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5-Star Evergreen Federal Fostering Relationships, Accountability

December 2017: BAUERFINANCIAL, Coral Gables, Florida, the Nation's Premier Bank Rating Firm, is proud to announce that **Evergreen Federal, Grants Pass, Oregon** has once again secured a **5-Star** rating. What a great way to start **2018!** (A five-star rating indicates the bank excels in areas of capital adequacy, profitability, asset quality and much more.) Earning and **maintaining this top 5-Star rating for 99 consecutive quarters** puts Evergreen Federal in an even more prominent position as a **"Sustained Superiority Bank"**. This designation is reserved for the Top 10%. These banks have maintained Bauer's highest rating longer than 90% of the industry, proving once again that Evergreen Federal is among the best in the industry.

"Because community banks put their focus on local people and small businesses, they are perfectly positioned to provide the specialized support that is unique to their area," acknowledges Karen L. Dorway, president of BauerFinancial. "Community banks, like Evergreen Federal, promote local growth by investing back into the same neighborhoods that their deposits come from. By fostering these local relationships, they achieve two goals: they are highly capitalized and they are accountable to their customers."

Established in 1934, Evergreen Federal has been reinvesting in its local communities for 83 years. It currently operates through five conveniently located offices in Brookings, Grants Pass, Medford and Rogue River and can also be found online at evergreenfederal.bank.

Evergreen Federal: "Serving Our Community - Serving You Locally"

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