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RUTH LAVOICE JOINS WESTFIELD BANK AS ASSISTANT BRANCH MANAGER

Westfield, MA— James C. Hagan, President and CEO of Westfield Bank, is pleased to announce that Ruth LaVoice has been appointed Assistant Branch Manager of the Bank's 350 Palmer Road location in Ware. She will assist in managing all areas of the branch including customer service, retail and business product sales, employee development, and general operations.

Prior to joining Westfield Bank, LaVoice spent time at multiple national banks and served as an agent at an insurance company. She is a 2022 graduate of Bay Path University with a degree in Business Administration and certificate in Organizational Leadership.

LaVoice is the founder of Tomorrow's Compass, an organization created to provide parenting, child, and family resources. She resides in Stafford Springs, CT.

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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-one ATMs, and an additional thirty seasonal ATMs and serves Hampden and Hampshire counties in Western Massachusetts and Hartford and Tolland counties in Northern Connecticut. The Bank's middle market and commercial real estate lending team is based in Springfield, Massachusetts, and has a general regulatory limit on loans to one borrower of \$36.6 million. As of December 31, 2021, the Bank employed 329 full and part-time employees, had \$2.5 billion in total assets, \$1.9 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 Ruth LaVoice is attached