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FARMERS STATE BANK APPOINTS NEW COMMUNITY BANK PRESIDENT AND SENIOR LENDER

April 29, 2022 (Harrisburg, Ill.) – Farmers State Bank announced its Board of Directors has appointed Mike Hopkins as Community Bank President and Senior Lender effective immediately. Hopkins previously held the position of Senior Vice President of First Southern Bank.

“For me, Mike Hopkins was the obvious choice to be Marion Community Bank President and Senior Lender,” said Tom Franks, Chairman of the Board. “Mike brings years of leadership and lending skills to our team. I’ve known Mike personally for many years and he is a man of very strong faith, the highest moral character, and there is not a finer individual for this position to lead our bank”.

Hopkins brings a wealth of banking knowledge to his new role as Community Bank President and Senior Lender. He began his banking career in 1983 with Banterra Bank in West Frankfort, IL. As of June 1st, 2022, he will begin his 39th year as a banker in Southern Illinois. Hopkins is a proud graduate of John A. Logan College and Southern Illinois University Carbondale with a bachelor’s degree in Marketing.

Hopkins will be working alongside current Marion Community Bank President, Quinn Laird, as Farmers builds their team and prepares for the opening of their fifth location in Herrin, IL, where upon opening Laird will transition to the role of Herrin Community Bank President.

“Farmers State Bank has an excellent reputation in Southern Illinois as a true Community Bank,” said Hopkins. “I am honored now to be a part of this extraordinary organization and I look forward to serving all of our customers”.

Hopkins currently resides in West Frankfort, IL with his wife, Holly Hopkins. They have two sons, Matthew, and Ryan Hopkins. Matthew is a Mechanical Engineering graduate from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville who works for General Dynamics Electric Boats Division in Groton, CT and Ryan is a junior at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville majoring in Business Management. In his free time, Hopkins enjoys traveling with his family and gardening.

“We are extremely honored to have Mike Hopkins join the Farmers State Bank team,” said Charles Holland, CEO of Farmers State Bank. “Mike has been a top commercial lender in Southern Illinois for many years and his expertise and skills will assist Farmers with continuous growth”.

Farmers State Bank of Alto Pass is a locally owned and operated community bank. With branches in Harrisburg, Alto Pass, Marion, and soon, Herrin, IL, Farmers State Bank spans across the southern Illinois region. As a full-service bank, Farmers has a variety of

products and services to best suit customer needs. Farmers has grown from a bank with \$3,000,000 in assets in 1994 to over \$325,000,00 in total assets today.

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