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PRESS RELEASE

BUCKEYE STATE BANK WELCOMES ALLEN MCCONNELL AS NEW CHIEF CREDIT OFFICER

Powell, Ohio, June 29, 2026 – Buckeye State Bank is pleased to announce the appointment of Allen McConnell as its new Chief Credit Officer. With more than 20 years of experience driving growth and delivering tailored financial solutions, Allen brings a strong background in commercial lending, credit administration and relationship banking to Buckeye State Bank.

In his new role, Allen will lead the bank's credit strategy and oversight, supporting sound loan growth, disciplined portfolio management and a relationship-focused approach to serving businesses and communities across Buckeye State Bank's footprint.

"Allen is a tremendous addition to our executive team," said Shawn Keller, CEO of Buckeye State Bank. "His depth of experience in commercial banking and credit leadership will strengthen our ability to serve clients, manage risk responsibly and support strategic growth across the communities we call home."

Allen joins Buckeye State Bank following a career that includes leadership roles in business lending, commercial relationship management and economic development. "I am honored to join Buckeye State Bank and support its commitment to responsible growth, relationship banking and community-focused service," said Allen McConnell. "I look forward to working with the team to strengthen credit practices and help clients achieve their financial goals."

About Buckeye State Bank (@BuckeyeStateBank)

Headquartered in Powell, Ohio, Buckeye State Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Buckeye State Bancshares, Inc. ("BSBi"), is a locally owned and operated community bank with approximately \$548 million in assets as of March 31, 2026. Buckeye has been one of the fastest growing banks in the country since its formation January 3, 2014 through the purchase of Citizens Bank of DeGraff, which was founded and chartered in 1885. Buckeye State Bank serves the consumer and business banking needs for the communities of Logan, Franklin, Delaware, Wood, Union, Lucas and Ross counties. BSBi is proudly employee-owned. To learn more, visit www.joinbsb.com.

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