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### **First National Community Bank Plans Expansion in Paulding**

**Chatsworth, Ga., March 9** – First National Community Bank (FNCB) has outlined plans for expanding the bank’s presence and market penetration for its Acworth, Georgia based Loan Production Office. The growth plans include expanding the bank’s commercial and consumer lending focus throughout Paulding County, Cobb County and metro Atlanta.

“The success of our bank’s Paulding County Loan Production Office has elevated the bank’s visibility significantly in Paulding County. We see this as an emerging market for us, having opened the office in August 2020. We are encouraged by our progress and further desire to be the area’s go-to source for lending and financial expertise,” said President and Chief Executive Officer, Ryan P. Earnest.

The bank’s focus remains on the burgeoning area and assisting small businesses and consumers with their lending needs through a robust suite of lending products and services geared to meet the needs of a growing community. The Paulding County Loan Production Office is headed up by Paulding County native, Alex Crenshaw, who serves as Senior Vice President and Market President (Acworth/Paulding County).

“As I was born and raised in Paulding County, I am honored to be an integral part of the growth of this community and to help businesses navigate through the commercial lending process. I am presently enrolled in the 32<sup>nd</sup> class of Leadership Paulding and was recently appointed to the board of the Greater West Georgia Development Authority by the Paulding County Board of Commissioners, which will allow me to further the bank’s mission in becoming the lender of choice in Paulding,” said Crenshaw.

To further exemplify its commitment in Paulding County, FNCB recently joined the Paulding County Chamber of Commerce and has a ribbon cutting scheduled for March 30 from 11:30am to 1pm in partnership with the chamber at the bank’s Acworth Loan Production Office, located at 2487 Cedarcrest Road, Suite 711, Acworth, GA 30101.

First National Community Bank is northwest Georgia’s largest community bank with approximately \$600 million in assets and \$500 million in deposits.

#### **About First Chatsworth Bankshares Inc.**

Founded in 1975, First National Community Bank, the wholly-owned subsidiary of First Chatsworth Bankshares, Inc., has approximately \$600 million in total assets and \$500 million in total deposits. We are a locally owned community bank with all branches located within a contiguous footprint throughout northwest Georgia with local decision making, exemplary customer service and extraordinary involvement in the communities we serve. The Bank operates 10 full-service banking offices in Adairsville, Calhoun, Cartersville, Chatsworth, Dalton (2 banking office locations), Eton and Rome (3 banking office locations), a mortgage office in Dalton and loan production offices in Paulding County, Georgia and Chattanooga, Tennessee. For more information, visit [www.fncbank.com](http://www.fncbank.com).

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