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**To the Editor:**

## **Washington Financial Bank Starting 2025 with 5-Star Strength**

**Washington, Pennsylvania - December 2024:** Washington Financial Bank, Washington, PA is proud to announce it is starting 2025 with a **5-Star Superior rating** from **BauerFinancial, the Nation's Premier Bank Rating Firm**. A 5-Star Superior rating indicates that Washington Financial Bank is one of the strongest banks in the nation, excelling in areas of capital, loan quality, profitability and more. This marks the 141<sup>st</sup> consecutive quarter that Washington Financial Bank has earned a recommended rating (5-Stars or 4-Stars) from Bauer.

“Local decisions, responsive service and dedication to making the community a better place to live, these are the hallmarks of community banks, like Washington Financial Bank”, champions Karen L. Dorway, president of Bauer Financial. “Understanding what the community needs and providing the financial support tailored to those needs, is what community banking is all about. We at Bauer are never surprised, but always pleased, when community banks, Washington Financial Bank included, are also at the top of their own financial game,” she continued.

Established in 1899, Washington Financial Bank has been an avid supporter of the people and organizations in the communities it serves for 126 years. Knowing that this is also where its own employees live, work and play, supporting those communities is a no-brainer. This community-focused bank wouldn't have it any other way.

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**Washington Financial Bank: “The bank that gets you.”**



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