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Community Icon, Pioneer Bank, Named a Top 3 Extraordinary Bank in Nation

Naples, Florida, April 21, 2022 – Pioneer Bank, a local Southern Minnesota icon, was just named among the top three extraordinary banks in the United States by The Institute for Extraordinary Banking™. This marks the fifth consecutive overall finalist award for Pioneer Bank.

Pioneer Bank was recognized with the Institute's Overall Excellence Banky™ Award for exemplary performance in five areas of banking: philanthropy, customer service, thought leadership, workplace culture, and financial literacy education. "We are humbled and honored to be recognized for the contributions our team makes to our communities," said Pioneer Bank CEO David Krause. "We look forward to continuing our commitment to our neighbors, friends and family."

The Extraordinary Banking™ Awards highlight the vital yet often overlooked role that local community banks play in our nation's economy. Without a vibrant local banking industry, our small businesses and families often lack the have-your-back support of a true community bank that makes communities really thrive.

The Extraordinary Banking™ Awards recognize the best of what community banks offer to our cities, towns, and nation: a true commitment to the success of the small businesses and local community they serve.

Roxanne Emmerich, Chair and Founder of The Institute for Extraordinary Banking™, proclaimed during the awards ceremony: "Community banks are the backbone of America. They are what keeps a community thriving. When a community bank leaves a community, small businesses often struggle to stay, and jobs leave. Every robust community has a strong community bank that understands how to help that community thrive and grow."

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.

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