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## Citizens Bank Announces Appointment of Linda Navarro to Board of Directors

CORVALLIS, Ore. – Citizens Bank and Citizens Bancorp are proud to announce the appointment of Linda Navarro to the community bank's Board of Directors.

"We are thrilled to have Linda join our Board of Directors," said Eric Thompson, Chairman of the Board. "Her leadership and commitment to community banking here in Oregon and nationally brings a valuable perspective to our organization."

Navarro is a nationally recognized leader with nearly 30 years of experience advocating for the value of the banking industry in providing service to the diverse needs of individuals and businesses in Oregon communities. She recently retired from the Oregon Bankers Association after 28 years of service, including 19 years as the President & CEO. "Linda is highly respected and passionate about the role community banks play in meeting the needs of our local communities," said Gordon Zimmerman, Citizens Bank President & CEO.

In 2013, Linda piloted the effort to establish the Oregon Bankers Education Foundation and was the founding CEO. She is also a current or past member of numerous national banking committees and local non-profit boards in support of banking, small business development, education, and the arts. In 2024, Linda was inducted into the Oregon Bankers Hall of Fame in recognition of her life-long efforts to promote the vital roles of community banks.

Linda is a native Oregonian and lives with her husband Claudio in Dayton, Oregon.

Citizens Bank, the operating subsidiary of Citizens Bancorp, proudly provides comprehensive banking services throughout the Willamette Valley in Oregon. Since its inception in 1957, the Bank has become one of the area's premier community banks. Its employees provide personalized banking services to businesses and individuals at each of its 15 branches (located in Albany, Corvallis, Dallas, Harrisburg, Junction City, Lebanon, McMinnville, Oregon City, Philomath, Salem, Silverton, Springfield, and Tualatin). Member FDIC.