

# Media Release



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**To the Editor:**

## 5-Star Progress Bank & Trust: a Dependable and Financially Sound Community Bank

**December 2013: BAUERFINANCIAL, Coral Gables, Florida** congratulates **Progress Bank & Trust, Huntsville, Alabama** on its 5-Star Superior rating. This rating (based on September 30, 2013 financial data) indicates that Progress Bank & Trust is one of the strongest banks in the nation; a dependable and financially sound community bank. Perhaps even more impressive is the fact that Progress Bank & Trust has earned this highest 5-Star rating for six consecutive quarters.

“While banks may look alike on the surface, community banks, like Progress Bank & Trust, are community partners”, notes Karen L. Dorway, president of the rating firm. “By keeping deposits local and focusing on the success of the communities in which it does business, Progress Bank & Trust has thrived where other banks have faltered.”

Since its inception in 2008, Progress Bank & Trust has been committed to providing the best of banking to its community. Its five branch offices are conveniently located 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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