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BENJAMIN HITZFELD PROMOTED TO ASSISTANT BRANCH MANAGER

Westfield, MA— James C. Hagan, President and CEO of Westfield Bank, is pleased to announce that Benjamin Hitzfeld has been appointed Assistant Branch Manager at the Bank's Bloomfield location. He will assist in managing all areas of the branch including customer service, retail and business product sales, employee development, and general operations.

Hitzfeld joined Westfield Bank three years ago as a Teller in our Bloomfield location, then promoted to Head Teller, before advancing into his current role. Prior to joining Westfield Bank, Hitzfeld worked as an Educator in the Dudley, Grafton and Holyoke areas, in addition to management in the grocery industry. He graduated from Framingham State University with a bachelor's degree in history, in addition to completing his master's in education from Worcester State University.



About Westfield Bank

Westfield Bank, headquartered in Westfield, Massachusetts, is a federally chartered savings bank organized in 1853 and is the largest publicly traded bank headquartered in Western Massachusetts. The Bank is a full-service community-oriented financial institution offering a complete range of commercial and retail products and services. Currently, the Bank has twenty-five branch offices, fifty ATMs, and an additional thirty-three seasonal ATMs and serves Hampden and Hampshire counties in Western Massachusetts and Hartford County in Northern Connecticut. The Bank's middle market and commercial real estate lending team is based in Springfield, Massachusetts and West Hartford, Connecticut and has a general regulatory limit on loans to one borrower of \$40.6 million. As of March 31, 2025, the Bank employed 335 full and part-time employees, had \$2.7 billion in total assets, \$2.1 billion in its loan portfolio, and \$2.3 billion in total deposits. The Bank is regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. As a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the Bank's deposits are insured up to the maximum FDIC insurance coverage limits. To learn more, visit the bank's website at www.westfieldbank.com

PHOTO: A headshot of Benjamin Hitzfeld is attached