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American Bankers Association's Community Bankers Council Selects Oconee State Bank's Neil Stevens as Vice Chair

WATKINSVILLE, GA, August 31, 2026 - Oconee Financial Corporation (OTCQX: OSBK), holding company for Oconee State Bank, shared The American Bankers Association's Community Bankers Council (ABA CBC) has selected Oconee State Bank President and CEO Neil Stevens to serve as Vice Chair of the Council, a national leadership group representing the interests and perspectives of community banks across the country. As Vice Chair, Stevens will help lead the Council's work during the coming year and will assume the role of Chair in 2028.

At a time when community banks play a critical role in supporting local economies, the ABA Community Bankers Council serves as a vital forum for collaboration, advocacy, and leadership. Through the Council's work, community bankers from across the country help shape policies and priorities that strengthen the ability of local institutions to serve businesses, families, and communities. This collective leadership helps ensure the voice of community banking remains strong in conversations that impact local economies nationwide.

"I am deeply honored and grateful for the opportunity to serve alongside some of the finest community bankers in the country," Stevens said. "This is an opportunity to listen, learn and advocate for an industry that means so much to communities across America. I'm also incredibly proud to represent Oconee State Bank, our remarkable team, and the communities we are privileged to serve."

Through the leadership and advocacy of the ABA Community Bankers Council, community banks of all sizes have a platform to address industry challenges, share best practices, and advance the interests of the customers and communities they serve. Oconee State Bank is honored to contribute to that important work through Stevens' service and leadership.

About Oconee State Bank

Oconee Financial Corporation, established in January 1999, serves as the holding company for Oconee State Bank, established in 1960 and headquartered in Watkinsville, Georgia. The Bank operates six full-service financial centers across Oconee, Athens-Clarke, Gwinnett, Macon-Bibb, and Elbert counties. The Bank also maintains Loan and Deposit Production Offices in Johnson City, Tennessee, under its Trio South Bank division, and in Statesboro, Georgia. The Bank is the only locally owned and operated community bank headquartered in Oconee County. Oconee State Bank proudly serves its communities, providing unparalleled commitment to personalized service, innovative products and solutions, and exceptional value to all stakeholders through local ownership, involvement, and decision-making. The Bank strives to be essential to those it serves by creating remarkable experiences that significantly mark the lives of others.