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Atmore, Alabama — The Independent Community Bankers of America (ICBA) announced United Bank as a recipient of its 2020 National Community Bank Service Award for extraordinary efforts to help small businesses, consumers and their communities amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

As consumers and small businesses in rural communities grappled with the onset of COVID-19, United Bank (OTCQX-UBAB) stepped up as a financial first responder and steward of their community, led by employee Dawn Skipper. In addition to her work as an agriculture specialist, Skipper is an avid seamstress. She wanted to help in some way during the pandemic. Skipper began making masks on March 23<sup>rd</sup> and has not stopped, spending an average of three hours each weeknight making masks and an average of six to eight hours on the weekend. Her current mask count totals more than 1085. The masks Skipper and her colleagues create have been distributed to several local nursing homes and other community healthcare facilities.

"United Bank is honored to be a recipient of this award. We are especially proud of the extraordinary dedication and commitment of Dawn, whose spirit of service shined through when our local community needed it most," said Robert R. Jones, III, United Bank President and CEO. "We are so fortunate to have her as a part of our United Bank family, and we commend her efforts to go above and beyond during times of challenge."

The 2020 National Community Bank Service Awards, presented by ICBA and sponsored by FIS, generated more than 100 inspirational stories from community banks like United Bank, a sampling of which is showcased in the September issue of ICBA's award-winning magazine, Independent Banker.

ICBA founded the National Community Bank Service Awards program in 2002 to celebrate outstanding volunteer efforts and bring national recognition to the unmatched contributions community banks make to help sustain their communities.

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## **About United Bank**

Our company is an \$890,000,000 financial institution that has enjoyed 116 years of continuous service to Atmore, Alabama and surrounding communities. United Bank has offices in Atmore, Brewton, East Brewton, Flomaton, Monroeville, Frisco City, Bay Minette, Daphne, Foley, Lillian, Loxley, Magnolia Springs, Silverhill, Semmes, Spanish Fort, and Summerdale in Alabama. United Bank serves Santa Rosa County, Florida in Jay, Milton, and Pace. For more information about United Bank, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.unitedbank.com">www.unitedbank.com</a>. Member FDIC.

## About ICBA

The Independent Community Bankers of America® creates and promotes an environment where community banks flourish. With more than 50,000 locations nationwide, community banks constitute 99 percent of all banks, employ nearly 750,000 Americans and are the only physical banking presence in one in three U.S. counties. Holding more than \$5 trillion in assets, nearly \$4 trillion in deposits, and more than \$3.4 trillion in loans to consumers, small businesses and the agricultural community, community banks channel local deposits into the Main Streets and neighborhoods they serve, spurring job creation, fostering innovation and fueling their customers' dreams in communities throughout America. For more information, visit ICBA's website at <a href="www.icba.org">www.icba.org</a>.