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## Bridgewater Bank only Minnesota bank Named in American Banker's 2020 "Best Banks to Work For"

**St. Louis Park, MN** – <u>Bridgewater Bank</u>, today announced that it has been recognized as one of the <u>2020 Best Banks to Work For</u> by *American Banker* Magazine. Bridgewater, highlighted as #46 on the list, is the only bank headquartered in Minnesota and one of 85 banks nationwide to be selected. Bridgewater Bank has focused on creating the premier banking culture in the Twin Cities' since its inception in 2005.

"Since day one, culture has been at the center of everything we do," said Mary Jayne Crocker, Chief Operating Officer. Bridgewater Bank has over 180 employees across the Minneapolis/St. Paul metropolitan area. "We are able to hire the Twin Cities' best talent because of our employment reputation in this market," said Jerry Baack, President and CEO. "This American Banker recognition affirms that our culture is indeed best-inclass, both in Minnesota and beyond."

The Best Banks to Work For program, which was initiated in 2013 by *American Banker* and Best Companies Group, identifies, recognizes and honors U.S. banks for outstanding employee satisfaction. Determining the Best Banks to Work For involves an evaluation of participating companies' workplace policies, practices, and demographics, as well as employee surveys that assess the experiences and attitudes of individual employees with respect to their workplace. Full results of this year's program are available at American Banker and in the November issue of *American Banker* Magazine.

#### **About Bridgewater Bank**

Recognized as a premier, full-service Twin Cities bank, <u>Bridgewater Bank</u> is dedicated to serving the diverse needs of commercial real estate investors, entrepreneurs and high-net-worth individuals. By pairing a range of deposit, lending and business services solutions with a responsive service model, Bridgewater Bank has seen continuous profitability since its inception in 2005. With assets totaling over \$2.77 billion and seven branches as of September 30, 2020, Bridgewater is considered one of the largest locally led-banks in the State of Minnesota, and has received numerous awards for its growth, banking services, corporate culture and work environment.