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**Investor Presentation** 

March 2023

# **Banking on the Future!**

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# A Fully Digital North American Bank

Highly efficient: Branchless, partner (B2B) model

Innovative, value-add deposit & lending solutions for underserved markets Operating leverage of a technology company with earnings visibility of a bank

Highly risk-mitigated model: Very sticky deposits/History of virtually no loan losses

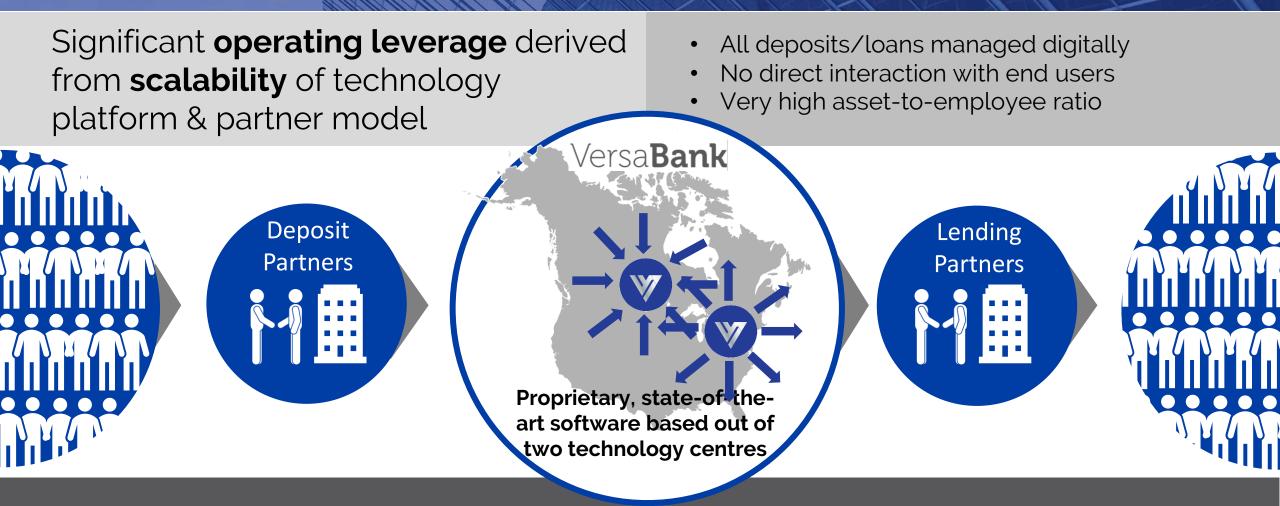
Track record of significant earnings growth

Poised for outsized long-term growth through entry to U.S. market

Additional "free option" through cybersecurity services subsidiary

Designed to perform well in favourable economies and **even better** in more challenging economies At an **inflection point** for operating leverage, outsized earnings growth and ROCE

## Branchless Partner (B2B) Model Based on Proprietary Banking Technology



Cost to earn \$1 of revenue has decreased >40% over last 7 years On track to further increase efficiency

# Deposits: Unlimited Low-Cost, Partner-Based Sources

### >220 Partners Provide Access to Millions of Depositors

### Insolvency Professionals (>100 Offices)

- Proprietary, high-value add, technology based solution
- Grown from 0 to >100 partners & C\$598M<sup>1</sup>/US\$438 in deposits in ~8 years

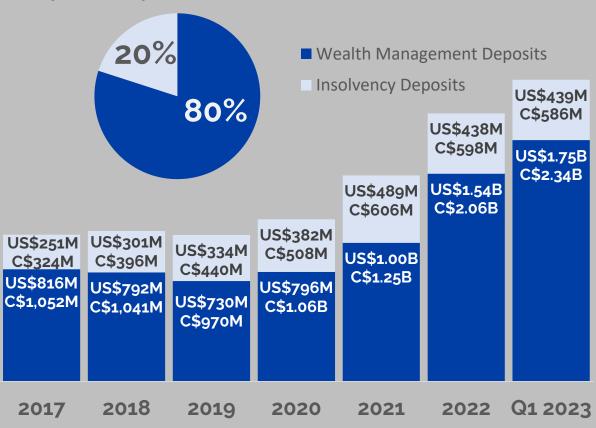
Deloitte, O Grant Thornton BDO MNP: DAVID SKLAR & ASSOCIATES INC.

### Wealth Management (>120 Partners)

- Extensive network of providing exposure to vast majority of Canadian depositors
- Competitively positioned for inexpensive deposits as a federally licensed bank



- Objective to minimize cost of deposit funding
- All Wealth Management deposits are term deposits
- Very "sticky" deposit base



Deposit Composition (Q1 2023)

# Loans: Very Low Risk Lending Channels

### >275 Partners Provide Access to Millions of Borrowers

## Point-of-Sale Financing (Loans and Leases)

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- Very low-risk:
  - Default risk resides substantially with partner
  - Only partner with established POS lenders
- Dominant position in Canada



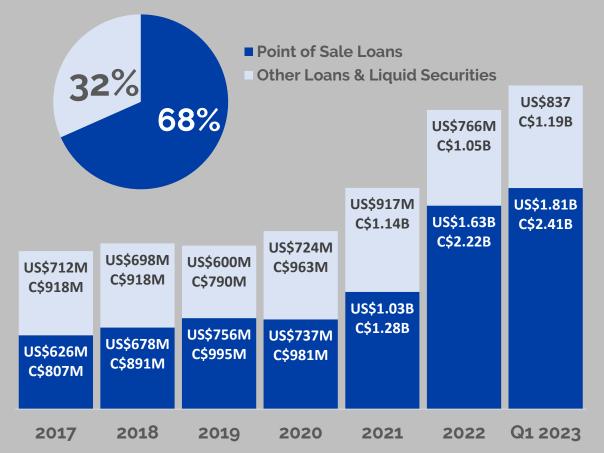
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- Highly profitable legacy business
- Restricted to large, long-established developers
- Low loan to value/low risk weighted loans
- No commercial real estate exposure



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- 30-year history of virtually no loan losses

#### Loan Composition (Q1 2023)



# Ultra Low-Risk Digital Model

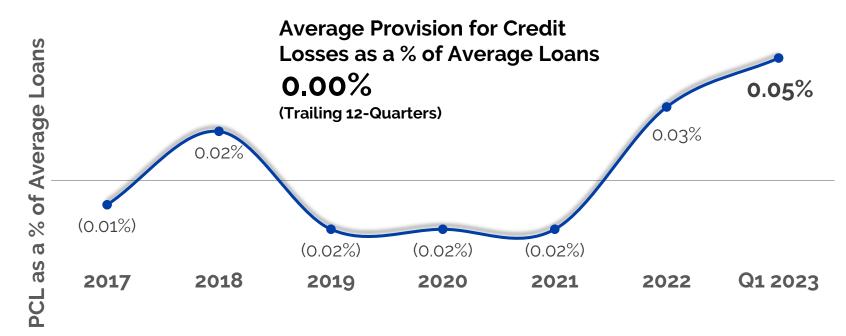
#### Organization-Wide Focus on Risk Mitigation

- Technology-based approach to risk analysis/ monitoring
- Rigorous, multi-step, multi-executive approval process
- Continuous, real-time monitoring of credit performance
- Top-tier asset quality
- High-liquidity ratio & access to vast supply of low-cost funds
- Low operational risk: branchless, digital model & industry leading security

## Very Sticky Deposits

- Insolvency: Long-term relationships based on unique technology
- Wealth Management: 100% term deposit receipts/Depositors have no direct access to deposits
- 98% insured (All Wealth Management deposits insured)

Loans to High Quality Partners/Highly Risk Mitigated Structures



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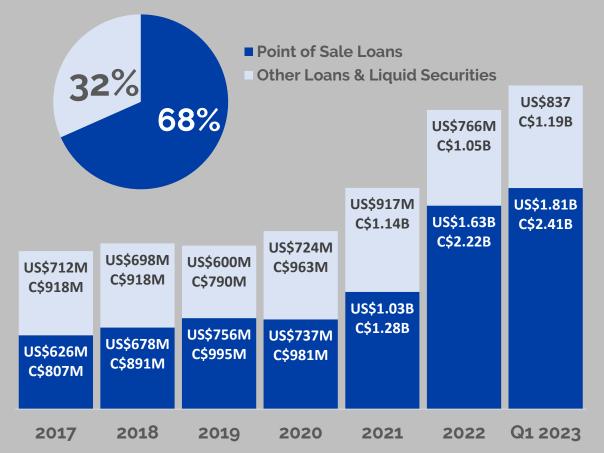
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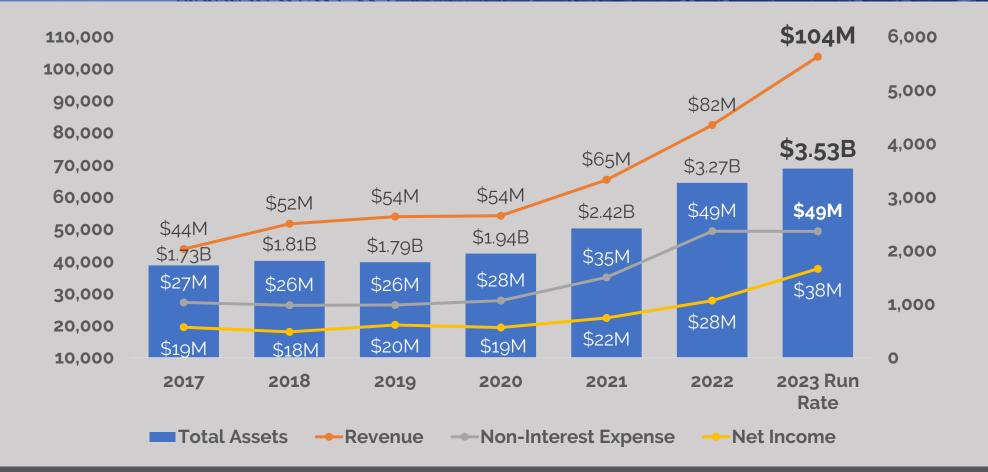


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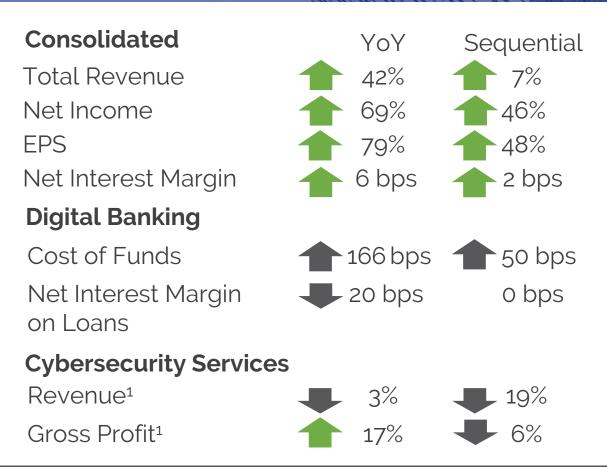


## Momentum in Profitability and Long-Term Earnings Capacity



Expect continued steady growth in Canada with the significant upside of the entry into the U.S. market

# Q1 2023 Key Metrics & Highlights: Record Results



Digital Banking: Strong loan portfolio growth to another record: \$3.24B

Record quarterly revenue, net interest income, net income and EPS

#### Efficiency Ratio (excl. DRTC): 42%

- YoY increase of 1,406 bps (25%)
- Sequential increase of 877 bps (18%)

### Ave. Return on Common Equity: 10.8%

- YoY increase of 421 bps (64%)
- Sequential increase of 347 bps (47%)

Strategic growth investments in fiscal 2022 expected to drive continued growth in fiscal 2023

# Digital Banking Growth Strategy: Momentum for the Future

## 1

**Further Reduce Cost of Funding** to Expand Net Interest Margin

**Expand insolvency deposits**: Higher volumes w/ existing partners & adding new partners

**Expand wealth management deposits** by adding new partners

Introduce commercial deposit offerings to new markets

**Grow Loan Portfolio** via New Near-Term Opportunities and Existing Offerings

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**Expand Point-of-Sale Financing portfolio:** Add new partners & increase volumes with existing partners

**Grow Recently Launched U.S. Receivable Purchase Program** (U.S. version of Point-of-Sale Financing solution)

Launch Instant Mortgage: Application of Point-of-Sale Financing technology for the retail mortgage market (lower RWA) Pursue Accretive Acquisitions to Leverage Scalability of Platform & Enter New Markets

Generate capital-efficient, step function growth in loan portfolio

Provide ability to expedite roll out of offerings in new markets

Vision: Continue to grow loan portfolio/revenue while maintaining low cost of funding to capitalize on operating leverage

# U.S. Receivables Purchase Program: A New Financing Solution for a High-Growth but Underserved Market

## Strong growth in U.S. Point-of-Sale financing

**activity** driven by technology & increasing consumer preference for non-credit card/non-bank financing options

75% Of consumers more likely to make purchase if seamless POS financing available<sup>(3)</sup>

Estimated POS market in the near term,

20%

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Forecast annual growth in U.S. point-ofsale financing market <sup>(2)</sup>

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Same attractive, reliable alternative solution that has been highly successful in Canada

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Launched in U.S. April 22 (limited basis)

Strong initial demand, especially as conventional sources of financing have waned

Full roll out to commence upon closing of U.S. bank acquisition

# Will be serviced via existing technology infrastructure

(1) Filene Research Institute: "Blue Ocean Lending for Credit Unions: Point of Sale Financing" (05.19.15); (2) Skeps – "POS Financing Competition is Growing" (10.08.20); (3) The Financial Brand - "Growth of POS financing is Both a Threat and Opportunity in Retail Banking" (07.29.19)

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# Acquisition of OCC-Chartered, National US Bank: Transformational Next Step in Long-Term Growth Strategy

Definitive Agreement to Acquire Minnesota-based Stearns Bank Holdingford

Fully operational national bank focused on small business lending

Expected to add ~US\$60 M<sup>1</sup> in total assets

Estimated purchase price of US\$13.5 M (CA\$18 M)<sup>1</sup>

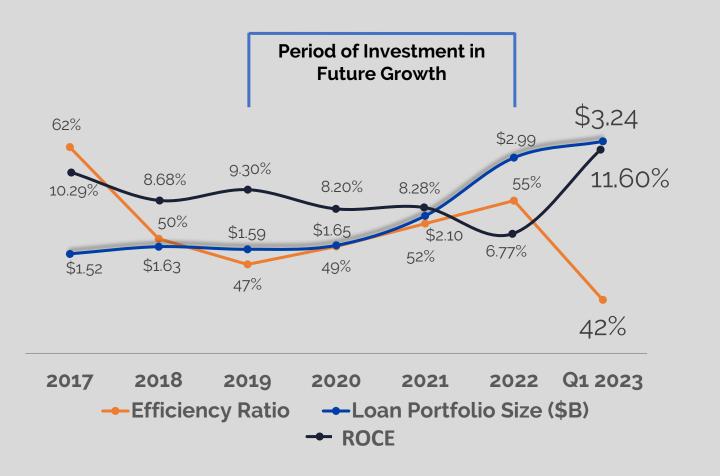
## Platform for significant growth in the United States

- Provides access to U.S. deposits to fuel growth of the U.S. Receivable Purchase Program business (recently launched in the U.S. following success of Point-of-Sale business in Canada)
- Expected to be accretive to VersaBank's earnings per share within first year after closing
- Expected to be well capitalized on closing with a Total Capital ratio >10%
- Will be renamed VersaBank USA on closing (expected calendar Q2 2023<sup>2</sup>)

1. Subject to any adjustments at closing. 2. Subject to regulatory approval in U.S. and Canada).

Submitted requisite approval filings in U.S. and awaiting response of regulatory authorities

# Capitalizing on the Significant Operating Leverage in Our Core Digital Banking Operations



# **Near-Term Targets**

Loan Portfolio Size



**Efficiency Ratio** 

<35%

ROCE >18%



## DRT Cyber: "Free Option" on Digital Banking Valuation

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Detection

**DRT** Cyber

Privacy

#### Comprehensive Suite of Services:

- External network, web and mobile app penetration testing
  - Physical social engineering engagements
  - Supervisory control & data acquisition (SCADA) system
    assessments
  - Various aspects of training
- > 400 Clients Across North America
  - Large retailers & financial service providers
  - Police service organizations
  - Energy, public utilities & infrastructure firms

Significant opportunities to cross-sell and up-sell

Also provides technology development for Digital Banking operations

Profitable, with solid growth in revenue and EBITDA in fiscal 2022

At inflection point for operating leverage, earnings growth and ROCE generation based on expected continued strong growth in Canada and entry into the U.S

**Proposed acquisition of national, chartered US bank** provides access to **\$1.8T** market for highly unique Receivables Purchase Program (proven out in Canada)

Highly risk-mitigated model based on structuring of both deposits and loans

Current valuation substantially below book value and well below US peers

Profitable cybersecurity services subsidiary is a "free option"

Positioned to perform well in a challenging economic environment



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