loans;

- “second mortgages” refers to liens on residential properties that are subordinate to more senior mortgages or loans; and
- “Variable Interest Entity” or “VIE” refers to an entity in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties.

## Portfolio Update

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, we continued to expand our investment securities and residential loan portfolios. Our investment activity was offset primarily by prepayments, distributions received from sales of consolidated multi-family properties and sales of joint venture equity ownership interests and residential loans. The following table presents the activity for our investment portfolio for the three months ended September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	June 30, 2024	Acquisitions (1)	Repayments (2)	Sales	Transfers to Disposal Group Held for Sale (3)	Fair Value Changes and Other (4)	September 30, 2024
Residential loans	\$ 2,498,247	\$ 624,163	\$ (267,832)	\$ (117,915)	\$ —	\$ 31,898	\$ 2,768,561
Investment securities							
Agency RMBS	2,613,842	372,162	(79,321)	—	—	61,283	2,967,966
Non-Agency RMBS	58,237	11,023	(585)	—	—	(459)	68,216
U.S. Treasury securities	—	352,850	—	—	—	(3,762)	349,088
Total investment securities available for sale	2,672,079	736,035	(79,906)	—	—	57,062	3,385,270
Consolidated SLST (5)	155,965	—	(4,769)	—	—	6,300	157,496
Total investment securities	2,828,044	736,035	(84,675)	—	—	63,362	3,542,766
Preferred equity investments, mezzanine loans and equity investments	235,912	—	(5,100)	—	—	3,635	234,447
Equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties (6)	171,406	873	(15,011)	—	(203)	(2,603)	154,462
Equity investments in disposal group held for sale (3)	30,434	405	(21,075)	2,393	203	5,471	17,831
Single-family rental properties	147,494	462	—	(2,734)	—	(486)	144,736
Total investment portfolio	<u>\$ 5,911,537</u>	<u>\$ 1,361,938</u>	<u>\$ (393,693)</u>	<u>\$ (118,256)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 101,277</u>	<u>\$ 6,862,803</u>

(1) Includes draws funded for business purpose bridge loans and existing equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and capitalized costs for single-family rental properties.

(2) Includes principal repayments and return of invested capital.

(3) In September 2022, the Company announced a repositioning of its business through the opportunistic disposition over time of the Company's joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties and reallocation of its capital away from such assets to its targeted assets. Accordingly, the real estate, net related to certain joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties is included in assets of disposal group held for sale on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and June 30, 2024. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Balance Sheet Analysis—Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities" for a reconciliation of equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and disposal group held for sale to the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

(4) Primarily includes net realized gains or losses, changes in net unrealized gains or losses (including reversals of previously recognized net unrealized gains or losses on sales or redemptions), net amortization/accretion/depreciation and net loss from real estate attributable to the Company.

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- (5) Consolidated SLST is primarily presented on our condensed consolidated balance sheets as residential loans, at fair value and collateralized debt obligations, at fair value. A reconciliation to our condensed consolidated financial statements as of September 30, 2024 and June 30, 2024, respectively, follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>June 30, 2024</b>
Residential loans, at fair value	\$ 1,008,583	\$ 1,004,944
Deferred interest <sup>(a)</sup>	(5,276)	(4,947)
Less: Collateralized debt obligations, at fair value	(845,811)	(844,032)
Consolidated SLST investment securities owned by NYMT	<u>\$ 157,496</u>	<u>\$ 155,965</u>

(a) Included in other liabilities on our condensed consolidated balance sheets.

- (6) See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Balance Sheet Analysis—Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities" for a reconciliation of equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and disposal group held for sale to the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

## General

We are an internally-managed REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in the business of acquiring, investing in, financing and managing primarily mortgage-related single-family and multi-family residential assets. Our objective is to deliver long-term stable distributions to our stockholders over changing economic conditions through a combination of net interest spread and capital gains from a diversified investment portfolio. Our current investment portfolio includes credit sensitive single-family and multi-family assets, as well as more traditional types of fixed-income investments that provide coupon income, such as Agency RMBS.

We have elected to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes and have complied, and intend to continue to comply, with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Internal Revenue Code"), with respect thereto. Accordingly, we do not expect to be subject to federal income tax on our REIT taxable income that we currently distribute to our stockholders if certain asset, income, distribution and ownership tests and record keeping requirements are fulfilled. Even if we maintain our qualification as a REIT, we expect to be subject to some federal, state and local taxes on income generated in our TRSs.

## Executive Summary

Beginning in the second quarter of 2023, after significantly curtailing our investment activity and pipeline in 2022 in anticipation of a recession to conserve capital, preserve liquidity and limit what we believed was material credit risk from investments underwritten to peak real estate valuations in 2022, we began stabilizing our investment portfolio holdings through greater investment activity. Since that time, we have focused, in large part, on acquiring assets with less price sensitivity to credit deterioration that could expand our interest income levels, like Agency RMBS. We believe that Agency RMBS is a compelling asset class to invest in over the near term, as the sector is trading at historically wide spread levels resulting from volatility in interest rates and reduced demand from regional banks and the Federal Reserve. Recognizing that a recession call was premature, but still concerned about market liquidity due to, among other things, growing commercial real estate risks, we also remained selective in adding credit-related assets in our portfolio. Specifically, we have targeted low duration, high-coupon business purpose loans while remaining selective on credit profile and worked to optimize financing of the loans we acquire. During this time, we continued to drive higher business purpose loan acquisition volumes through ongoing partnerships with numerous originators. Over the course of the past six quarters, we have experienced solid momentum in our portfolio acquisition activities and increased adjusted interest income, a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure, by more than 70% as compared to the same period last year. On a net basis, our investment portfolio increased by approximately \$3.1 billion between December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2024, with repayments received from our short-duration business purpose loans, opportunistic sales of residential loans and investment securities, redemptions of our mezzanine lending investments, return of capital from our joint venture equity investments, and impairments offsetting some of our investment activity.

In September 2022, we announced that our Board of Directors approved a strategic repositioning of our business through the opportunistic disposition over time of our joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties and reallocation of the returned capital from such investments to our targeted assets. In 2023, joint venture entities in which we held a common equity interest sold five multi-family properties, representing total net equity investments of \$43.2 million and recognizing a net gain attributable to the Company totaling \$1.7 million. Throughout most of 2023 and continuing into 2024, certain of the multi-family properties held by our joint venture equity investments experienced declines in estimated fair value primarily due to widening cap rates and lower net operating income driven, in large part, by higher interest and operating expenses at the properties which resulted in significant impairment losses. We have exited seven additional joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties year to date, received net proceeds of \$21.8 million and realized \$12.4 million of net gains attributable to us. As of September 30, 2024, we continue to market for sale our joint venture equity investments in four multi-family properties. We can provide no assurance of the timing or success of our ultimate exit from our joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties or that the value of our interests in joint ventures will not decline further.

We intend to focus on our core portfolio strengths of single-family and multi-family residential assets, which we believe will deliver better risk adjusted returns over time. Our targeted investments include (i) residential loans, including business purpose loans, (ii) Agency RMBS, (iii) non-Agency RMBS, (iv) structured multi-family property investments such as preferred equity in, and mezzanine loans to, owners of multi-family properties, (v) CMBS and (vi) certain other mortgage-, residential housing- and credit-related assets and strategic investments in companies from which we purchase, or may in the future purchase, our targeted assets. Subject to maintaining our qualification as a REIT and the maintenance of our exclusion from registration as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, we also may opportunistically acquire and manage various other types of mortgage-, residential housing- and other credit-related or alternative investments that we believe will compensate us appropriately for the risks associated with them, including, without limitation, collateralized mortgage obligations, mortgage servicing rights, excess mortgage servicing spreads, securities issued by newly originated securitizations, including credit sensitive securities from these securitizations, ABS and debt or equity investments in alternative assets or businesses.

As of September 30, 2024, the Company's Recourse Leverage Ratio and Portfolio Recourse Leverage Ratio (as defined in footnotes 4 and 5 to the table under "— Capital Allocation") increased to 2.6x and 2.5x, respectively, from 1.6x and 1.5x, respectively, as of December 31, 2023, primarily due to the financing of highly liquid U.S. Treasury securities and Agency RMBS. As of September 30, 2024, 62% of our debt, excluding mortgages payable on real estate and Consolidated SLST CDOs, is subject to mark-to-market margin calls, with 46% of that debt collateralized by Agency RMBS, 6% collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities and 10% collateralized by residential credit assets. The remaining 38% has no exposure to collateral repricing by our counterparties. Although we expect our leverage to continue to move higher as we access additional liquidity and grow our investment portfolio further, we intend to continue to focus on procuring longer-term and non-mark-to-market financing arrangements for certain parts of our credit portfolio. We believe that this will allow us to better manage our liquidity risk and better insulate our business from extreme market dislocations. To this end, we completed a non-Agency RMBS re-securitization and four new, non-recourse securitizations of residential loans and redeemed two existing residential loan securitizations during the nine months ended September 30, 2024. We also completed the issuance of \$60.0 million of our 9.125% Senior Notes due 2029 in an underwritten public offering in the second quarter of 2024. We received \$57.5 million in net proceeds from the issuance and utilized the proceeds to purchase Agency RMBS.

We expect to continue to opportunistically dispose of assets from our portfolio, including our joint venture equity investments, and generate higher portfolio turnover in order to pursue investments across the residential housing sector with a focus on acquiring assets capable of growing our interest income. We expect to remain selective in acquiring single-family and multi-family residential credit assets and remain committed to prudently managing our liabilities. Our investment and capital allocation decisions depend on prevailing market conditions, among other factors, and may change over time in response to opportunities available in different economic and capital market environments.

## Current Market Conditions and Commentary

The results of our business operations are affected by a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control, and primarily depend on, among other things, the level of our net interest income, the market value of our assets, which is driven by numerous factors including changes in interest rates and the supply and demand for mortgage, housing and credit assets in the marketplace, our ability to identify and acquire assets on favorable terms, our ability to dispose of assets from time to time on favorable terms, the ability of our operating partners, tenants and borrowers of our loans and those that underlie our investment securities to meet their payment obligations, the terms and availability of adequate financing and capital, general economic and real estate conditions (both on a national and local level), the impact of government actions in the real estate, mortgage, credit and financial markets, and the credit performance of our credit sensitive assets.

Financial and mortgage-related markets experienced strong positive performance during the third quarter of 2024, spurred in part by the Federal Reserve's first cut to the target range for the federal funds rate in approximately four and a half years. The Dow Jones Industrial Average finished the third quarter of 2024 up 8.21% and grew 12.31% over the first nine months of 2024, closing off the third quarter at a then all-time high. However, interest rate and monetary policy uncertainty, inflation and geopolitical instability have cautioned some economic outlooks. We anticipate that due to uncertainty related to inflation, interest rates, monetary policy, the imminent U.S. presidential election and upcoming change in U.S. presidential administration in January 2025, markets and the pricing for many of our assets will continue to experience volatility in the remainder of 2024.

The market conditions discussed below significantly influence our investment strategy and results:

*Select U.S. Financial and Economic Data.* The U.S. economy grew modestly in the third quarter of 2024 with real gross domestic product ("GDP") increasing by 2.8% (advanced estimate) annualized rate, as compared to the annualized 3.0% GDP growth in the second quarter of 2024 and annualized 1.6% GDP growth in the first quarter of 2024. The third quarter 2024 GDP increase marks ten straight quarters of GDP growth. While GDP growth continued in the first nine months of 2024, inflation remains persistently above the Federal Reserve's target of two percent and job growth remains robust, uncertainty about how the Federal Reserve may adjust its monetary policy or the target range for the federal funds rate in response to such macroeconomic trends may limit or undermine business activity and the potential for future GDP growth, which could negatively impact the value of credit investments.

After moderating in the first half of 2024, the U.S. labor market tightened during the third quarter of 2024 in contrast to many market commentators' expectations. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, the U.S. unemployment rate was 4.1% at the end of September 2024, finishing flat to the unemployment rate of 4.1% as of the end of June 2024 and standing in contrast to the general trend of unemployment rate growth seen in the first six months of 2024. The number of unemployed persons increased by 0.5 million year-over-year to 6.8 million as of September 2024. There continues to be a wide disparity between the number of available job openings, 8.0 million as of the end of August 2024, and the number of unemployed persons, resulting in a competitive labor market and rising wages. As of September 2024, average hourly earnings for all employees on non-farm payrolls rose 4.0% year-over-year.

After raising the target range for the federal funds rate a total of 5.25% in 2022 and 2023, bringing the range to its highest level in over 22 years, and holding the range at that target for 14 months, the Federal Reserve cut the target range by 50 basis points in September 2024, the first such cut since March 2020. In September 2024, the Federal Reserve announced the 50 basis points rate cut after acknowledging that inflation appears to be moving sustainably toward the Federal Reserve's target of two percent. In considering additional adjustments to the target range for the federal funds rate, the Federal Reserve stated that it will carefully assess incoming data, the evolving outlook, and the balance of risks to the Federal Reserve's dual mandate of achieving maximum employment and inflation at the rate of two percent over the longer run. Changing expectations with respect to the Federal Reserve's actions regarding the target range for the federal funds rate after quarter end contributed to an uncertain interest rate environment. Higher interest rates tend to put pressure on our investments, mortgage borrowers, tenants, our operating partners and economic growth generally.

The fears of an economic recession in the U.S. that were prevalent last year have receded in connection with the consistent U.S. GDP growth seen in 2024, although some economists and market commentators have expressed lower expectations for U.S. GDP growth in 2025. The National Bureau of Economic Research defines a recession as "a significant decline in economic activity that is spread across the economy and that lasts more than a few months." An economic recession or stagnating economic growth may put pressure on the ability of our operating partners, joint ventures, tenants and borrowers to meet their obligations to us, and would likely adversely impact the value of our assets, among other things, any of which could materially adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

*Single-Family Homes and Residential Mortgage Market.* Over the first nine months of 2024, the residential real estate market remained competitive for home buyers. Data released by the S&P Dow Jones Indices for their S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller National Home Price NSA Indices for July 2024 showed that, on average, home prices increased 5.9% for the 20-City Composite over July 2024. Additionally, according to the National Association of Realtors (“NAR”), existing home sales in August 2024 were down 2.5% month-over-month and 4.2% year-over-year. NAR also reported that the median existing-home sales price for all housing types in August 2024 was \$416,700, up 3.1% from \$404,200 in August 2023. According to data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, privately-owned housing starts for single-family homes averaged a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 962,667 and 1,009,556 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively, as compared to 948,500 for the year ended December 31, 2023. Overall, existing home inventory for sale at the end of August 2024 amounted to 4.2 months of supply, up from 4.1 months of supply in July 2024 and 3.3 months of supply in August 2023, according to the NAR. According to Freddie Mac, the weekly average 30-year fixed-rate mortgage was down 1.25% year-over-year to 6.32% as of October 10, 2024. Declining single-family housing fundamentals may adversely impact the overall credit profile and value of our existing portfolio of single-family residential credit investments and the value of our single-family rental properties, as well as the availability of certain of our targeted assets.

*Rental Housing.* According to data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, starts on multi-family homes containing five or more units averaged a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 341,667 and 331,889 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively, as compared to 459,417 for the year ended December 31, 2023. According to RealPage Analytics, rents for professionally managed apartments grew modestly in the third quarter of 2024 with rents growing 30 basis points in July, 40 basis points in August and 20 basis points in September, each as compared to the same period year-over-year. The CoStar Group notes that, while apartment demand remains high, asking rents were likely dampened by the increased supply from the completion of approximately 178,000 apartment units in the third quarter of 2024 and that rents will likely continue to be dampened in the immediate term by the expected completion of approximately 636,000 new apartment units total in the full year 2024, which the CoStar Group notes would amount to the most units delivered in a single year in four decades. Weakening multi-family housing fundamentals, including, among other things, increasing supply of apartments and declining rents in the markets or submarkets in which we invest, increasing interest rates, widening capitalization rates and reduced liquidity for owners of multi-family properties, may cause our operating partners to fail to meet their obligations to us and/or contribute to reduced cash flows from and/or valuation declines for multi-family properties, and in turn, many of the multi-family investments that we own.

Additionally, multi-family investments face growing regulatory and political headwinds. In January 2023, the White House Domestic Policy Council and National Economic Council released a white paper entitled the “Blueprint for a Renters Bill of Rights” (the “Blueprint”). The Blueprint discusses potential tenant protections regarding leasing and management of rental properties, tenant organizing, evictions and rent increases, among other potential protections. Although the Blueprint is non-binding, several federal agencies, including Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, have announced actions that seek to further some of the principles set forth in the Blueprint. In July 2023, President Biden announced an initiative to promote the disclosure and reduction of rental housing fees such as application fees, payment fees, and other mandatory fees. Further, in August 2023, the White House announced a series of initiatives to build on the Blueprint such as providing funding to support tenant organizing efforts. In July 2024, the White House also called on the U.S. Congress to pass a form of nationwide rent control that would place a cap on yearly rent increases. Policies, regulations or laws implemented to further the principles discussed in the Blueprint, reduce or limit fees or limit rent increases could lead to increased costs, decreased revenue and reduced operational flexibility for multi-family and single-family rental properties, which could contribute to reduced cash flows from and/or valuation declines for multi-family and single-family rental properties, and in turn, many of the multi-family investments and single-family rentals that we own.

*Credit Spreads.* Investment grade and high-yield credit spreads experienced volatility in August 2024 as markets reacted to, among other factors, a below-expectation July 2024 employment report and uncertainty over the Federal Reserve’s actions with respect to the target range for the federal funds rate. Ultimately, both investment grade and high-yield credit spreads experienced modest tightening at the end of the third quarter of 2024 with investment grade spreads finishing 4 basis points lower than the start of the third quarter of 2024 and high-yield spreads finishing 18 basis points lower than the start of the third quarter of 2024. Tightening credit spreads generally increase the value of many of our credit sensitive assets, while widening credit spreads tend to have a negative impact on the value of many of our credit sensitive assets.

*Financing Markets.* For the first time since June 2022, the Treasury curve uninverted at the end of August 2024 marking the end of the longest inverted Treasury curve on record. This normalization of the Treasury curve was driven in part by investors' expectations of the Federal Reserve's cuts to the target range for the federal funds rate. Inversions and subsequent normalizations of this spread are generally considered to be indicators of a recession in the near term, although some market commentators have cautioned against August 2024's uninversion being such an indicator. On September 30, 2024, the spread between the 2-Year U.S. Treasury yield and the 10-Year U.S. Treasury yield closed at 15 basis points, as compared to a negative 35 basis point spread on December 29, 2023. This spread is important as it is indicative of opportunities for investing in levered assets. Increases in interest rates raise the costs of many of our liabilities, while overall interest rate volatility generally increases the costs of hedging and may place downward pressure on some of our strategies.

*Monetary Policy and Recent Regulatory Developments.* The Federal Reserve took a number of actions to stabilize markets during the COVID-19 pandemic. From March 2020 until March 2022, the Federal Reserve implemented an asset purchase program aimed at providing liquidity to the U.S. Treasury and Agency RMBS markets. Under the Federal Reserve's asset purchase program, the Federal Reserve's balance sheet grew from about \$4.2 trillion in assets at the start of March 2020 to about \$8.9 trillion in assets at the end of the program in March 2022. On June 1, 2022, the Federal Reserve shifted course and began shrinking its balance sheet by reducing its holdings of U.S. Treasuries and Agency RMBS by \$47.5 billion per month. In September 2022, the Federal Reserve increased its efforts to reduce its balance sheet by doubling the amount of U.S. Treasuries and Agency RMBS it rolls off its balance sheet to \$95 billion each month. On June 1, 2024, the Federal Reserve reduced from \$60 billion to \$25 billion the amount of U.S. Treasuries it rolls off its balance sheet each month while continuing to reduce its holdings of Agency RMBS by \$35 billion per month. As of October 7, 2024, the Federal Reserve held about \$7.05 trillion in assets. Sales or reductions in the pace of purchasing of Agency RMBS by the Federal Reserve could create headwinds in the market for Agency RMBS where increased supply could drive prices lower and interest rates higher.

From March 2020 to March 2022, the Federal Reserve maintained a target range for the federal funds rate of 0% to 0.25% in view of the COVID-19 pandemic and to foster maximum employment and price stability. Then, from March 2022 through July 2023, the Federal Reserve increased the federal funds rate eleven times to bring the target range for the federal funds rate to 5.25% to 5.50% where it remained until September 19, 2024 when the Federal Reserve implemented a 50 basis point cut to the target range. When announcing the 50 basis point rate cut in September 2024, the Federal Reserve stated that inflation had made progress toward the Federal Reserve's objective of achieving an inflation rate of two percent over the longer run and that, in light of this progress on inflation and considering the risks to the Federal Reserve's second objective of achieving maximum employment, a cut to the target range was appropriate. The Federal Reserve further noted in its September 2024 statement that any future cuts to the target range for the federal funds rate will depend on a careful assessment of incoming data, the evolving outlook, and the balance of risks to its dual mandate of achieving maximum employment and an inflation rate of two percent. As reflected on the "dot plot" included in the projection materials from the Federal Reserve's September 2024 meeting, most Federal Reserve officials indicated that an additional 25 or 50 basis point cut to the target range for the federal funds rate by the end of 2024 would be appropriate. However, recent economic data since the Federal Reserve's September 2024 meeting showing strong job growth, among other data points, along with the Federal Reserve's September 2024 statement emphasizing the consideration that will be given to evolving economic data has cautioned some market commentators' expectations of further cuts to the target range for the federal funds rate in 2024.

The scope and nature of the actions the Federal Reserve and other governmental authorities will ultimately undertake are unknown and will continue to evolve. There can be no assurance as to how, in the long term, these and other actions, as well as the negative impacts from ongoing geopolitical instability and uncertainty surrounding inflation, interest rates and the outlook for the U.S. and global economies, will affect the efficiency, liquidity and stability of the financial, credit and mortgage markets, and thus, our business. Greater uncertainty frequently leads to wider asset spreads or lower prices and higher hedging costs.

**Third Quarter 2024 Summary**

*Earnings and Return Metrics*

The following table presents key earnings and return metrics for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2024</b>	<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024</b>
Net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders	\$ 32,410	\$ (61,957)
Net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders per share (basic)	\$ 0.36	\$ (0.68)
Undepreciated earnings (loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 34,941	\$ (54,372)
Undepreciated earnings (loss) per common share <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0.39	\$ (0.60)
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders	\$ 32,410	\$ (61,953)
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders per share (basic)	\$ 0.36	\$ (0.68)
Yield on average interest earning assets <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	6.69 %	6.52 %
Interest income	\$ 108,361	\$ 283,027
Interest expense	\$ 88,124	\$ 225,883
Net interest income	\$ 20,237	\$ 57,144
Net interest spread <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	1.32 %	1.31 %
Book value per common share at the end of the period	\$ 9.83	\$ 9.83
Adjusted book value per common share at the end of the period <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 10.87	\$ 10.87
Economic return on book value <sup>(4)</sup>	3.51 %	(7.78)%
Economic return on adjusted book value <sup>(5)</sup>	0.45 %	(9.40)%
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.60

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents a non-GAAP financial measure. A reconciliation of the Company's non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP measure is included in "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" elsewhere in this section.

<sup>(2)</sup> Calculated as the quotient of our adjusted interest income and our average interest earning assets and excludes all Consolidated SLST assets other than those securities owned by the Company.

<sup>(3)</sup> Our calculation of net interest spread may not be comparable to similarly-titled measures of other companies who may use a different calculation.

<sup>(4)</sup> Economic return on book value is based on the periodic change in GAAP book value per common share plus dividends declared per common share, if any, during the period.

<sup>(5)</sup> Economic return on adjusted book value is based on the periodic change in adjusted book value per common share, a non-GAAP financial measure, plus dividends declared per common share, if any, during the period.

*Key Developments During Third Quarter 2024*

Investing Activities

- A joint venture in which we held a common equity investment sold its multi-family apartment community for approximately \$56.4 million. The sale generated a net gain attributable to the Company's common stockholders of approximately \$8.7 million.
- A joint venture in which we hold a combined preferred equity and common equity investment sold a multi-family apartment community for approximately \$43.5 million. The sale generated a net gain attributable to the Company's common stockholders of approximately \$1.5 million.
- Purchased approximately \$372.2 million of Agency RMBS with an average coupon of 5.33%.
- Purchased approximately \$624.2 million in residential loans with an average gross coupon of 9.72%.

Financing Activities

- Completed a securitization of business purpose loans, resulting in approximately \$235.8 million in net proceeds to us after deducting expenses associated with the transaction. We utilized a portion of the net proceeds to repay approximately \$184.6 million on outstanding repurchase agreements related to residential loans.
- Completed a re-securitization of our investment in certain subordinated securities issued by Consolidated SLST, resulting in approximately \$73.0 million in net proceeds to us after deducting expenses associated with the transaction. We utilized a portion of the net proceeds to repay approximately \$48.8 million on outstanding repurchase agreement financing related to our investment in Consolidated SLST.

## Capital Allocation

The following provides an overview of the allocation of our total equity as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. We fund our investing and operating activities with a combination of cash flow from operations, proceeds from common and preferred equity and debt securities offerings, including senior unsecured notes and subordinated debentures, short-term and longer-term repurchase agreements and CDOs. A detailed discussion of our liquidity and capital resources is provided in "Liquidity and Capital Resources" elsewhere in this section.

The following tables set forth our allocated capital by investment category at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands).

At September 30, 2024:

	Single-Family	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
Residential loans	\$ 3,777,144	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,777,144
Consolidated SLST CDOs	(845,811)	—	—	(845,811)
Investment securities available for sale	3,036,182	—	349,088	3,385,270
Multi-family loans	—	87,614	—	87,614
Equity investments	—	100,378	46,455	146,833
Equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties <sup>(1)</sup>	—	154,462	—	154,462
Equity investments in disposal group held for sale <sup>(2)</sup>	—	17,831	—	17,831
Single-family rental properties	144,736	—	—	144,736
Total investment portfolio carrying value	6,112,251	360,285	395,543	6,868,079
Liabilities:				
Repurchase agreements	(3,258,175)	—	(352,940)	(3,611,115)
Collateralized debt obligations				
Residential loan securitization CDOs	(1,883,817)	—	—	(1,883,817)
Non-Agency RMBS re-securitization	(72,638)	—	—	(72,638)
Senior unsecured notes	—	—	(159,587)	(159,587)
Subordinated debentures	—	—	(45,000)	(45,000)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash <sup>(3)</sup>	104,220	—	221,582	325,802
Cumulative adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value	—	(48,282)	—	(48,282)
Other	111,504	(1,306)	(39,493)	70,705
Net Company capital allocated	\$ 1,113,345	\$ 310,697	\$ 20,105	\$ 1,444,147
Company Recourse Leverage Ratio <sup>(4)</sup>				2.6 x
Portfolio Recourse Leverage Ratio <sup>(5)</sup>				2.5 x

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the Company's equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties that are not in disposal group held for sale. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Balance Sheet Analysis—Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities" for a reconciliation of equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and disposal group held for sale to the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents the Company's equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties that are held for sale in disposal group. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Balance Sheet Analysis—Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities" for a reconciliation of equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and disposal group held for sale to the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

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- (3) Excludes cash in the amount of \$9.2 million held in the Company's equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties in disposal group held for sale. Restricted cash of \$136.9 million is included in the Company's accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets in other assets.
- (4) Represents the Company's total outstanding recourse repurchase agreement financing, subordinated debentures and senior unsecured notes divided by the Company's total stockholders' equity. Does not include non-recourse repurchase agreement financing amounting to \$34.6 million, Consolidated SLST CDOs amounting to \$845.8 million, residential loan securitization CDOs amounting to \$1.9 billion, non-Agency RMBS re-securitization CDOs amounting to \$72.6 million and mortgages payable on real estate, including mortgages payable on real estate of disposal group held for sale, totaling \$662.6 million as they are non-recourse debt.
- (5) Represents the Company's outstanding recourse repurchase agreement financing divided by the Company's total stockholders' equity.

At December 31, 2023:

	Single-Family	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
Residential loans	\$ 3,084,303	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,084,303
Consolidated SLST CDOs	(593,737)	—	—	(593,737)
Investment securities available for sale	2,013,817	—	—	2,013,817
Multi-family loans	—	95,792	—	95,792
Equity investments	—	109,962	37,154	147,116
Equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties <sup>(1)</sup>	—	211,214	—	211,214
Equity investments in disposal group held for sale <sup>(2)</sup>	—	36,815	—	36,815
Single-family rental properties	151,885	—	—	151,885
Total investment portfolio carrying value	4,656,268	453,783	37,154	5,147,205
Liabilities:				
Repurchase agreements	(2,471,113)	—	—	(2,471,113)
Residential loan securitization CDOs	(1,276,780)	—	—	(1,276,780)
Senior unsecured notes	—	—	(98,111)	(98,111)
Subordinated debentures	—	—	(45,000)	(45,000)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash <sup>(3)</sup>	139,562	—	175,468	315,030
Cumulative adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value	—	(30,062)	—	(30,062)
Other	74,716	(1,352)	(34,921)	38,443
Net Company capital allocated	\$ 1,122,653	\$ 422,369	\$ 34,590	\$ 1,579,612
Company Recourse Leverage Ratio <sup>(4)</sup>				1.6x
Portfolio Recourse Leverage Ratio <sup>(5)</sup>				1.5x

(1) Represents the Company's equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties that are not in disposal group held for sale. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Balance Sheet Analysis—Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities" for a reconciliation of equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and disposal group held for sale to the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

(2) Represents the Company's equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties that are held for sale in disposal group. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Balance Sheet Analysis—Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities" for a reconciliation of equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and disposal group held for sale to the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

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- (3) Excludes cash in the amount of \$21.3 million held in the Company's equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties and equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties in disposal group held for sale. Restricted cash of \$143.5 million is included in the Company's accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets in other assets.
- (4) Represents the Company's total outstanding recourse repurchase agreement financing, subordinated debentures and senior unsecured notes divided by the Company's total stockholders' equity. Does not include non-recourse repurchase agreement financing amounting to \$149.7 million, Consolidated SLST CDOs amounting to \$593.7 million, residential loan securitization CDOs amounting to \$1.3 billion and mortgages payable on real estate, including mortgages payable on real estate of disposal group held for sale, totaling \$1.2 billion as they are non-recourse debt.
- (5) Represents the Company's outstanding recourse repurchase agreement financing divided by the Company's total stockholders' equity.

## Results of Operations

The following discussion provides information regarding our results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, including a comparison of year-over-year results and related commentary. A number of the tables contain a "change" column that indicates the amount by which results from the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 are greater or less than the results from the respective period in 2023. Unless otherwise specified, references in this section to increases or decreases in the "three-month periods" refer to the change in results for the three months ended September 30, 2024 when compared to the three months ended September 30, 2023 and increases or decreases in the "nine-month periods" refer to the change in results for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 when compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023.

The following table presents the main components of our net income (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Interest income	\$ 108,361	\$ 65,195	\$ 43,166	\$ 283,027	\$ 179,871	\$ 103,156
Interest expense	88,124	48,406	39,718	225,883	130,145	95,738
Net interest income	20,237	16,789	3,448	57,144	49,726	7,418
Net loss from real estate	(7,495)	(7,788)	293	(36,968)	(24,494)	(12,474)
Total other income (loss)	52,875	(85,943)	138,818	(10,527)	(80,115)	69,588
General and administrative expenses	11,941	11,826	115	36,643	37,824	(1,181)
Portfolio operating expenses	8,531	5,161	3,370	23,672	17,882	5,790
Debt issuance costs	2,354	—	2,354	10,452	—	10,452
Income (loss) from operations before income taxes	42,791	(93,929)	136,720	(61,118)	(110,589)	49,471
Income tax expense (benefit)	2,325	(56)	2,381	2,556	(59)	2,615
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interests	2,383	9,364	(6,981)	33,034	19,957	13,077
Net income (loss) attributable to Company	42,849	(84,509)	127,358	(30,640)	(90,573)	59,933
Preferred stock dividends	(10,439)	(10,435)	(4)	(31,317)	(31,394)	77
Gain on repurchase of preferred stock	—	125	(125)	—	467	(467)
Net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders	32,410	(94,819)	127,229	(61,957)	(121,500)	59,543
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.04)	\$ 1.40	\$ (0.68)	\$ (1.33)	\$ 0.65
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.04)	\$ 1.40	\$ (0.68)	\$ (1.33)	\$ 0.65

### Interest Income and Interest Expense

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, interest income increased primarily due to increased investment in Agency RMBS and business purpose loans. The increase in interest expense during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 was due primarily to an increase in repurchase agreement financing of our Agency RMBS portfolio and additional securitization financings completed in 2024.

**Net Loss from Real Estate**

The following table presents the components of net loss from real estate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Income from real estate	\$ 31,903	\$ 42,391	\$ (10,488)	\$ 106,446	\$ 128,913	\$ (22,467)
Expenses related to real estate:						
Interest expense, mortgages payable on real estate	(12,676)	(21,604)	8,928	(49,996)	(68,158)	18,162
Depreciation expense on operating real estate	(8,131)	(6,204)	(1,927)	(30,564)	(18,371)	(12,193)
Amortization of lease intangibles related to operating real estate	—	—	—	(2,378)	—	(2,378)
Other real estate expenses	(18,591)	(22,371)	3,780	(60,476)	(66,878)	6,402
Total expenses related to real estate	(39,398)	(50,179)	10,781	(143,414)	(153,407)	9,993
Net loss from real estate	\$ (7,495)	\$ (7,788)	\$ 293	\$ (36,968)	\$ (24,494)	\$ (12,474)

Income from real estate decreased in the three-month and nine-month periods primarily due to a decrease in rental income as a result of the sale or de-consolidation since September 30, 2023 of certain multi-family real estate assets owned by entities in which we had joint venture equity investments.

Expenses related to real estate decreased in the three-month and nine-month periods due to a decrease in interest expense on mortgages payable and a decrease in operating expenses due to the aforementioned sales or de-consolidation of multi-family real estate assets. This decrease was partially offset by an increase in depreciation expense and amortization of lease intangibles as a result of the return of certain multi-family real estate assets owned by entities in which we have joint venture equity investments to held and used since September 30, 2023.

**Other Income (Loss)**

*Realized Losses, Net*

The following table presents the components of realized losses, net recognized for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Residential loans and real estate owned	\$ (958)	\$ (1,638)	\$ 680	\$ (18,492)	\$ 150	\$ (18,642)
Investment securities	(422)	(2,041)	1,619	(912)	(2,370)	1,458
Total realized losses, net	\$ (1,380)	\$ (3,679)	\$ 2,299	\$ (19,404)	\$ (2,220)	\$ (17,184)

The Company recognized net realized losses on residential loans and real estate owned during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively, primarily related to losses incurred on foreclosed properties which were partially offset by net realized gains recognized on the sale and payoff of residential loans. The Company also recognized net realized losses on write-downs of non-Agency RMBS during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024.

During the three months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized net realized losses on residential loans and real estate owned primarily due to losses incurred on foreclosed properties and net realized losses recognized on the sale of residential loans. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized net realized gains related to our residential loan portfolio, primarily as a result of loan payoff activity. The Company also recognized net realized losses related to the sale of CMBS and write down of non-Agency RMBS during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023.

*Unrealized Gains (Losses), Net*

The following table presents the components of unrealized gains (losses), net recognized for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Residential loans	\$ 52,165	\$ (21,418)	\$ 73,583	\$ 46,929	\$ 858	\$ 46,071
Consolidated SLST	6,753	(9,325)	16,078	7,259	(19,354)	26,613
CDOs at fair value	(19,533)	—	(19,533)	(18,032)	—	(18,032)
Senior unsecured notes at fair value	(900)	—	(900)	(900)	—	(900)
Preferred equity and mezzanine loan investments	213	(17)	230	(4,581)	949	(5,530)
Investment securities	58,251	(30,535)	88,786	10,371	(38,191)	48,562
<b>Total unrealized gains (losses), net</b>	<b>\$ 96,949</b>	<b>\$ (61,295)</b>	<b>\$ 158,244</b>	<b>\$ 41,046</b>	<b>\$ (55,738)</b>	<b>\$ 96,784</b>

The Company recognized net unrealized gains for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, primarily due to improved pricing on our credit assets and Agency RMBS as a result of a decrease in interest rates. The unrealized gains were partially offset by unrealized losses recognized on CDOs and senior unsecured notes reported at fair value due to the same movement in interest rates.

The Company recognized net unrealized losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, primarily due to decreased pricing on our first loss subordinated securities that we own in Consolidated SLST and Agency RMBS as a result of an increase in interest rates.

*(Losses) Gains on Derivative Instruments, Net*

The following table presents the components of (losses) gains on derivative investments, net for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Unrealized (losses) gains on derivative instruments	\$ (56,282)	\$ 20,555	\$ (76,837)	\$ (5,739)	\$ 34,553	\$ (40,292)
Realized (losses) gains on derivative instruments	(4,358)	438	(4,796)	9,781	3,651	6,130
<b>Total (losses) gains on derivative instruments, net</b>	<b>\$ (60,640)</b>	<b>\$ 20,993</b>	<b>\$ (81,633)</b>	<b>\$ 4,042</b>	<b>\$ 38,204</b>	<b>\$ (34,162)</b>

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized unrealized losses on derivative investments primarily due to decreases in interest rates which resulted in lower valuations of our interest rate swaps. The Company also recognized realized losses on the settlement of U.S. Treasury futures and interest rate swaps. The Company recognized net gains on derivative instruments during the three months ended September 30, 2023 primarily as a result of increases in interest rates which resulted in higher valuations of our interest rate swaps.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized net realized gains on derivative instruments, primarily due to the settlement of interest rate swaps. These gains were partially offset by net unrealized losses on derivative instruments due to decreases in interest rates in the third quarter of 2024, which resulted in lower valuations of our interest rate swaps. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company recognized net gains on derivative instruments, primarily as a result of increases in interest rates which resulted in higher valuations and unrealized gains on our interest rate swaps.

*Income from Equity Investments*

The following table presents the components of income from equity investments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Preferred return on preferred equity investments accounted for as equity	\$ 3,401	\$ 4,484	\$ (1,083)	\$ 10,440	\$ 14,823	\$ (4,383)
Unrealized (losses) gains on preferred equity investments accounted for as equity	(4,537)	194	(4,731)	(5,230)	837	(6,067)
Loss from unconsolidated joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties	(421)	(2,622)	2,201	(4,485)	(3,937)	(548)
Income (loss) from entity that originates residential loans	7,611	—	7,611	9,301	(2,500)	11,801
<b>Total income from equity investments</b>	<b>\$ 6,054</b>	<b>\$ 2,056</b>	<b>\$ 3,998</b>	<b>\$ 10,026</b>	<b>\$ 9,223</b>	<b>\$ 803</b>

Income from equity investments increased for the three-month and nine-month periods primarily due to increased profitability of an entity that originates residential loans. The increase was partially offset by unrealized losses recognized on a preferred equity investment accounted for as equity due to property performance and decreases in preferred return on preferred equity investments accounted for as equity in the current period as a result of redemptions that have occurred since September 30, 2023.

Income from equity investments increased during the nine months ended September 30, 2024, primarily due to increased income from an entity that originates residential loans. The increase in total income from equity investments in the nine-month periods was partially offset by 1) decreases in preferred return on preferred equity investments accounted for as equity as a result of redemptions that have occurred since September 30, 2023 and 2) unrealized losses recognized on preferred equity investments accounted for as equity and unconsolidated joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties as a result of property performance and wider cap rates during the current period.

*Impairment of Real Estate*

The following table presents impairment of real estate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Impairment of real estate	\$ (7,823)	\$ (44,157)	\$ 36,334	\$ (48,142)	\$ (71,296)	\$ 23,154

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, we recognized impairment losses on certain multi-family real estate assets due to lower valuations driven by a decrease in net operating income estimates and wider cap rates. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, we also recognized impairment losses on certain single-family rental properties transferred to held for sale as a result of the remeasurement of those assets to estimated fair value less costs to sell.

The decrease in impairment of real estate for the three-month and nine-month periods can be attributed to slowing cap rate widening as compared to prior periods as well as the sale or de-consolidation of certain multi-family real estate assets since September 30, 2023.

*Loss on Reclassification of Disposal Group*

The following table presents loss on reclassification of disposal group for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Loss on reclassification of disposal group	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (14,636)	\$ —	\$ (14,636)

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, no joint venture equity investments were reclassified from disposal group held for sale.

One joint venture equity investment was reclassified from disposal group held for sale during the nine months ended September 30, 2024. As a result of this transfer, we adjusted the carrying value of the long-lived assets in the Consolidated Real Estate VIE to the lower of the carrying amount before the assets were classified as held for sale adjusted for depreciation and amortization expense that would have been recognized had the assets been continuously classified as held and used and the fair value of the assets at the date of the transfer and recognized an approximately \$14.6 million loss on reclassification of disposal group during the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

### Other Income

The following table presents the components of other income (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Gain on sale of real estate	\$ 17,903	\$ —	\$ 17,903	\$ 18,164	\$ 1,879	\$ 16,285
Gain on de-consolidation of joint venture equity investment in Consolidated VIEs	3,393	—	3,393	3,703	—	3,703
Preferred equity and mezzanine loan premiums resulting from early redemption	28	128	(100)	127	315	(188)
Loss on extinguishment of collateralized debt obligations and mortgages payable on real estate	(1,699)	—	(1,699)	(2,391)	(693)	(1,698)
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable	—	—	—	(3,207)	—	(3,207)
Miscellaneous income	90	11	79	145	211	(66)
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>\$ 19,715</b>	<b>\$ 139</b>	<b>\$ 19,576</b>	<b>\$ 16,541</b>	<b>\$ 1,712</b>	<b>\$ 14,829</b>

The net increase in other income during the three- and nine- month periods is primarily due to gains recognized on the sales of certain multi-family properties in consolidated joint venture equity investments and sale of our membership interests in consolidated joint venture equity investments during the quarter ended September 30, 2024.

### Expenses

The following tables present the components of general and administrative expenses, portfolio operating expenses, and debt issuance costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
<b>General and Administrative Expenses</b>						
Salaries, benefits and directors' compensation	\$ 8,736	\$ 8,649	\$ 87	\$ 26,340	\$ 27,836	\$ (1,496)
Professional fees	1,212	1,175	37	4,327	3,854	473
Other	1,993	2,002	(9)	5,976	6,134	(158)
<b>Total general and administrative expenses</b>	<b>\$ 11,941</b>	<b>\$ 11,826</b>	<b>\$ 115</b>	<b>\$ 36,643</b>	<b>\$ 37,824</b>	<b>\$ (1,181)</b>

The decrease in general and administrative expenses in the nine-month periods is primarily related to decreases in salary and stock compensation expenses.

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Portfolio operating expenses	\$ 8,531	\$ 5,161	\$ 3,370	\$ 23,672	\$ 17,882	\$ 5,790

The increase in portfolio operating expenses in the three- and nine- month periods is primarily related to an increase in expenses related to management of the business purpose loan portfolio and increased due diligence expenses related to loan purchases, partially offset by a decrease in residential loan servicing fees.

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
Securitization transaction costs	\$ 2,354	\$ —	\$ 2,354	\$ 7,972	\$ —	\$ 7,972
Senior unsecured notes transaction costs	—	—	—	2,480	—	2,480
Total debt issuance costs	\$ 2,354	\$ —	\$ 2,354	\$ 10,452	\$ —	\$ 10,452

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, we recognized debt issuance costs related to residential loan securitization and non-Agency RMBS re-securitization CDOs that were expensed as incurred as a result of the fair value option election. Additionally, during the nine months ended September 30, 2024, we recognized debt issuance costs related to senior unsecured notes issued by the Company that were expensed as incurred as a result of the fair value option election.

### Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The main components of comprehensive income (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, are detailed in the following table (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2024	2023	\$ Change	2024	2023	\$ Change
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMPANY'S COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ 32,410	\$ (94,819)	\$ 127,229	\$ (61,957)	\$ (121,500)	\$ 59,543
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME						
Decrease (increase) in fair value of available for sale securities						
Non-Agency RMBS	—	(65)	65	—	143	(143)
Total	—	(65)	65	—	143	(143)
Reclassification adjustment for net loss included in net loss	—	—	—	4	—	4
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME	—	(65)	65	4	143	(139)
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMPANY'S COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ 32,410	\$ (94,884)	\$ 127,294	\$ (61,953)	\$ (121,357)	\$ 59,404

Beginning in the fourth quarter of 2019, the Company's newly purchased investment securities are presented at fair value as a result of a fair value election made at the time of acquisition pursuant to ASC 825, *Financial Instruments* ("ASC 825"). The fair value option was elected for these investment securities to provide stockholders and others who rely on our financial statements with a more complete and accurate understanding of our economic performance. Changes in the market values of investment securities where the Company elected the fair value option are reflected in earnings instead of in OCI. As of September 30, 2024, all of the Company's investment securities are accounted for using the fair value option.

**Analysis of Changes in GAAP Book Value**

The following table analyzes the changes in GAAP book value of our common stock for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2024			Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024		
	Amount	Shares	Per Share <sup>(1)</sup>	Amount	Shares	Per Share <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$ 877,800	90,592	\$ 9.69	\$ 1,025,502	90,675	\$ 11.31
Common stock issuance, net <sup>(2)</sup>	2,435	(13)		3,501	491	
Common stock repurchases	—	—		(3,493)	(587)	
Balance after share activity	880,235	90,579	9.72	1,025,510	90,579	11.32
Adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value	(4,230)		(0.05)	(18,221)		(0.20)
Dividends and dividend equivalents declared	(18,378)		(0.20)	(55,299)		(0.61)
Net change in accumulated other comprehensive loss:						
Investment securities available for sale <sup>(3)</sup>	—		—	4		—
Net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders	32,410		0.36	(61,957)		(0.68)
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<u>\$ 890,037</u>	<u>90,579</u>	<u>\$ 9.83</u>	<u>\$ 890,037</u>	<u>90,579</u>	<u>\$ 9.83</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Outstanding shares used to calculate book value per common share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 are 90,579,449.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes amortization of stock based compensation.

<sup>(3)</sup> The net increase relates to the reclassification of unrealized loss to net loss during the period.

## Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to the results presented in accordance with GAAP, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes certain non-GAAP financial measures, including adjusted interest income, adjusted interest expense, adjusted net interest income (loss), yield on average interest earning assets, average financing cost, net interest spread, undepreciated earnings (loss) and adjusted book value per common share. Our management team believes that these non-GAAP financial measures, when considered with our GAAP financial statements, provide supplemental information useful for investors as it enables them to evaluate our current performance and trends using the metrics that management uses to operate our business. Our presentation of non-GAAP financial measures may not be comparable to similarly-titled measures of other companies, who may use different calculations. Because these measures are not calculated in accordance with GAAP, they should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, the financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. Our GAAP financial results and the reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to the most directly comparable financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP should be carefully evaluated.

### *Adjusted Net Interest Income (Loss) and Net Interest Spread*

Financial results for the Company during a given period include the net interest income earned on our investment portfolio of residential loans, investment securities and preferred equity investments and mezzanine loans, where the risks and payment characteristics are equivalent to and accounted for as loans (collectively, our "interest earning assets"). Adjusted net interest income (loss) and net interest spread (both supplemental non-GAAP financial measures) are impacted by factors such as our cost of financing, including our hedging costs, and the interest rate that our investments bear. Furthermore, the amount of premium or discount paid on purchased investments and the prepayment rates on investments will impact adjusted net interest income (loss) as such factors will be amortized over the expected term of such investments.

We provide the following non-GAAP financial measures, in total and by investment category, for the respective periods:

- adjusted interest income – calculated as our GAAP interest income reduced by the interest expense recognized on Consolidated SLST CDOs,
- adjusted interest expense – calculated as our GAAP interest expense reduced by the interest expense recognized on Consolidated SLST CDOs and adjusted to include the net interest component of interest rate swaps,
- adjusted net interest income (loss) – calculated by subtracting adjusted interest expense from adjusted interest income,
- yield on average interest earning assets – calculated as the quotient of our adjusted interest income and our average interest earning assets and excludes all Consolidated SLST assets other than those securities owned by the Company,
- average financing cost – calculated as the quotient of our adjusted interest expense and the average outstanding balance of our interest bearing liabilities, excluding Consolidated SLST CDOs and mortgages payable on real estate, and
- net interest spread – calculated as the difference between our yield on average interest earning assets and our average financing cost.

These measures remove the impact of Consolidated SLST that we consolidate in accordance with GAAP and include the net interest component of interest rate swaps utilized to hedge the variable cash flows associated with our variable-rate borrowings, which is included in (losses) gains on derivative instruments, net in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations. With respect to Consolidated SLST, we only include the interest income earned by the Consolidated SLST securities that are actually owned by the Company as the Company only receives income or absorbs losses related to the Consolidated SLST securities actually owned by the Company. We include the net interest component of interest rate swaps in these measures to more fully represent the cost of our financing strategy.

We provide the non-GAAP financial measures listed above because we believe these non-GAAP financial measures provide investors and management with additional detail and enhance their understanding of our interest earning asset yields, in total and by investment category, relative to the cost of our financing and the underlying trends within our portfolio of interest earning assets. In addition to the foregoing, our management team uses these measures to assess, among other things, the performance of our interest earning assets in total and by asset, possible cash flows from our interest earning assets in total and by asset, our ability to finance or borrow against the asset and the terms of such financing and the composition of our portfolio of interest earning assets, including acquisition and disposition determinations.

The following tables set forth certain information about our interest earning assets by category and their related adjusted interest income, adjusted interest expense, adjusted net interest income (loss), yield on average interest earning assets, average financing cost and net interest spread for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

**Three Months Ended September 30, 2024**

	Single-Family <sup>(8)</sup>	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
Adjusted Interest Income <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	\$ 97,233	\$ 2,699	\$ 1,054	\$ 100,986
Adjusted Interest Expense <sup>(1)</sup>	(66,297)	—	(5,999)	(72,296)
Adjusted Net Interest Income (Loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 30,936</u>	<u>\$ 2,699</u>	<u>\$ (4,945)</u>	<u>\$ 28,690</u>
Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 5,841,444	\$ 91,164	\$ 103,275	\$ 6,035,883
Average Interest Bearing Liabilities <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 4,976,522	\$ —	\$ 379,590	\$ 5,356,112
Yield on Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(1) (5)</sup>	6.66 %	11.84 %	4.08 %	6.69 %
Average Financing Cost <sup>(1) (6)</sup>	(5.30)%	—	(6.29) %	(5.37)%
Net Interest Spread <sup>(1) (7)</sup>	<u>1.36 %</u>	<u>11.84 %</u>	<u>(2.21) %</u>	<u>1.32 %</u>

**Three Months Ended September 30, 2023**

	Single-Family <sup>(8)</sup>	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
Adjusted Interest Income <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	\$ 55,389	\$ 3,849	\$ —	\$ 59,238
Adjusted Interest Expense <sup>(1)</sup>	(35,150)	—	(3,433)	(38,583)
Adjusted Net Interest Income (Loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 20,239</u>	<u>\$ 3,849</u>	<u>\$ (3,433)</u>	<u>\$ 20,655</u>
Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 3,801,646	\$ 127,909	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,930,555
Average Interest Bearing Liabilities <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 2,764,496	\$ —	\$ 221,534	\$ 2,986,030
Yield on Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(1) (5)</sup>	5.83 %	11.94 %	—	6.03 %
Average Financing Cost <sup>(1) (6)</sup>	(5.04)%	—	(6.15) %	(5.13)%
Net Interest Spread <sup>(1) (7)</sup>	<u>0.79 %</u>	<u>11.94 %</u>	<u>(6.15) %</u>	<u>0.90 %</u>

**Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024**

	Single-Family <sup>(8)</sup>	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
Adjusted Interest Income <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	\$ 253,966	\$ 8,072	\$ 1,061	\$ 263,099
Adjusted Interest Expense <sup>(1)</sup>	(168,109)	—	(12,771)	(180,880)
Adjusted Net Interest Income (Loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 85,857</u>	<u>\$ 8,072</u>	<u>\$ (11,710)</u>	<u>\$ 82,219</u>
Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 5,248,626	\$ 94,306	\$ 34,425	\$ 5,377,357
Average Interest Bearing Liabilities <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 4,368,101	\$ —	\$ 273,195	\$ 4,641,296
Yield on Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(1) (5)</sup>	6.45 %	11.41 %	4.11 %	6.52 %
Average Financing Cost <sup>(1) (6)</sup>	(5.14)%	—	(6.24) %	(5.21)%
Net Interest Spread <sup>(1) (7)</sup>	<u>1.31 %</u>	<u>11.41 %</u>	<u>(2.13) %</u>	<u>1.31 %</u>

**Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023**

	Single-Family <sup>(8)</sup>	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
Adjusted Interest Income <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	\$ 150,535	\$ 11,036	\$ 62	\$ 161,633
Adjusted Interest Expense <sup>(1)</sup>	(97,224)	—	(9,287)	(106,511)
Adjusted Net Interest Income (Loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 53,311</u>	<u>\$ 11,036</u>	<u>\$ (9,225)</u>	<u>\$ 55,122</u>
Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 3,399,554	\$ 127,746	\$ 1,352	\$ 3,528,652
Average Interest Bearing Liabilities <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 2,406,727	\$ —	\$ 190,736	\$ 2,597,463
Yield on Average Interest Earning Assets <sup>(1) (5)</sup>	5.90 %	11.52 %	6.12 %	6.11 %
Average Financing Cost <sup>(1) (6)</sup>	(5.40)%	—	(6.51) %	(5.48)%
Net Interest Spread <sup>(1) (7)</sup>	<u>0.50 %</u>	<u>11.52 %</u>	<u>(0.39) %</u>	<u>0.63 %</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents a non-GAAP financial measure.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes interest income earned on cash accounts held by the Company.

<sup>(3)</sup> Average Interest Earning Assets for the respective periods include residential loans, multi-family loans and investment securities and exclude all Consolidated SLST assets other than those securities owned by the Company. Average Interest Earning Assets is calculated based on the daily average amortized cost for the respective periods.

<sup>(4)</sup> Average Interest Bearing Liabilities for the respective periods include repurchase agreements, residential loan securitization and non-Agency RMBS re-securitization CDOs, senior unsecured notes and subordinated debentures and exclude Consolidated SLST CDOs and mortgages payable on real estate as the Company does not directly incur interest expense on these liabilities that are consolidated for GAAP purposes. Average Interest Bearing Liabilities is calculated based on the daily average outstanding balance for the respective periods.

<sup>(5)</sup> Yield on Average Interest Earning Assets is calculated by dividing our annualized adjusted interest income relating to our portfolio of interest earning assets by our Average Interest Earning Assets for the respective periods.

<sup>(6)</sup> Average Financing Cost is calculated by dividing our annualized adjusted interest expense by our Average Interest Bearing Liabilities.

<sup>(7)</sup> Net Interest Spread is the difference between our Yield on Average Interest Earning Assets and our Average Financing Cost.

<sup>(9)</sup> The Company has determined it is the primary beneficiary of Consolidated SLST and has consolidated Consolidated SLST into the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements. Our GAAP interest income includes interest income recognized on the underlying seasoned re-performing and non-performing residential loans held in Consolidated SLST. Our GAAP interest expense includes interest expense recognized on the Consolidated SLST CDOs that permanently finance the residential loans in Consolidated SLST and are not owned by the Company. We calculate adjusted interest income by reducing our GAAP interest income by the interest expense recognized on the Consolidated SLST CDOs and adjusted interest expense by excluding, among other things, the interest expense recognized on the Consolidated SLST CDOs, thus only including the interest income earned by the SLST securities that are actually owned by the Company in adjusted net interest income.

For the three- and nine- month periods, adjusted interest income increased by approximately \$41.7 million and \$101.5 million, respectively, primarily due to an increase in interest earnings assets driven by increased investment in Agency RMBS since September 30, 2023. Yield on average interest earnings assets also increased, primarily due to an increase in the average coupon rate of our single-family portfolio driven by our continued investment in higher yielding business purpose loans.

Adjusted interest expense increased for the three- and nine- month periods by approximately \$33.7 million and \$74.4 million, respectively, as a result of increased repurchase agreement financing obtained on investment securities. Average financing cost increased for the three-month period primarily due to base interest rate movements. Average financing cost decreased for the nine-month period primarily due to the benefit of our in-the-money interest rate swaps.

A reconciliation of GAAP interest income to adjusted interest income, GAAP interest expense to adjusted interest expense and GAAP total net interest income (loss) to adjusted net interest income (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, is presented below (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,							
	2024				2023			
	Single-Family	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total	Single-Family	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
GAAP interest income	\$ 104,608	\$ 2,699	\$ 1,054	\$ 108,361	\$ 61,346	\$ 3,849	\$ —	\$ 65,195
GAAP interest expense	(81,214)	—	(6,910)	(88,124)	(44,101)	—	(4,305)	(48,406)
GAAP total net interest income (loss)	\$ 23,394	\$ 2,699	\$ (5,856)	\$ 20,237	\$ 17,245	\$ 3,849	\$ (4,305)	\$ 16,789
GAAP interest income	\$ 104,608	\$ 2,699	\$ 1,054	\$ 108,361	\$ 61,346	\$ 3,849	\$ —	\$ 65,195
Adjusted for:								
Consolidated SLST CDO interest expense	(7,375)	—	—	(7,375)	(5,957)	—	—	(5,957)
Adjusted interest income	\$ 97,233	\$ 2,699	\$ 1,054	\$ 100,986	\$ 55,389	\$ 3,849	\$ —	\$ 59,238
GAAP interest expense	\$ (81,214)	\$ —	\$ (6,910)	\$ (88,124)	\$ (44,101)	\$ —	\$ (4,305)	\$ (48,406)
Adjusted for:								
Consolidated SLST CDO interest expense	7,375	—	—	7,375	5,957	—	—	5,957
Net interest benefit of interest rate swaps	7,542	—	911	8,453	2,994	—	872	3,866
Adjusted interest expense	\$ (66,297)	\$ —	\$ (5,999)	\$ (72,296)	\$ (35,150)	\$ —	\$ (3,433)	\$ (38,583)
Adjusted net interest income (loss)	\$ 30,936	\$ 2,699	\$ (4,945)	\$ 28,690	\$ 20,239	\$ 3,849	\$ (3,433)	\$ 20,655

<sup>(1)</sup>

**Nine Months Ended September 30,**

	2024				2023			
	Single-Family	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total	Single-Family	Multi-Family	Corporate/Other	Total
GAAP interest income	\$ 273,894	\$ 8,072	\$ 1,061	\$ 283,027	\$ 168,773	\$ 11,036	\$ 62	\$ 179,871
GAAP interest expense	(210,387)	—	(15,496)	(225,883)	(119,402)	—	(10,743)	(130,145)
GAAP total net interest income (loss)	<u>\$ 63,507</u>	<u>\$ 8,072</u>	<u>\$ (14,435)</u>	<u>\$ 57,144</u>	<u>\$ 49,371</u>	<u>\$ 11,036</u>	<u>\$ (10,681)</u>	<u>\$ 49,726</u>
GAAP interest income	\$ 273,894	\$ 8,072	\$ 1,061	\$ 283,027	\$ 168,773	\$ 11,036	\$ 62	\$ 179,871
Adjusted for:								
Consolidated SLST CDO interest expense	(19,928)	—	—	(19,928)	(18,238)	—	—	(18,238)
Adjusted interest income	<u>\$ 253,966</u>	<u>\$ 8,072</u>	<u>\$ 1,061</u>	<u>\$ 263,099</u>	<u>\$ 150,535</u>	<u>\$ 11,036</u>	<u>\$ 62</u>	<u>\$ 161,633</u>
GAAP interest expense	\$ (210,387)	\$ —	\$ (15,496)	\$ (225,883)	\$ (119,402)	\$ —	\$ (10,743)	\$ (130,145)
Adjusted for:								
Consolidated SLST CDO interest expense	19,928	—	—	19,928	18,238	—	—	18,238
Net interest benefit of interest rate swaps	22,350	—	2,725	25,075	3,940	—	1,456	5,396
Adjusted interest expense	<u>\$ (168,109)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (12,771)</u>	<u>\$ (180,880)</u>	<u>\$ (97,224)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (9,287)</u>	<u>\$ (106,511)</u>
Adjusted net interest income (loss) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ 85,857</u>	<u>\$ 8,072</u>	<u>\$ (11,710)</u>	<u>\$ 82,219</u>	<u>\$ 53,311</u>	<u>\$ 11,036</u>	<u>\$ (9,225)</u>	<u>\$ 55,122</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjusted net interest income (loss) is calculated by subtracting adjusted interest expense from adjusted interest income.

*Undepreciated Earnings (Loss)*

Undepreciated earnings (loss) is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure defined as GAAP net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders excluding the Company's share in depreciation expense and lease intangible amortization expense, if any, related to operating real estate, net for which an impairment has not been recognized. By excluding these non-cash adjustments from our operating results, we believe that the presentation of undepreciated earnings (loss) provides a consistent measure of our operating performance and useful information to investors to evaluate the effective net return on our portfolio. In addition, we believe that presenting undepreciated earnings (loss) enables our investors to measure, evaluate, and compare our operating performance to that of our peers.

A reconciliation of net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders to undepreciated earnings (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, is presented below (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Net income (loss) attributable to Company's common stockholders	\$ 32,410	\$ (94,819)	\$ (61,957)	\$ (121,500)
Add:				
Depreciation expense on operating real estate	2,531	2,182	7,585	6,482
Undepreciated earnings (loss)	<u>\$ 34,941</u>	<u>\$ (92,637)</u>	<u>\$ (54,372)</u>	<u>\$ (115,018)</u>
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic	90,582	90,984	90,895	91,163
Undepreciated earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 0.39	\$ (1.02)	\$ (0.60)	\$ (1.26)

*Adjusted Book Value Per Common Share*

Adjusted book value per common share is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure calculated by making the following adjustments to GAAP book value: (i) exclude the Company's share of cumulative depreciation and lease intangible amortization expenses related to real estate held at the end of the period for which an impairment has not been recognized, (ii) exclude the cumulative adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interests to estimated redemption value and (iii) adjust our amortized cost liabilities that finance our investment portfolio to fair value.

Our rental property portfolio includes fee simple interests in single-family rental homes and joint venture equity interests in multi-family properties owned by Consolidated Real Estate VIEs. By excluding our share of cumulative non-cash depreciation and amortization expenses related to real estate held at the end of the period for which an impairment has not been recognized, adjusted book value reflects the value, at their undepreciated basis, of our single-family rental properties and joint venture equity investments that the Company has determined to be recoverable at the end of the period.

Additionally, in connection with third party ownership of certain of the non-controlling interests in certain of the Consolidated Real Estate VIEs, we record redeemable non-controlling interests as mezzanine equity on our condensed consolidated balance sheets. The holders of the redeemable non-controlling interests may elect to sell their ownership interests to us at fair value once a year, subject to annual minimum and maximum amount limitations, resulting in an adjustment of the redeemable non-controlling interests to fair value that is accounted for by us as an equity transaction in accordance with GAAP. A key component of the estimation of fair value of the redeemable non-controlling interests is the estimated fair value of the multi-family apartment properties held by the applicable Consolidated Real Estate VIEs. However, because the corresponding real estate assets are not reported at fair value and thus not adjusted to reflect unrealized gains or losses in our condensed consolidated financial statements, the cumulative adjustment of the redeemable non-controlling interests to fair value directly affects our GAAP book value. By excluding the cumulative adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interests to estimated redemption value, adjusted book value more closely aligns the accounting treatment applied to these real estate assets and reflects our joint venture equity investment at its undepreciated basis.

The substantial majority of our remaining assets are financial or similar instruments that are carried at fair value in accordance with the fair value option in our condensed consolidated financial statements. However, unlike our use of the fair value option for the assets in our investment portfolio, certain CDOs issued by our residential loan securitizations, certain senior unsecured notes and subordinated debentures that finance our investment portfolio assets are carried at amortized cost in our condensed consolidated financial statements. By adjusting these financing instruments to fair value, adjusted book value reflects the Company's net equity in investments on a comparable fair value basis.

We believe that the presentation of adjusted book value per common share provides a useful measure for investors and us as it provides a consistent measure of our value, allows management to effectively consider our financial position and facilitates the comparison of our financial performance to that of our peers.

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A reconciliation of GAAP book value to adjusted book value and calculation of adjusted book value per common share as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, is presented below (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Company's stockholders' equity	\$ 1,444,147	\$ 1,579,612
Preferred stock liquidation preference	(554,110)	(554,110)
GAAP book value	890,037	1,025,502
Add:		
Cumulative depreciation expense on real estate <sup>(1)</sup>	19,180	21,801
Cumulative amortization of lease intangibles related to real estate <sup>(1)</sup>	4,903	14,897
Cumulative adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value	48,282	30,062
Adjustment of amortized cost liabilities to fair value	21,961	55,271
Adjusted book value	<u>\$ 984,363</u>	<u>\$ 1,147,533</u>
Common shares outstanding	90,579	90,675
GAAP book value per common share <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 9.83	\$ 11.31
Adjusted book value per common share <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 10.87	\$ 12.66

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents cumulative adjustments for the Company's share of depreciation expense and amortization of lease intangibles related to real estate held as of the end of the period presented for which an impairment has not been recognized.

<sup>(2)</sup> GAAP book value per common share is calculated using the GAAP book value and the common shares outstanding for the periods indicated.

<sup>(3)</sup> Adjusted book value per common share is calculated using the adjusted book value and the common shares outstanding for the periods indicated.

### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP, which requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates are based, in part, on our judgment and assumptions regarding various economic conditions that we believe are reasonable based on facts and circumstances existing at the time of reporting. We believe that the estimates, judgments and assumptions utilized in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements are prudent and reasonable. Although our estimates contemplate conditions as of September 30, 2024 and how we expect them to change in the future, it is reasonably possible that actual conditions could be different than anticipated in those estimates, which could materially affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities and accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of income, expenses and other comprehensive income (loss) during the periods presented.

Changes in the estimates and assumptions could have a material effect on these consolidated financial statements. Accounting policies and estimates related to specific components of our consolidated financial statements are disclosed in the notes to our consolidated financial statements. There have been no material changes to our critical accounting estimates as previously described under Part II, Item 7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023. For a discussion of our critical accounting estimates and the possible effects of changes in estimates on our consolidated financial statements, please see Part II., Item 7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

A discussion of recent accounting pronouncements and the possible effects on our consolidated financial statements is included in "Note 2 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" included in Part I, Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

**Balance Sheet Analysis**

As of September 30, 2024, we had approximately \$8.9 billion of total assets. Included in this amount is approximately \$1.0 billion of assets held in Consolidated SLST and \$0.8 billion of assets related to Consolidated Real Estate VIEs, both of which we consolidate in accordance with GAAP. As of December 31, 2023, we had approximately \$7.4 billion of total assets. Included in this amount is approximately \$0.8 billion of assets held in Consolidated SLST and \$1.5 billion of assets related to Consolidated Real Estate VIEs, both of which we consolidate in accordance with GAAP. For a reconciliation of our actual interests in Consolidated SLST, see “Portfolio Update” above. For a reconciliation of our investments in Consolidated Real Estate VIEs, see “Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities” below.

**Residential Loans**

The following table presents the Company's residential loans, which include acquired residential loans held by the Company and residential loans held in Consolidated SLST, as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Acquired residential loans	\$ 2,768,561	\$ 2,329,443
Consolidated SLST	1,008,583	754,860
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,777,144</b>	<b>\$ 3,084,303</b>

*Acquired Residential Loans*

The Company's acquired residential loans, including performing, re-performing, and non-performing residential loans and business purpose loans, are presented at fair value on our condensed consolidated balance sheets. Subsequent changes in fair value are reported in current period earnings and presented in unrealized gains (losses), net on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The following tables detail our acquired residential loans by strategy at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024					
	Number of Loans	Unpaid Principal	Fair Value	Weighted Average FICO	Weighted Average LTV <sup>(1)</sup>	Weighted Average Coupon
Re-performing residential loan strategy	3,534	\$ 469,526	\$ 460,815	637	54%	5.2%
Performing residential loan strategy	2,671	615,689	548,786	740	59%	4.2%
Business purpose bridge loan strategy	2,205	1,179,617	1,157,493	742	64%	10.4%
Business purpose rental loan strategy	2,563	603,515	601,467	744	72%	6.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,973</b>	<b>\$ 2,868,347</b>	<b>\$ 2,768,561</b>			

	December 31, 2023					
	Number of Loans	Unpaid Principal	Fair Value	Weighted Average FICO	Weighted Average LTV <sup>(1)</sup>	Weighted Average Coupon
Re-performing residential loan strategy	4,687	\$ 626,316	\$ 601,239	630	60%	5.1%
Performing residential loan strategy	2,803	642,320	548,736	717	62%	4.0%
Business purpose bridge loan strategy	1,720	919,990	896,988	735	65%	9.6%
Business purpose rental loan strategy	1,111	311,663	282,480	749	68%	5.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,321</b>	<b>\$ 2,500,289</b>	<b>\$ 2,329,443</b>			

<sup>(1)</sup> For second mortgages (included in performing residential loan strategy), the Company calculates the combined loan-to-value ("LTV"). For business purpose bridge loans, the Company calculates LTV as the ratio of the maximum unpaid principal balance of the loan, including unfunded commitments, to the estimated "after repaired" value of the collateral securing the related loan.

*Characteristics of Our Acquired Residential Loans:*

<b>Loan to Value at Purchase <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
50% or less	9.6 %	13.6 %
>50% - 60%	10.5 %	10.9 %
>60% - 70%	22.3 %	22.4 %
>70% - 80%	35.9 %	29.5 %
>80% - 90%	12.6 %	11.8 %
>90% - 100%	4.8 %	6.0 %
>100%	4.3 %	5.8 %
Total	100.0 %	100.0 %

<sup>(1)</sup> For second mortgages, the Company calculates the combined LTV. For business purpose bridge loans, the Company calculates LTV as the ratio of the maximum unpaid principal balance of the loan, including unfunded commitments, to the estimated "after repaired" value of the collateral securing the related loan.

<b>FICO Scores at Purchase</b>	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
550 or less	6.0 %	9.1 %
551 to 600	5.2 %	7.9 %
601 to 650	5.7 %	8.3 %
651 to 700	15.2 %	15.6 %
701 to 750	26.4 %	24.0 %
751 to 800	33.4 %	28.0 %
801 and over	8.1 %	7.1 %
Total	100.0 %	100.0 %

<b>Current Coupon</b>	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
3.00% or less	5.8 %	7.6 %
3.01% - 4.00%	12.6 %	16.5 %
4.01% - 5.00%	15.3 %	20.9 %
5.01% - 6.00%	6.4 %	9.3 %
6.01% - 7.00%	5.1 %	7.2 %
7.01% - 8.00%	9.4 %	8.1 %
8.01% and over	45.4 %	30.4 %
Total	100.0 %	100.0 %

<b>Delinquency Status</b>	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Current	91.0 %	88.0 %
31 – 60 days	1.6 %	2.2 %
61 – 90 days	0.9 %	1.0 %
90+ days	6.5 %	8.8 %
Total	100.0 %	100.0 %

Origination Year	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
2007 or earlier	14.8 %	22.4 %
2008 - 2016	3.0 %	4.4 %
2017 - 2020	12.2 %	15.7 %
2021	12.1 %	19.3 %
2022	13.0 %	21.4 %
2023	11.4 %	16.8 %
2024	33.5 %	— %
Total	100.0 %	100.0 %

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company had an investment in an entity that originates residential loans. The Company purchased \$30.2 million and \$137.6 million of residential loans from the entity during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, respectively, and \$15.3 million and \$55.2 million of residential loans from the entity during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

#### *Consolidated SLST*

The Company owns first loss subordinated securities and certain IOs issued by Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitizations. In accordance with GAAP, the Company has consolidated the underlying seasoned re-performing and non-performing residential loans of the securitizations and the CDOs issued to permanently finance these residential loans, representing Consolidated SLST.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company invested in subordinated securities issued by a Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitization, resulting in the initial consolidation of \$285.1 million of residential loans and \$275.2 million of CDOs in the VIE. Our investment in Consolidated SLST as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 was limited to the RMBS comprised of first loss subordinated securities and certain IOs issued by the respective securitizations with an aggregate net carrying value of \$157.5 million and \$157.2 million, respectively. For more information on investment securities held by the Company within Consolidated SLST, refer to the "Investment Securities" section below.

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The following table details the loan characteristics of the underlying residential loans that back our first loss subordinated securities issued by Consolidated SLST as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands, except current average loan size):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Current fair value	\$ 1,008,583	\$ 754,860
Current unpaid principal balance	\$ 1,133,826	\$ 892,546
Number of loans	7,373	5,813
Current average loan size	\$ 153,781	\$ 153,543
Weighted average original loan term (in months) at purchase	347	352
Weighted average LTV at purchase	62 %	68 %
Weighted average credit score at purchase	769	701
<b>Current Coupon:</b>		
3.00% or less	5.1 %	2.5 %
3.01% – 4.00%	35.6 %	38.5 %
4.01% – 5.00%	40.5 %	39.5 %
5.01% – 6.00%	11.1 %	11.8 %
6.01% and over	7.7 %	7.7 %
<b>Delinquency Status:</b>		
Current	69.6 %	72.6 %
31 - 60	13.9 %	12.9 %
61 - 90	6.2 %	5.0 %
90+	10.3 %	9.5 %
<b>Origination Year:</b>		
2005 or earlier	27.4 %	31.1 %
2006	14.4 %	15.7 %
2007	19.8 %	21.5 %
2008 or later	38.4 %	31.7 %
<b>Geographic state concentration (greater than 5.0%):</b>		
California	11.6 %	10.7 %
New York	10.7 %	10.0 %
Florida	9.1 %	10.3 %
New Jersey	6.7 %	7.6 %
Illinois	6.4 %	7.2 %

**Residential Loans, Real Estate Owned and Single-Family Rental Property Financing**

*Repurchase Agreements*

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had repurchase agreements with six third-party financial institutions to finance residential loans, real estate owned and single-family rental properties. As of September 30, 2024, the Company's only repurchase agreement exposure where the amount of collateral at risk was in excess of 5% of the Company's stockholders' equity was to Atlas SP at 6.84%. The amount at risk is defined as the fair value of assets pledged as collateral to the financing arrangement in excess of the financing arrangement liability.

The following table presents detailed information about these repurchase agreements and associated assets pledged as collateral at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>Maximum Aggregate Uncommitted Principal Amount</b>	<b>Outstanding Repurchase Agreements <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Net Deferred Finance Costs <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Carrying Value of Repurchase Agreements</b>	<b>Carrying Value of Assets Pledged <sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>Weighted Average Rate</b>	<b>Weighted Average Months to Maturity <sup>(4)</sup></b>
September 30, 2024	\$ 2,775,000	\$ 566,621	\$ (1,103)	\$ 565,518	\$ 750,346	7.19 %	6.39
December 31, 2023	\$ 2,225,000	\$ 611,055	\$ (2,005)	\$ 609,050	\$ 805,082	7.87 %	13.89

(1) Includes non-mark-to-market repurchase agreements with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$39.8 million, a weighted average rate of 7.95%, and weighted average months to maturity of 6 months as of September 30, 2024. Includes non-mark-to-market repurchase agreements with an aggregate outstanding balance of \$179.1 million, a weighted average rate of 8.19%, and weighted average months to maturity of 14 months as of December 31, 2023.

(2) Costs related to the repurchase agreements which include commitment, underwriting, legal, accounting and other fees are reflected as deferred charges. Such costs are presented as a deduction from the corresponding debt liability on the Company's accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets and are amortized as an adjustment to interest expense using the effective interest method, or straight line-method, if the result is not materially different.

(3) Includes residential loans and real estate owned with an aggregate carrying value of \$610.5 million and single-family rental properties with a net carrying value of \$139.9 million as of September 30, 2024. Includes residential loans with an aggregate fair value of \$658.3 million and single-family rental properties with a net carrying value of \$146.7 million as of December 31, 2023.

(4) The Company expects to roll outstanding amounts under these repurchase agreements into new repurchase agreements or other financings, or to repay outstanding amounts, prior to or at maturity.

The following table details the quarterly average balance, ending balance and maximum balance at any month-end during each quarter in 2024, 2023 and 2022 for our repurchase agreements secured by residential loans and single-family rental properties (dollar amounts in thousands):

<b>Quarter Ended</b>	<b>Quarterly Average Balance</b>	<b>End of Quarter Balance</b>	<b>Maximum Balance at any Month-End</b>
September 30, 2024	\$ 656,976	\$ 566,621	\$ 812,828
June 30, 2024	521,269	505,542	576,119
March 31, 2024	437,826	456,038	456,038
December 31, 2023	559,118	611,055	611,055
September 30, 2023	469,393	505,477	505,477
June 30, 2023	524,264	481,947	579,475
March 31, 2023	579,271	562,371	609,885
December 31, 2022	833,517	688,487	1,076,747
September 30, 2022	1,324,819	1,163,408	1,554,993
June 30, 2022	1,386,714	1,566,926	1,566,926
March 31, 2022	682,867	783,168	783,168

*Collateralized Debt Obligations*

Included in our portfolio are residential loans that are pledged as collateral for CDOs issued by the Company or by Consolidated SLST. The Company had a net investment in Consolidated SLST and other residential loan securitizations of \$158.8 million and \$296.2 million, respectively, as of September 30, 2024. As of December 31, 2023, the Company had a net investment in Consolidated SLST and other residential loan securitizations of \$158.4 million and \$315.2 million, respectively.

The following tables present a summary of Consolidated SLST CDOs and CDOs issued by the Company's residential loan securitizations as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>September 30, 2024</b>			
	<b>Outstanding Face Amount</b>	<b>Carrying Value</b>	<b>Weighted Average Interest Rate <sup>(1)(2)</sup></b>	<b>Stated Maturity <sup>(3)</sup></b>
Consolidated SLST <sup>(4) (5)</sup>	\$ 884,509	\$ 845,811	3.64 %	2059 - 2064
Residential loan securitizations at fair value <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 994,220	\$ 981,779	5.72 %	2029 - 2068
Residential loan securitizations at amortized cost, net	\$ 912,260	\$ 902,038	4.34 %	2027 - 2062

	<b>December 31, 2023</b>			
	<b>Outstanding Face Amount</b>	<b>Carrying Value</b>	<b>Weighted Average Interest Rate <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Stated Maturity <sup>(3)</sup></b>
Consolidated SLST <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 652,933	\$ 593,737	2.75 %	2059
Residential loan securitizations at amortized cost, net	\$ 1,292,015	\$ 1,276,780	4.00 %	2026 - 2062

<sup>(1)</sup> Weighted average interest rate is calculated using the outstanding face amount and stated interest rate of notes issued by the securitization and not owned by the Company.

<sup>(2)</sup> Certain of the Company's CDOs contain interest rate step-up features whereby the interest rate increases if the outstanding notes are not redeemed by expected redemption dates, as defined in the respective governing documents. The following table presents a summary of CDO interest rate step-up features as of September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands):

<b>Outstanding Balance</b>	<b>Step-Up</b>	<b>Step-Up Date</b>	<b>Additional Step-Up</b>	<b>Additional Step-Up Date</b>
\$ 194,836	3.00%	July 2025	1.00%	July 2026
\$ 1,149,882	1.00%, 1.50% or 2.00%	January 2025 - March 2027	N/A	N/A

<sup>(3)</sup> The actual maturity of the Company's CDOs are primarily determined by the rate of principal prepayments on the assets of the issuing entity. The CDOs are also subject to redemption prior to the stated maturity according to the terms of the respective governing documents. As a result, the actual maturity of the CDOs may occur earlier than the stated maturity.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Company has elected the fair value option for CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST and residential loan securitizations completed after January 1, 2024 (see Note 16). See Note 7 for unrealized gains or losses recognized on CDOs issued by Consolidated SLST. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized \$18.8 million and \$17.3 million in net unrealized losses, respectively, on residential loan securitizations at fair value, which are included in unrealized gains (losses), net on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

<sup>(5)</sup> During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company invested in subordinated securities issued by a Freddie Mac-sponsored residential loan securitization, resulting in the initial consolidation of \$285.1 million of residential loans and \$275.2 million of CDOs in the VIE.

**Investment Securities**

At September 30, 2024, our investment securities portfolio included Agency RMBS, non-Agency RMBS and U.S. Treasury securities, which are classified as investment securities available for sale. Our investment securities also include first loss subordinated securities and certain IOs issued by Consolidated SLST. At September 30, 2024, we had no investment securities in a single issuer or entity that had an aggregate book value in excess of 5% of our total assets. The increase in the carrying value of our investment securities as of September 30, 2024 as compared to December 31, 2023 is primarily due to purchases of Agency RMBS, non-Agency RMBS and U.S. Treasury securities and an increase in the fair value of a number of our investment securities during the period.

The following tables summarize our investment securities portfolio as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Investment Securities	September 30, 2024							
	Current Par Value	Amortized Cost	Unrealized		Fair Value	Weighted Average		Outstanding Repurchase Agreements
			Gains	Losses		Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Yield <sup>(2)</sup>	
<b>Available for Sale ("AFS")</b>								
Agency RMBS								
Fixed rate	\$ 2,699,210	\$ 2,705,816	\$ 49,119	\$ (215)	\$ 2,754,720	5.86 %	5.76 %	\$ 2,461,995
Adjustable rate	136,998	135,430	2,892	—	138,322	5.47 %	5.51 %	131,752
IO	1,302,584	85,357	2,526	(12,959)	74,924	0.78 %	12.54 %	44,713
Total Agency RMBS	4,138,792	2,926,603	54,537	(13,174)	2,967,966	4.17 %	5.93 %	2,638,460
Non-Agency RMBS								
Senior	40,284	40,284	197	—	40,481	8.07 %	8.03 %	29,105
Subordinated	11,836	11,190	65	(2,836)	8,419	4.07 %	4.72 %	2,940
IO	354,368	13,524	5,792	—	19,316	1.51 %	28.86 %	—
Total Non-Agency RMBS	406,488	64,998	6,054	(2,836)	68,216	1.88 %	14.74 %	32,045
U.S. Treasury securities	344,572	352,829	678	(4,419)	349,088	4.30 %	4.08 %	352,940
Total - AFS	\$ 4,889,852	\$ 3,344,430	\$ 61,269	\$ (20,429)	\$ 3,385,270	3.94 %	6.04 %	\$ 3,023,445
<b>Consolidated SLST</b>								
Non-Agency RMBS								
Subordinated	\$ 247,065	\$ 185,540	\$ 5,146	\$ (47,928)	\$ 142,758	4.57 %	5.14 %	\$ 22,152
IO	132,339	15,442	—	(704)	14,738	3.50 %	8.48 %	—
Total Non-Agency RMBS	379,404	200,982	5,146	(48,632)	157,496	4.18 %	5.41 %	22,152
Total - Consolidated SLST	\$ 379,404	\$ 200,982	\$ 5,146	\$ (48,632)	\$ 157,496	4.18 %	5.41 %	\$ 22,152
Total Investment Securities	\$ 5,269,256	\$ 3,545,412	\$ 66,415	\$ (69,061)	\$ 3,542,766	3.96 %	6.00 %	\$ 3,045,597

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Investment Securities	Current Par Value	Amortized Cost	Unrealized		Fair Value	Weighted Average		Outstanding Repurchase Agreements <sup>(3)</sup>
			Gains	Losses		Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Yield <sup>(2)</sup>	
<b>Available for Sale ("AFS")</b>								
Agency RMBS								
Fixed rate	\$ 1,756,343	\$ 1,761,138	\$ 21,581	\$ (1,829)	\$ 1,780,890	5.74 %	5.64 %	\$ 1,602,695
Adjustable rate	149,052	147,460	1,741	—	149,201	5.48 %	5.35 %	137,084
IO	1,139,828	52,623	6,813	(203)	59,233	0.76 %	14.81 %	31,657
Total Agency RMBS	3,045,223	1,961,221	30,135	(2,032)	1,989,324	4.34 %	5.79 %	1,771,436
Non-Agency RMBS								
Senior	35	35	—	(4)	31	3.65 %	3.60 %	—
Subordinated	8,164	7,526	—	(4,281)	3,245	4.61 %	7.39 %	—
IO	375,563	14,571	6,646	—	21,217	1.63 %	27.42 %	—
Total Non-Agency RMBS	383,762	22,132	6,646	(4,285)	24,493	1.70 %	20.27 %	—
Total - AFS	\$ 3,428,985	\$ 1,983,353	\$ 36,781	\$ (6,317)	\$ 2,013,817	3.64 %	6.20 %	\$ 1,771,436
<b>Consolidated SLST</b>								
Non-Agency RMBS								
Subordinated	\$ 238,017	\$ 189,962	\$ —	\$ (49,684)	\$ 140,278	4.44 %	4.01 %	\$ 55,881
IO	139,914	17,937	—	(1,061)	16,876	3.50 %	7.43 %	—
Total Non-Agency RMBS	377,931	207,899	—	(50,745)	157,154	4.09 %	4.32 %	55,881
Total - Consolidated SLST	\$ 377,931	\$ 207,899	\$ —	\$ (50,745)	\$ 157,154	4.09 %	4.32 %	\$ 55,881
<b>Total Investment Securities</b>	<b>\$ 3,806,916</b>	<b>\$ 2,191,252</b>	<b>\$ 36,781</b>	<b>\$ (57,062)</b>	<b>\$ 2,170,971</b>	<b>3.74 %</b>	<b>5.80 %</b>	<b>\$ 1,827,317</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Our weighted average coupon was calculated by dividing our annualized coupon income by our weighted average current par value for the respective periods.

<sup>(2)</sup> Our weighted average yield was calculated by dividing our annualized interest income by our weighted average amortized cost for the respective periods.

<sup>(3)</sup> Outstanding repurchase agreements as of December 31, 2023 do not include \$34.7 million of repurchase agreement financing for CDOs repurchased from our residential loan securitizations. Repurchased CDOs are eliminated in consolidation in accordance with GAAP.

As of September 30, 2024, Agency RMBS with a fair value of \$33.9 million were pledged as initial margin for outstanding interest rate swaps.

As of September 30, 2024, Consolidated SLST subordinated bonds with a fair value of \$117.4 million were held in a non-Agency RMBS re-securitization (see "Investment Securities Financing—Collateralized Debt Obligations" below).

**Investment Securities Financing**

*Repurchase Agreements*

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had \$3.0 billion outstanding under repurchase agreements with third-party financial institutions to fund a portion of its investment securities available for sale and certain securities owned in Consolidated SLST. These repurchase agreements are short-term financings that bear interest rates typically based on a spread to SOFR and are secured by the investment securities which they finance. Upon entering into a financing transaction, our counterparties negotiate a "haircut", which is the difference expressed in percentage terms between the fair value of the collateral and the amount the counterparty will advance to us. The size of the haircut represents the counterparty's perceived risk associated with holding the investment securities as collateral. The haircut provides counterparties with a cushion for daily market value movements that reduce the need for margin calls or margins to be returned as normal daily changes in investment security market values occur. The Company expects to roll outstanding amounts under its repurchase agreements into new repurchase agreements or other financings, or to repay outstanding amounts, prior to or at maturity.

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had no repurchase agreement exposure where the amount of investment securities at risk was in excess of 5% of the Company's stockholders' equity. As of September 30, 2024, the weighted average interest rate for repurchase agreements secured by investment securities was 5.23%.

The following table details the quarterly average balance, ending balance and maximum balance at any month-end during each quarter in 2024, 2023 and 2022 for our repurchase agreements secured by investment securities (dollar amounts in thousands):

Quarter Ended	Quarterly Average Balance	End of Quarter Balance	Maximum Balance at any Month-End
September 30, 2024	\$ 2,772,203	\$ 3,045,597	\$ 3,045,597
June 30, 2024	2,202,770	2,447,851	2,447,851
March 31, 2024	2,078,041	2,057,361	2,126,993
December 31, 2023	1,851,577	1,862,063	1,870,941
September 30, 2023	1,184,714	1,490,996	1,490,996
June 30, 2023	492,473	664,459	664,459
March 31, 2023	131,174	226,778	226,778
December 31, 2022	50,077	50,077	50,077
September 30, 2022	53,159	53,159	53,159
June 30, 2022	132,712	129,331	138,301
March 31, 2022	116,766	144,852	144,852

*Collateralized Debt Obligations*

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company completed a re-securitization of its investment in certain subordinated securities issued by Consolidated SLST, which we refer to as our non-Agency RMBS re-securitization. The Company engaged in the re-securitization transaction primarily for the purpose of obtaining non-recourse, longer-term financing on a portion of its investment in Consolidated SLST. The Company remains economically exposed to the subordinated positions in the portion of Consolidated SLST transferred to the securitization and continues to consolidate Consolidated SLST.

The following table presents a summary of CDOs issued by our non-Agency RMBS re-securitization as of September 30, 2024:

	September 30, 2024			
	Outstanding Face Amount	Carrying Value	Interest Rate <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Stated Maturity <sup>(3)</sup>
Non-Agency RMBS re-securitization at fair value <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 72,221	\$ 72,638	7.38 %	2064

<sup>(1)</sup> Interest rate is calculated using the outstanding face amount and stated interest rate of notes issued by the securitization and not owned by the Company.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Company's non-Agency RMBS re-securitization CDOs contain an interest rate step-up feature whereby the interest rate increases if the outstanding notes are not redeemed by an expected redemption date, as defined in the governing documents. The following table presents a summary of the interest rate step-up feature as of September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Outstanding Balance	Step-Up	Step-Up Date
\$ 72,221	3.00%	July 2027

<sup>(3)</sup> The actual maturity of the Company's CDOs is primarily determined by the rate of principal prepayments on the assets of the issuing entity. The CDOs are also subject to redemption prior to the stated maturity according to the terms of the governing documents. As a result, the actual maturity of the CDOs may occur earlier than the stated maturity.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Company has elected the fair value option for CDOs issued by its non-Agency RMBS re-securitization ( see Note 16). For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company recognized \$0.7 million in net unrealized losses on its non-Agency RMBS re-securitization, which are included in unrealized gains (losses), net on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

### **Mezzanine Lending**

The Company's Mezzanine Lending strategy may include preferred equity in, and mezzanine loans to, entities that have multi-family real estate assets. A preferred equity investment is an equity investment in the entity that owns the underlying property and mezzanine loans are secured by a pledge of the borrower's equity ownership in the property. We evaluate our Mezzanine Lending investments for accounting treatment as loans versus equity investments. Mezzanine Lending investments for which the characteristics, facts and circumstances indicate that loan accounting treatment is appropriate are included in multi-family loans on our condensed consolidated balance sheets.

Mezzanine Lending investments where the risks and payment characteristics are equivalent to an equity investment are accounted for using the equity method of accounting and are included in equity investments on our condensed consolidated balance sheets. The Company records its equity in earnings or losses from these Mezzanine Lending investments under the hypothetical liquidation of book value method of accounting due to the structures and the preferences it receives on the distributions from these entities pursuant to the respective agreements. Under this method, the Company recognizes income or loss in each period based on the change in liquidation proceeds it would receive from a hypothetical liquidation of its investment.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company reconsidered its evaluation of its variable interest in a VIE that owned a multi-family apartment community and in which the Company holds a preferred equity investment. The Company determined that it gained the power to direct the activities, and became primary beneficiary, of the VIE and consolidated the VIE into its consolidated financial statements.

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, the Company negotiated a short-term maturity extension on one preferred equity investment that included an increase in preferred return rate to a current market rate. During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company reduced the fair value of one defaulted preferred equity investment to zero as a result of developments with respect to the property, its financing and market conditions. This investment represents 1.6% of the total investment amount of the Mezzanine Lending portfolio. Also during the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company evaluated the recoverability of the preferred returns on one preferred equity investment and its preferred equity investment in a Consolidated VIE and ceased further accruals. These investments represent 16.8% of the total investment amount of the Mezzanine Lending portfolio.

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The following tables summarize our Mezzanine Lending portfolio as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

<b>September 30, 2024</b>					
	<b>Count</b>	<b>Fair Value <sup>(1) (2)</sup></b>	<b>Investment Amount <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Weighted Average Preferred Return Rate <sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>Weighted Average Remaining Life (Years)</b>
Preferred equity investments	19	\$ 186,757	\$ 196,967	12.75 %	3.7
Preferred equity investment in Consolidated VIE <sup>(4)</sup>	1	16,267	16,291	13.82 %	7.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>\$ 203,024</b>	<b>\$ 213,258</b>	<b>12.83 %</b>	<b>3.9</b>

<b>December 31, 2023</b>					
	<b>Count</b>	<b>Fair Value <sup>(1) (2)</sup></b>	<b>Investment Amount <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Weighted Average Preferred Return Rate <sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>Weighted Average Remaining Life (Years)</b>
Preferred equity investments	21	\$ 200,034	\$ 200,690	12.40 %	4.2
Preferred equity investment in Consolidated VIE <sup>(4)</sup>	1	11,706	11,732	13.50 %	8.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>\$ 211,740</b>	<b>\$ 212,422</b>	<b>12.46 %</b>	<b>4.4</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Preferred equity investments in the amounts of \$87.6 million and \$95.8 million are included in multi-family loans on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. Preferred equity investments in the amounts of \$99.1 million and \$104.2 million are included in equity investments on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

<sup>(2)</sup> The difference between the fair value and investment amount consists of any unrealized gain or loss.

<sup>(3)</sup> Based upon investment amount and contractual preferred return rate.

<sup>(4)</sup> Represents the Company's preferred equity investment in a Consolidated VIE that owns a multi-family apartment community. A reconciliation of our preferred equity investment in the Consolidated VIE to our condensed consolidated financial statements as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, is shown below (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 623	\$ 1,300
Real estate, net	53,716	54,439
Lease intangible, net <sup>(a)</sup>	—	2,378
Other assets	5,165	4,722
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>59,504</b>	<b>62,839</b>
Mortgage payable on real estate, net	45,118	45,142
Other liabilities	1,628	2,403
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>46,746</b>	<b>47,545</b>
Non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIE	(3,509)	3,588
Preferred equity investment in Consolidated VIE	\$ 16,267	\$ 11,706

<sup>(a)</sup> Included in other assets in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

*Mezzanine Lending Characteristics:*

The following tables present characteristics of our Mezzanine Lending portfolio summarized by geographic concentrations of credit risk exceeding 5% of our total investment amount as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

**September 30, 2024**

State	Count	Investment Amount	% Total	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average LTV <sup>(1)</sup>	Weighted Average DSCR <sup>(2)</sup>
Florida	3	\$ 53,001	24.8 %	13.1 %	82 %	0.76x <sup>(3)</sup>
Texas	6	48,524	22.7 %	12.4 %	84 %	1.09x
Utah	1	23,142	10.9 %	12.0 %	69 %	N/A <sup>(4)</sup>
Arizona	1	19,573	9.2 %	14.0 %	89 %	1.62x
Tennessee	1	15,063	7.1 %	14.0 %	89 %	0.63x <sup>(5)</sup>
Other	8	53,955	25.3 %	12.6 %	83 %	1.28x
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>\$ 213,258</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>12.8 %</b>	<b>82 %</b>	<b>1.14x</b>

**December 31, 2023**

State	Count	Investment Amount	% Total	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average LTV <sup>(1)</sup>	Weighted Average DSCR <sup>(2)</sup>
Florida	4	\$ 55,753	26.3 %	13.0 %	77 %	1.27x
Texas	6	42,854	20.2 %	11.9 %	92 %	1.21x
Utah	1	21,970	10.3 %	12.0 %	68 %	N/A <sup>(4)</sup>
Arizona	1	17,811	8.4 %	14.0 %	85 %	0.45x <sup>(6)</sup>
Tennessee	1	14,525	6.8 %	11.0 %	90 %	1.27x
Other	9	59,509	28.0 %	12.5 %	83 %	1.36x
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>\$ 212,422</b>	<b>100.0 %</b>	<b>12.5 %</b>	<b>83 %</b>	<b>1.24x</b>

- <sup>(1)</sup> Represents the weighted average LTV utilizing combined senior and mezzanine loans and combined origination appraisal and capital expenditure budget.
- <sup>(2)</sup> Represents the weighted average debt service coverage ratio ("DSCR") of the underlying properties and excludes properties that are subject to a senior construction loan agreement.
- <sup>(3)</sup> DSCR affected by non-recurring expenses during the three months ended September 30, 2024.
- <sup>(4)</sup> Not applicable as the underlying property is subject to a senior construction loan agreement.
- <sup>(5)</sup> DSCR for this property affected by recent senior loan and mezzanine lending modifications.
- <sup>(6)</sup> DSCR for this property affected by low occupancy as of December 31, 2023.

**Equity Investments in Multi-Family Entities**

The Company owns joint venture equity investments in entities that own multi-family properties. The Company determined that these joint venture entities are VIEs and that the Company is the primary beneficiary of all but two of these VIEs, resulting in consolidation of the VIEs where we are the primary beneficiary, including their assets, liabilities, income and expenses, in our condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP. We receive a preferred return and/or pro rata variable distributions from these investments and, in certain cases, management fees based upon property performance. We also will participate in allocation of excess cash upon sale of the multi-family real estate assets.

In September 2022, the Company announced a repositioning of its business through the opportunistic disposition over time of the Company's joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties and reallocation of the returned capital from such investments to its targeted assets. Accordingly, the Company determined that certain joint venture equity investments met the criteria to be classified as held for sale and the assets and liabilities of the respective Consolidated VIEs are included in assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023. See *Note 9* for additional information. The Company's net equity in consolidated joint venture equity investments ("Consolidated JVs") and disposal group held for sale totaled \$156.0 million and \$236.3 million as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

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A reconciliation of our net equity investments in Consolidated JVs and disposal group held for sale, including one preferred equity investment in a Consolidated VIE, to our condensed consolidated financial statements as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, is shown below (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,194	\$ 15,612
Real estate, net <sup>(1)</sup>	610,967	979,934
Lease intangible, net <sup>(2)</sup>	—	2,378
Assets of disposal group held for sale <sup>(3)</sup>	197,665	426,017
Other assets	21,981	34,657
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 836,807</b>	<b>\$ 1,458,598</b>
Mortgages payable on real estate, net <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 492,321	\$ 784,421
Liabilities of disposal group held for sale <sup>(3)</sup>	177,869	386,024
Other liabilities	14,917	21,797
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 685,107</b>	<b>\$ 1,192,242</b>
Redeemable non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	\$ 21,826	\$ 28,061
Less: Cumulative adjustment of redeemable non-controlling interest to estimated redemption value	(48,282)	(30,062)
Non-controlling interest in Consolidated VIEs	3,899	17,150
Non-controlling interest in disposal group held for sale	1,964	3,178
<b>Net equity investment <sup>(5)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 172,293</b>	<b>\$ 248,029</b>
Less: Net equity in preferred equity investment in Consolidated VIE <sup>(6)</sup>	(16,267)	(11,706)
<b>Net equity investment in Consolidated JVs and disposal group held for sale</b>	<b>\$ 156,026</b>	<b>\$ 236,323</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes real estate held for sale in the amount of \$23.6 million as of September 30, 2024.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in other assets in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets.

<sup>(3)</sup> See Note 9 in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further information regarding our assets and liabilities of disposal group held for sale.

<sup>(4)</sup> See Note 14 in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further information regarding our mortgages payable on real estate.

<sup>(5)</sup> The Company's net equity investment as of September 30, 2024 consists of \$154.5 million of net equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties (including its preferred equity investment in a Consolidated VIE) and \$17.8 million of net equity investments in disposal group held for sale. The Company's net equity investment as of December 31, 2023 consists of \$211.2 million of net equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties (including its preferred equity investment in a Consolidated VIE) and \$36.8 million of net equity investments in disposal group held for sale.

<sup>(6)</sup> See "Mezzanine Lending" above for description of preferred equity investment in Consolidated VIE.

### *Unconsolidated Multi-Family Joint Venture Equity Investments*

The Company owns equity interests in two additional joint venture entities that own multi-family apartment communities. The Company determined that these joint venture entities are VIEs but that the Company is not the primary beneficiary, resulting in the Company recording its equity investments at fair value. We receive variable distributions from these investments on a pro rata basis and management fees based upon property performance. We also will participate in allocation of excess cash upon sale of the multi-family real estate assets. The following tables summarize our unconsolidated multi-family joint venture equity investments as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

#### **September 30, 2024**

<b>State</b>	<b>Property Count</b>	<b>Ownership Interest</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>
Texas	2	70%	\$ 1,235

#### **December 31, 2023**

<b>State</b>	<b>Property Count</b>	<b>Ownership Interest</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>
Texas	2	70%	\$ 5,720

### *Joint Venture Equity Investments in Consolidated Multi-Family Properties not in Disposal Group Held for Sale*

As of September 30, 2024, the Company's net joint venture equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties not in disposal group held for sale of \$138.2 million consists of one joint venture equity investment in a multi-family property and a combined preferred equity and common equity investment in one joint venture entity that do not meet the criteria to be classified as disposal group held for sale. One of the joint venture entities has third-party investors that have the ability to sell their ownership interests to us, at their election once a year subject to annual minimum and maximum amount limitations, and we are obligated to purchase, subject to certain conditions, such interests for cash, representing redeemable non-controlling interests of approximately \$21.8 million as of September 30, 2024.

The geographic concentrations in joint venture equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties exceeding 5% of our joint venture equity investments in consolidated multi-family properties not in disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, are shown below (dollar amounts in thousands):

**September 30, 2024**

State	Property Count	Total Equity Ownership Interest	Net Equity Investment <sup>(1)</sup>	Percentage of Total Net Equity Investment
Texas	5	70%	\$ 46,868	52.1 %
Florida	1	50%	\$ 14,815	16.5 %
Kentucky	1	70%	\$ 10,534	11.7 %
Alabama	2	70% - 80%	\$ 6,655	7.4 %
Tennessee	2	65% - 70%	\$ 5,122	5.7 %

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State	Property Count	Total Equity Ownership Interest	Net Equity Investment <sup>(1)</sup>	Percentage of Total Net Equity Investment
Florida	5	50% - 95%	\$ 56,607	33.4 %
Texas	5	70%	\$ 49,727	29.4 %
Tennessee	2	65% - 70%	\$ 18,131	10.7 %
South Carolina	2	67% - 70%	\$ 13,561	8.0 %
Alabama	2	70% - 80%	\$ 11,737	6.9 %
Kentucky	1	70%	\$ 10,979	6.5 %

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents our joint venture equity investment in consolidated multi-family properties net of redeemable non-controlling interest at its estimated redemption value.

*Property Data for Joint Venture Equity Investments in Multi-Family Properties not in Disposal Group Held for Sale*

The following table provides summary information regarding our joint venture equity investments in multi-family properties that are not in disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024.

Market	Property Count	Occupancy %	Units	Rent per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	LTV <sup>(2)</sup>
Birmingham, AL	1	96.7 %	429	\$ 1,343	75.9 %
Collierville, TN	1	93.2 %	324	1,550	88.5 %
Columbia, SC	1	96.7 %	276	1,234	83.5 %
Dallas, TX	2	91.3 %	401	1,911	83.7 %
Houston, TX	2	93.6 %	392	1,205	77.6 %
Little Rock, AR	1	96.5 %	202	1,380	88.6 %
Louisville, KY	1	96.0 %	300	1,471	82.5 %
Memphis, TN	1	65.3 % <sup>(3)</sup>	242	1,092	74.7 %
Montgomery, AL	1	96.4 %	252	1,054	76.8 %
San Antonio, TX	2	91.4 %	684	1,285	86.9 %
St Petersburg, FL	1	95.4 %	326	2,529	73.0 %
Webster, TX	1	94.3 %	366	968	78.2 %
<b>Total Count/Average</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>92.6 %</b>	<b>4,194</b>	<b>\$ 1,428</b>	<b>80.7 %</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents average monthly rent per unit.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents the weighted average LTV of the underlying properties utilizing combined maximum senior committed mortgage amount and preferred equity balances, if any, and the combined origination appraisal and capital expenditure budget or the most recent appraisal, as applicable.

<sup>(3)</sup> Property incurred a loss due to fire, affecting occupancy until units are returned to service.

*Property Data for Joint Venture Equity Investments in Multi-Family Properties in Disposal Group Held for Sale*

The following table provides summary information regarding the multi-family properties in the disposal group held for sale as of September 30, 2024.

Market	Property Count	Occupancy %	Units	Rent per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	LTV <sup>(2)</sup>
Fort Myers, FL	1	90.8 %	338	\$ 1,569	77.3 %
Oklahoma City, OK	2	90.4 %	957	736	75.8 %
Tampa, FL	1	93.0 %	400	1,610	77.6 %
<b>Total Count/Average</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>91.1 %</b>	<b>1,695</b>	<b>\$ 1,113</b>	<b>76.7 %</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents average monthly rent per unit.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents the weighted average LTV of the underlying properties utilizing maximum senior committed mortgage amount and combined origination appraisal and capital expenditure budget.

**Equity Investment in Entity that Originates Residential Loans**

As of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company had an investment in an entity that originates residential loans. The Company accounts for this investment using the equity method and has elected the fair value option. The following table summarizes our ownership interest in the entity that originates residential loans as of September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

Strategy	September 30, 2024		December 31, 2023		
	Ownership Interest	Fair Value	Ownership Interest	Fair Value	
Constructive Loans, LLC	Residential Loans	50%	\$ 46,455	50%	\$ 37,154
Total			\$ 46,455		\$ 37,154

***Derivative Assets and Liabilities***

The Company is exposed to certain risks arising from both its business operations and economic conditions. The Company enters into derivative financial instruments in connection with its risk management activities. These derivative instruments may include interest rate swaps, interest rate caps, credit default swaps, futures and options contracts such as options on credit default swap indices, equity index options, swaptions and options on futures. The Company may also pursue forward-settling purchases or sales of Agency RMBS where the underlying pools of mortgage loans are "To-Be-Announced," or TBAs, purchase options on U.S. Treasury futures or invest in other types of mortgage derivative securities. The Company elected not to apply hedge accounting for its derivative instruments.

The Company and Consolidated Real Estate VIEs are required by lenders on certain repurchase agreement financing and variable-rate mortgages payable on real estate to enter into interest rate cap contracts. These interest rate cap contracts are with a counterparty that involve the receipt of variable-rate amounts from the counterparty if interest rates rise above the strike rate on the contract in exchange for an up-front premium. During the period these contracts are open, changes in the value of the contract are recognized as gains or losses on derivative instruments.

The Company uses interest rate swaps to hedge the variable cash flows associated with our variable-rate borrowings. Interest rate swaps generally involve the receipt of variable-rate amounts from a counterparty, based on SOFR, in exchange for the Company making fixed-rate payments over the life of the interest rate swap without exchange of the underlying notional amount. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in order to manage its position with regard to its liabilities, the Company may also enter into interest rate swaps which involve the receipt of fixed-rate amounts from a counterparty in exchange for the Company making variable-rate payments, based on SOFR, over the life of the interest rate swap without exchange of the underlying notional amount. The variable rate we pay or receive under our swap agreements has the effect of offsetting the repricing characteristics and cash flows of the Company's financing arrangements.

The Company may purchase equity index put options that give the Company the right to sell or buy the underlying index at a specified strike price and U.S. Treasury future contracts that obligate the Company to sell or buy U.S. Treasury securities for future delivery. The Company has purchased credit default swap index contracts under which a counterparty, in exchange for a premium, agrees to compensate the Company for the financial loss associated with the occurrence of a credit event in relation to a notional value of an index. The Company may also purchase credit default swap index options that allow the Company to enter into a fixed rate payor position in the underlying credit default swap index at the agreed strike level.

**Debt**

The Company's debt as of September 30, 2024 included senior unsecured notes and subordinated debentures.

*9.125% Senior Notes due 2029*

On June 28, 2024, the Company completed the issuance of \$60.0 million in aggregate principal amount of its 9.125% Senior Notes due 2029 (the "9.125% Senior Notes") in an underwritten public offering. The 9.125% Senior Notes were issued at par, bear interest at a rate equal to 9.125% per year and mature on July 1, 2029, unless earlier redeemed.

*5.75% Senior Notes due 2026*

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 5.75% Senior Notes due 2026 (the "5.75% Senior Notes") outstanding. The 5.75% Senior Notes were issued at par and carry deferred charges resulting in a total cost to the Company of approximately 6.64%. The Company's 5.75% Senior Notes, which mature on April 30, 2026, contain various covenants including the maintenance of a minimum net asset value, ratio of unencumbered assets to unsecured indebtedness and senior debt service coverage ratio and limit the amount of leverage the Company may utilize and its ability to transfer the Company's assets substantially as an entirety or merge into or consolidate with another person.

*Subordinated Debentures*

As of September 30, 2024, certain of our wholly-owned subsidiaries had trust preferred securities outstanding of \$45.0 million with a weighted average interest rate of 8.99% which are due in 2035. The securities are fully guaranteed by us with respect to distributions and amounts payable upon liquidation, redemption or repayment. These securities are classified as subordinated debentures in the liability section of our condensed consolidated balance sheets.

**Balance Sheet Analysis - Company's Stockholders' Equity**

The following table provides a summary of the Company's stockholders' equity at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (dollar amounts in thousands):

	<b>September 30, 2024</b>	<b>December 31, 2023</b>
8.000% Series D Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	\$ 147,745	\$ 147,745
7.875% Series E Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	177,697	177,697
6.875% Series F Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	138,418	138,418
7.000% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	71,585	71,585
Common stock	906	907
Additional paid-in capital	2,278,869	2,297,081
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	(4)
Accumulated deficit	(1,371,073)	(1,253,817)
<b>Company's stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 1,444,147</b>	<b>\$ 1,579,612</b>

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

### General

Liquidity is a measure of our ability to meet potential cash requirements. Our short-term (the 12 months ending September 30, 2025) and long-term (beyond September 30, 2025) liquidity requirements include ongoing commitments to repay borrowings, fund and maintain investments, comply with margin requirements, fund our operations, pay dividends to our stockholders and other general business needs. Generally, our short-term and long-term liquidity needs are met by our existing cash balances and our investments and assets which generate liquidity on an ongoing basis through principal and interest payments, prepayments, net earnings retained prior to payment of dividends and distributions from equity investments. In addition, we may satisfy our short-term and/or long-term liquidity needs through the sale of assets from our investment portfolio, securities offerings or the securitization or collateralized financing of our assets.

Since late March 2020, we have focused on strengthening our balance sheet and long-term capital preservation primarily by focusing on assets and markets that provide compelling risk-adjusted returns through either an unlevered strategy or through residential loan repurchase agreement financing with terms of one year or more or sustainable non-mark-to-market financing arrangements, including securitizations and non-mark-to-market repurchase agreement financing. Beginning in the year ended December 31, 2023, we have been expanding our holdings of Agency RMBS, which is more liquid than many if not all of the investments in our portfolio of credit investments, and have utilized mark-to-market repurchase agreement financing to fund that expansion. As of September 30, 2024, the Company's portfolio recourse leverage ratio of 2.5x, remains within our target range. As of September 30, 2024, 62% of our debt, excluding mortgages payable on real estate and Consolidated SLST CDOs, is subject to mark-to-market margin calls, with 46% collateralized by Agency RMBS, 6% collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities and 10% collateralized by residential credit assets. The remaining 38% has no exposure to collateral repricing by our counterparties.

We expect to continue to opportunistically dispose of assets from our portfolio, including our joint venture equity investments, and generate relatively high portfolio turnover in order to pursue investments across the residential housing sector with a focus on acquiring assets with less price sensitivity to credit deterioration that are capable of expanding our interest income, like Agency RMBS, and maintaining low duration credit exposure by purchasing high-coupon business purpose loans. We also intend to maintain a solid position in unrestricted cash and remain committed to prudently managing our liabilities. At September 30, 2024, we had \$188.9 million of available cash and cash equivalents (excluding cash and cash equivalents held by Consolidated Real Estate VIEs), \$203.7 million of unencumbered investment securities (including certain securities we own in Consolidated SLST and CDOs repurchased from our residential loan securitizations), and \$107.2 million of unencumbered residential loans.

We historically have endeavored to fund our investments and operations through a balanced and diverse funding mix, including proceeds from the issuance of common and preferred equity and debt securities, short-term and longer-term repurchase agreements and CDOs. With respect to the multi-family properties in which we hold joint venture equity investments, the properties are encumbered by a senior mortgage loan. The type and terms of the ultimate financing used by us depends on the asset being financed and the financing available at the time of the financing. We have placed a greater emphasis on procuring longer-termed and/or more committed financing arrangements for our credit investments, such as securitizations, term financings and corporate debt securities that provide less or no exposure to fluctuations in the collateral repricing determinations of financing counterparties or rapid liquidity reductions in repurchase agreement financing markets. Although we expect our leverage to continue to move higher as we access additional liquidity and grow our investment portfolio further, we intend to continue to focus on procuring longer-term and non-mark-to-market financing arrangements for certain parts of our credit portfolio.

Based on current market conditions, our current investment portfolio, new investment initiatives, expectations to dispose of assets from time to time on terms favorable to us, leverage ratio and available and future possible financing arrangements, we believe our existing cash balances, funds available under our various financing arrangements and cash flows from operations will meet our liquidity requirements for at least the next 12 months. We will continue to explore additional financing arrangements to further strengthen our balance sheet and position ourselves for future investment opportunities, including, without limitation, additional issuances of our equity and debt securities and longer-termed financing arrangements; however, no assurance can be given that we will be able to access any such financing, or the size, timing or terms thereof.

*Cash Flows and Liquidity for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2024*

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, net cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash increased by \$1.4 million.

*Cash Flows Used in Operating Activities*

We used net cash flows in operating activities totaling \$15.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2024. Our cash flow used in operating activities differs from our net loss due to these primary factors: (i) differences between (a) accretion, amortization, depreciation and recognition of income and losses recorded with respect to our investments and (b) the cash received therefrom and (ii) unrealized gains and losses on our investments (including impairment of real estate and loss on reclassification of disposal group).

*Cash Flows Used in Investing Activities*

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, our net cash flows used in investing activities were \$1.7 billion, primarily as a result of purchases of investment securities and residential loans, capital expenditures on real estate and net variation margin paid for derivative instruments. This was partially offset by principal repayments received on residential loans and investment securities, net proceeds from the sale of residential loans and real estate, net payments received from derivative instruments, principal repayments received on preferred equity and mezzanine loans and return of capital from equity investments.

Although we generally intend to hold our assets as long-term investments, we may sell certain of these assets in order to manage our interest rate risk and liquidity needs, to meet other operating objectives or to adapt to market conditions. We cannot predict the timing and impact of future sales of assets, if any.

Because a portion of our assets are financed through repurchase agreements or CDOs, a portion of the proceeds from any sales of or principal repayments on our assets may be used to repay balances under these financing sources. Accordingly, all or a significant portion of cash flows from principal repayments received from residential loans, including residential loans held in Consolidated SLST, and proceeds from sales or principal paydowns received from investment securities available for sale were used to repay CDOs issued by the respective Consolidated VIEs or repurchase agreements (included as cash used in financing activities). Additionally, a significant portion of cash flows from the sale of real estate held in Consolidated VIEs, if any, were used to repay outstanding mortgages payable on real estate held in Consolidated VIEs.

*Cash Flows From Financing Activities*

During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, our net cash flows provided by financing activities were \$1.7 billion. The main sources of cash flows from financing activities were proceeds received from repurchase agreements and proceeds from the issuance of CDOs and senior unsecured notes. This was partially offset by paydowns on and extinguishment of CDOs, payments made on Consolidated SLST CDOs, net payments made on mortgages payable on real estate and dividend payments on both common and preferred stock.

*Liquidity – Financing Arrangements*

As of September 30, 2024, we have outstanding short-term repurchase agreement financing on our investment securities, a form of collateralized short-term financing, with multiple financial institutions. The repurchase agreements we use to finance our investment securities are secured by certain of our investment securities and bear interest rates that move in close relationship to SOFR. Any financings under these repurchase agreements are based on the fair value of the assets that serve as collateral under these agreements. Interest rate changes and increased prepayment activity can have a negative impact on the valuation of these securities, reducing the amount we can borrow under these agreements. Moreover, these repurchase agreements allow the counterparties to determine a new market value of the collateral to reflect current market conditions and because these lines of financing are not committed, the counterparty can effectively call the loan at any time. Market value of the collateral represents the price of such collateral obtained from generally recognized sources or the most recent closing bid quotation from such source plus accrued income. If a counterparty determines that the value of the collateral has decreased, the counterparty may initiate a margin call and require us to either post additional collateral to cover such decrease or repay a portion of the outstanding amount financed in cash, on minimal notice, and repurchase may be accelerated upon an event of default under the repurchase agreements. Moreover, in the event an existing counterparty elected to not renew the outstanding balance at its maturity into a new repurchase agreement, we would be required to repay the outstanding balance with cash or proceeds received from a new counterparty or to surrender the securities that serve as collateral for the outstanding balance, or any combination thereof. If we were unable to secure financing from a new counterparty and had to surrender the collateral, we would expect to incur a loss. In addition, in the event a repurchase agreement counterparty defaults on its obligation to "re-sell" or return to us the assets that are securing the financing at the end of the term of the repurchase agreement, we would incur a loss on the transaction equal to the amount of "haircut" associated with the short-term repurchase agreement, which we sometimes refer to as the "amount at risk."

At September 30, 2024, we had longer-term repurchase agreements with initial terms of up to two years with multiple third-party financial institutions that are secured by certain of our residential loans, real estate owned and single-family rental properties. The outstanding financing under five of these repurchase agreements are subject to margin calls to the extent the market value of the collateral falls below specified levels. We have entered into or amended repurchase agreements with two counterparties that are secured by certain of our residential loans and are not subject to margin calls in the event the market value of the collateral declines. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Balance Sheet Analysis—Residential Loans, Real Estate Owned and Single-Family Rental Property Financing—Repurchase Agreements" for further information. During the terms of the repurchase agreements secured by residential loans, proceeds from the residential loans will be applied to pay any price differential, if applicable, and to reduce the aggregate repurchase price of the collateral. Repurchase of the residential loans, real estate owned and single-family rental properties financed by the repurchase agreements may be accelerated upon an event of default. The repurchase agreements secured by residential loans, real estate owned and single-family rental properties contain various covenants, including among other things, the maintenance of certain amounts of liquidity and stockholders' equity (as defined in the respective agreements). As of September 30, 2024, we had an aggregate amount at risk under repurchase agreements secured by residential loans, real estate owned and single-family rental properties of approximately \$183.7 million, which represents the difference between the carrying value of the collateral pledged and the outstanding balance of our repurchase agreements. Significant margin calls have had, and could in the future have, a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition, business, liquidity and ability to make distributions to our stockholders. See "Liquidity and Capital Resources—General" above.

As of September 30, 2024, we had assets available to be posted as margin which included liquid assets, such as unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, and unencumbered investment securities that could be monetized to pay down or collateralize a liability immediately. As of September 30, 2024, we had \$188.9 million included in cash and cash equivalents and \$203.7 million in unencumbered investment securities available to meet additional haircuts or market valuation requirements. The unencumbered investment securities that we believe may be posted as margin as of September 30, 2024 included \$43.2 million of non-Agency RMBS (including an IO security we own in Consolidated SLST and CDOs repurchased from our residential loan securitizations) and \$160.5 million of Agency RMBS.

At September 30, 2024, the Company had \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.75% Senior Notes outstanding. The 5.75% Senior Notes were issued at 100% of the principal amount and bear interest at a rate equal to 5.75% per year (subject to adjustment from time to time based on changes in the ratings of the 5.75% Senior Notes by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations), payable semi-annually in arrears on April 30 and October 30 of each year, and mature on April 30, 2026, unless earlier redeemed. The Company has the right to redeem the 5.75% Senior Notes, in whole or in part, prior to maturity, subject to a "make-whole" premium or other date-dependent multiples of principal amount redeemed. No sinking fund is provided for the 5.75% Senior Notes. The Company's 5.75% Senior Notes also contain various covenants including the maintenance of a minimum net asset value, ratio of unencumbered assets to unsecured indebtedness and senior debt service coverage ratio and limit the amount of leverage the Company may utilize and its ability to transfer the Company's assets substantially as an entirety or merge into or consolidate with another person.

At September 30, 2024, the Company had \$60.0 million aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes outstanding. The 9.125% Senior Notes were issued at 100% of the principal amount and bear interest at a rate equal to 9.125% per year, payable quarterly in arrears on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 of each year, beginning on October 1, 2024, and mature on July 1, 2029, unless earlier redeemed. The Company has the right to redeem the 9.125% Senior Notes, in whole or in part, at any time on or after July 1, 2026, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the outstanding principal amount redeemed. No sinking fund is provided for the 9.125% Senior Notes.

At September 30, 2024, we also had other longer-term debt which includes Company-sponsored residential loan securitization CDOs with a carrying value of \$1.9 billion and non-Agency RMBS re-securitization CDOs with a carrying value of \$72.6 million. We had 13 Company-sponsored securitizations with CDOs outstanding as of September 30, 2024. See *Note 13* to our condensed consolidated financial statements included in this report for further discussion.

The real estate assets held by our multi-family joint venture equity investments are subject to mortgages payable. We have no obligation for repayment of the mortgages payable but, with respect to certain of the mortgages payable, we may execute a guaranty related to commitment of bad acts and our equity investment may be lost or reduced to the extent a lender forecloses on the property.

As of September 30, 2024, our Company recourse leverage ratio, which represents our total outstanding recourse repurchase agreement financing, subordinated debentures and senior unsecured notes divided by our total stockholders' equity, was approximately 2.6 to 1. Our Company recourse leverage ratio does not include outstanding non-recourse repurchase agreement financing, debt associated with CDOs or mortgages payable on real estate, including mortgages payable on real estate of disposal group held for sale. As of September 30, 2024, our portfolio recourse leverage ratio, which represents our outstanding recourse repurchase agreement financing divided by our total stockholders' equity, was approximately 2.5 to 1. We monitor all at risk or shorter-term financings to enable us to respond to market disruptions as they arise.

#### *Liquidity – Hedging and Other Factors*

Certain of our hedging instruments may also impact our liquidity. We may use interest rate swaps, interest rate caps, credit default swaps, futures and options contracts such as options on credit default swap indices, equity index options, swaptions and options on futures. We may also use TBAs or other futures contracts to hedge interest rate and market value risk associated with our investment portfolio.

The Company and Consolidated Real Estate VIEs are required by lenders on certain repurchase agreement financing and variable-rate mortgages payable on real estate to enter into interest rate cap contracts. These interest rate cap contracts are with a counterparty that involve the receipt of variable-rate amounts from the counterparty if interest rates rise above the strike rate on the contract in exchange for an up-front premium. During the period these contracts are open, changes in the value of the contract are recognized as gains or losses on derivative instruments. The joint venture entities that own the multi-family properties will be required to enter into new interest rate cap contracts upon their expiration and may require the Company to contribute additional capital to the respective joint venture.

With respect to interest rate swaps, credit default swaps, futures contracts and TBAs, initial margin deposits, which can be comprised of either cash or investment securities, will be made upon entering into these contracts. During the period these contracts are open, changes in the value of the contract are recognized as unrealized gains or losses by marking to market on a daily basis to reflect the market value of these contracts at the end of each day's trading. We may be required to satisfy variation margin payments periodically, depending upon whether unrealized gains or losses are incurred. In addition, because delivery of TBAs extend beyond the typical settlement dates for most non-derivative investments, these transactions are more prone to market fluctuations between the trade date and the ultimate settlement date, and thereby are more vulnerable to increasing amounts at risk with the applicable counterparties.

*Liquidity — Securities Offerings*

In addition to the financing arrangements described above under the caption “Liquidity—Financing Arrangements,” we also rely on follow-on equity offerings of common and preferred stock, and may utilize from time to time debt securities offerings, as a source of both short-term and long-term liquidity. We also may generate liquidity through the sale of shares of our common stock or preferred stock in “at-the-market” equity offering programs pursuant to equity distribution agreements, as well as through the sale of shares of our common stock pursuant to our Dividend Reinvestment Plan (“DRIP”), which provides for the issuance of up to \$20.0 million of shares of our common stock. The Company issued the 9.125% Senior Notes in an underwritten public offering during the nine months ended September 30, 2024.

*Preferred Stock and Common Stock Repurchase Programs*

In March 2023, the Board of Directors approved a \$100.0 million preferred stock repurchase program. The program, which expires March 31, 2025, allows the Company to make repurchases of shares of preferred stock, from time to time, in open market transactions, through privately negotiated transactions or block trades or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and the rules and regulations of Nasdaq. The Company did not repurchase any shares of its preferred stock during the nine months ended September 30, 2024. As of September 30, 2024, \$97.6 million of the approved amount remained available for the repurchase of shares of preferred stock under the preferred stock repurchase program.

In February 2022, the Board of Directors approved a \$200.0 million common stock repurchase program. In March 2023, the Board of Directors approved an upsize of the common stock repurchase program to \$246.0 million. The program, which expires March 31, 2025, allows the Company to make repurchases of shares of common stock, from time to time, in open market transactions, through privately negotiated transactions or block trades or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and the rules and regulations of Nasdaq. The Company did not repurchase shares of its common stock during the three months ended September 30, 2024. During the nine months ended September 30, 2024, the Company repurchased 587,347 shares of its common stock pursuant to the common stock repurchase program for a total cost of approximately \$3.5 million, including fees and commissions paid to the broker, representing an average repurchase price of \$5.95 per common share. As of September 30, 2024, \$189.7 million of the approved amount remained available for the repurchase of shares of the Company's common stock under the common stock repurchase program.

*Dividends*

For information regarding the declaration and payment of dividends on our common stock and preferred stock for the periods covered by this report, please see *Note 17* to our condensed consolidated financial statements included in this report.

Our Board of Directors will continue to evaluate our dividend policy each quarter and will make adjustments as necessary, based on our earnings and financial condition, capital requirements, maintenance of our REIT qualification, restrictions on making distributions under Maryland law and such other factors as our Board of Directors deems relevant. Our dividend policy does not constitute an obligation to pay dividends.

We intend to make distributions to our stockholders to comply with the various requirements to maintain our REIT status and to minimize or avoid corporate income tax and the nondeductible excise tax. However, differences in timing between the recognition of REIT taxable income and the actual receipt of cash could require us to sell assets or to borrow funds on a short-term basis to meet the REIT distribution requirements and to minimize or avoid corporate income tax and the nondeductible excise tax.

In the event we fail to pay dividends on our preferred stock, the Company would become subject to certain limitations on its ability to pay dividends or redeem or repurchase its common stock or preferred stock.

*Commitment to Fund Business Purpose Loans*

As of September 30, 2024, the Company had commitments to fund up to \$222.4 million of additional advances on existing business purpose loans. These commitments are generally subject to loan agreements with terms that must be met before we fund advances on the commitment.

*Redeemable Non-Controlling Interest*

Pursuant to the operating agreement for one of our joint venture equity investments, third party investors in this joint venture have the ability to sell their ownership interests to us, at their election, once a year subject to annual minimum and maximum amount limitations, and we are obligated to purchase, subject to certain conditions, such interests for cash. See *Note 7* to our condensed consolidated financial statements included in this report for further discussion of redeemable non-controlling interest.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

*This section should be read in conjunction with "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023 and in our subsequent periodic reports filed with the SEC.*

We seek to manage risks that we believe will impact our business including interest rates, liquidity, prepayments, credit quality and market value. When managing these risks we consider the impact on our assets, liabilities and derivative positions. While we do not seek to avoid risk completely, we believe the risk can be quantified from historical experience. We seek to actively manage that risk, to generate risk-adjusted total returns that we believe compensate us appropriately for those risks and to maintain capital levels consistent with the risks we take.

The following analysis includes forward-looking statements that assume that certain market conditions occur. Actual results may differ materially from these projections due to changes in our portfolio assets and borrowings mix and due to developments in the domestic and global financial, mortgage and real estate markets. Developments in the financial markets include the likelihood of changing interest rates and the relationship of various interest rates and their impact on our portfolio yield, cost of funds and cash flows. The analytical methods that we use to assess and mitigate these market risks should not be considered projections of future events or operating performance.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rates are sensitive to many factors, including governmental, monetary or tax policies, domestic and international economic conditions, including inflation and deflation and political or regulatory matters beyond our control. Changes in interest rates affect, among other things, the value of the assets we manage and hold in our investment portfolio and the variable-rate borrowings and floating-rate preferred stock we use or issue to fund our operations and portfolio. Changes in interest rates also affect the interest rate swaps and caps, TBAs and other securities or instruments we may use to hedge our portfolio. As a result, our net interest income and adjusted net interest income are particularly affected by changes in interest rates.

For example, we hold residential loans and RMBS, some of which may have fixed rates or interest rates that adjust on various dates that are not synchronized to the adjustment dates on our repurchase agreements. In general, the re-pricing of our repurchase agreements occurs more quickly than the re-pricing of our variable-interest rate assets. Thus, it is likely that our floating rate financing, such as our repurchase agreements, may react to interest rates before our residential loans or RMBS because the weighted average next re-pricing dates on the related financing may have shorter time periods than that of the residential loans or RMBS. Moreover, changes in interest rates can directly impact prepayment speeds, thereby affecting our net return on residential loans and RMBS. During a declining interest rate environment, the prepayment of residential loans and RMBS may accelerate (as borrowers may opt to refinance at a lower interest rate) causing the amount of liabilities that have been extended by the use of repurchase agreements to increase relative to the amount of residential loans and RMBS, possibly resulting in a decline in our net return on residential loans and RMBS, as replacement residential loans and RMBS may have a lower yield than those being prepaid. Conversely, during an increasing interest rate environment, residential loans and RMBS may prepay more slowly than expected, requiring us to finance a higher amount of residential loans and RMBS than originally forecast and at a time when interest rates may be higher, resulting in a decline in our net return on residential loans and RMBS. Accordingly, each of these scenarios can negatively impact our net interest income and adjusted net interest income. In addition, when we purchase residential loans at a discount to par value, and borrowers then prepay at a slower rate than we expected, the decreased prepayments would result in a lower yield than expected on the asset and/or may result in a decline in the fair value of the residential loans.

We seek to manage interest rate risk in our portfolio by utilizing interest rate caps, interest rate swaps, swaptions, futures, options on futures and U.S. Treasury securities with the goal of optimizing earnings potential while seeking to maintain long term stable portfolio values. Certain of our consolidated multi-family properties with variable-rate mortgages payable have entered into interest rate cap contracts as required by the respective mortgage loan agreements. The Company also has an interest rate cap contract related to a repurchase agreement for residential loans, as required by the counterparty.

We utilize a model-based risk analysis system to assist in projecting interest rate-sensitive asset and liability portfolio performances over a scenario of different interest rates. Computation of the cash flows for interest rate-sensitive assets that may affect annualized adjusted net interest income are based on assumptions related to, among other things, prepayment speeds, slope of the yield curve, and composition and size of our portfolio. Assumptions for interest rate-sensitive liabilities relate to, among other things, anticipated interest rates, collateral requirements as a percentage of repurchase agreement financings and amounts and terms of borrowings. As these assumptions may not be realized, adjusted net interest income results may therefore be significantly different from the annualized adjusted net interest income produced in our analyses. We also note that the uncertainty associated with the estimate of a change in adjusted net interest income is directly related to the size of interest rate move considered.

Based on the results of the model, the instantaneous changes in interest rates specified below would have had the following effect on annualized adjusted net interest income based on our assets and liabilities as of September 30, 2024 (dollar amounts in thousands):

Changes in Interest Rates (basis points)		Changes in Adjusted Net Interest Income <sup>(1) (2)</sup>
+200	\$	(72,912)
+100	\$	(36,461)
-100	\$	36,373
-200	\$	72,808

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents a non-GAAP financial measure. See Item 2, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Non-GAAP Financial Measures" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a reconciliation of the Company's non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP measure.

<sup>(2)</sup> Certain assumptions have been made in connection with the calculation of the information set forth in the table and, as such, there can be no assurance that assumed events will occur or that other events will not occur that would affect the outcomes. The base interest rate scenario assumes interest rates as of September 30, 2024. This analysis utilizes assumptions and estimates based on management's judgment and experience. Future purchases and sales of assets could materially change our interest rate risk profile.

While this table reflects the estimated impact of interest rate changes on the static portfolio, we actively manage our portfolio and continuously make adjustments to the size and composition of our asset and derivative hedge portfolios and interest-bearing liabilities. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimated in the table.

Interest rate changes may also impact our GAAP book value and adjusted book value as many of our assets and related hedge derivatives, if any, are marked-to-market each quarter. Generally, as interest rates increase, the value of our mortgage-related assets decreases, and conversely, as interest rates decrease, the value of such investments will increase. In general, we expect that, over time, decreases in the value of our portfolio attributable to interest rate changes may be offset, to the degree we are hedged, by increases in the value of our interest rate swaps or other financial instruments used for hedging purposes, and vice versa. However, the relationship between spreads on our assets and spreads on our hedging instruments may vary from time to time, resulting in a net aggregate GAAP book value and adjusted book value increase or decline. In addition, changes in interest rates could also have an impact on net operating income generated by our consolidated multi-family properties which consequently could have an impact on valuation of underlying real estate.

Our net interest income, adjusted net interest income and the fair value of our assets and our financing activities could be negatively affected by volatility in interest rates, as has been the case throughout much of 2022, 2023 and continuing in 2024. A prolonged period of extremely volatile and unstable market conditions would likely increase our funding costs and negatively affect market risk mitigation strategies. Higher income volatility from changes in interest rates could cause a loss of future net interest income and adjusted net interest income and a decrease in current fair market values of our assets. Fluctuations in interest rates will impact both the level of income and expense recorded on most of our assets and liabilities and the market value of all or substantially all of our interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, which in turn could have a material adverse effect on our net income, operating results, or financial condition.

### **Liquidity Risk**

Liquidity is a measure of our ability to meet potential cash requirements, including ongoing commitments to repay borrowings, fund and maintain investments, pay dividends to our stockholders and other general business needs. The primary liquidity risk we face arises from financing long-maturity assets with shorter-term financings. We recognize the need to have funds available to operate our business. We manage and forecast our liquidity needs and sources daily to ensure that we have adequate liquidity at all times. We plan to meet liquidity through normal operations with the goal of avoiding unplanned sales of assets or emergency borrowing of funds.

We are subject to "margin call" risk on a significant portion of our repurchase agreements and certain derivative instruments. In the event the value of our assets pledged as collateral or the value of our derivative instruments suddenly decrease, margin calls could increase, causing an adverse change in our liquidity position. Additionally, if one or more of our repurchase agreement counterparties chooses not to provide ongoing funding, we may be unable to replace the financing through other lenders on favorable terms or at all.

We also utilize longer-termed and/or more committed financing arrangements for certain of our credit investments, such as securitizations, term financings and corporate debt securities that provide less or no exposure to fluctuations in the collateral repricing determinations of financing counterparties or rapid liquidity reductions in repurchase agreement financing markets. These financings may involve greater expense relative to repurchase agreement funding. We provide no assurance that we will be able in the future to access sources of capital that are attractive to us, that we will be able to roll over or replace our repurchase agreements or other financing instruments as they mature from time to time in the future or that we otherwise will not need to resort to unplanned sales of assets to provide liquidity in the future. See Item 2, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Liquidity and Capital Resources" and the other information in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for further information about our liquidity and capital resource management.

### **Prepayment Risk**

When borrowers repay the principal on their residential loans before maturity or faster than their scheduled amortization, the effect is to shorten the period over which interest is earned, and therefore, reduce the yield for residential mortgage assets purchased at a premium to their then current balance. Conversely, residential mortgage assets purchased for less than their then current balance, such as many of our residential loans, may exhibit higher yields due to faster prepayments. Furthermore, actual prepayment speeds may differ from our modeled prepayment speed projections impacting the effectiveness of any hedges we may have in place to mitigate financing and/or fair value risk. Generally, when market interest rates decline, borrowers have a tendency to refinance their mortgages, thereby increasing prepayments. Therefore, increased prepayments on our investments may accelerate the redeployment of our capital to generally lower yielding investments. Similarly, decreased prepayments are generally associated with increasing market interest rates and may slow our ability to redeploy capital to generally higher-yielding investments.

Our modeled prepayments will help determine the amount of hedging we use to offset changes in interest rates. If actual prepayment rates are higher than modeled, the yield will be less than modeled in cases where we paid a premium for the particular residential mortgage asset. Conversely, when we have paid a premium, if actual prepayment rates experienced are slower than modeled, we would amortize the premium over a longer time period, resulting in a higher yield to maturity.

In an environment of increasing prepayment speeds, the timing difference between the actual cash receipt of principal paydowns and the announcement of the principal paydowns may result in additional margin requirements from our repurchase agreement counterparties.

We mitigate prepayment risk by constantly evaluating our residential mortgage assets relative to prepayment speeds observed for assets with similar structures, quantities and characteristics. Furthermore, we stress-test the portfolio as to prepayment speeds and interest rate risk in order to further develop or make modifications to our hedge balances. Historically, we have not hedged 100% of our liability costs due to prepayment risk.

### **Credit Risk**

Credit risk is the risk that we will not fully collect the principal we have invested in our credit sensitive assets, including residential loans, non-Agency RMBS, preferred equity and mezzanine loan and joint venture equity investments, due to borrower defaults or defaults by our operating partners in their payment obligations to us. In selecting the credit sensitive assets in our portfolio, we seek to identify and invest in assets with characteristics that we believe offset or limit our exposure to defaults.

We seek to manage credit risk through our pre-acquisition or pre-funding due diligence process, and by factoring projected credit losses into the purchase price we pay or loan terms we negotiate for all of our credit sensitive assets. In general, we evaluate relative valuation, supply and demand trends, prepayment rates, delinquency and default rates, vintage of collateral and macroeconomic factors as part of this process. Nevertheless, these procedures provide no assurance that we will not experience unanticipated credit losses which would materially affect our operating results. We also manage credit risk with credit default swaps on corporate bond indices (CDX) for which the Company buys credit protection and pays periodic payments at fixed rates to credit protection sellers, in return for compensation for default (or similar credit event) by a reference index.

Recent inflationary pressures have caused, and a possible economic recession or stagnation in the U.S. in the near future may cause, an increase in the credit risk of our credit sensitive assets. We would expect delinquencies, defaults and requests for forbearance arrangements to rise should savings, incomes and revenues of renters, borrowers, operating partners and other businesses become increasingly constrained from a slow-down in economic activity. Any future period of payment deferrals, forbearance, delinquencies, defaults, foreclosures or losses will likely adversely affect our net interest income and adjusted net interest income from multi-family loans, residential loans, and our RMBS investments and rental income and reduce the distributions we receive from our joint venture equity investments in multi-family apartment communities, the fair value of these assets, our ability to liquidate the collateral that may underlie these investments or obtain additional financing and the future profitability of our investments. Further, in the event of delinquencies, defaults and foreclosure, regulatory changes and policies designed to protect borrowers and renters may slow or prevent us from taking remediation actions or optimizing a resolution for or exit from the asset.

We purchase certain residential loans at a discount to par, reflecting a perceived higher risk of default. In connection with our loan acquisitions, we or a third-party due diligence firm perform an independent review of the mortgage file to assess the state of mortgage loan files, the servicing of the mortgage loan, compliance with existing guidelines, as well as our ability to enforce the contractual rights in the mortgage. We also obtain certain representations and warranties from each seller with respect to the mortgage loans, as well as the enforceability of the lien on the mortgaged property. A seller who breaches these representations and warranties may be obligated to repurchase the loan from us. In addition, as part of our process, we focus on selecting a servicer with the appropriate expertise to mitigate losses and maximize our overall return on these residential loans. This involves, among other things, performing due diligence on the servicer prior to their engagement, assigning the appropriate servicer for each loan based on certain characteristics and monitoring each servicer's performance on an ongoing basis.

Investments in non-Agency RMBS, CMBS and ABS also contain credit risk. These investments typically consist of either the senior, mezzanine or subordinate tranches in securitizations. The underlying collateral of these securitizations may be exposed to various macroeconomic and asset-specific credit risks. These securities have varying levels of credit enhancement which provide some structural protection from losses within the securitization. We undertake an in-depth assessment of the underlying collateral and securitization structure when investing in these assets, which may include modeling defaults, prepayments and losses across different scenarios. In addition, we are exposed to credit risk in our Mezzanine Lending and equity investments in owners of multi-family properties, including joint venture equity investments in multi-family apartment communities. The performance and value of these investments depend upon the applicable operating partner's or borrower's ability to effectively operate the multi-family properties that serve as the underlying collateral to produce cash flows adequate to pay distributions, interest or principal due to us. The Company monitors the performance and credit quality of the underlying assets in which it invests or that serve as collateral for its investments. In connection with these types of investments by us in multi-family properties, the procedures for ongoing monitoring include financial statement analysis and regularly scheduled site inspections of portfolio properties to assess property physical condition, performance of on-site staff and competitive activity in the sub-market. We also formulate annual budgets and performance goals alongside our operating partners for use in measuring the ongoing investment performance and credit quality of our investments. Additionally, the Company's preferred equity and equity investments typically provide us with various rights and remedies to protect our investment.

**Fair Value Risk**

Changes in interest rates, market liquidity, credit quality and other factors also expose us to market value (fair value) fluctuation on our assets, liabilities and hedges. For certain of our credit sensitive assets, fair values may only be derived or estimated for these investments using various valuation techniques, such as computing the present value of estimated future cash flows using discount rates commensurate with the risks involved. However, the determination of estimated future cash flows is inherently subjective and imprecise and extremely volatile periods or disruptions in the market, such as during the severe market disruption that occurred in 2020 or the current volatile market environment, make such estimates and assumptions inherently less certain. As a result, we believe our market value (fair value) risk has significantly increased. Minor changes in assumptions or estimation methodologies can have a material effect on these derived or estimated fair values.

Our fair value estimates and assumptions are indicative of the interest rate and business environments as of September 30, 2024 and do not take into consideration the effects of subsequent changes. The following describes the methods and assumptions we use in estimating fair values of our financial instruments:

Fair value estimates are made as of a specific point in time based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. These techniques involve uncertainties and are significantly affected by the assumptions used and the judgments made regarding risk characteristics of various financial instruments, discount rates, estimate of future cash flows, future expected loss experience and other factors.

Changes in assumptions could significantly affect these estimates and the resulting fair values. Derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, could not be realized in an immediate sale of the instrument. Also, because of differences in methodologies and assumptions used to estimate fair values, the fair values used by us should not be compared to those of other companies.

The table below presents the sensitivity of the fair value of our portfolio as of September 30, 2024, using a discounted cash flow simulation model assuming an instantaneous interest rate shift. Application of this method results in an estimation of the fair market value change of our assets, liabilities and hedging instruments per 100 basis point shift in interest rates.

This analysis also takes into consideration the value of options embedded in certain of our assets including constraints on the re-pricing of the interest rate of assets resulting from periodic and lifetime cap features, as well as prepayment options. Assets and liabilities that are not interest rate-sensitive such as cash, payment receivables, prepaid expenses, payables and accrued expenses are excluded.

Changes in assumptions including, but not limited to, volatility, mortgage and financing spreads, prepayment behavior, credit conditions, defaults, as well as the timing and level of interest rate changes will affect the results of the model. Therefore, actual results are likely to vary from modeled results.

<b>Fair Value Changes</b>		
<b>Changes in Interest Rates</b>	<b>Changes in Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Percentage Change in Portfolio Fair Value <sup>(1)</sup></b>
(basis points)	(dollar amounts in thousands)	
+200	\$(164,894)	(3.00)%
+100	\$(110,661)	(2.02)%
Base		—
-100	\$45,100	0.82%
-200	\$101,784	1.85%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes residential loans, Mezzanine Lending investments, investment securities, derivatives and residential loan securitizations, non-Agency RMBS re-securitization and senior unsecured notes at fair value.

Although the use of a model to perform market value sensitivity analysis is widely accepted as a tool in identifying potential risk in a changing interest rate environment, it should be noted that the model does not take into consideration changes that may occur such as, but not limited to, changes in portfolio composition, financing strategies, market spreads, business volumes or overall market liquidity. Accordingly, we make extensive use of an earnings simulation model to further analyze our level of interest rate risk.

**Capital Market Risk**

We are exposed to risks related to the equity capital markets, and our related ability to raise capital through the issuance of our common stock, preferred stock or other equity instruments. We are also exposed to risks related to the debt capital markets, and our related ability to finance our business through credit facilities or other debt instruments. As a REIT, we are required to distribute a significant portion of our taxable income annually, which constrains our ability to accumulate operating cash flow and therefore may require us to utilize debt or equity capital to finance our business. We seek to mitigate these risks by monitoring the debt and equity capital markets to inform our decisions on the amount, timing, and terms of capital we raise. Based on the currently uncertain market environment, we expect the capital markets to remain volatile and uncertain at varying levels for the near future and this may adversely affect our ability to access capital to fund our operations, meet our obligations and make distributions to our stockholders.

**Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

*Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures* . We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of September 30, 2024. Based upon that evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2024.

*Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*. There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended September 30, 2024 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

**PART II. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

There have been no material changes to the risk factors previously disclosed under [Part I., Item 1A](#) of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023.

## Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

### *Common Stock*

In February 2022, the Board of Directors approved a \$200.0 million common stock repurchase program. In March 2023, the Board of Directors approved an upsize of the common stock repurchase program to \$246.0 million. The program, which expires March 31, 2025, allows the Company to make repurchases of shares of common stock, from time to time, in open market transactions, through privately negotiated transactions or block trades or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and the rules and regulations of Nasdaq. Subject to applicable securities laws, repurchases of the Company's common stock under the common stock repurchase program may be made at times and in amounts as we deem appropriate, using available cash resources. The timing and extent to which we repurchase our common stock will depend upon, among other things, market conditions, the share price of the Company's common stock, liquidity, regulatory requirements and other factors, and common stock repurchases may be commenced or suspended at any time without prior notice. Shares of the Company's common stock repurchased by us under the common stock repurchase program are cancelled and, until reissued by us, are deemed to be authorized but unissued shares of the Company's common stock.

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, the Company did not repurchase any shares of its common stock pursuant to the common stock repurchase program. As of September 30, 2024, \$189.7 million of the approved amount remained available for the repurchase of shares of the Company's common stock under the common stock repurchase program.

### *Preferred Stock*

In March 2023, the Board of Directors approved a \$100.0 million preferred stock repurchase program. The program, which expires March 31, 2025, allows the Company to make repurchases of shares of preferred stock, from time to time, in open market transactions, through privately negotiated transactions or block trades or other means, in accordance with applicable securities laws and the rules and regulations of Nasdaq.

During the three months ended September 30, 2024, the Company did not repurchase any shares of its preferred stock pursuant to the preferred stock repurchase program. As of September 30, 2024, \$97.6 million of the approved amount remained available for the repurchase of shares of preferred stock under the preferred stock repurchase program.

**Item 6. Exhibits****EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">3.1</a>	Articles of Amendment and Restatement of the Company, as amended (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 5, 2023).
<a href="#">3.2</a>	Third Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 22, 2022).
<a href="#">3.3</a>	Articles Supplementary designating the Company's 7.75% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred Stock") (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 31, 2013).
<a href="#">3.4</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating 2,550,000 additional shares of the Series B Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 20, 2015).
<a href="#">3.5</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating the Company's 7.875% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series C Preferred Stock") (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.5 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 21, 2015).
<a href="#">3.6</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating the Company's 8.00% Series D Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series D Preferred Stock") (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.6 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 10, 2017).
<a href="#">3.7</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating 2,460,000 additional shares of the Series C Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 29, 2019).
<a href="#">3.8</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating 2,650,000 additional shares of the Series D Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 29, 2019).
<a href="#">3.9</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating the Company's 7.875% Series E Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series E Preferred Stock") (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.9 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 15, 2019).
<a href="#">3.10</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating 3,000,000 additional shares of the Series E Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 27, 2019).
<a href="#">3.11</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating the Company's 6.875% Series F Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series F Preferred Stock") (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.9 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 6, 2021).
<a href="#">3.12</a>	Articles Supplementary reclassifying and designating 6,600,000 authorized but unissued shares of the Series C Preferred Stock as additional shares of undesignated preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 5, 2021).
<a href="#">3.13</a>	Articles Supplementary classifying and designating 2,000,000 additional shares of the Series F Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 11, 2021).

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- [3.14](#) Articles Supplementary classifying and designating the Company's 7.000% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (the "Series G Preferred Stock") (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.10 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 23, 2021).
- [3.15](#) Articles Supplementary reclassifying and designating 6,000,000 authorized but unissued shares of the Series B Preferred Stock as additional shares of undesignated preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of the Company (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 23, 2021).
- [3.16](#) Articles Supplementary classifying and designating 2,000,000 additional shares of the Series G Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 2, 2022).
- [4.1](#) Form of Common Stock Certificate (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (Registration No. 333-111668) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 18, 2004).
- [4.2](#) Form of Certificate representing the Series D Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.7 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 10, 2017).
- [4.3](#) Form of Certificate representing the Series E Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.10 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 15, 2019).
- [4.4](#) Form of Certificate representing the Series F Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.10 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 6, 2021).
- [4.5](#) Form of Certificate representing the Series G Preferred Stock (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.11 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 23, 2021).
- [4.6](#) Indenture, dated January 23, 2017, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 23, 2017).
- [4.7](#) Indenture, dated as of April 27, 2021, between the Company and UMB Bank National Association, as trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 27, 2021).
- [4.8](#) Form of 5.75% Senior Notes due 2026 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 27, 2021).
- [4.9](#) Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of June 28, 2024, between the Company and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.9 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 28, 2024).
- [4.10](#) Form of 9.125% Senior Notes Due 2029 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.10 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 28, 2024).  
*Certain instruments defining the rights of holders of long-term debt securities of the Company and its subsidiaries are omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(4)(iii) of Regulation S-K. The Company hereby undertakes to furnish to the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, copies of any such instruments.*
- [10.1\\*†](#) Form of 2024 Deferred Stock Unit Agreement.

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<a href="#">31.1</a> *	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
<a href="#">31.2</a> *	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
<a href="#">32.1</a> **	Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS***	XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
101.SCH***	Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL***	Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF XBRL***	Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB***	Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE***	Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104	The cover page for the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2024 (formatted in Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101).

† Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

\* Filed herewith.

\*\* Furnished herewith. Such certification shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

\*\*\* Submitted electronically herewith. Attached as Exhibit 101 to this report are the following documents formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2024 and December 31, 2023; (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023; (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023; (iv) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023; (v) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 and 2023; and (vi) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC.

Date: November 1, 2024      By:      /s/ Jason T. Serrano  
  
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Jason T. Serrano  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 1, 2024      By:      /s/ Kristine R. Nario-Eng  
  
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Kristine R. Nario-Eng  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC.  
2017 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

DEFERRED STOCK UNIT GRANT NOTICE

Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the New York Mortgage Trust, Inc. 2017 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time (the "**Plan**"), New York Mortgage Trust, Inc. (the "**Company**") hereby grants to the individual listed below ("**you**" or the "**Participant**") the number of Deferred Stock Units (the "**DSUs**") set forth below. This award of DSUs (this "**Award**") is subject to the terms set forth herein, in the Deferred Stock Unit Agreement attached as Exhibit A (the "**Agreement**"), the Plan and, if applicable, the Initial Deferral Form attached as Exhibit B entered into by and between the Company and you prior to the Date of Grant (as applicable, the "**Deferral Form**"), each of which is incorporated herein by reference. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

**Participant:** [•]

**Date of Grant:** [•] (the "**Date of Grant**")

**Total Number of Deferred Stock Units:** [•]

**Vesting Schedule:** Except as expressly provided in Section 3 of the Agreement, the Plan and the other terms and conditions set forth herein, the DSUs shall become fully vested on the day immediately preceding the date of the Company's annual meeting of stockholders that occurs in the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Date of Grant occurs, so long as you continuously provide services to the Company or an Affiliate from the Date of Grant through such vesting date.

By your signature below, you agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Plan, the Agreement and this Deferred Stock Unit Grant Notice (this "**Grant Notice**"). You acknowledge that you have reviewed the Agreement, the Plan and this Grant Notice in their entirety and fully understand all provisions of the Agreement, the Plan and this Grant Notice. You hereby agree to accept as binding, conclusive and final all decisions or interpretations of the Committee regarding any questions or determinations that arise under the Agreement, the Plan or this Grant Notice. This Grant Notice may be executed in one or more counterparts (including portable document format (.pdf) and facsimile counterparts), each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

**[Signature Page Follows]**

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Company has caused this Grant Notice to be executed by an officer thereunto duly authorized, and the Participant has executed this Grant Notice, effective for all purposes as provided above.

**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

**PARTICIPANT**

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Name: [●]

Signature Page to  
Deferred Stock Unit Grant Notice

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## EXHIBIT A

### DEFERRED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT

This Deferred Stock Unit Agreement (together with the Grant Notice to which this Agreement is attached, this "**Agreement**") is made as of the Date of Grant in the Grant Notice to which this Agreement is attached by and between New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "**Company**"), and [●] (the "**Participant**"). Capitalized terms used but not specifically defined herein shall have the meanings specified in the Plan or the Grant Notice.

1. **Award.** In consideration of the Participant's past and/or continued service to the Company or an Affiliate and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, effective as of the Date of Grant set forth in the Grant Notice, the Company hereby grants to the Participant the number of DSUs set forth in the Grant Notice on the terms and conditions set forth in the Grant Notice, this Agreement and the Plan (which is incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Agreement), and, if applicable, the Deferral Form. In the event of any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the terms of the Plan shall control. To the extent vested, each DSU represents the right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Company, hereafter described as a "**Share**," subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Grant Notice, this Agreement, the Plan and, if applicable, the Deferral Form. Unless and until the DSUs have vested and been settled in the manner described herein, the Participant will have no right to receive any Shares or other payments in respect of the DSUs, except as otherwise specifically provided for in the Plan or this Agreement. Prior to settlement of this Award, the DSUs and this Award represent an unsecured obligation of the Company, payable only from the general assets of the Company.

Exhibit A-1

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2. **Vesting of DSUs; Change in Control**. Except as otherwise set forth in the following sentence or Section 3(a), the DSUs shall vest in accordance with the vesting schedule set forth in the Grant Notice. Upon the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan), any unvested DSUs shall become fully vested and non-forfeitable as of the date of the Change in Control and shall be eligible for settlement in accordance with the first sentence of Section 5. Unless and until the DSUs have vested as described above, the Participant will have no right to receive any dividends or other distribution (or other rights of ownership) with respect to the Shares underlying the DSUs; provided, however, nothing in this Section 2 is intended to alter the Participant's right to receive dividend equivalents pursuant and subject to Section 4. Fractional Shares shall not vest hereunder, and when any provision hereof may cause a fractional Share to vest, any vesting in such fractional Share shall be postponed until such fractional Share and other fractional Shares equal a vested whole Share.

3. **Effect of Termination of Service**

(a) **Termination of Service Relationship due to Death or Disability**. If the Participant's service relationship with the Company or any Affiliate is terminated due to the death of the Participant, any unvested DSUs shall become fully vested and non-forfeitable upon the date of death and shall be settled in accordance with the second sentence of Section 5. If the Participant's service relationship with the Company or any Affiliate is terminated due to Disability of the Participant, any unvested DSUs shall become fully vested and non-forfeitable upon the date of the termination of the Participant's service relationship and shall be settled in accordance with the second sentence of Section 5. For purposes of this Agreement, "***Disability***" shall mean that the Participant is permanently and totally disabled within the meaning of Section 22(e)(3) of the Code.

(b) **Other Termination of Service**. Except as otherwise provided in Section 3(a), in the event of the termination of the Participant's service relationship with the Company or an Affiliate for any reason, any unvested DSUs (and all rights arising from such DSUs and from being a holder thereof) will terminate automatically as of the date of termination without any further action by the Company and will be forfeited without further notice and at no cost to the Company and any vested DSUs that have not yet been settled (and all rights arising from such DSUs and from being a holder thereof) shall be settled in accordance with the second sentence of Section 5.

4 . **Dividend Equivalents.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, each DSU subject to this Award is hereby granted in tandem with a corresponding dividend equivalent (“**DER**”), which DER shall remain outstanding from the Date of Grant until the earlier of the settlement or forfeiture of the DSU to which the DER corresponds. Each vested DER entitles the Participant to receive payments, subject to and in accordance with this Agreement, in an amount equal to any dividends paid by the Company in respect of the Share underlying the DSU to which such DER relates. The Company shall establish, with respect to each unvested DSU, a separate DER bookkeeping account for such DSU (a “**DER Account**”), which shall be credited (without interest) on the applicable dividend payment dates with an amount equal to any dividends paid during the period that such unvested DSU remains outstanding with respect to the Share underlying the DSU to which such DER relates. Upon the date that the DSU becomes vested, the DER (and the DER Account) with respect to such vested DSU shall become vested. Similarly, upon the forfeiture of a DSU, the DSU (and the DER Account) with respect to such forfeited DSU shall also be forfeited. Payment of credited amounts in the DER Account with respect to any vested DERs that relate to vested DSUs that have not yet been settled in accordance with Section 5 shall be made as soon as practicable, and within sixty (60) days, after the date that such DER vests. Following vesting of the DSUs under Section 2 or 3 but prior to the settlement of such vested DSUs in accordance with Section 5, amounts shall no longer be credited to the DER Account but instead each vested DER shall entitle the Participant to receive payments of any dividends paid by the Company in respect of the Share underlying the vested DSU to which such vested DER relates, such payment to be made on or promptly following the date that the Company pays such dividend. The Participant shall not be entitled to receive any interest with respect to the payment of DERs. DERs shall not entitle the Participant to any payments relating to the dividends paid after the earlier to occur of the date that the applicable vested DSU is settled in accordance with Section 5 or the forfeiture of the DSU underlying such DER. The DERs and any amounts that may become payable in respect thereof will be treated separately from the DSUs for purposes of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, including the guidance and regulations promulgated thereunder and successor provisions, guidance and regulations thereto (“**Section 409A**”) (including for the designation of the time and form of payments required by Section 409A).

5. **Settlement of DSUs.** Following vesting of the DSUs under Section 2, the Company shall deliver to the Participant a number of Shares equal to the number of vested DSUs subject to this Award either (a) as soon as practicable following the applicable vesting date but in no event later than sixty (60) days after such vesting date or (b) if applicable, at the time elected by the Participant under the Deferral Form. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or the Deferral Form (if applicable), following any termination of the Participant’s service relationship with the Company or an Affiliate under Section 3, the Company shall deliver to the Participant a number of Shares equal to such number of vested DSUs (if any) as soon as practicable following the applicable date of termination but in no event later than sixty (60) days after such date of termination. All Shares issued hereunder shall be delivered either by delivering one or more certificates for such Shares to the Participant or by entering such Shares in book-entry form, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion. The value of Shares shall not bear any interest owing to the passage of time. Neither this Section 5 nor any action taken under this Agreement will be construed to create a trust or a funded or secured obligation of any kind.

6 . **Tax Consequences**. The Participant acknowledges there may be adverse tax consequences on the receipt, vesting or settlement of this Award or disposition of the underlying Shares and that the Participant has been advised, and is advised, to consult a tax advisor. The Participant represents that the Participant is in no manner relying on the Board, the Committee, the Company or any of its Affiliates or any of their respective managers, directors, officers, employees or authorized representatives (including, without limitation, attorneys, accountants, consultants, bankers, lenders, prospective lenders and financial representatives) for tax advice or an assessment of such tax consequences. The Participant further agrees to indemnify and hold the Company and its Affiliates harmless for any damages, costs, expenses, taxes, judgments or other actions or amounts resulting from any actions or inactions of the Participant regarding the tax consequences of this Award or the underlying shares.

7 . **Non-Transferability**. During the lifetime of the Participant, the DSUs may not be sold, pledged, assigned or transferred in any manner other than by will, divorce or the laws of descent and distribution, unless and until the Shares underlying the DSUs have been issued, and all restrictions applicable to such Shares have lapsed. Neither the DSUs nor any interest or right therein shall be liable for the debts, contracts or engagements of the Participant or his or her successors in interest or shall be subject to disposition by transfer, alienation, anticipation, pledge, encumbrance, assignment or any other means, whether such disposition be voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law by judgment, levy, attachment, garnishment or any other legal or equitable proceedings (including bankruptcy), and any attempted disposition thereof shall be null and void and of no effect, except to the extent that such disposition is permitted by the preceding sentence.

8 . **Rights as a Stockholder**. Neither the Participant nor any person claiming under or through the Participant shall have rights as a stockholder of the Company with respect to any Shares that may become deliverable hereunder unless and until the Participant has become the holder of record of such Shares, and no adjustments shall be made for dividends in cash or other property, distributions or other rights in respect of any such Shares, except as otherwise specifically provided for in the Plan or this Agreement.

9 . **Execution of Receipts and Releases**. Any issuance or transfer of Shares or other property to the Participant or the Participant's legal representative, heir, legatee or distributee, in accordance with this Agreement shall be in full satisfaction of all claims of such person hereunder. As a condition precedent to such payment or issuance, the Company may require the Participant or the Participant's legal representative, heir, legatee or distributee to execute (and not revoke within any time provided to do so) a release and receipt therefor in such form as it shall determine appropriate; provided, however, that any review period under such release will not modify the date of settlement with respect to vested DSUs.

10. **No Right to Continued Service or Awards.** Nothing in the adoption of the Plan, nor the award of the DSUs thereunder pursuant to the Grant Notice and this Agreement, shall confer on the Participant the right to a continued service relationship with the Company or any Affiliate or affect in any way the right of the Company or any such Affiliate to terminate such service relationship. The grant of the DSUs is a one-time benefit and creates no contractual or other right to receive a grant of Awards or benefits in lieu of Awards in the future. Any future Awards will be granted at the sole discretion of the Company.

11. **Legal and Equitable Remedies.** The Participant acknowledges that a violation or attempted breach of any of the Participant's covenants and agreements in this Agreement will cause such damage as will be irreparable, the exact amount of which would be difficult to ascertain and for which there will be no adequate remedy at law, and accordingly, the parties hereto agree that the Company and its Affiliates shall be entitled as a matter of right to an injunction issued by any court of competent jurisdiction, restraining the Participant or the affiliates, partners or agents of the Participant from such breach or attempted violation of such covenants and agreements, as well as to recover from the Participant any and all costs and expenses sustained or incurred by the Company or any Affiliate in obtaining such an injunction, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees. The parties to this Agreement agree that no bond or other security shall be required in connection with such injunction. Any exercise by either of the parties to this Agreement of its rights pursuant to this Section 11 shall be cumulative and in addition to any other remedies to which such party may be entitled.

12. **Notices.** All notices and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as shall be specified by like notice):

If to the Company, unless otherwise designated by the Company in a written notice to the Participant (or other holder):

New York Mortgage Trust, Inc.  
90 Park Avenue  
New York, New York 10016  
Attn: Compensation Committee

If to the Participant, at the Participant's last known address on file with the Company.

Any notice that is delivered personally or by overnight courier or telecopier in the manner provided herein shall be deemed to have been duly given to the Participant when it is mailed by the Company or, if such notice is not mailed to the Participant, upon receipt by the Participant. Any notice that is addressed and mailed in the manner herein provided shall be conclusively presumed to have been given to the party to whom it is addressed at the close of business, local time of the recipient, on the fourth day after the day it is so placed in the mail.

13. **Consent to Electronic Delivery; Electronic Signature.** In lieu of receiving documents in paper format, the Participant agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to accept electronic delivery of any documents that the Company may be required to deliver (including, but not limited to, prospectuses, prospectus supplements, grant or award notifications and agreements, account statements, annual and quarterly reports and all other forms of communications) in connection with this and any other Award made or offered by the Company. Electronic delivery may be via a Company electronic mail system or by reference to a location on a Company intranet to which the Participant has access. The Participant hereby consents to any and all procedures the Company has established or may establish for an electronic signature system for delivery and acceptance of any such documents that the Company may be required to deliver, and agrees that his or her electronic signature is the same as, and shall have the same force and effect as, his or her manual signature.

14. **Agreement to Furnish Information.** The Participant agrees to furnish to the Company all information requested by the Company to enable it to comply with any reporting or other requirement imposed upon the Company by or under any applicable statute or regulation.

15. **Entire Agreement; Amendment.** This Agreement and, if applicable, the Deferral Form constitute the entire agreement of the parties with regard to the subject matter hereof, and contains all the covenants, promises, representations, warranties and agreements between the parties with respect to the DSUs granted hereby. Without limiting the scope of the preceding sentence, except as provided therein, all prior understandings and agreements, if any, among the parties hereto relating to the subject matter hereof are hereby null and void and of no further force and effect. The Committee may, in its sole discretion, amend this Agreement from time to time in any manner that is not inconsistent with the Plan; provided, however, that except as otherwise provided in the Plan or this Agreement, any such amendment that materially reduces the rights of the Participant shall be effective only if it is in writing and signed by both the Participant and an authorized officer of the Company.

16. **Severability and Waiver.** If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any provision of this Agreement is invalid or unenforceable, then the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement, and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect. Waiver by any party of any breach of this Agreement or failure to exercise any right hereunder shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other breach or right. The failure of any party to take action by reason of such breach or to exercise any such right shall not deprive the party of the right to take action at any time while or after such breach or condition giving rise to such rights continues.

17. **Clawback.** Notwithstanding any provision in the Grant Notice, this Agreement or the Plan to the contrary, to the extent required by (a) applicable law, including, without limitation, the requirements of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, any Securities and Exchange Commission rule or any applicable securities exchange listing standards and/or (b) any policy that may be adopted or amended by the Board from time to time, including the Company's Clawback Policy, all Shares issued hereunder shall be subject to forfeiture, repurchase, recoupment and/or cancellation to the extent necessary to comply with such law(s) and/or policy and only as it relates to the Company.

18. **Governing Law.** THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICTS OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF.

19. **Successors and Assigns.** The Company may assign any of its rights under this Agreement without the Participant's consent. This Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Company. Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth herein and in the Plan, this Agreement will be binding upon the Participant and the Participant's beneficiaries, executors, administrators and the person(s) to whom the DSUs may be transferred by will or the laws of descent or distribution.

20. **Headings.** Headings are for convenience only and are not deemed to be part of this Agreement.

21. **Counterparts.** The Grant Notice may be executed in one or more counterparts, including by way of any electronic or digital signature, subject to applicable law, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of the Grant Notice by facsimile or portable document format (.pdf) attachment to electronic mail shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of the Grant Notice.

22. **Section 409A.** Notwithstanding anything herein or in the Plan to the contrary, the DSUs and the DERs granted under this Agreement are intended to comply with the limitations and requirements of Section 409A and will be limited, construed and interpreted in accordance with such intent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company and its Affiliates make no representations that the DSUs or the DERs provided under this Agreement comply with Section 409A and in no event shall the Company or any Affiliate be liable for all or any portion of any taxes, penalties, interest or other expenses that may be incurred by the Participant on account of non-compliance with Section 409A. Each payment under this Agreement is considered a separate payment for Section 409A.

**EXHIBIT B**

**INITIAL DEFERRAL FORM**

Please complete this Initial Deferral Form (this "***Deferral Form***") and return a signed copy to the Company's Chief Financial Officer, no later than the day immediately preceding the Date of Grant if you would like to defer settlement of the DSUs.

Participant: [●]

**NOTE: This Deferral Form relates to the DSUs. If you do not wish to make a deferral election, you do not have to take any action and payment of the DSUs will be made to you at the time specified in the Agreement. If you do wish to make a deferral election, this Deferral Form must be completed, signed by you and returned to the Company as described herein.**

1. **Deferral of the DSUs**

In making this election, these rules apply:

- Unless otherwise specified, capitalized terms used but not defined in this Deferral Form will have the meaning attributed to them in the Agreement or the Plan, as applicable.
- You must select a settlement date below for the DSUs, which notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement, will be the dates on which you will receive payment of the DSUs if the DSUs vest.

2. **Election of Settlement Date for the DSUs**

**I hereby elect to receive payment of vested DSUs (if the DSUs vest) on the following date (please select one):**

A Change in Control;

The date that is the third anniversary of the Date of Grant; or

The earliest to occur of the following two dates:

- a. The date of a Change in Control; or
- b. The date that is the third anniversary of the Date of Grant.

3. **Signature**

I understand that this Deferral Form will become effective upon receipt by the Company but in no event later than the time that is immediately prior to the Date of Grant. **Once I have elected the settlement date for the DSUs by filing this Deferral Form, I understand that (a) the settlement election will be effective as of the effective date specified in the preceding sentence, (b) the settlement election will control over any contrary settlement date specified in the first sentence of Section 5 of the Agreement with respect to the DSUs, and (c) the settlement election may not be changed at any time (except to the extent any subsequent change complies with Section 409A).**

By signing this Deferral Form, I acknowledge my understanding of, and agreement with, the terms in this Deferral Form, the Agreement, and the Plan.

**NEW YORK MORTGAGE TRUST, INC.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

**PARTICIPANT**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name: [●]

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302  
OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Jason T. Serrano, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2024 of New York Mortgage Trust, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this 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 report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this 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 report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, 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 report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 1, 2024

/s/ Jason T. Serrano

Jason T. Serrano

Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302  
OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Kristine R. Nario-Eng, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2024 of New York Mortgage Trust, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this 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 report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this 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 report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, 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 report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 1, 2024

/s/ Kristine R. Nario-Eng

Kristine R. Nario-Eng

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of New York Mortgage Trust, Inc., (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to our knowledge:

- (1) The Report 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 Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

Date: November 1, 2024

/s/ Jason T. Serrano  
Jason T. Serrano  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 1, 2024

/s/ Kristine R. Nario-Eng  
Kristine R. Nario-Eng  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)