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Pioneer Bank’s James Gordon Graduates from the Minnesota Bankers Association Leadership Development Academy

Mapleton, MN – May 20, 2022. James Gordon graduated from the Minnesota Bankers Association (MBA) Leadership Development Academy on May 19, 2022. This year-long program, which graduated a total of 23 bankers in 2022, provides in-depth skill-building for bankers preparing for critical leadership roles in their banks. “The MBA Leadership Development Academy requires a significant commitment to professional and personal growth,” said Joe Witt, MBA President/CEO. “It is intensive and challenging. Graduates of this program should be very proud of this accomplishment and their determination to grow as individuals and bank leaders.”

The MBA Leadership Development Academy was launched by the MBA to provide additional training for the next generation of Minnesota’s bank leaders. “When we first learned about this program, we immediately saw the potential to help us strengthen our leadership capacity and grow our future leaders,” said David Krause, CEO of Pioneer Bank. “We couldn’t be prouder of James for completing the program, and we look forward to the positive impact this experience will have on the future of our bank and the communities we serve.”

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About Pioneer Bank

Pioneer Bank is a community bank with nine locations throughout southern Minnesota including Mankato, North Mankato, St. James, St. Peter, Madelia, Mapleton, Lewisville and Lake Crystal. Pioneer Bank offers expertise in personal, business and agribusiness banking with bankers and staff that provide experience that is unparalleled. Pioneer Bank is very active in the communities they serve and was a finalist in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2021 for the Extraordinary Banking Award, a national organization that marks the excellence for the best banks in America. In addition, Pioneer Bank has been named one of the Top Workplaces in Minnesota by the Star Tribune multiple times. For more information visit www.bankwithpioneer.com. Member FDIC.

The Minnesota Bankers Association is the state’s largest trade association devoted exclusively to representing 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 vibrant communities throughout the state. For more information, please visit our website at www.minnbankers.com.