Kevin Brooks, Executive Vice President Community Banking, Set to Retire

Carroll, Iowa (October 3, 2024) – Availa Bank announces the retirement of Kevin Brooks after more than 40 years in the banking industry. His last day of work at the bank will be November 1, 2024.

Brooks joined Availa in January 2019 and has been responsible for the oversight and guidance of the bank's growth strategies, retail delivery functions, and mortgage channel delivery. In his time in banking, Brooks has volunteered with the Iowa Bankers Association; either as a committee member or chairperson and served as an association board of director, demonstrating leadership and commitment to community banking at the state and national level.

Brooks states, "I have enjoyed my 44-year career in the banking industry, it has been a privilege to work along so many great team members with the like vision of serving clients through a community banking services delivery. I recently celebrated another birthday confirming I want to transition from the regiment of daily management to have flexibility to spend time with family and friends. I believe it's the right time to be self-focused."

Availa Bank President & CEO, Jeff Scharfenkamp states, "We thank Kevin for his service to the bank. He has played an important role in helping grow our organization and I wish him well in his retirement."

About Availa Bank: Availa Bank's roots date back to 1870 when it was originally chartered. Availa is the first three syllables of the word available, a word that defines the bank's mission — to empower our team to inspire and enable our clients and the communities we serve to achieve financial success. Availa Bank locations are in the following communities: Ames, Ankeny, Carroll, Coon Rapids, Council Bluffs, Fort Dodge, Holstein, Jewell, Nevada, Omaha (LPO Only), Pocahontas, Sioux City, and Webster City. For more information about Availa Bank, visit www.Availa.Bank. Member FDIC.