

# Media Release



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**To the Editor:**

## 5-Star Rated Progress Bank & Trust Earns Prestigious Award

**September 2013: Progress Bank & Trust, Huntsville, Alabama** is a proud to be recognized as one of the strongest banks in the nation by **BAUERFINANCIAL, Coral Gables, Florida**, the nation's leading bank rating and research firm. BAUERFINANCIAL has been analyzing and rating the nation's financial institutions since 1983 and Progress Bank & Trust has earned its highest rating of 5-Stars for the most recent five quarters. The latest rating is based on June 30, 2013 financial data and indicates that Progress Bank & Trust significantly exceeds all federal capital requirements and maintains a low level of delinquent loans, among other benchmarks.

Karen L. Dorway, president of the research firm, had this to say, "A recent Gallop poll indicates that customer confidence in the banking industry is beginning to come back. That confidence, no doubt, can be attributed to community banks like Progress Bank & Trust, that hold to the principles of sound banking. These are the shining stars of the industry. Progress Bank & Trust has been able to thrive without compromising its standards, and that's commendable."

Progress Bank & Trust was established in 2008 and has been committed to providing the best of banking to its community for five years. It currently has five conveniently located offices in Decatur, Florence, Huntsville and Madison. Progress Bank & Trust ([www.myprogressbank.com](http://www.myprogressbank.com)) is a member of the **FDIC** and an Equal Housing Lender.

Progress Bank & Trust: "Thinking Forward."

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