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**To the Editor:**

## *Best of Bauer* Lamar Bank and Trust Like Having a Friend in the Banking Business

Lamar, MO - March 2023: BauerFinancial, Inc., the Nation's Premier Bank Rating Firm, is proud to announce that Lamar Bank and Trust has once again earned its **top (5-Star) rating** for financial strength and stability. Having earned Bauer's top (5-Star) rating for 137 consecutive quarters, Lamar Bank and Trust has earned Bauer's highest designation as a "**Best of Bauer Bank**".

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