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## Senator Helming Celebrates the Selection of Lyons National Bank for New York State Historic Business Preservation Registry

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L-R: James Brady, Lyons Town Supervisor; Thomas Kime, LNB President/CEO; Sen. Helming; Assemblyman Brian Manktelow; Tony Verno, Chairman of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors

Senator Pam Helming joined Lyons National Bank President and CEO Tom Kime to celebrate the selection of Lyon's National Bank for the New York State Historic Business Preservation Registry. The state program highlights businesses that have been in operation for at least 50 years and have contributed to their community's history, heritage, and

identity.

The direct roots of what is now Lyons National Bank (LNB) were founded in 1852 when lawyer, land baron, and entrepreneur DeWitt Parshall chartered a private banking house: the Palmyra Bank of Lyons, one of two banks that would form Lyons National Bank. On July 6, 1933, due to banking regulations during the Great Depression, Palmyra Bank of Lyons, then known as Lyons National Bank, merged with the Gavitt National Bank to begin the business venture that is so influential today.

**Senator Helming said**, “For more than 170 years, Lyons National Bank has stood as a pillar of trust and integrity, setting the standard for successful community banking. As a true regional partner, LNB has played a pivotal role in enriching the culture and fostering the prosperity of the Finger Lakes region. Their dedication to supporting local businesses and championing the economic well-being of our communities continues to be a driving force in ensuring the stability and growth of the region we call home.”

**Lyons National Bank President and CEO Thomas Kime** added, “It is an honor for LNB to be officially recognized as a historic business, a milestone that reflects not only our legacy but also the deep-rooted history of the Bank’s humble beginnings in Lyons, New York. With 16 offices located in seven counties, our growth is a testament to the trust and support of our customers and the dedication of our teams over the past 172 years. I want to thank Senator Helming for her service to our communities and for her nomination of the Bank to this registry. As we move forward, we remain committed to preserving the values that have made us a cornerstone of this town and the other local communities across our marketplace. We look forward to continuing to innovate and serve the generations to come.”

**Assemblyman Brian Manktelow** adds, “Since 1852 Lyons National Bank has been a pillar of our region. Nearly every family and business in our community has held an account or benefited

from LNB over the last 172 years. Truly our history has been shaped by Lyons National Bank. On top of their success in growing and expanding into 7 counties, they have never wavered from their credo: "It's all about people". Thank you, Lyons National Bank, for presence and commitment to all of our friends and families."

**Tony Verno, Chairman, Wayne County Board of Supervisors** said, "Congratulations to Lyons National Bank on this great accomplishment. LNB has always been a key contributor to the Wayne County Community . We wish them another 50 years of success."

"Since the 1860's Lyons National Bank has served the residents of Wayne County with distinction," said Brian Pincelli, Executive Director of Wayne County Economic Development and Planning. "We're proud to Bank with them and consider them a valuable partner in our efforts to promote and support the local economy."

**Linda Fisher, Lyons Town Historian** adds, "Preservation is so important, especially for this 19th century gem. The history is remarkable and the architecture behind every door stunning. From Parshall to Gavitt the names behind the Lyons National Bank will continue to inspire our small community of Lyons, NY for generations to come."

**Diana Lagenor, President of the Wayne County Business Council** says, "This honor preserves Lyons National Bank's historic, architectural, and aesthetic character and heritage in Wayne County and beyond. We are so proud to have you as part of our business community." Inclusion in the Historical Business Preservation Registry reflects Lyons National Bank's impact on the region, providing access and promotional assistance, and helping guarantee business viability so that Lyons National Bank may continue to be a resource for generations to come.

For more information on The New York State Historic Business Preservation Registry, [click here](#).

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