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## Two Berkshire County Natives Promoted by the Pittsfield Co-op

**August 15, 2016,** *Pittsfield* – The Pittsfield Cooperative Bank has announced the promotions of two long-time area residents. Donald A. Kuczarski will now serve the 127-year old financial institution as their Senior Vice President of Commercial Lending while Peter M. Marchetti to Senior Vice President of Retail Banking and Operations.

Kuczarski – has been an integral part of the area's corporate community over the last 27 years. He joined the Co-op in 2011 as the Vice President of Commercial Lending and previously served as Vice President/Corporate Lending for First Massachusetts Bank (and their ownership predecessors BankBoston and MultiBank West) and Greylock Federal Credit Union as Senior Vice President of Business Banking. Kuczarski has managed numerous substantial commercial loan portfolios and possesses lending knowledge in multiple industries. A graduate of The University of Massachusetts and Western New England University with a MBA, Kuczarski is a member of the Pittsfield Rotary Club and resides in Pittsfield with his wife Lisa.

"Don provides a high level of expertise and is a respected figure in this industry and the community. He has expansive knowledge." said J. Jay Anderson, President and CEO of the Pittsfield Co-op.

Marchetti – A native of Pittsfield began his tenure with the bank in 1988 and over the last 28 years he has evolved to Assistant Vice President of Compliance and Bank Secrecy Act Officer and Vice President of Branch Operations and Administration. In his new role as the Senior Vice President of Retail Banking and Operations, Marchetti will oversee the Branch Network and Electronic Banking Platforms.

Marchetti is no stranger to civic responsibility. Serving on numerous boards and committees including The Berkshire United Way, Downtown Inc. and PCTV. President of the Pittsfied City Council and Pittsfied Parade Committee, Marchetti also finds time to coach youth bowling and to volunteer for The Pittsfield Morningside initiative. A graduate of North Adams State College and the New England School for Financial Studies at Babson.

Peter's people skills and talents not only have a positive impact on the staff, they will enable him to continue our growing relationship with our communities and beyond. He embodies all the traits found in the perfect banker. He is honest, intelligent and hard working." Stated Anderson.

"The Pittsfield Cooperative Bank opened in 1889 intent on helping our neighbors to build a wonderful community. Lending decisions and support services were handled by honest, local, bankers with a deep commitment to the Berkshires. 127 years later, as clearly evident by these two people, the Co-op has not strayed far from the goals and ideals established by our Founders." He added.

"The Co-op is not the biggest financial institution in the Berkshires- not even close. But there is something to be said about being able to bank with those you know and trust in this little bank that accomplishes big." Concluded Anderson

The Pittsfield Cooperative Bank was established in 1889 and currently has four branches in the Berkshires. Those locations are: 70 South St. and 110 Dalton Ave., both in Pittsfield, 431 Main St. in Dalton and 325 Main St. in Great Barrington. Member FDIC. Member SIF. Equal Opportunity Lender.

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