PNC Bank's Kevin Thompson To Retire; Joseph Luckring Named Akron Regional President

AKRON, Ohio, Nov. 27, 2019 – PNC Bank, N.A., today announced that Kevin Thompson will retire as the regional president of the Akron market, effective March 29, 2020, after a 43-year career. Succeeding him will be Joseph Luckring, senior vice president and relationship manager in Corporate & Institutional Banking in the Akron/Canton market.

Thompson served as regional president for the past 14 years, during which time he successfully led the local conversion for customers, employees and community partners through the integration of National City. In this role, he also has spearheaded economic development and advocacy work that continues to make the region a great place to live, work and visit.

Thompson serves on many local nonprofit boards, including the Akron Growth Council, Tallmadge Community Foundation, American Red Cross, Leadership Akron, the Greater Akron Chamber, Akron Development Fund and the Summit Education Initiative. He has served the community in many other capacities over the years, including on the board of his alma mater, the University of Akron.

Thompson joined the company in 1977 as a commercial banker, following two years at the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. Over 43 years, he has gained increasing levels of responsibility at PNC, serving in a variety of leadership roles. Thompson seized the opportunity to create longstanding relationships with clients and grow his business portfolio. He was appointed regional president of the Akron market in 2007, and since has been instrumental in helping employees grow and develop their careers.

"We are grateful for Kevin's tremendous leadership and accomplishments at PNC over the span of his career," said Louis R. Cestello, executive vice president and head of PNC's Regional Markets. "Kevin has been deeply involved in the regional community and has used his extensive experience and passion for giving back in service of others, both inside and outside the bank. He is an advocate for our clients and this community who has used his voice and his role to affect positive change, while inspiring and providing growth and leadership opportunities to his employees every day."

Since joining PNC in 1990, Luckring has held a number of leadership positions in credit administration, retail and corporate banking. He earned his bachelor's degree in economics from the College of Wooster and his MBA from Case Western Reserve University. He is a lifelong resident of Northeast Ohio and currently resides in Massillon.

"Joe is the perfect choice to succeed Kevin. His close connection to our clients, deep ties to the local community and knowledge of the banking industry will play a critical role in creating positive outcomes for this community and our clients," said Cestello. "He and Kevin will work closely to ensure a smooth transition that will extend our long history of great work in this market."

Luckring is rooted in the Northeast Ohio community, having coached a variety of intramural sports teams and providing leadership expertise to local nonprofits and governmental boards, including a leadership position within his church. Luckring is a recent graduate of Leadership Akron and his current board appointments include the Early Childhood Resource Center, the Sisters of Charity Foundation of Stark County and the Stark Community Foundation's Trustee Banks Committee. He has also served on the City of Massillon Park and Recreation Department Board, the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Stark County and the United Disability Services Board of Summit County. Luckring has volunteered for the United Way of Stark County, The Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges and the American Heart Association. In his spare time, he enjoys golfing, reading and spending time with his family.

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