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IBA Inducts David Kuhl into the 50-Year Club

Membership honors individuals with rich, lasting careers in the industry

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Bankers Association (IBA) is proud to announce the induction of P. David "Dave" Kuhl into the prestigious 50-Year Club, recognizing his exceptional contributions to the industry and long, rich career.

The 50-Year Club membership honors bankers who have dedicated over five decades to the banking industry, recognizing their lasting impact on their communities. Induction into the 50-Year Club is a significant milestone, symbolizing a sense of pride, cherished memories, and a profound sense of accomplishment for the invaluable contributions these individuals have made to their industry.

"Dave's dedication to the banking industry, both during his time working for banks and volunteering for the betterment of our industry, is truly commendable. He has always been an unwavering advocate for our sector, a trusted colleague, and a true banking leader," Randy Hultgren, Illinois Bankers Association President & CEO. "While he has closed one chapter in his banking career, Dave will always be an invaluable resource to our industry."

Dave embarked on his banking journey in 1973 at the First National Bank of Rantoul, where his passion for the industry began to flourish. In 1979, he transitioned to Busey Bank, where he served for an impressive 28 years. During this time, Dave demonstrated remarkable skills and a profound commitment to the growth and success of the bank.

After leaving Busey Bank, Dave's leadership journey continued as he assumed the role of President and CEO at Freestar Bank. Following his six-year tenure at Freestar Bank, Dave went on to lead First Clover Leaf Bank as President and CEO for three years, further solidifying his reputation as a respected figure in the banking community.

In 2016, Dave completed his active banking career with Catlin Bank, proudly achieving his 50th year in the banking industry. His remarkable achievement speaks volumes about his unwavering commitment to the field and his ongoing dedication to the banking community.

Dave's exemplary leadership extends beyond his individual career milestones. He has also made significant contributions to the industry at large. From 2000 to 2010, Dave served as a director of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, where he played a pivotal role in shaping the future of the banking sector. In 2007, Dave served as the Chair of the Illinois Bankers Association, following years of involvement in IBA boards and committees. In 2011, Dave was honored as the IBA Banker of the Year.

The Illinois Bankers Association congratulates Dave Kuhl on his induction into the esteemed 50-Year Club and extends its deepest appreciation for his commitment to the banking industry.

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About the Illinois Bankers Association

The Illinois Bankers Association is the voice of Illinois' banking industry, dedicated to creating a positive business climate that benefits the entire banking industry and the communities they serve. Founded in 1891, the IBA brings together state and national banks and savings banks employing more than 105,000 people in nearly 4,500 offices across the state. The IBA is proud of its diverse membership, serving all sizes of financial institutions from the smallest community bank in the state to the largest national bank in the country.