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WESTERN STATE BANK RECEIVES 5 STAR RATING FROM BAUERFINANCIAL

Devils Lake, ND – On June 12, 2017, BauerFinancial, Inc., the nation’s leading independent bank rating firm, released its bank and credit union star-ratings for the 2017 first quarter. Western State Bank is proud to receive a 5 star rating for the 50th consecutive quarter. BauerFinancial has been providing the public with these rating since 1983.

“We are committed to maintaining excellent asset quality and providing financial solutions to help our customers meet their goals. Our Hometown Banking philosophy focuses on building relationships, this is how we differentiate ourselves from our competition and exceed our customers’ expectations. We are proud to continue to receive this recognition from Bauer Financial,” said Brian Houkom, Chief Executive Officer at Western State Bank.

Western State Bank is a 115 year old employee-owned, community bank with assets totaling over \$990 million. The bank offers superior full-banking services, investments, real estate financing to personal and business customers, as well as nationwide equipment financing services. Western State Bank’s locations are located in the North Dakota communities of Devils Lake, West Fargo, Fargo and Towner, and in the Arizona communities of Casa Grande, Chandler, Scottsdale, Sun City and Sun City West.

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