## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): June 14, 2022



### BREAD FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-15749 (Commission File Number)

31-1429215 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

## 3095 LOYALTY CIRCLE COLUMBUS, Ohio 43219

(Address and Zip Code of Principal Executive Offices)

(614) 729-4000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

**NOT APPLICABLE** (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions:			
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act		
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act		
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act		
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act		
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:  Title of each class Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share  Trading symbol BFH NYSE  Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).  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.  [ ]			

### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is a presentation to be given to investors and others by senior officers of Bread Financial Holdings, Inc.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

### Exhibit No. Document Description

99.1 Investor Presentation Materials.

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

The information contained in this report (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

### SIGNATURES

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

Bread Financial Holdings, Inc.

Date: June 14, 2022

By:

/s/ Joseph L. Motes III
Joseph L. Motes III
Executive Vice President, Chief
Administrative Officer, General
Counsel and Secretary



# **Bread Financial**

Morgan Stanley U.S. Financials, Payments & CRE Conference

June 14, 2022





A tech-forward financial services company providing simple, personalized payment, lending, and saving solutions









# Mid-Quarter 2Q22 Financial Update

- Credit sales remain up double digits year-over-year through May
- · Average and End of Period loans for May up 12% year-over-year
- Payments rates remain elevated across Vantage ranges versus pre-pandemic levels; seeing gradual moderation
- Delinquency rate remains strong, with May at 4% and a stable outlook for 2022
- May net loss rate negatively impacted by ~90 basis points related to a pending contractual dispute. Excluding the impact, the 2Q22 net loss rate is still expected to be near the high end of our full year guidance of low- to mid-5%
- Fisery conversion remains on track



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## **Our Business Transformation**

### A leading provider of tech-forward payment, lending, and saving solutions

- Expanded our product suite and direct-to-consumer offerings
- Enhanced our core technology and digital capabilities
- Focused on improving our capital ratios and reducing our leverage
- Increased emphasis on Environmental, Social, and Governance

### Guiding business principles to drive sustainable, profitable growth

Strong corporate governance

Proactive risk management Prudent balance sheet management

Disciplined expense management

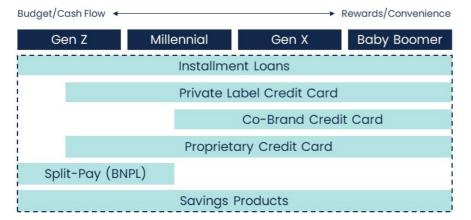
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## **Milestone Events**



# **Differentiated Products & Brand Partnerships**

Expanded product offerings provide consumer choice across the total addressable market



### Product

### Graduation

from credit building products to a full suite of financial offerings

### Product

### **Optimization**

presents the right product, to the right customer, at the right time

### Long history of brand partnership success **Card Partner Loyalty Well Diversified U.S. Consumer Penetration** We've put a card in the wallets of >90% 15 years ~130 1 in 7 Card partner programs in Average tenure Partner renewal rate American adults, including 1 in 5 multiple industry verticals U.S. female adults N bread financial

## **Product Diversification**

Diversifying our product mix to optimize risk-adjusted returns and deliver sustainable, profitable growth

# End-of-Period Loan Balances 3/31/2022 ■ Private Label ■ Co-Brand ■ Proprietary ■ BNPL 12/31/2009 93% Co-Brand, proprietary, and BNPL now comprise over 1/3 of loan balances

### Private Label (Closed Network)



- Long history of successes with programs tailored to build customer loyalty with our partners' brands
- Traditional PLCC average loan ~\$400; also provide promotional "Big Ticket" PLCC financing
- Higher revenue yields; deeper underwriting; lower credit lines

Co-Brand (Open Network)



- Ideal for well known brands; builds brand loyalty and enables general purpose network spend, improving diversification
- Majority of Co-Brand portfolio >660 Vantage score
- Higher credit scores; higher credit lines; lower revenue yields

### Proprietary (Open Network)



- General purpose cashback cards to capture incremental spend, and build and retain customer relationships
- Increases total addressable market, including the Millennial and Gen Z populations
- No partner risk or share of economics

### **BNPL**

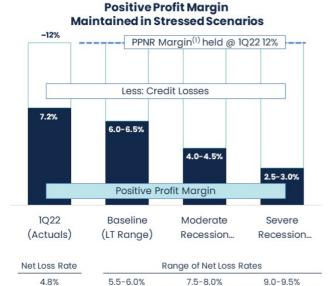


- Buy Now, Pay Later (BNPL) consists of both digital installment and split pay offerings
- Bolsters full suite of products to provide consumer choice with focus on Millennials and Gen Z
- Over 95% of loans are installment

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## Strengthened Financial Resilience

Strong PPNR margin and strengthened balance sheet provide improved financial resilience



Expect to outperform historic loss levels due to enhanced credit risk management

In addition to strong profit margins, **strengthened balance sheet ratios and credit mix** provide more layers and confidence of resilience.

- Loan Loss reserve materially higher. Rate of 10.8%, up 480 bps from year-end 2019 and prior pre-recession periods.
- Capital ratios significantly improved. TCE/TA ratio at 7.8%; was negative during various periods and up 300 bps from spin.
- Credit mix shifting to higher quality. Risk score mix with >660 at 61%, above the 52% pre-pandemic level and higher than any other pre-recession period.

### **Enhanced Credit Risk Management**

- ✓ Diversification across products, partners, and channels
- $\checkmark$  Stronger underwriting resulting from enhanced technology, monitoring, and data
- ✓ Prudent and proactive line management
- √ Well-established risk appetite metrics
- √ Recession readiness playbook in place



(1) Pretax pre-provision earnings (PPNR) / average loans. PPNR is a non-GAAP financial measure.

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# **Technology Innovation**

Enhanced our core technology and digital capabilities



### **Digital Modernization**

Accelerate Customer Centric Growth Seamless Self Service & Engagement Deliver a Robust Set of Product and Partner Capabilities

- Bolstered technology modernization of our core processing and digital properties, driving convenience and choice
- Full product suite coupled with our data and analytics expertise provide personalized experiences offering the right product for the consumer in the channel of their choice
- Bread Pay platform strengthens our versatile tech stack with API-configured, headless integration capabilities, and expands our total addressable market and distribution network
- Customer Account Center redesign provides simplified navigation, enhanced transaction & dashboard views, and reinforces engagement with Rewards



# Long-Term Company Financial Targets

Announced at Investor Day in May 2021 based on 3-year outlook

High single-digit annual loan growth

Average of \$20 billion in 2023

Positive operating leverage

2022 and beyond

Net loss rate less than 6%

Average through-thecycle target range Return on Equity mid- to high-20% Range

### **Capital Priorities**

Support Profitable Growth & Growth Investments

Improve Capital Metrics

Efficient Return of Capital to Shareholders



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# Environmental, Social, and Governance



Proxy statement features enhanced, integrated ESG disclosure, in line with our ESG report released in May 2022.

### Areas of focus

- Sustainability Governance
- Fair & Responsible Banking
- Secure & Responsible Use of Data
- **Human Capital Management**
- Environment, Climate Risk
- Community Investment
- Multi-Stakeholder Financial Wellness

**Forbes** 

Forbes Best Employers for Diversity



**Bloomberg Gender Equality Index** 



Stevie Award for Contact Center of the Year, Bronze winner



16th consecutive year Customer Care Centers Benchmark Portal Certified



Recognized by the Women's Forum of New York for commitment to gender equality



# Bread Financial Leadership Team & Board of Directors

### Executive Leadership Team with ~150 years of Combined Industry Experience







Perry Beberman



Val Greer



Tammy McConnaughey



Joe Motes

### **Engaged & Diverse Board of Directors**





Laurie Tucker



Karin Kimbrough

Sharen Turney







Ralph Andretta

### Successful execution of multi-year Board refreshment program

- Challenging, supportive Board
- Responsible decision-making
- Active oversight of ESG strategy and execution



Timothy Theriault

## Forward-Looking Statements

This presentation contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements give our expectations or forecasts of future events and can generally be identified by the use of words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "project," "plan," "likely," "may," "should" or other words or phrases of similar import. Similarly, statements that describe our business strategy, outlook, objectives, plans, intentions or goals also are forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements we make regarding, and the guidance we give with respect to, our anticipated operating or financial results, future financial performance and outlook, initiation or completion of strategic initiatives, including our ability to realize the intended benefits of the spinoff of the LoyaltyOne" segment, future dividend declarations, and future economic conditions, including, but not limited to, market conditions, inflation, developments in the geopolitical environment, including the war in Ukraine, and the ongoing effects of the global COVID-19 pandemic, which remain difficult to predict.

We believe that our expectations are based on reasonable assumptions. Forward-looking statements, however, are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the projections, anticipated results or other expectations expressed in this presentation, and no assurances can be given that our expectations will prove to have been correct. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, factors set forth in the Risk Factors section in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the most recently ended fiscal year, which may be updated in Item 1A of, or elsewhere in, our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed for periods subsequent to such Form 10-K. Our forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made, and we undertake no obligation, other than as required by applicable law, to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, subsequent events, anticipated or unanticipated circumstances or otherwise.

## Non-GAAP Financial Measure

We prepare our Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). However, certain information included within this presentation, constitutes non-GAAP financial measures. Our calculations of non-GAAP financial measures may differ from the calculations of similarly titled measures by other companies. In particular, Pretax pre-provision earnings ("PPNR") is calculated by increasing Income from continuing operations before income taxes by Provision for credit losses. We use PPNR internally as a metric to evaluate our results of operations before income taxes, excluding the volatility that can occur within Provision for credit losses; we believe the use of this non-GAAP financial measure provides additional clarity in understanding our results of operations and trends. For a reconciliation of this non-GAAP financial measure to the most directly comparable GAAP measure, please see our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the most recent auarter end. filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.



## About Bread Financial™

Bread Financial™ (NYSE: BFH) is a tech-forward financial services company providing simple, personalized payment, lending and saving solutions. The company creates opportunities for its customers and partners through digitally-enabled choices that offer ease, empowerment, financial flexibility and exceptional customer experiences. Driven by a digital-first approach, data insights and white-label technology, Bread Financial delivers growth for its partners through a comprehensive product suite, including private label and co-brand credit cards, installment lending, and buy now, pay later (BNPL). Bread Financial also offers directto-consumer solutions that give customers more access, choice and freedom through its branded Bread Cashback™ American Express° Credit Card and Bread Savings™ products.

Formerly Alliance Data, Bread Financial is an S&P MidCap 400 company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, and committed to sustainable business practices powered by its 6,000+ global associates. To learn more about Bread Financial, visit BreadFinancial.com or follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and Instagram.



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