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Waterford Resident Elected to Liberty Bank Foundation Board of Directors

MIDDLETOWN, CT — The Board of Directors of Liberty Bank has elected Geralyn “Jewell” Jones to the Board of Directors of the Liberty Bank Foundation. Jones is the manager of Liberty’s branch office in Groton.

“Jewell was selected for this role because of her longstanding commitment to community service and her knowledge of the nonprofit human service sector, particularly in New London County,” said Chandler Howard, president and CEO of Liberty Bank and the foundation. “I expect she will bring a unique and valuable perspective to the foundation’s decision making.”

A veteran of the U.S. Navy, Jewell Jones began her career at Liberty Bank as a teller in March 1997. She was subsequently promoted to customer service representative, and then moved to Liberty Bank Investment Services as a registered investment associate. Later, she returned to the branch system as a senior personal banker, then assistant manager of the Waterford office. She was then promoted to Field Manager, and later to Office Manager of the Groton branch.

Jones’s community involvements include service on the board of directors of Riverfront Children’s Center in New London and Mystic River Homes in Noank. She has served as a volunteer for Writer’s Block Ink and S.T.E.P.S. In 2012, she chaired Liberty’s successful United Way campaign and was selected by the Middlesex United Way as campaign coordinator of the year. Jones served as president of the Women’s Ministry of New Life Christian Fellowship, Inc., where she facilitated programs for women and mentors (with her husband) married couples in budgeting, relationship building, and parenting as a team. She lives in Waterford.

“I feel so honored to have been chosen to serve on the foundation board,” said Jones. “It’s truly a privilege to be able to participate in the great work our foundation is doing to benefit people in the communities where we live and work.”

Since its inception in 1997, the Liberty Bank Foundation has awarded over \$8 million in grants to nonprofit organizations within Liberty Bank’s market area. The foundation seeks to improve the quality of life for people of low or moderate income by investing in three areas: education to promote economic success for children and families; affordable housing; and nonprofit capacity building. Along with its



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grantmaking, the foundation strives to foster the convening and collaboration of nonprofits, funders, business, and government to address community issues.

Established in 1825, Liberty Bank is Connecticut's oldest mutual bank, with over \$3.6 billion in assets and 49 banking offices throughout the central, eastern, and shoreline areas of the state. As a full-service financial institution, its lines of business include consumer and commercial banking, home mortgages, insurance, and investment services. Rated outstanding by federal regulators on its community reinvestment efforts, Liberty maintains a longstanding commitment to superior personal service and unparalleled community involvement.

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