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March 27, 2017

Dear Shareholder:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and management of Orrstown Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company"), I cordially invite you to attend our 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "Annual Meeting"). The Annual Meeting will be held at the H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center, 1871 Old Main Drive, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., local time. The attached Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement describe the formal business we expect to act upon at the Annual Meeting. We will also report on our results of operations. Our directors and officers, as well as representatives of Crowe Horwath LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, will be present to respond to shareholder questions.

You will be asked to: (i) elect the Board's four nominees for director, (ii) provide a non-binding advisory vote approving the compensation paid to our named executive officers as disclosed in the attached proxy statement ("Say-on-Pay"); (iii) provide a non-binding vote to approve the frequency of the Say on Pay ("Say on Frequency") and (iv) ratify the appointment of Crowe Horwath LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. The Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the election as directors to Class A of the four nominees listed in the enclosed Proxy Statement; "FOR" approval of the advisory vote on compensation paid to our named executive officers; FOR, holding annual Say on Pay votes, and "FOR" ratification of the Audit Committee's selection of Crowe Horwath LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

Your vote is important, regardless of the number of shares you own. We encourage you to vote by proxy so that your shares will be represented and voted at the Annual Meeting even if you cannot attend. There are a number of ways shareholders can vote. You can vote by returning the enclosed Proxy Card, on line, by phone or you may vote in person at the meeting if you so choose. If you do decide to attend the Annual Meeting and feel for whatever reason that you want to change your vote at that time, you will be able to do so.

Sincerely, Thomas R. Quinn, Jr. President and Chief Executive Officer ORRSTOWN FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

77 East King Street Shippensburg, Pennsylvania 17257

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2017

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Orrstown Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company") will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., at the H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center, 1871 Old Main Drive, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, to consider and take action on the following matters:

- 1. Elect four (4) directors to Class A for three (3) year terms expiring in 2020;
- Approve a non-binding advisory vote regarding the compensation paid to our named executive officers ("Say-On-Pay");
- 3. Approve a non-binding advisory vote on the frequency of holding the Say-On-Pay vote ("Say-On-Frequency");
- 4. Ratify the Audit Committee's selection of Crowe Horwath LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017; and
- 5. Transact such other business as may properly come before the annual meeting.

Your Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the election as directors to Class A of the four nominees listed in the enclosed proxy statement; "FOR" approval of the advisory vote on compensation paid to our Named Executive Officers; "FOR" holding of the Say on Pay votes on an annual basis; and "FOR" ratification of the Audit Committee's selection of Crowe Horwath LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

This Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders, the proxy statement and the enclosed proxy card are being mailed on or about March 27, 2017 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 15, 2017. A copy of the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 is also enclosed.

Sincerely,

Dr. Anthony F. Ceddia Secretary

March 27, 2017

Important Notice Regarding Internet Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be Held on May 2, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

The Proxy Statement and Annual Report to

Shareholders are available on the Internet at

http://www.cstproxy.com/orrstown/2017

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#### ORRSTOWN FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

77 East King Street

Shippensburg, Pennsylvania 17257

#### PROXY STATEMENT

#### **Annual Meeting Information**

This proxy statement contains information about the Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "Annual Meeting") of Orrstown Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company") to be held Tuesday, May 2, 2017, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center, 1871 Old Main Drive, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, and at any adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting. This proxy statement was prepared at the direction of the Company's Board of Directors to solicit your proxy for use at the Annual Meeting. This proxy statement and the enclosed form of proxy will be mailed to shareholders on or about March 27, 2017.

Who is entitled to vote?

Shareholders owning shares of the Company's common stock, no par value per share (the "Company Common Stock") as of the close of business on March 15, 2017 are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the Annual Meeting. Each shareholder has one vote per share on all matters to be voted on. As of March 15, 2017 there were 8,337,956 shares of Company's Common Stock outstanding.

On what am I voting?

You will be asked to:

- (i) elect four (4) directors to Class A for three (3) year terms expiring in 2020;
- approve a non-binding advisory vote regarding the compensation paid to our Named Executive Officers as disclosed in this proxy statement ("Say-On-Pay");
- approve a non-binding advisory vote regarding the frequency of holding the Say-On-Pay ("Say-on-Frequency"); and
- ratify the Audit Committee's selection of Crowe Horwath LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

The Board of Directors is not aware of any other matters to be presented for action at the meeting. If any other matter requiring a vote of the shareholders would be presented at the Annual Meeting, the proxies will vote according to the directions of the Board of Directors.

How does the Board of Directors recommend I vote?

The Board of Directors recommends that shareholders vote:

- "FOR" the election of each of the four nominees as directors to Class A named in this proxy statement;
- "FOR" approval of the non-binding advisory vote on the compensation paid to our Named Executive Officers as disclosed in this proxy statement;
- (iii) "FOR" holding the Say-On-Pay vote on an annual basis; and
- "FOR" ratification of the Audit Committee's selection of Crowe Horwath LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

#### How do I vote?

Sign and date each proxy form you receive and return it in the postage-paid envelope provided. If you sign your proxy form but do not mark your choices, your proxies will vote your shares represented by such proxy:

(i) "FOR" the four persons nominated for election as directors to Class A named in this proxy statement;

(ii)

"FOR" approval of the non-binding advisory vote on the compensation paid to our Named Executive Officers as disclosed in this proxy statement;

(iii) "FOR" holding the Say-On-Pay vote on an annual basis; and

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(iv) registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

You may revoke your proxy at any time before it is exercised. To do so, you must give written notice of revocation to the Secretary, Orrstown Financial Services, Inc., 77 East King Street, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania 17257, submit another properly signed proxy with a more recent date, or vote in person at the Annual Meeting. Please note that simply attending the Annual Meeting in person without voting will not revoke your proxy.

You are only entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting if our records show that you held shares of the Company Common Stock as of the close of business on March 15, 2017. If your shares are held by a broker or other intermediary, you can only vote your shares at the Annual Meeting if you have a properly executed proxy from the broker or other intermediary which is the record holder of your shares.

What is a quorum?

A "quorum" is the presence at the meeting, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares. There must be a quorum for the Annual Meeting to be held.

How are abstentions and broker non-votes counted?

Abstentions are counted for purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum, but are not considered a vote cast under Pennsylvania law.

A broker non-vote occurs when a broker, bank or other nominee holding shares on your behalf does not receive voting instructions from you. If that happens, the broker, bank or other nominee may vote those shares only on matters deemed "routine," such as the ratification of the appointment of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm. On non-routine matters, such as the election of directors, Say-on-Pay and Frequency of Say-on-Pay, the broker, bank or other nominee cannot vote those shares unless they receive voting instructions from the beneficial owner. A "broker non-vote" occurs when a broker has not received voting instructions and either declines to exercise its discretionary authority to vote on routine matters or is barred from doing so because the matter is non-routine. Broker non-votes are counted to determine if a quorum is present, but are not considered a vote cast under Pennsylvania law. As a result, abstentions and broker non-votes are not included in the tabulation of the voting results on issues requiring approval of a majority of the votes cast and, therefore, do not have the effect of votes in opposition in such tabulation.

What vote is required to elect directors?

Directors are elected by a plurality of votes. Votes withheld and broker non-votes will have no effect on the election of directors.

What vote is required to approve the other proposals?

A majority of the votes cast by shareholders present in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting, assuming a quorum is present, is required to approve each of the other proposals. Abstentions and broker non-votes, if any, are not treated as votes cast and, therefore, will have no effect on whether or not a proposal is approved.

Who will count the vote?

The Judge of Election appointed by the Board of Directors will count the votes cast in person or by proxy.

What is the deadline for shareholder proposals for next year's Annual Meeting?

Shareholders may submit proposals on matters appropriate for shareholder action at future annual meetings by following the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the Company's bylaws. Proposals intended for inclusion in next year's proxy statement and proxy card must be received by the Company not later than November 27, 2017. In addition, in order to be considered for possible action by the shareholders at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "2018 Annual Meeting"), proposals not included in the Company's proxy statement must also be submitted to the Secretary of the Company not later than January 2, 2018. All proposals should be addressed to the Secretary of the Company.

## How are proxies being solicited?

In addition to solicitation by mail, the officers, directors and employees of the Company may, without additional compensation, solicit proxies by telephone or personal interview. Brokers and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries will be requested to forward soliciting material to the beneficial owners of Company Common Stock held by such persons and will be reimbursed by the Company for their expenses.

Important Notice Regarding Internet Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Annual Meeting to be held on May 2, 2017

The Notice of Annual Meeting, this proxy statement, the form of proxy and the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K are available at:

http://www.cstproxy.com/orrstown/2017

# Share Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners

The Company does not know of any person or group who beneficially owned more than 5% of Company Common Stock on March 15, 2017, except as shown in the following table:

| Name and address of<br>Beneficial Owner   | Common Stock<br>Beneficially Owned | Percent of Class |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Orrstown Bank <sup>(1)</sup> 77 East King Street Shippensburg, PA 17257   | 590,303                            | 7.1 %            |
| Basswood Capital Management, LLC <sup>(2)</sup><br>Matthew Lindenbaum<br>Bennett Lindenbaum<br>645 Madison Avenue, 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor | 561,607                            | 6.7 %            |
| New York, NY 10022<br>Black Rock, Inc. (3)<br>55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street<br>New York, NY 10055                                       | 523,835                            | 6.3 %            |

Shares held directly by Orrstown Bank (the "Bank"), or by way of its nominees, in its trust department as fiduciary (1) for certain trusts, estates and agency accounts that beneficially own the shares. The Bank does not have the right to vote with respect to any of these shares.