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**Section 2 – Financial Information.**

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 17, 2017, First Defiance Financial Corp. (“FDEF”) issued a press release regarding its earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2017. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Section 8 – Other Events.**

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Other Events.

On April 17, 2017, the FDEF Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 per common share payable on May 26, 2017 to shareholders of record at the close of business on May 19, 2017. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Section 9 – Financial Statements and Exhibits**

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Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)Exhibits.

Exhibit  
Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated April 17, 2017

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements 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.

FIRST DEFIANCE  
FINANCIAL CORP.

By: /s/ Kevin T. Thompson  
Kevin T. Thompson  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 17, 2017



