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Consumers National Bank Receives Regulatory Approval For New Hartville Office

Minerva, Ohio – Consumers National Bank announced today that it has received approval from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) for its application to open a new branch office in Hartville, Ohio. The new office, which will be built at 1215 W. Maple Street (Rt. 619) in Hartville, marks the bank's eleventh branch and sixth location in Stark County. Consumers National Bank anticipates that the new Hartville office will open for business in the first quarter of 2011.

“OCC approval of our branch application for Hartville indicates that Consumers National Bank is a strong, safe, and secure financial organization with a solid history of community reinvestment,” said Ralph J. Lober, II, president and CEO of Consumers National Bank. “I am pleased that Consumers now has the opportunity to bring community banking to the communities of Hartville and Lake Township,” said Lober.

Consumers National Bank was established by local business men in Minerva, Ohio, in 1965. Since that time, the bank has expanded beyond Stark to Carroll and Columbiana counties taking its philosophy of community banking and knowledgeable, personalized service to these markets. The bank, now at \$270 million in assets is the largest community bank in Stark county and holds a four-star (excellent) Bauer Financial bank rating.

“Consumers National Bank has grown primarily by investing back into the communities in which we do business,” said Lober. “We provide customers direct access to local decision making and state-of-the-art technology. Hartville is a growing community whose residents share many of the characteristics that our current customers in Stark, Carroll, and Columbiana counties have, such as a strong work ethic, family values, and pride in their community. We believe that the Hartville community will appreciate the kind of personalized service and product offerings we provide at Consumers National Bank. We have locally-based service and offer all the technology that the regional and mega-banks offer. It is a win-win for consumers,” said Lober.

In addition to local community banking, the new location will bring approximately six full and part-time jobs to the Village of Hartville. In addition to a branch manager, customer service representative, and tellers, a business development officer/commercial lender will work out of the new location.

Consumers National Bank intends to construct the 2,500 square foot branch facility in conjunction with Hartville-based developer Ellis Erb, Inc. and architect Thomas Klingensmith. The facility will include a traditional bank lobby, three drive-up teller lanes, a drive-up ATM as well as conference and training facilities.

“We look forward to building new personal and business banking relationships in Hartville,” said Lober. “In addition to providing a variety of checking and savings accounts, Consumers National Bank has money to lend to local consumers and businesses. While our branch personnel help our customers reach their financial goals, Rick Baxter, our Business Development officer and Randy Gilroy, our

Business Development Officer/Agricultural Specialist will work closely to serve the needs of the community's businesses and farms.”

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Consumers National Bank is an independent community bank that provides a comprehensive line of banking and other investment services to business and personal customers through its main office in Minerva, and branches in Alliance, Carrollton, East Canton, Hanoverton, Lisbon, Louisville, Malvern, Salem, and Waynesburg, Ohio. More information about Consumers National Bank can be accessed online at www.ConsumersBank.com. Member FDIC.