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To the Editor:

5-Star Hastings City Bank: a Dependable and Financially Sound Community Bank

December 2013: BAUERFINANCIAL, Coral Gables, Florida congratulates **Hastings City Bank, Hastings, Michigan** on its 5-Star Superior rating. This rating (based on September 30, 2013 financial data) indicates that Hastings City Bank is one of the strongest banks in the nation; a dependable and financially sound community bank. Perhaps even more impressive is the fact that Hastings City Bank has earned this highest 5-Star rating for 17 consecutive quarters.

"While banks may look alike on the surface, community banks, like Hastings City Bank, are community partners", notes Karen L. Dorway, president of the rating firm. "By keeping deposits local and focusing on the success of the communities in which it does business, Hastings City Bank has thrived where other banks have faltered."

Since its inception in 1886, Hastings City Bank has been committed to providing the best of banking to its community. Its seven branch offices are conveniently located in Bellevue, Caledonia, Hastings, Marshall, Middleville, Nashville and Wayland. Hastings City Bank (www.hastingscitybank.com) is a member of the FDIC and an Equal Housing Lender.

Hastings City Bank: ...meeting customer needs, exceeding expectations.

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