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5-Star Rated Washington Financial Bank One of the Nation's Strongest Banks

March 2020: Coral Gables, Florida, BauerFinancial, Inc., the Nation's Premier Bank Rating Firm, commends Washington Financial Bank, Washington, Pennsylvania on its achievement of a 5-Star Superior Rating. Not only has Washington Financial Bank earned Bauer's highest (5-Star) rating for financial strength and stability, it has earned and maintained Bauer's recommendation (5-Stars or 4-Stars) for 122 consecutive quarters. Earning this 5-Star rating indicates this bank closed out calendar 2019 excelling in areas of capital adequacy, profitability, asset quality and much more.

"As the president of BauerFinancial, I am often asked what it takes to be a 5-Star bank," reflects Karen Dorway, president of the research firm. "Like so many other things in life, success in banking boils down to knowledge. Knowledge of banking, of course, but knowledge of its customers and the communities the bank serves are equally important. This intimacy enables the bank to steer clear of danger and work with customers for a common goal. It's what gets so many community banks, like Washington Financial Bank, through the tough times unscathed."

Washington Financial Bank was established in 1899 and has been working side by side with neighbors and friends for 121 years, helping to make the community what it is today. Currently, Washington Financial Bank operates through 10 conveniently located offices in Bridgeville, Burgettstown, Canonsburg, Hickory, McMurray and Washington and online at mywashingtonfinancial.com.

Washington Financial Bank: "Your 5-Star Community Bank"

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