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PARK STATE BANK HONORED FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN – February 19, 2020 – The Minnesota Bankers Association (MBA) has recognized 40 Minnesota banks for their community involvement. Banks play a vital role in their communities and to honor and recognize their involvement, the MBA created the **Community Champion** recognition program.

Park State Bank is one of forty Community Champions that worked with hundreds of organizations in their communities, providing funding, volunteers, materials, supplies, or food for their neighbors. Recipients of the recognition range in size from small community banks to large banks with multiple branches.

In total, these banks donated over \$3.1 million to their communities and worked with an average of 45 organizations each in the past year. These organizations included the American Red Cross, Meals on Wheels, United Way, Salvation Army, American Cancer Society, Girl Scouts, Junior Achievement, Feed My Starving Children, local schools, churches, and non-profits. 2,183 employees from these banks dedicated over 92,500 hours at a variety of volunteer events or programs in 2019.

MBA President/CEO Joe Witt congratulated the recipients. "As this recognition highlights, Minnesota banks continue to demonstrate an extraordinary level of commitment to the communities they serve," said Witt. "In addition to providing the capital that helps families and local businesses thrive, the banking industry's record of supporting local programs is second to none. The MBA is pleased to recognize these 40 banks for their commitment to making a real difference in their local communities."

The MBA 2020 Community Champion recipients are:

American Bank of the North Biwabik, Chisholm, Cook, Grand Rapids, Hibbing, Mt. Iron, Nashwauk, Orr

> Americana Community Bank Chanhassen, Maple Grove, Sleepy Eye

> > BankVista Chaska, Mankato, Sartell

Bridgewater Bank Bloomington, Downtown Minneapolis, Greenwood, Orono, St. Louis Park, St. Paul, Uptown Center National Bank Litchfield, Plymouth

Choice Bank Bloomington, Eagan, Golden Valley, Roseville

> Citizens Bank & Trust Co. Hutchinson

Citizens Bank Minnesota La Salle, Lafayette, Lakeville, New Ulm

Citizens Independent Bank Hopkins, Plymouth, Robbinsdale, St. Louis Park **Community Resource Bank** *Cannon Falls, Northfield, Roseville*

Eagle Bank Elbow Lake, Glenwood, Starbuck, Villard, Wendell

> F&M Savings Bank Lino Lakes, Vadnais Heights

Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Springfield Morgan, Springfield

> **Financial Security Bank** Albertville, Kerkhoven

First Farmers & Merchants Bank Bellechester, Cannon Falls, Goodhue, Le Sueur, Red Wing, White Rock

> First Farmers & Merchants National Bank Luverne, Pipestone

> First National Bank Bemidji Bemidji

First National Bank Minnesota Gaylord, Mankato, St. Peter

First National Bank of Milaca *Gilman, Isle, Milaca, Zimmerman*

First National Bank of Moose Lake Moose Lake

First Security Bank – Canby Canby, Lake Benton

> First Security Bank Byron

Frandsen Bank & Trust All Locations

Janesville State Bank Janesville

Lake City Federal Bank Lake City Merchants Bank All locations

MidCountry Bank All locations

Midwest Bank Barnesville, Callaway, Dalton, Detroit Lakes, Parkers Prairie, Waubun

North Shore Bank Cloquet, Duluth, Hermantown, Lakeside, Woodland, Superior, WI

> Northeast Bank Coon Rapids, Minneapolis, New Brighton

> > Park State Bank Duluth, Minneapolis

Pioneer Bank Lake Crystal, Lewisville, Madelia, Mapleton, Mankato, North Mankato, St. James, St. Peter

Premier Bank Andover, Blaine, Hugo, Maplewood, Osseo, Roseville, White Bear Lake, Woodbury

Premier Bank 37th Street, Downtown Rochester, Green Meadows, North Broadway

Premier Bank Minnesota Albertville, Bloomington, Faribault, Farmington, Hastings, Monticello, Northfield, Owatonna

> **Roundbank** Farmington, New Prague, Waldorf, Waseca

> > Security State Bank of Hibbing Hibbing

Star Bank Annandale, Barrett, Bertha, Eagle Bend, Eden Prairie, Elbow Lake, Graceville, Maple Lake, Verndale, Wheaton

> United Community Bank Dent, Frazee, Perham

Village Bank Blaine, East Bethel, Ramsey, St. Francis

The Minnesota Bankers Association is the state's largest trade association devoted exclusively to the representation of commercial banks. The MBA was founded in 1889 and represents 95% of Minnesota's chartered banks. The MBA is proud to support our member banks as they work to ensure vital communities throughout the state. For more information, please visit our website at www.minnbankers.com.

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