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To the Editor:

5-Star The Community Bank Responsive, Responsible, Respected

June 2012: BAUERFINANCIAL, Inc., the nation's leading bank rating and research firm, is proud to recognize **The Community Bank, Zanesville, Ohio** as a 5-Star Superior bank. A 5-Star rating indicates that The Community Bank is one of the strongest banks in the nation. To earn this prestigious 5-Star rating, The Community Bank must excel in areas of capital quality, asset quality, profitability and much more. In fact, The Community Bank has earned a recommended rating from Bauer for the last ninety-one (91) consecutive quarters.

"As big banks grow increasingly complex and inflexible," remarks Karen L. Dorway, president of the rating firm, "it's encouraging to know that there are still community banks, like The Community Bank, that have mastered the three R's of banking. The Community Bank is 1) Responsive to its customers' needs, 2) Responsible in its underwriting and investments, and 3) Respected by the nation's premier bank rating and research firm as well as its customers."

Established in 1902, The Community Bank has proudly been serving its local communities for 110 years. It currently operates through seven conveniently located offices in Crooksville, Frazeytsburg and Zanesville, is currently constructing a new office in New Concord tentatively opening October 1, and can also be found on the internet at www.thecombank.com.

The Community Bank: "Tried and True."

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