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***5-Star* Highpoint Community Bank Continues to Thrive**

December 2020: Coral Gables, Florida, BauerFinancial, Inc., the Nation's Premier Bank Rating Firm, proudly announces that **Highpoint Community Bank, Hastings, Michigan** has once again been awarded its highest (5-Star) rating for financial strength and stability. Earning a 5-Star rating indicates this bank excels in areas of capital adequacy, profitability, asset quality and much more. Earning and **maintaining this top rating for 45 consecutive quarters** gives Highpoint Community Bank the added title of **"Exceptional Performance Bank"**, a status reserved for banks that have earned Bauer's highest rating consistently for at least 10 consecutive years. Highpoint Community Bank has triumphed over everything that has been thrown its way over the past decade.

"This rating is impressive in the best of times," notes Karen Dorway, president of the research firm. "But I can't overstate the strength and prudence that Highpoint Community Bank has exhibited over the past years that got it to this point. And as we begin 2021, we have every reason to believe that Highpoint Community Bank will continue to thrive."

Highpoint Community Bank was established in 1886 and has been a boon for the communities it serves ever since. Whether at a drive-thru, on your phone or online at highpointcommunitybank.com, 5-Star rated Highpoint Community Bank is ready, willing and able to serve its neighbors and friends.

Highpoint Community Bank: "Your Hometown Bank Since 1886."

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