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MAGNOLIA STATE BANK'S MCMURRAY SELECTED FOR 2017 LEADERSHIP PINEBELT CLASS

James Dabney McMurray III, Loan Officer for Magnolia State Bank, was recently selected for the Area Development Partnership's 2017 Leadership Pinebelt class.

Leadership Pinebelt was established in 1989 to train emerging and existing leaders in the Greater Hattiesburg Area. It is comprised of a diverse network of business leaders and community volunteers who are committed to shaping the Pine Belt community both economically and socially while building and shaping their own networks.

Class members are selected based on specific criteria including; time commitment, community involvement, diversity and willingness to work toward collective goals. The program's steering committee reviews each application and selects the class based on these criteria. The selection process is very detailed and competitive and it's considered to be an honor if chosen.

"Dab is a valuable team member at our bank's Hattiesburg office, and we are confident he will be an asset to the Leadership class of 2017," said Kris Mangum, CEO of Magnolia State Bank.

This year's class will spend the next eight months focusing on enhancing leadership skills and garnering a better understanding of the Hattiesburg area in the realm of health care, cultural arts, economic development, military and regional industry. After completion of the program, the class will graduate in October.

About Company Name:

Magnolia State Bank is a state chartered community bank with assets of \$300 million located in Bay Springs, Hattiesburg, Heidelberg, Laurel, Petal and Taylorsville.