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STAR Bank named one of the 2024 Best Places to Work in Indiana

Fort Wayne, Ind. (February 27, 2024) – STAR Bank was named one of the Best Places to Work in Indiana by the Indiana Chamber. Representatives of the organization will be recognized at an event on May 8 at the Indiana Convention Center.

The Best Places to Work in Indiana program was created to identify those employers in Indiana who are doing things right and creating cultures that make employees proud to be a part of them. The top companies in the state were determined through employer reports and comprehensive employee surveys. The Workforce Research Group handled the selection process.

"STAR Bank prides itself in providing top-notch banking while maintaining a community banking feel," said STAR Chairman and CEO Jim Marcuccilli. "That doesn't happen without a quality team of people. We are honored to be recognized by the state this year, but being a great place to work is essential in attracting and maintaining top talent. It's been something we have been focused on since we started serving our communities over 80 years ago."

STAR celebrated its 80th anniversary in 2023. In 1943, a small group of individuals led by two families — the Marcuccilli and Wright family, in partnership with a small group of businessmen, bought their first bank – the Upland Branch of the Citizens State Bank of Fairmount located in Upland, Indiana, for \$28,000. This was the beginning of the financial organization that became STAR Financial Bank.

"I feel honored that we have been recognized for this award, but more than the award, I'm honored to be a part of the STAR team and a part of the special culture we, and those before us, have built and continue to build together," said Kevin Wright, STAR Financial Bank President.

With approximately \$3 billion in assets, STAR is now one of Indiana's largest, independent, locally-owned institutions. STAR employs nearly 500 people in 37 different banking centers throughout the state.

STAR recently completed work on its new headquarters, a \$43 million project featuring a 7-story, 50,000 square foot north tower, 3-story, 20,000 square foot south tower and a 387-space public parking garage at 215 W. Main Street, contributing to the growing downtown skyline.

STAR Financial Bank, headquartered in Fort Wayne, Indiana, is committed to delivering quality financial expertise and distinctive banking solutions to exceed customer expectations. In addition, STAR Private Advisory offers private banking, investment and fiduciary services. STAR has grown to approximately \$3 billion in assets with locations across central and northeast Indiana. For more information, visit starfinancial.com.

Note: In all references to STAR, "STAR" should be in all caps, as the name STAR was derived from the first names of the early principals (Selah Wright, Thomas Marcuccilli, Arthur Hodson, and Ralph Marcuccilli).