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Pioneer Bank Welcomes Blake Hermel and Chuck Wenner as Newest Board Members

Mankato, MN (October 19, 2020) — Pioneer Bank is pleased to announce AH Hermel Company President, Blake Hermel, and Owner/Operator of Wenner Underwood Farms, Chuck Wenner have recently been elected to the Pioneer Bank Board of Directors. Hermel and Wenner, along with nine other members make up the Board of Directors who safeguard the institution through lawful, informed, efficient and able administration.

“We are extremely pleased to welcome Blake and Chuck to our Board of Directors,” said Pioneer Bank CEO, David Krause. “It is important that our board consist of industry leaders and those who are active in the support and development of the communities we serve. Blake and Chuck have both of those qualities and I look forward to their leadership and talent on our board.”

Hermel has been president of AH Hermel Company since 2016 and is a Former First Officer with Mesaba Airlines. He is an active member of the Young Presidents' Organization Twin Cities and a board member and treasurer for Minnesota Automated Merchandising Council.

Wenner is the owner/operator for Wenner Underwood Farms and is a former board member of Nicollet County Bank from 2002-2019. He is also a past board member/treasurer for Nicollet County Pork Producers, past director of the Minnesota State Corn Growers Association and past member/Secretary of the Steamboat Pork Sow Cooperative.

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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 and 2019 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 2018 and 2020 Top 150 Workplaces in Minnesota by the Star Tribune. For more information visit www.bankwithpioneer.com. Member FDIC.